

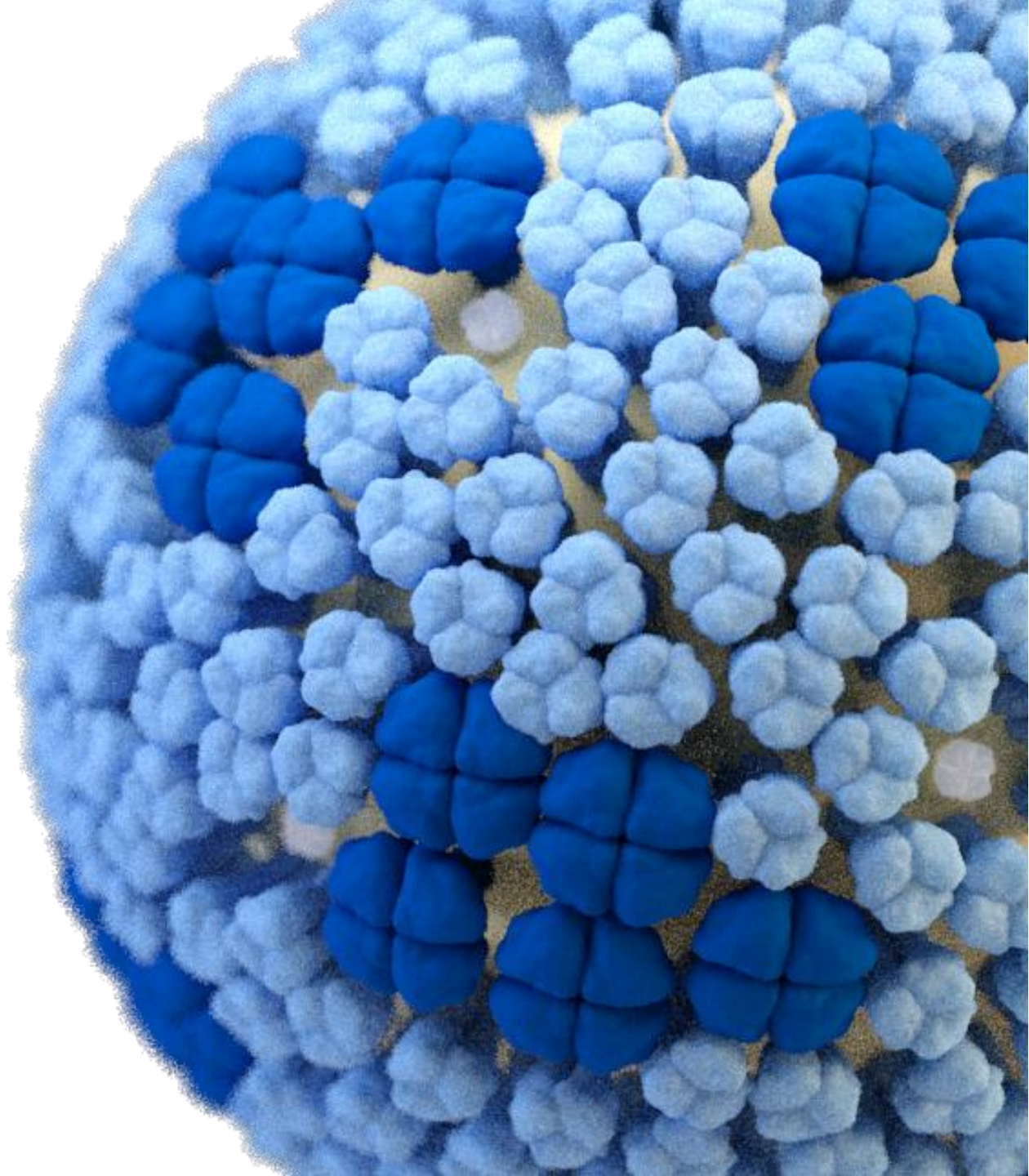
Influenza Update: 2024-2025 Season

December 12, 2024

(Data through Week 48, ending Nov 30, 2024)

