

Respiratory Illness Report - Week ending February 10, 2024

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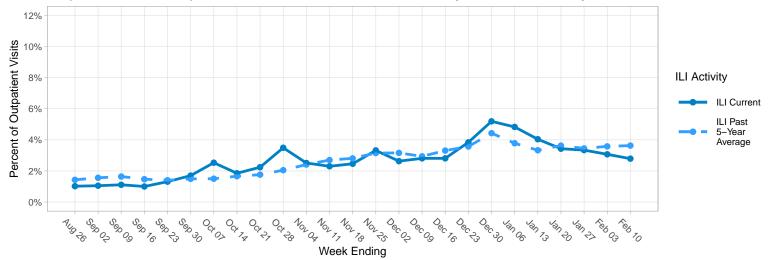
Overview

Influenza: Statewide influenza-like illness (ILI) and hospitalization rates in Utah remain in low severity. In Davis County, current ILI rates also remained in minimal severity. Nationwide, percent positivity for influenza overall remained stable. In addition, the number of weekly influenza hospital admissions remained stable compared to last week.

COVID-19 Wastewater Surveillance: As of February 8, overall statewide viral concentrations in wastewater continue to decrease. There are with 18 sites (52.9%) in the Elevated category (a decrease of three sites from last week). In Davis County, the North Davis and Central Davis sites remain in the Elevated category. The other two sites, South Davis – North and South Davis – South remained in the Watch category. Explore statewide wastewater surveillance data at https://avrpublic.dhhs.utah.gov/uwss/.

Influenza-Like Illness

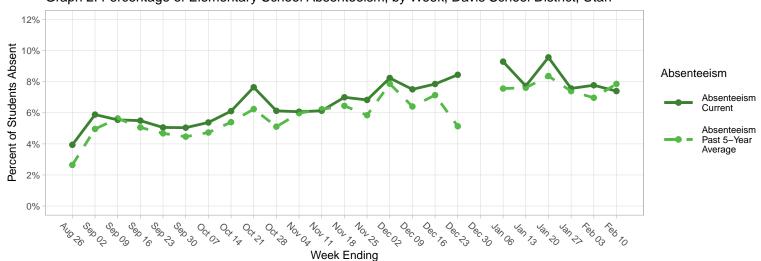
Graph 1 displays the weekly percentage of outpatient visits due to influenza-like illness (ILI). For comparison, the dashed line shows the previous 5-year average (2018-2022) of ILI activity. This week's ILI rate was 2.8%.

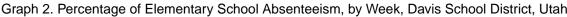




School Absenteeism

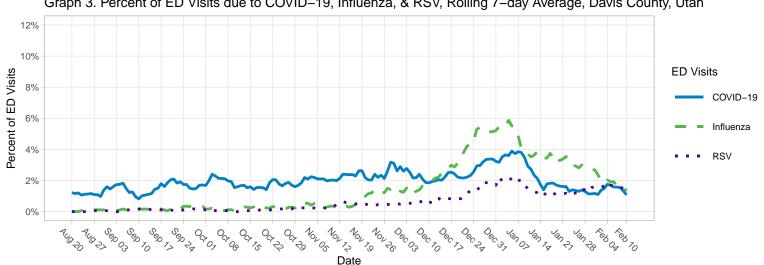
Graph 2 displays the weekly percentage of elementary school absenteeism in Davis School District. For comparison, the dashed line shows the absenteeism rate of the previous 5 school years (school years beginning 2018-2022). This week's absenteeism rate was 7.4%.





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.



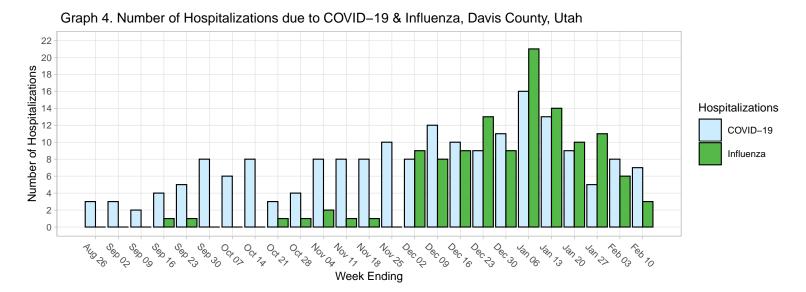
Graph 3. Percent of ED Visits due to COVID-19, Influenza, & RSV, Rolling 7-day Average, Davis County, Utah

Table 1: Recent Trends of ED Visits, Davis County, Utah, for Week Ending Feb 10, 2024

Virus	Trend	Percent of ED Visits
COVID-19	Decreasing (last 7 days)	1.1 %
Influenza	Decreasing (last 14 days)	1.3 %
RSV	Plateau/no trend (last 14 days)	1.4 %

Hospitalizations

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



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