

# Respiratory Illness Report - Week ending January 20, 2024

### Overview

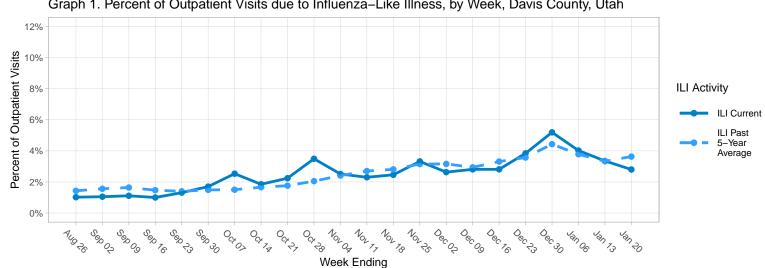
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Influenza: Statewide influenza-like illness (ILI) and hospitalization rates both remained in low severity this week. In Davis County, current ILI rates also remained in minimal severity. Nationwide, key influenza indicators have decreased or remained stable nationally for three weeks. CDC will continue to monitor for a second period of increased influenza activity that often occurs after the winter holidays.

COVID-19 Wastewater Surveillance: As of January 18, overall statewide viral concentrations in wastewater remain high, with 32 sites (94.1%) in the Elevated category. In Davis County, all four sites are in the Elevated category as well. This is an increase from last week when two sites saw decreases. Explore statewide wastewater surveillance data at https://avrpublic.dhhs.utah.gov/uwss/.

#### Influenza-Like Illness

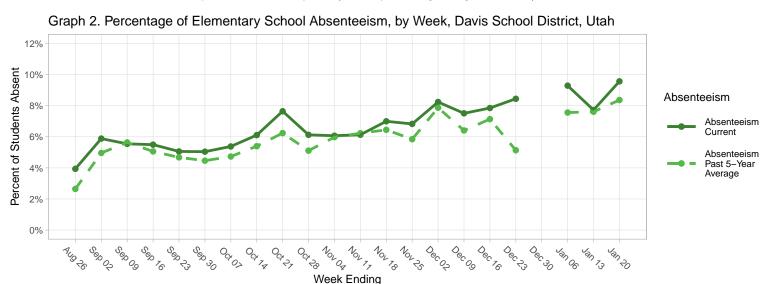
Graph 1 displays the weekly percentage of outpatient visits due to influenza-like illness (ILI). For comparison, the dashed line shows the previous 5-year average (2018-2022) of ILI activity. This week's ILI rate was 2.8%.



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 years beginning 2018-2022). This week's absenteeism rate was 9.6%.



## **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 Jan 20, 2024

| Virus     | Trend                     | Percent of ED Visits |
|-----------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| COVID-19  | Decreasing (last 14 days) | 1.6 %                |
| Influenza | Decreasing (last 14 days) | 3.2 %                |
| RSV       | Decreasing (last 14 days) | 1.1 %                |

## **Hospitalizations**

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

