

# Respiratory Illness Report - Week ending January 4, 2025

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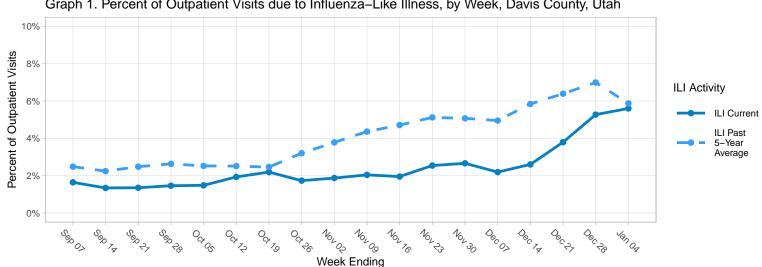
#### Overview

Influenza: In Utah, influenza-like illness (ILI) decreased to low severity, but influenza-associated hospitalizations increased to high severity. In Davis County, ILI activity is in moderate severity.

COVID-19 Wastewater Surveillance: Please note that this week there are many missing samples due to the holidays. As of December 31, overall statewide viral concentrations of SARS-CoV-2 in wastewater have increased slightly over the past week. There are 16 sites (45.7%) in the Elevated category, 13 sites (37.1%) in the Watch category, and six sites (17.1%) in the Low category. In Davis County, the South Davis - North (Bountiful/Centerville/Woods Cross/West Bountiful area) and South Davis - South (North Salt Lake area) sites are both in the Elevated category. The remaining two sites are in the Watch category. Explore statewide wastewater surveillance data at https://avrpublic.dhhs.utah.gov/uwss/.

#### Influenza-Like Illness

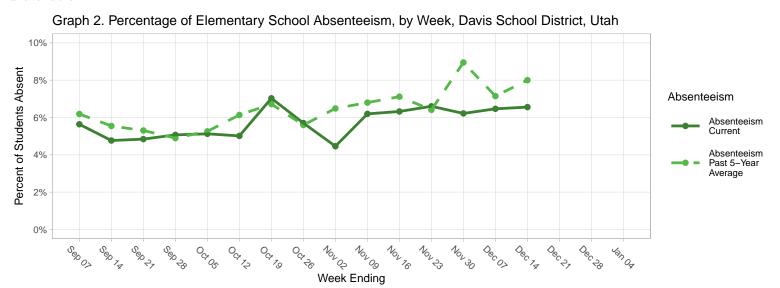
Graph 1 displays the weekly percentage of outpatient visits due to influenza-like illness (ILI). For comparison, the dashed line shows the previous 5-year average (2019-2023) of ILI activity. This week's ILI rate was 5.6%.



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

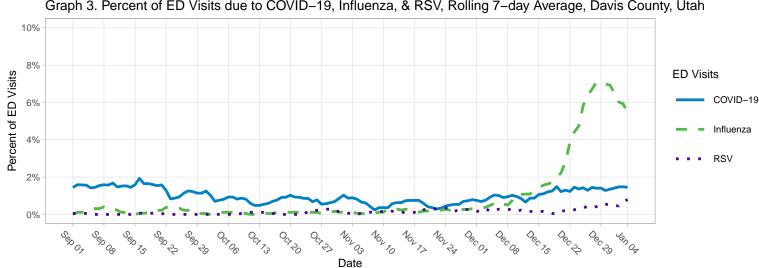
#### School Absenteeism

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 2019-2023). This week's absenteeism rate is unavailable.



### **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.



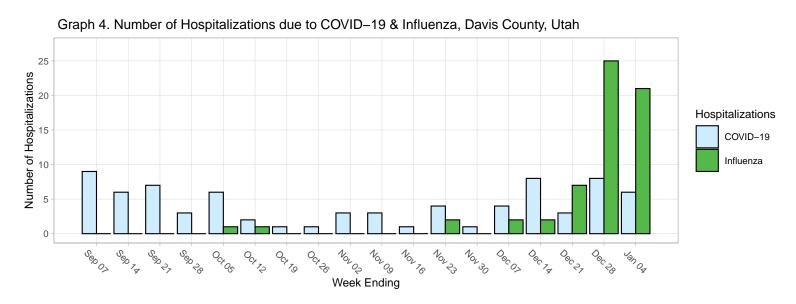
Graph 3. Percent of ED Visits due to COVID-19, Influenza, & RSV, Rolling 7-day Average, Davis County, Utah

Table 1: Recent Trends of ED Visits, Davis County, Utah, for Week Ending Jan 04, 2025

${f Virus}$	Trend	Percent of ED Visits
COVID-19	Plateau/no trend (last 14 days)	1.4 %
Influenza	Decreasing (last 7 days)	5.4 %
RSV	Increasing (last 14 days)	0.8 %

## Hospitalizations

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



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