



## Respiratory Illnesses

# Respiratory Virus Activity Levels

Provides an update on how COVID-19, influenza, and RSV may be spreading nationally and in your state.

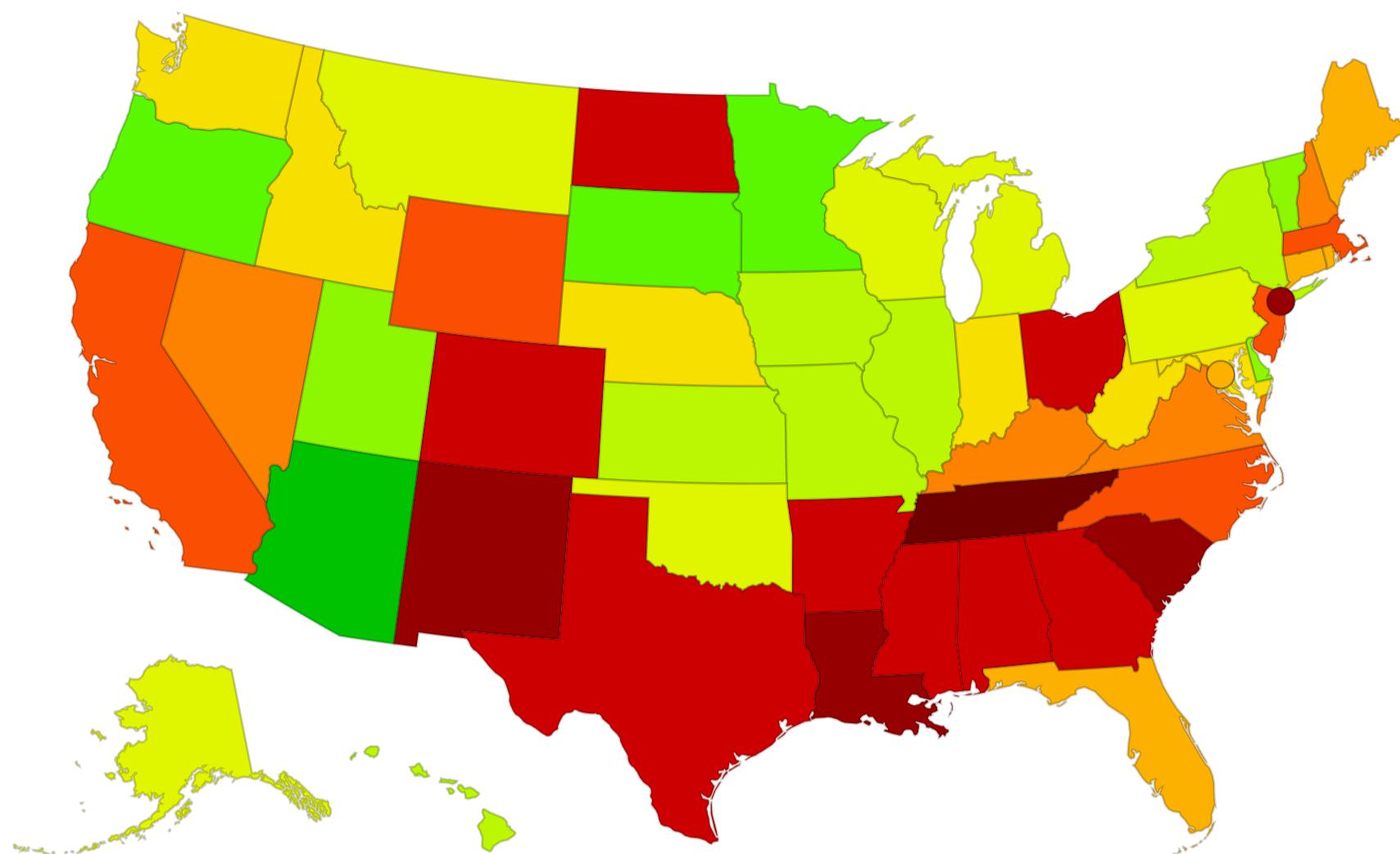
### Activity Levels Update:

- The amount of respiratory illness (fever plus cough or sore throat) causing people to seek healthcare is elevated across most areas of the country, though some decrease in activity is noted. This week, 22 jurisdictions experienced high or very high activity compared to 37 jurisdictions two weeks ago.
- Nationally, emergency department visits with diagnosed influenza, COVID-19, and RSV are decreasing.
- Nationally, COVID-19, RSV and influenza test positivity remain elevated. COVID-19 and RSV test positivity decreased compared to the previous week and influenza test positivity remained stable.
- Nationally, COVID-19 [wastewater viral activity levels](#), which reflect both symptomatic and asymptomatic infections, remain elevated, but decreased from very high to high. The highest regional levels are in the South.

