Influenza activity in Davis County is currently at a minimal level. The school absentee rate for Week 5 (7.77%) is higher than what it has been in the past, which could be in part due to COVID-19 (see Figure 1). Fewer than five influenza-associated hospitalizations were reported in Week 5. Updated ILI rates for this season can be found in Figure 2.

Figure 1. Elementary School Absence Rate, Davis County, 2021-22, 2019-20, 5-Year Average

Influenza-like Illness (ILI) is defined as fever (temperature of ≥100°F [37.8°C]), cough, and/or a sore throat without a known cause other than influenza.
INFLUENZA ACTIVITY IN UTAH*

Utah’s influenza severity was estimated at a low level during Week 5. There were 16 hospitalized influenza cases reported during Week 5 in the state of Utah, with a total of 236 hospitalizations so far this season.

Surveillance data for influenza testing in laboratories across Utah indicate that 145 specimens were positive for influenza during Week 5. The predominant virus currently circulating in the community is influenza A (H3N2).

*For more information regarding influenza activity in Utah, please visit: https://bit.ly/3qPBrtH.

INFLUENZA ACTIVITY IN THE UNITED STATES**

During Week 4, influenza activity declined slightly in the United States, with all states reporting influenza activity. Thirty-five states reported minimal (including Utah) activity, nine states reported low activity, two states reported moderate activity, and four states reported high activity (see Figure 3).

Collaborating clinical laboratories across the United States reported that 1.7% of respiratory specimens tested were positive for influenza in Week 4. Of those, 97.0% were typed as influenza A and 3.0% as influenza B.

CDC performs genetic and antigenic characterization of U.S. viruses submitted from state and local laboratories. The specimens are also tested for susceptibility of influenza virus to antiviral medications. Virus characterization data will be updated later this season when a sufficient number of specimens have been tested.

**For more information regarding influenza activity nationwide, please visit: https://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/