

# Respiratory Illness Report - Week ending September 23, 2023

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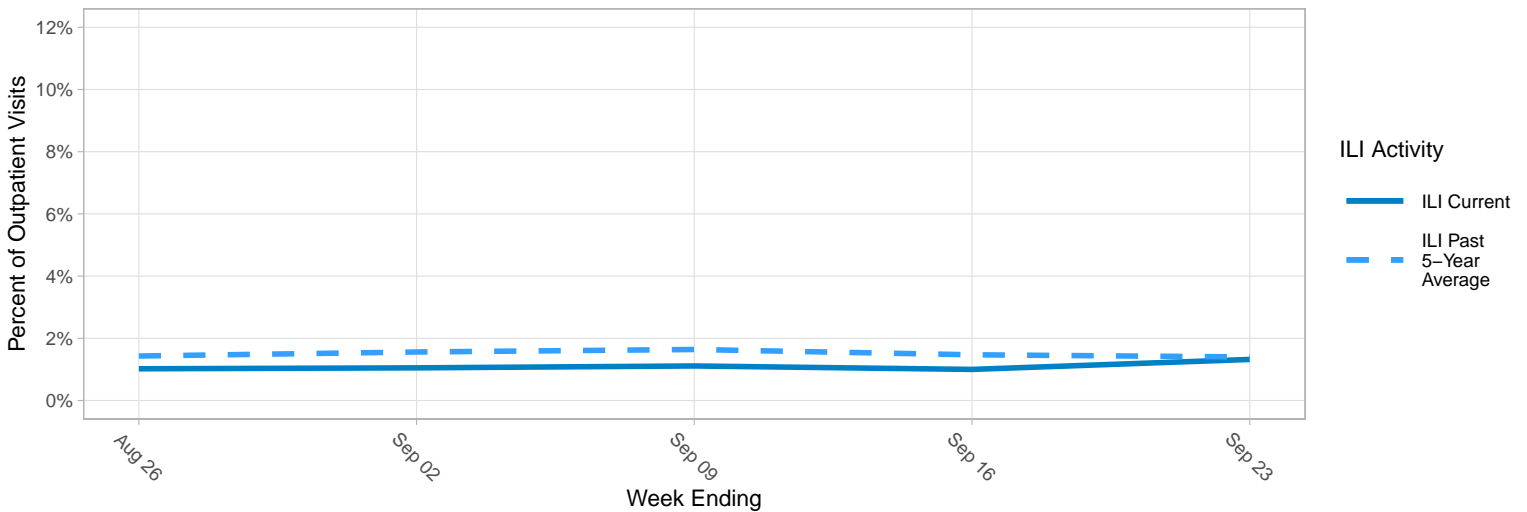
## Overview

COVID-19 Wastewater Surveillance: As of September 21, overall statewide levels of viral concentrations in wastewater remained high, but decreased slightly since last week. In Davis County, two sewer districts (SD) are in the Elevated category (the South Davis - South SD/North Salt Lake area and the Central Davis SD/Farmington, Kaysville area), the remaining two sites are in the Watch category, and no sites are in the Low category.

## Influenza-Like Illness

Graph 1 displays the weekly percentage of outpatient visits due to influenza-like illness (ILI). For comparison, the dashed line shows the previous 5-year average (2018-2023 to date) of ILI activity. This week's ILI rate was 1.3%.