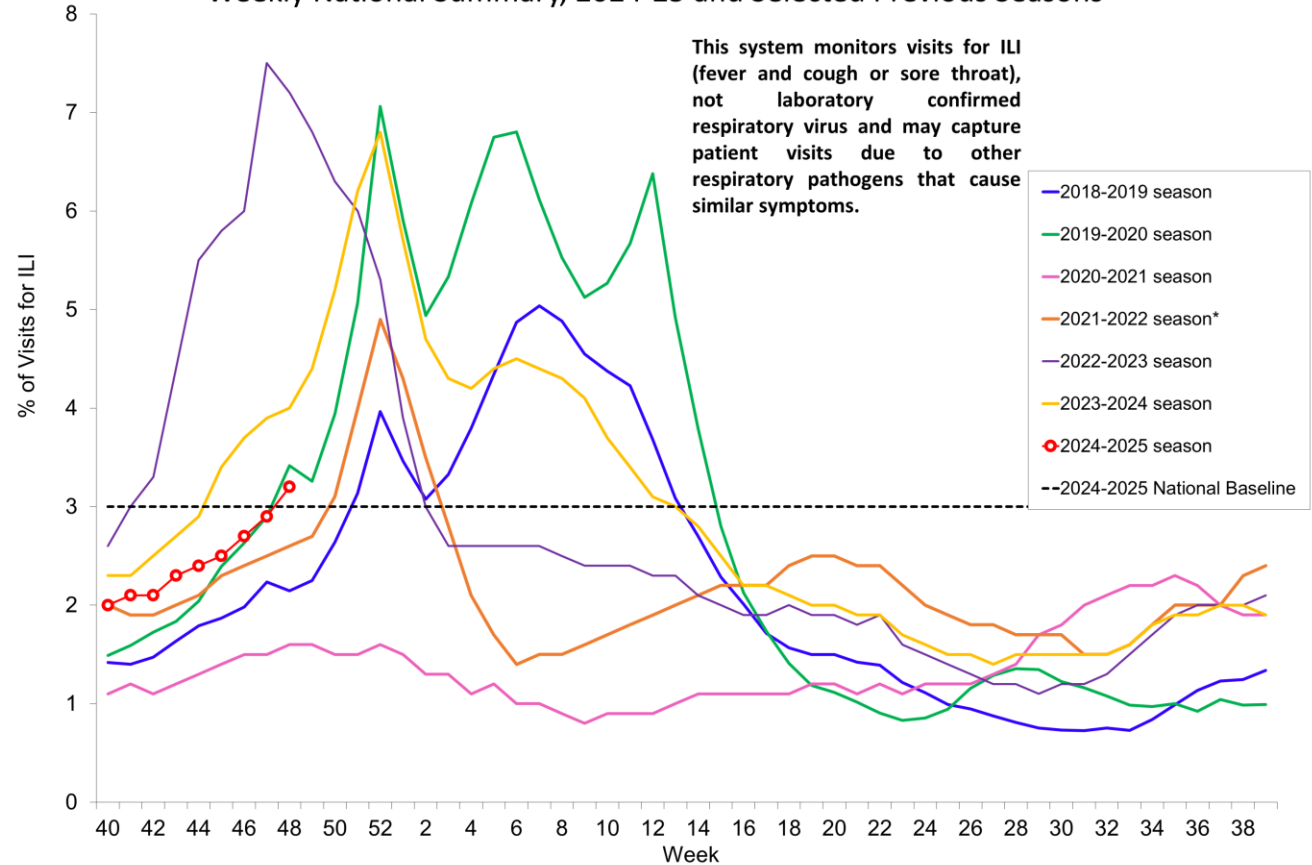
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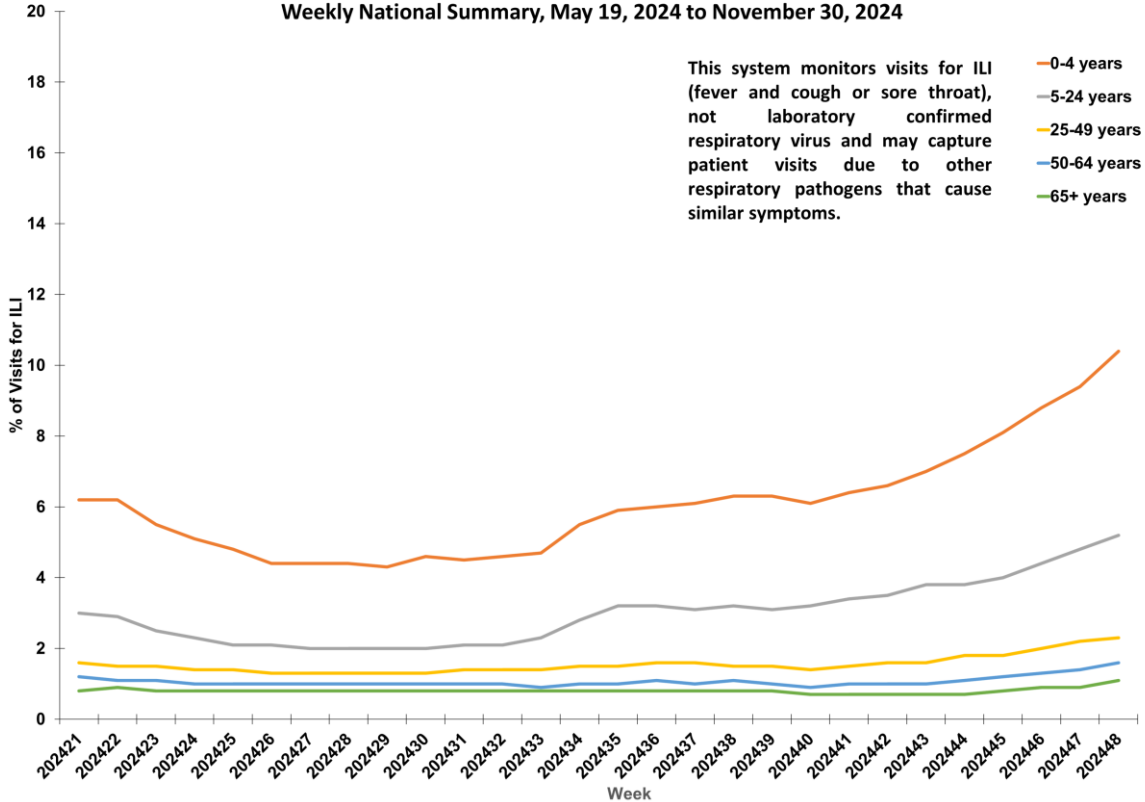