*Reported on Friday, January 26th, 2024.*

## Level of Respiratory Illness Activity

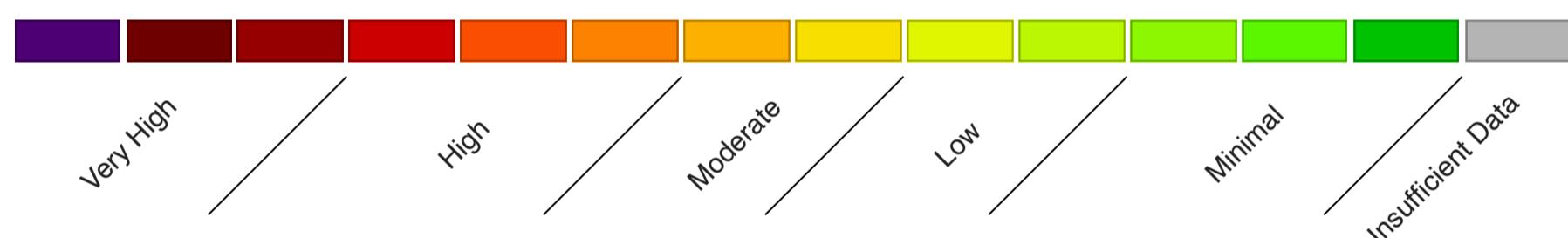
*Activity levels determined weekly based on the percentage of visits to enrolled outpatient healthcare providers or emergency departments for fever and cough or sore throat reported to [ILINet](#). Visits can be attributed to a variety of respiratory pathogens that cause these symptoms. Activity levels reflect how the percentage in the most recent week compares to what that jurisdiction typically experiences during low circulation periods. Trend information for the percentages used to calculate activity levels can be found at: [National, Regional, and State Level Outpatient Illness and Viral Surveillance \(cdc.gov\)](#).*



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### Respiratory Illness Activity Level



Data presented through: 01/20/2024; Data as of: 01/25/2024

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#### Data Table

Location	Respiratory Illness Level	Respiratory Illness Level
Alabama	Level 10	High
Alaska	Level 5	Low
Arizona	Level 1	Minimal
Arkansas	Level 10	High
California	Level 9	High
Colorado	Level 10	High
Connecticut	Level 7	Moderate
Delaware	Level 3	Minimal
District Of Columbia	Level 7	Moderate
Florida	Level 7	Moderate
Georgia	Level 10	High
Hawaii	Level 4	Low
Idaho	Level 6	Moderate

Illinois	Level 4	Low
Indiana	Level 6	Moderate
Iowa	Level 4	Low
Kansas	Level 4	Low
Kentucky	Level 8	High
Louisiana	Level 11	Very High
Maine	Level 7	Moderate
Maryland	Level 6	Moderate
Massachusetts	Level 9	High
Michigan	Level 5	Low
Minnesota	Level 2	Minimal
Mississippi	Level 10	High
Missouri	Level 4	Low
Montana	Level 5	Low
Nebraska	Level 6	Moderate
Nevada	Level 8	High
New Hampshire	Level 8	High
New Jersey	Level 9	High
New Mexico	Level 11	Very High
New York	Level 4	Low
New York City	Level 11	Very High
North Carolina	Level 9	High
North Dakota	Level 10	High
Ohio	Level 10	High
Oklahoma	Level 5	Low
Oregon	Level 2	Minimal
Pennsylvania	Level 5	Low
Puerto Rico	Level 4	Low
Rhode Island	Level 7	Moderate
South Carolina	Level 11	Very High
South Dakota	Level 2	Minimal
Tennessee	Level 12	Very High
Texas	Level 10	High
U.S. Virgin Islands	Level 7	Moderate
Utah	Level 3	Minimal
Vermont	Level 3	Minimal
Virginia	Level 8	High
Washington	Level 6	Moderate
West Virginia	Level 6	Moderate
Wisconsin	Level 5	Low
Wyoming	Level 9	High