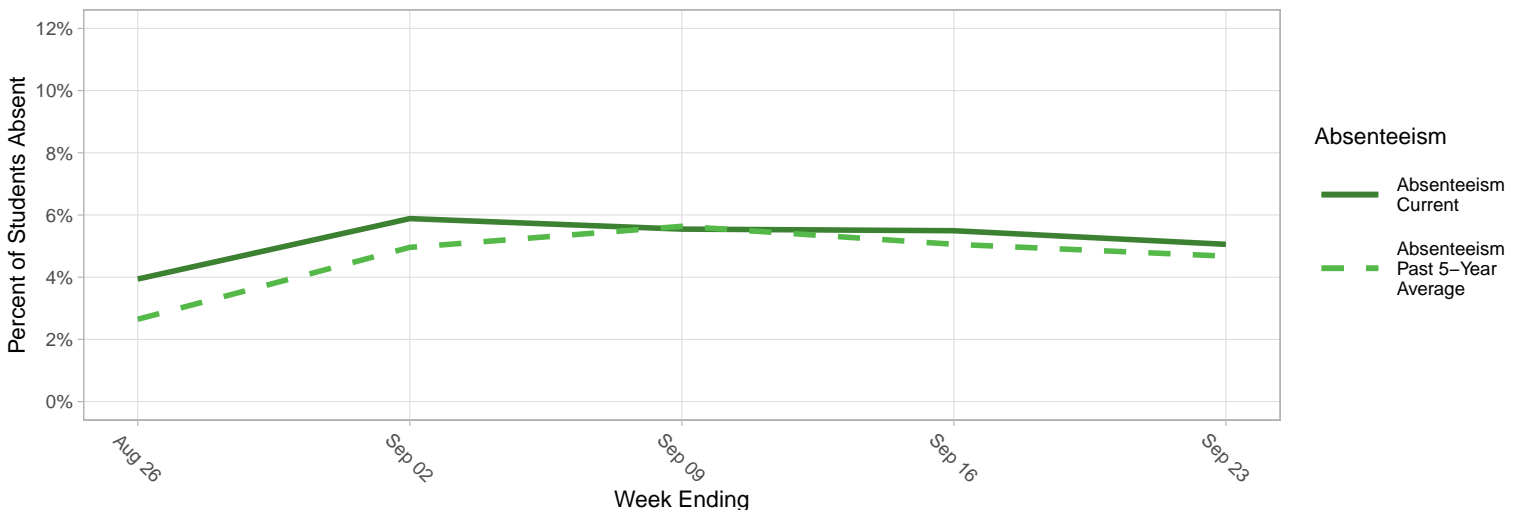
Graph 1. Percent of Outpatient Visits due to Influenza-Like Illness, by Week, Davis County, Utah



## School Absenteeism

Graph 2 displays the weekly percentage of elementary school absenteeism in Davis School District. For comparison, the dashed line shows the absenteeism rate of the previous 5 school years (school year ending 2018-2022). This week's absenteeism rate was 5.1%.

Graph 2. Percentage of Elementary School Absenteeism, by Week, Davis School District, Utah



## Emergency Department Visits

Graph 3 displays the rolling 7 day average of the percent of emergency department (ED) visits due to COVID-19, influenza, and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV). These data are obtained from syndromic surveillance and only consider the diagnosis discharge codes for each condition. Table 1 presents two data points for each virus: the current trend of ED visits (increasing, decreasing, or no change), and the percent of ED visits due to each during the currently reported week.

Graph 3. Percent of ED Visits due to COVID-19, Influenza, & RSV, Rolling 7-day Average, Davis County, Utah