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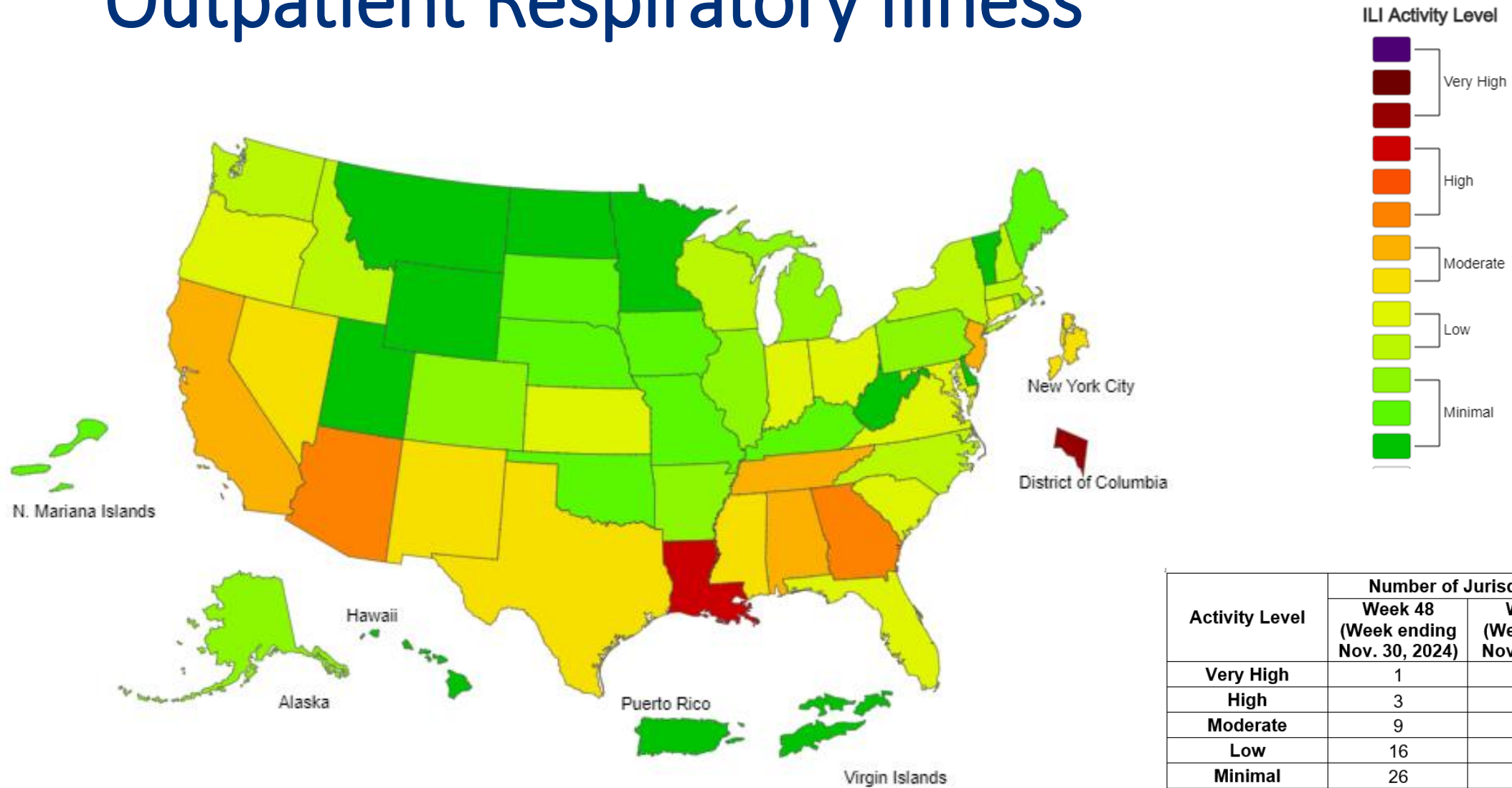
Percentage of Outpatient Visits for Respiratory Illness Reported By
The U.S. Outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet),
Weekly National Summary, 2024-25 and Selected Previous Seasons



