

Respiratory Illness Report - Week ending October 26, 2024

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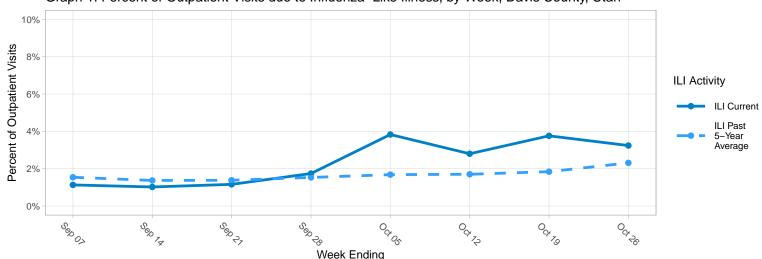
Overview

Influenza: Nationwide, seasonal influenza activity remains low. In Utah, influenza-like illness (ILI) and influenza hospitalizations are in low severity across the state. In Davis County, ILI activity is classified as minimal.

COVID-19 Wastewater Surveillance: As of October 24, overall statewide viral concentrations of SARS-CoV-2 in wastewater remain stable across the state. There are three sites (8.6%) in the Elevated category, eight sites (22.9%) in the Watch category, and 24 sites (68.6%) in the Low category. In Davis County, only the North Davis site (Layton/Clearfield/Syracuse/West Point area) is in the Watch category. The remaining three sites are all in the Low category. Explore statewide wastewater surveillance data at https://avrpublic.dhhs.utah.gov/uwss/.

Influenza-Like Illness

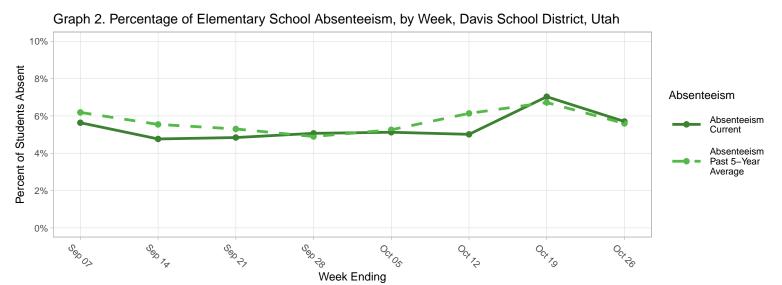
Graph 1 displays the weekly percentage of outpatient visits due to influenza-like illness (ILI). For comparison, the dashed line shows the previous 5-year average (2019-2023) of ILI activity. This week's ILI rate was 3.2%.



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

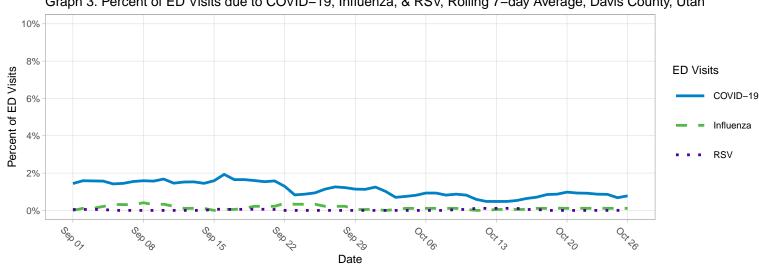
School Absenteeism

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 was 5.7%.



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.



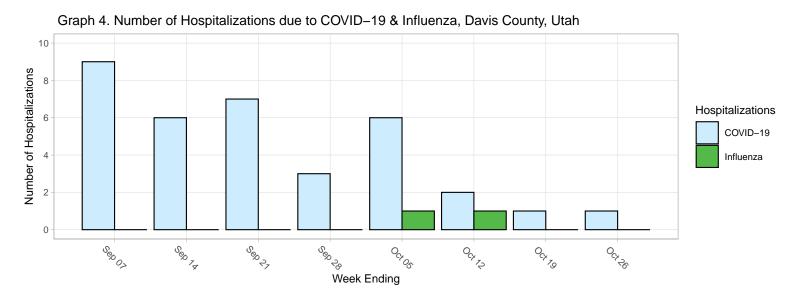
Graph 3. Percent of ED Visits due to COVID-19, Influenza, & RSV, Rolling 7-day Average, Davis County, Utah

Table 1: Recent Trends of ED Visits, Davis County, Utah, for Week Ending Oct 26, 2024

Virus	Trend	Percent of ED Visits
COVID-19	Increasing (last 14 days)	0.8 %
Influenza	Increasing (last 14 days)	0.1 %
RSV	Decreasing (last 14 days)	0.1 %

Hospitalizations

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



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