- Source: U.S. Outpatient Influenza-Like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet).
- Additional information available at: [Outpatient Illness Surveillance methods section](#).
- This system monitors visits for respiratory illness that includes fever plus a cough or sore throat, (also referred to as influenza-like illness, or ILI), not laboratory confirmed infections; therefore, patient visits due to a variety of respiratory pathogens that cause similar symptoms may be captured.
- The activity levels compare the mean reported percent of visits due to ILI during the current week to the mean reported percent of visits due to ILI during non-influenza weeks. The 13 activity levels correspond to the number of standard deviations below, at, or above the mean for the current week compared with the mean during non-influenza weeks.
- This map uses the proportion of visits to enrolled outpatient healthcare providers or emergency departments for respiratory illness to measure the activity level within a state. It does not, however, measure the extent of geographic spread of respiratory illness within a state. Therefore, outbreaks occurring in a single city could cause the state to display high activity levels.
- Data collected in ILINet may disproportionately represent certain populations within a state depending on enrolled providers, and therefore may not accurately depict the full picture of respiratory virus activity for the whole state.
- The data presented in this map is preliminary and may change as more data is received.
- Differences in the data presented by CDC and state health departments likely represent differing levels of data completeness with data presented by the state likely being the more complete.

## Emergency Department Visits for Viral Respiratory Illness

*Weekly percent of total emergency department visits associated with COVID-19, influenza, and RSV.*