Percentage of Outpatient Visits for Respiratory Illness by Age Group
Reported by the U.S. Outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet),
Weekly National Summary, May 19, 2024 to November 30, 2024



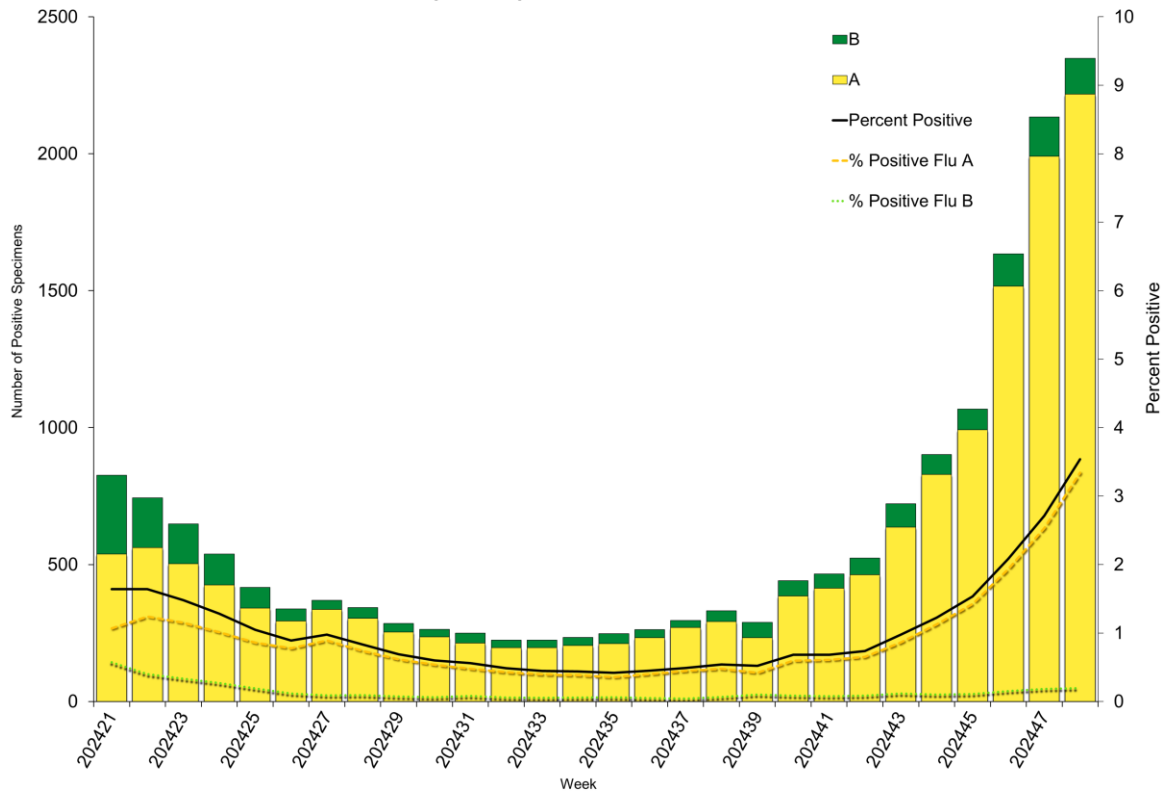
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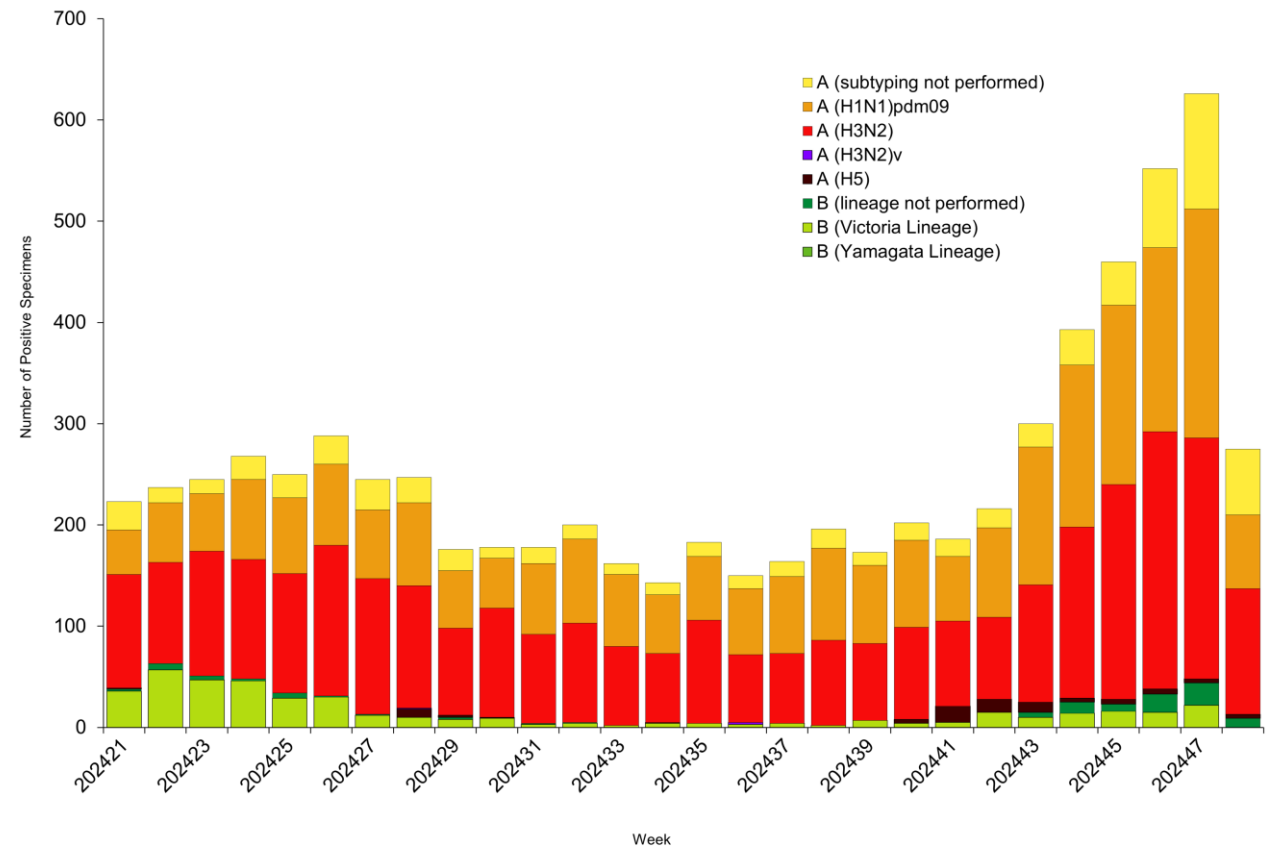
Activity Level	Number of Jurisdictions	
	Week 48 (Week ending Nov. 30, 2024)	Week 47 (Week ending Nov. 23, 2024)
Very High	1	1
High	3	1
Moderate	9	3
Low	16	19
Minimal	26	31
Insufficient Data	0	0

Virologic Surveillance

Influenza Positive Tests Reported to CDC by U.S. Clinical Laboratories, National Summary, May 19, 2024 – November 30, 2024