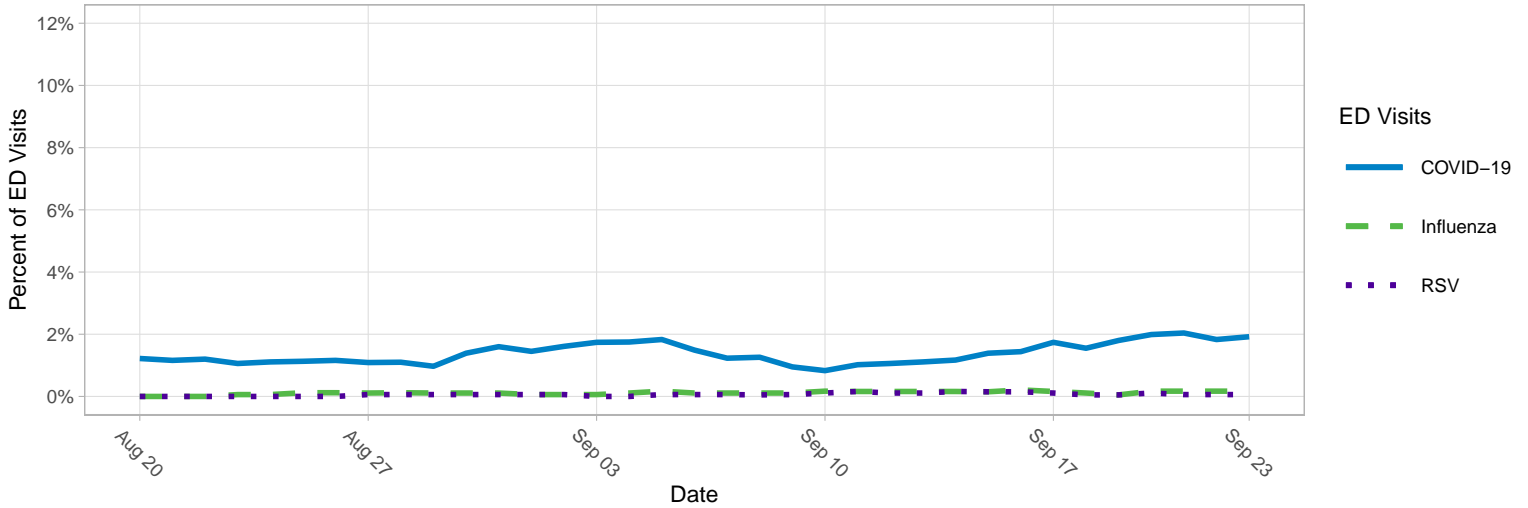


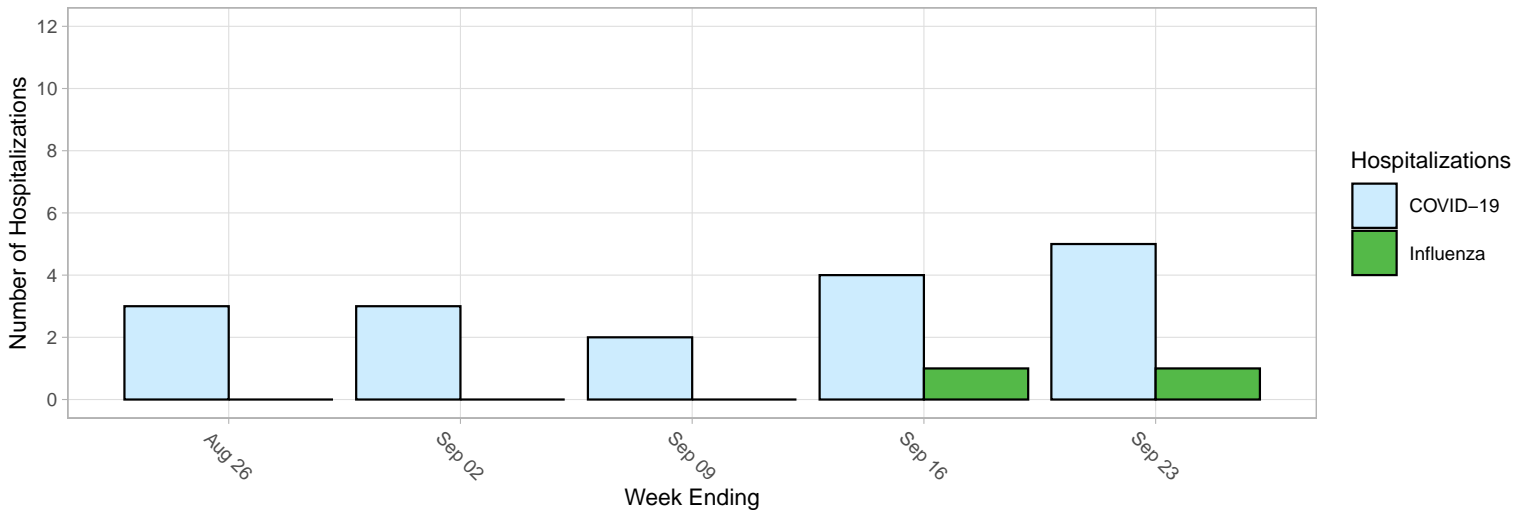
Table 1: Recent Trends of ED Visits, Davis County, Utah, for Week Ending Sep 23, 2023

Virus	Trend	Percent of ED Visits
COVID-19	Increasing (last 14 days)	1.9 %
Influenza	Plateau/no trend (last 14 days)	0.2 %
RSV	Decreasing (last 14 days)	0.1 %

## Hospitalizations

Graph 4 displays the weekly number of hospitalizations due to COVID-19 and influenza.

Graph 4. Number of Hospitalizations due to COVID-19 & Influenza, Davis County, Utah



## Vaccine Information

**Influenza:** Everyone age 6 months and older should receive an influenza vaccine by the end of October every year.

**COVID-19:** Everyone age 6 months and older should receive the 2023-2024 updated COVID-19 vaccine. Specific recommendations are based on age and immunocompetence. Please visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/stay-up-to-date.html> for more details on all recommendations.