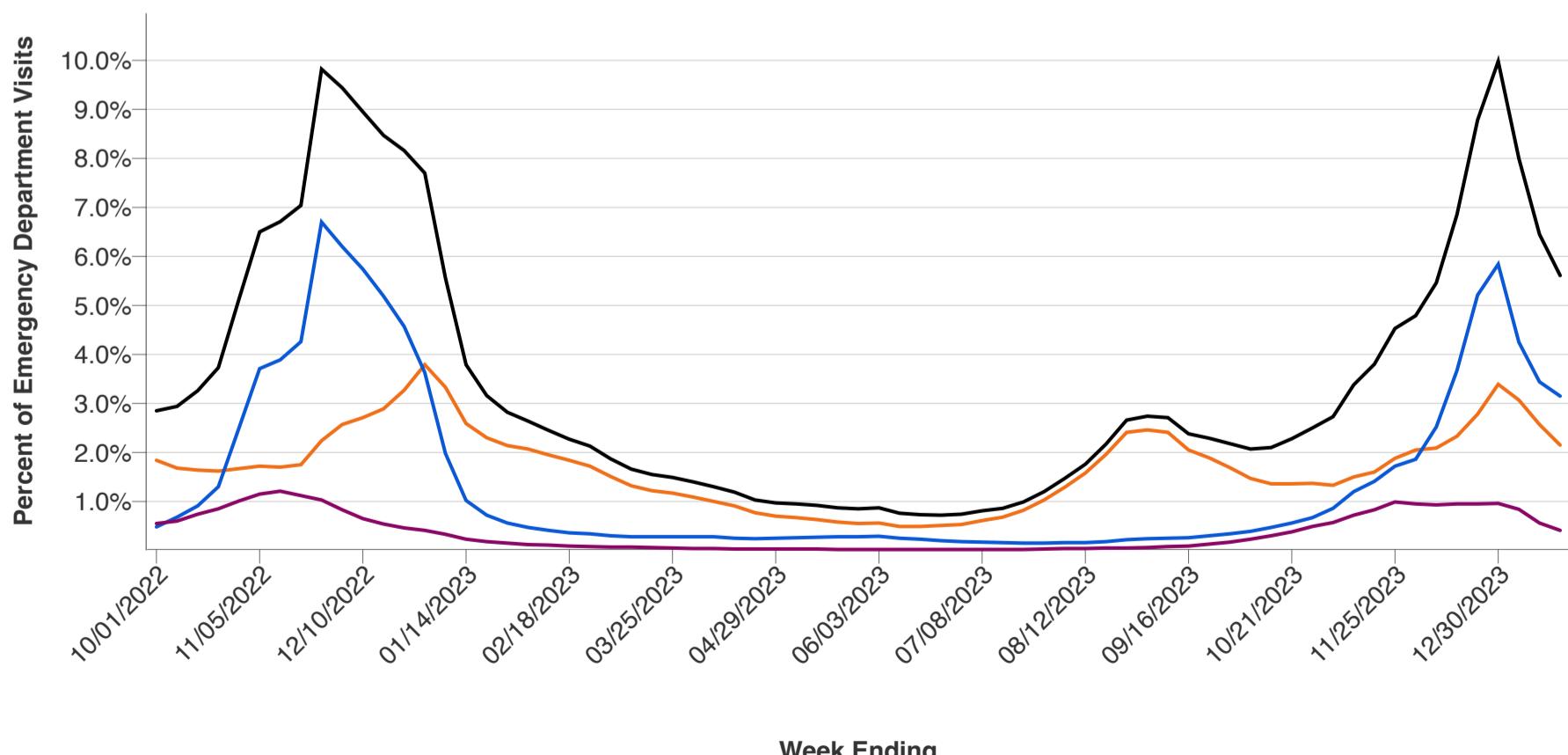
State  County

Health Service Area

Counties Represented

All

All



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Data Table

Week Ending	Combined	COVID-19	Influenza	RSV
10/01/2022	2.9%	1.8%	0.5%	0.6%
10/08/2022	2.9%	1.7%	0.7%	0.6%
10/15/2022	3.3%	1.6%	0.9%	0.7%
10/22/2022	3.7%	1.6%	1.3%	0.9%
10/29/2022	5.1%	1.7%	2.5%	1.0%
11/05/2022	6.5%	1.7%	3.7%	1.2%
11/12/2022	6.7%	1.7%	3.9%	1.2%
11/19/2022	7.0%	1.8%	4.3%	1.1%
11/26/2022	9.8%	2.2%	6.7%	1.0%
12/03/2022	9.4%	2.6%	6.2%	0.8%
12/10/2022	9.0%	2.7%	5.7%	0.7%
12/17/2022	8.5%	2.9%	5.2%	0.5%
12/24/2022	8.2%	3.3%	4.6%	0.5%
12/31/2022	7.7%	3.8%	3.6%	0.4%
01/07/2023	5.6%	3.3%	2.0%	0.3%
01/14/2023	3.8%	2.6%	1.0%	0.2%
01/21/2023	3.2%	2.3%	0.7%	0.2%
01/28/2023	2.8%	2.1%	0.6%	0.2%
02/04/2023	2.6%	2.1%	0.5%	0.1%
02/11/2023	2.5%	2.0%	0.4%	0.1%
02/18/2023	2.3%	1.8%	0.4%	0.1%
02/25/2023	2.1%	1.7%	0.3%	0.1%
03/04/2023	1.9%	1.5%	0.3%	0.1%
03/11/2023	1.7%	1.3%	0.3%	0.1%
03/18/2023	1.6%	1.2%	0.3%	0.1%
03/25/2023	1.5%	1.2%	0.3%	0.1%
04/01/2023	1.4%	1.1%	0.3%	0.0%
04/08/2023	1.3%	1.0%	0.3%	0.0%
04/15/2023	1.2%	0.9%	0.3%	0.0%
04/22/2023	1.0%	0.8%	0.2%	0.0%
04/29/2023	1.0%	0.7%	0.3%	0.0%
05/06/2023	1.0%	0.7%	0.3%	0.0%
05/13/2023	0.9%	0.6%	0.3%	0.0%
05/20/2023	0.9%	0.6%	0.3%	0.0%
05/27/2023	0.9%	0.6%	0.3%	0.0%
06/03/2023	0.9%	0.6%	0.3%	0.0%
06/10/2023	0.8%	0.5%	0.3%	0.0%
06/17/2023	0.7%	0.5%	0.2%	0.0%
06/24/2023	0.7%	0.5%	0.2%	0.0%