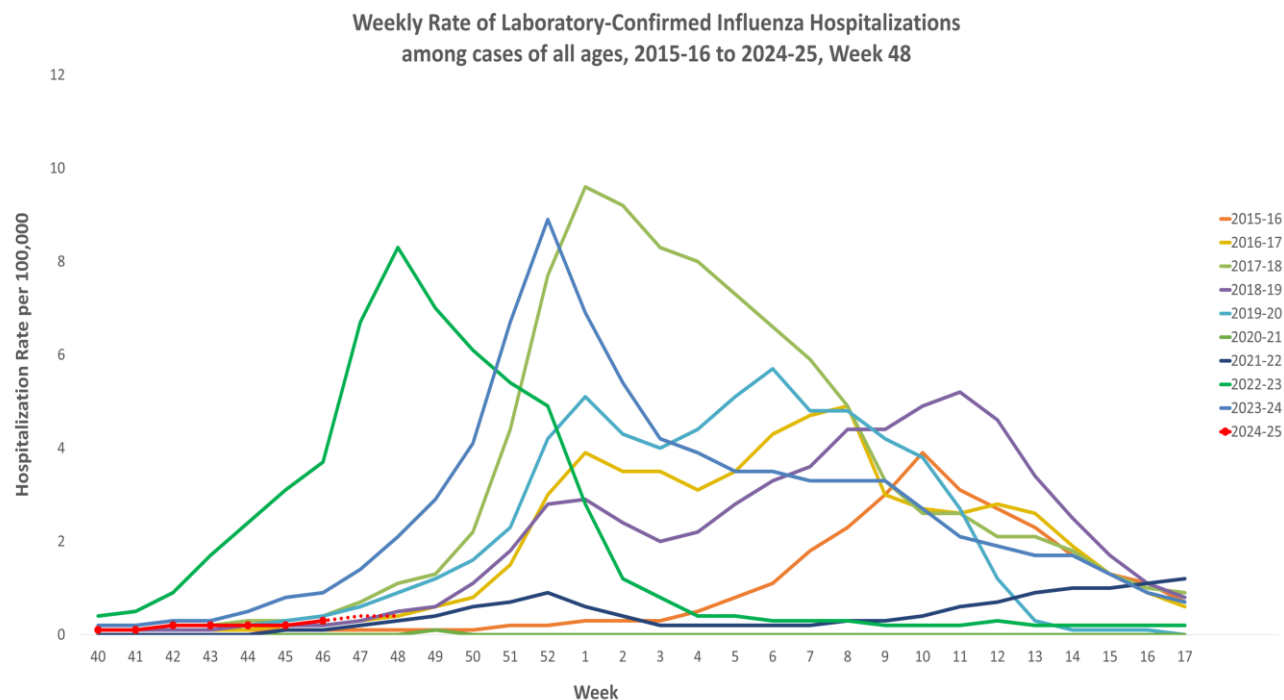
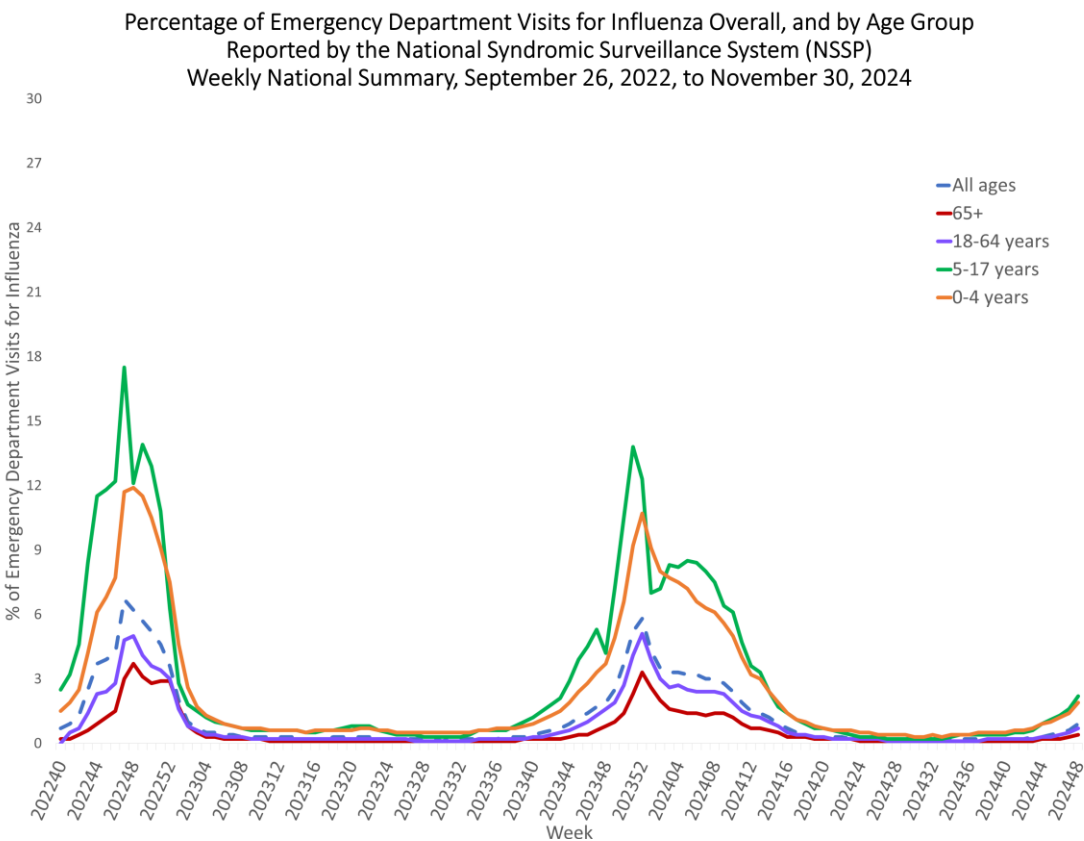


