The data reflect reports of activity occurring November 23, 2020 through December 6, 2020.

Summary
• COVID-19 – national trends
  – Virus circulation and associated illnesses began increasing in September, relatively stable during the most recent weeks.
  – Deaths due to PIC – increasing since the beginning of October.
  – Hospitalization rate – early December was the highest weekly rate since the start of the pandemic.
  – Deaths and hospitalizations are especially prone to changes with backfill; recent weeks expected to increase.
  – All indicators are higher than summer peak and many are higher than the spring peak.

• Influenza activity remains lower than usual for this time of year in the United States and internationally.
  – It is impossible to know what will happen as the influenza season progresses.
  – It’s a great time to get vaccinated.

Additional Information
• FluView
  – https://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/index
• FluView Interactive
  – https://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluviewinteractive.htm
• COVIDView
• COVID-NET Interactive
• NCHS provisional death counts for COVID