07/01/2023	0.7%	0.5%	0.2%	0.0%
07/08/2023	0.8%	0.6%	0.2%	0.0%
07/15/2023	0.9%	0.7%	0.2%	0.0%
07/22/2023	1.0%	0.8%	0.2%	0.0%
07/29/2023	1.2%	1.0%	0.2%	0.0%
08/05/2023	1.5%	1.3%	0.2%	0.0%
08/12/2023	1.8%	1.6%	0.2%	0.0%
08/19/2023	2.2%	2.0%	0.2%	0.1%
08/26/2023	2.7%	2.4%	0.2%	0.1%
09/02/2023	2.7%	2.5%	0.2%	0.1%
09/09/2023	2.7%	2.4%	0.3%	0.1%
09/16/2023	2.4%	2.1%	0.3%	0.1%
09/23/2023	2.3%	1.9%	0.3%	0.1%
09/30/2023	2.2%	1.7%	0.3%	0.2%
10/07/2023	2.1%	1.5%	0.4%	0.2%
10/14/2023	2.1%	1.4%	0.5%	0.3%
10/21/2023	2.3%	1.4%	0.6%	0.4%
10/28/2023	2.5%	1.4%	0.7%	0.5%
11/04/2023	2.7%	1.3%	0.9%	0.6%
11/11/2023	3.4%	1.5%	1.2%	0.7%
11/18/2023	3.8%	1.6%	1.4%	0.8%
11/25/2023	4.5%	1.9%	1.7%	1.0%
12/02/2023	4.8%	2.1%	1.9%	1.0%
12/09/2023	5.5%	2.1%	2.5%	0.9%
12/16/2023	6.9%	2.3%	3.7%	1.0%
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12/30/2023	10.0%	3.4%	5.8%	1.0%
01/06/2024	8.0%	3.1%	4.3%	0.8%
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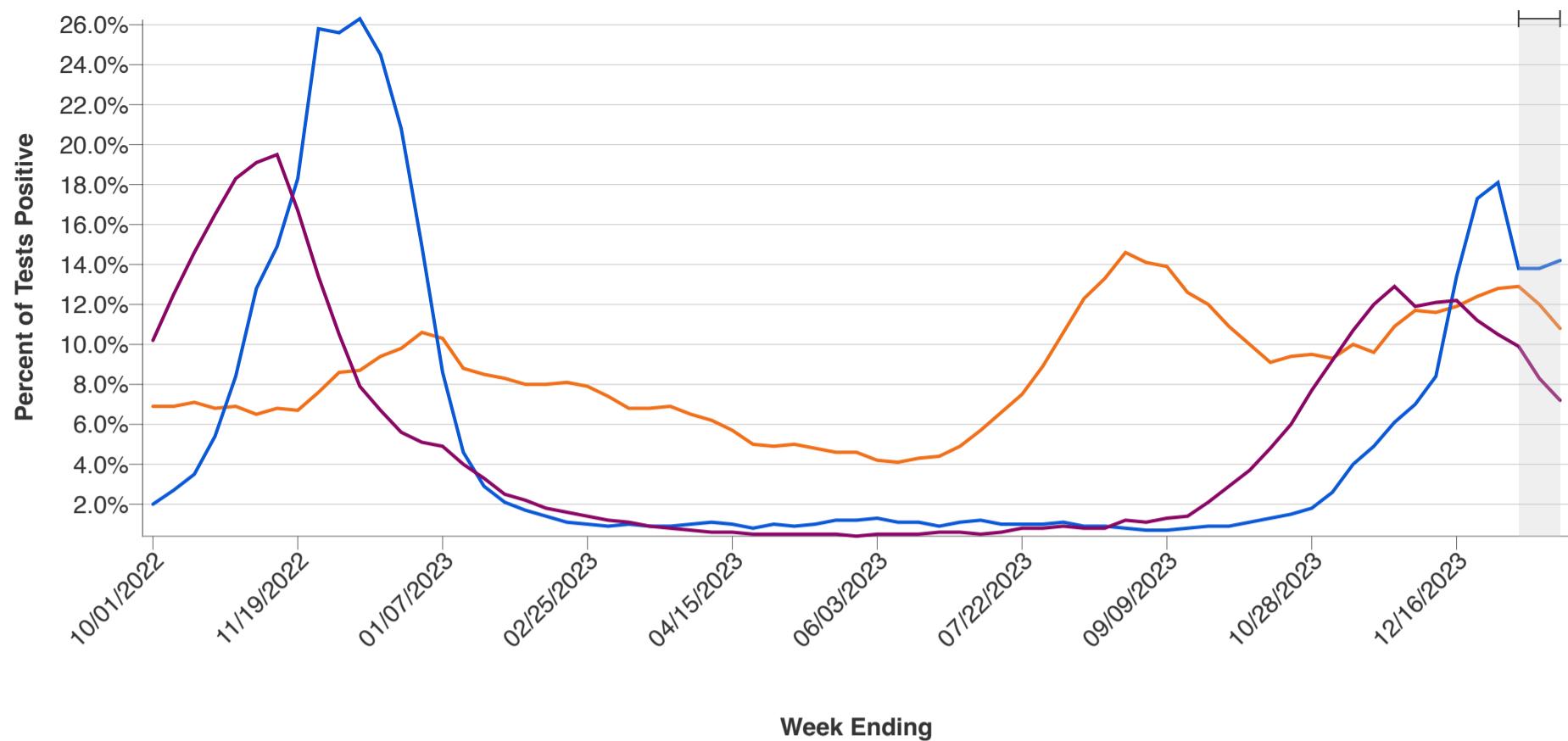
#### Data Notes: Emergency Department Visits for Viral Respiratory Illness