Influenza Positive Tests Reported to CDC by U.S. Public Health Laboratories, National Summary, May 19, 2024 – November 30, 2024



*These data reflect specimens tested, and the number determined to be positive for influenza viruses at the public health labs (specimens tested is not the same as cases). The data do not reflect specimens tested only at CDC and could include more than one specimen tested per person. The guidance for influenza A/H5 virus testing recommends testing both a conjunctival and respiratory swab for people with conjunctivitis which has resulted in more specimens testing positive for influenza A/H5 virus than the number of human H5 cases.

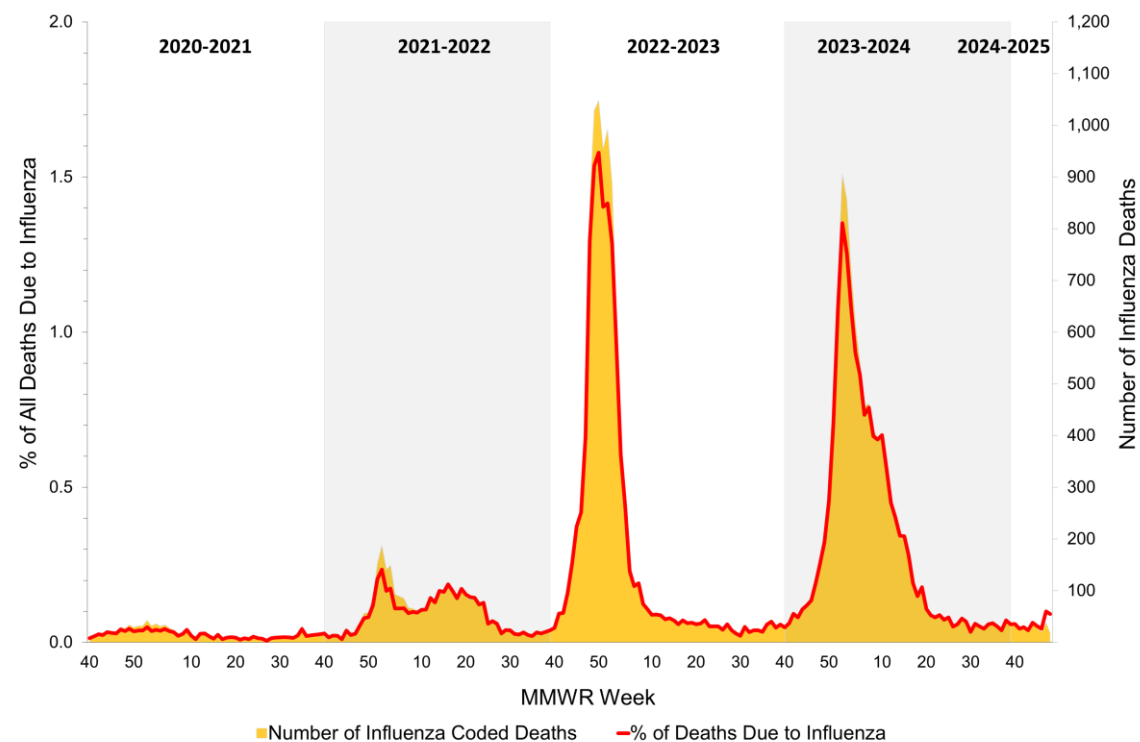
ED Visits and Hospitalizations



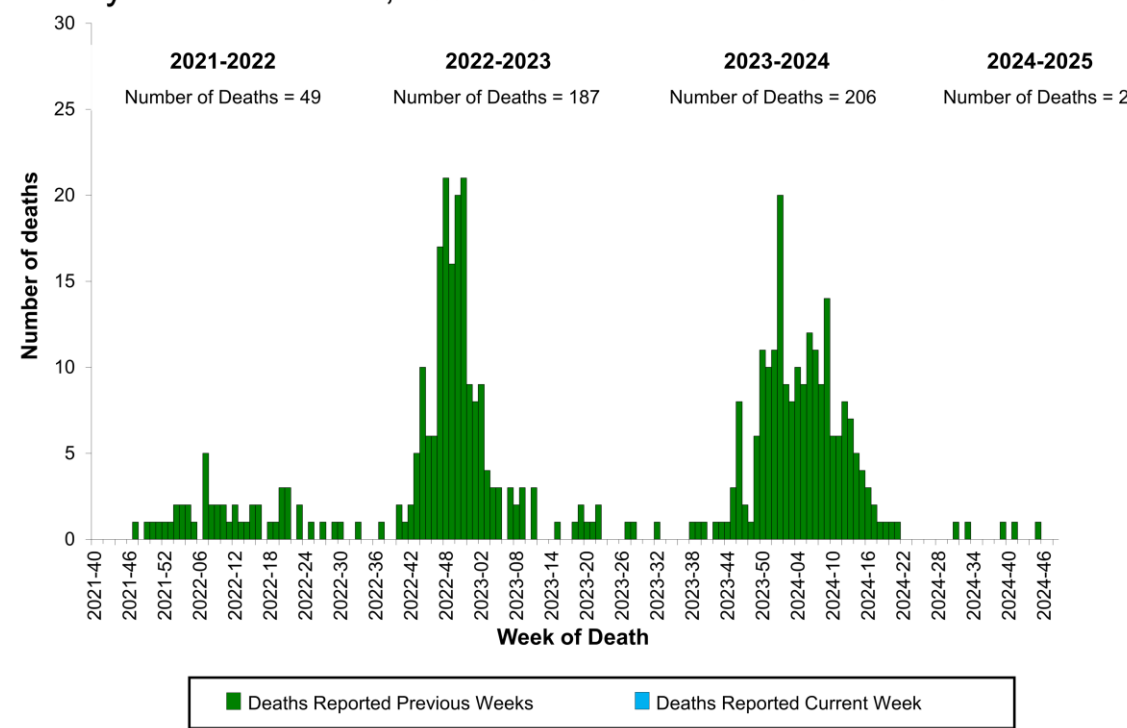
**In this figure, weekly rates for all seasons prior to the 2024-25 season reflect end-of-season rates. For the 2024-25 season, rates for recent hospital admissions are subject to reporting delays and are shown as a dashed line for the current season. As hospitalization data are received each week, prior case counts and rates are updated accordingly.

Mortality

Influenza Mortality from
the National Center for Health Statistics Mortality Surveillance System
Data as of December 5, 2024



Influenza-Associated Pediatric Deaths
by Week of Death, 2021-2022 season to 2024-2025 season



Summary

- Seasonal influenza activity is continuing to increase but remains low nationally.
- Outpatient respiratory illness is now above baseline nationally, and increasing.
- Nationally, percent positivity for influenza and the percentage of emergency department visits for influenza increased this week compared to last week.
- Influenza A(H1N1)pdm09 and A(H3N2) viruses are co-circulating, with few B viruses.
- Monitoring and testing for influenza A(H5N1) infection continues.
- CDC recommends that everyone 6 months and older get an annual flu vaccine ideally by the end of October.
- There also are prescription flu antiviral drugs that can treat flu illness; those should be started as early as possible and are especially important for higher risk patients.

Questions?
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