- **Source:** National Syndromic Surveillance Program: <https://www.cdc.gov/nssp/index.html>
- There are no data available for the following states/territories: Guam, Missouri, New Hampshire, South Dakota, and Washington.
- Combined is the sum of COVID-19, influenza, and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) emergency department visits.
- Additional information available at: [Companion Guide: NSSP Emergency Department Data on Respiratory Illness](#)

## Percent of Tests Positive for Respiratory Viruses

Weekly percent of tests positive for the viruses that cause COVID-19, influenza, and RSV at the national level.  
Preliminary data are shaded in gray.



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10/22/2022	6.8%	5.4%	16.5%
10/29/2022	6.9%	8.4%	18.3%
11/05/2022	6.5%	12.8%	19.1%
11/12/2022	6.8%	14.9%	19.5%
11/19/2022	6.7%	18.3%	16.7%
11/26/2022	7.6%	25.8%	13.4%
12/03/2022	8.6%	25.6%	10.5%
12/10/2022	8.7%	26.3%	7.9%
12/17/2022	9.4%	24.5%	6.7%
12/24/2022	9.8%	20.8%	5.6%
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12/30/2023	12.8%	18.1%	10.5%
01/06/2024	12.9%	13.8%	9.9%
01/13/2024	12.0%	13.8%	8.3%



## Data Notes: Percent of Tests Positive for Viral Respiratory Pathogens



- **Sources:** COVID-19 and RSV: National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System (NREVSS), a sentinel network of laboratories located through the US, includes clinical, public health and commercial laboratories; additional information available at: <https://www.cdc.gov/surveillance/nrevss/index.html>. Influenza: Clinical laboratory test results from NREVSS and U.S. World Health Organization collaborating laboratories; more details about influenza virologic surveillance are available here: <https://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/overview.htm>.
- Data for recent weeks in gray may be incomplete due to delays in reporting. These preliminary may change as more data become available.
- Data represent laboratory tests performed, not individual people.
- The data are from across the country in all regions.
- The percent of tests positive is calculated by dividing the number of positive tests by the total number of tests administered, then multiplying by 100 [(# of positive tests/total tests) x 100].
- COVID-19: The condition caused by infection with severe acute respiratory syndromic coronavirus type-2 (SARS-CoV-2).
- RSV and COVID-19 are limited to nucleic acid amplification tests (NAATs), also listed as polymerase chain reaction tests (PCR).
- Participating laboratories report weekly to CDC the total number of RSV tests performed that week and the number of those tests that were positive. The RSV trend graphs display the national average of the weekly % test positivity for the current, previous, and following weeks in accordance with the recommendations for assessing RSV trends by percent ( <https://academic.oup.com/jid/article/216/3/345/3860464> ).
- COVID-19 laboratory data are available for download here: <https://data.cdc.gov/Laboratory-Surveillance/Percent-Positivity-of-COVID-19-Nucleic-Acid-Amplif/gvzb-yw6g>
- RSV laboratory data are available for download here: <https://data.cdc.gov/Laboratory-Surveillance/Percent-Positivity-of-Respiratory-Syncytial-Virus-/3cxc-4k8q>

## Explore deeper data

State Map of Outpatient Respiratory Illness Activity

Outpatient Illness and Viral Surveillance

State Map of Emergency Department Use for COVID-19

COVID-19 Testing, Hospitalization, and Death Trends

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### RSV Testing Trends in the U.S.



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