

Marion County Influenza Situation Report

2022-2023 Seasonal Influenza Week 21

(May 21, 2023 – May 27, 2023)



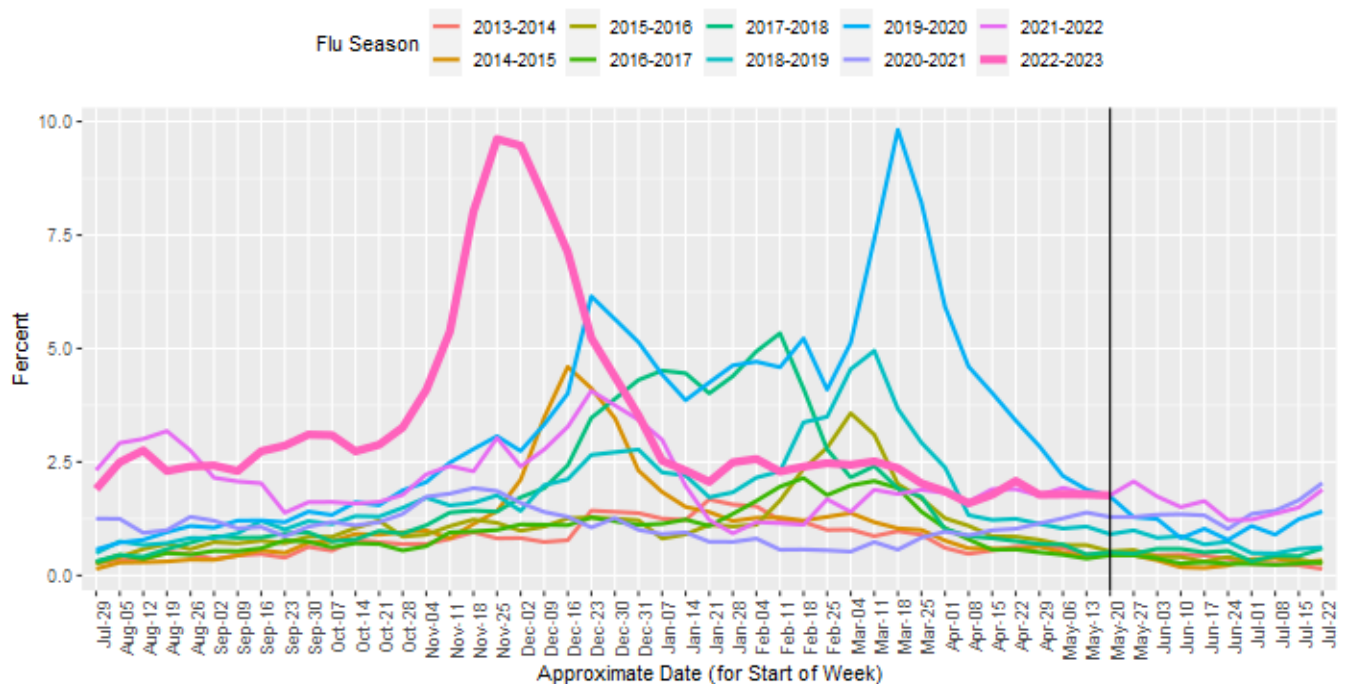
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Influenza-like Illness ED visits in Marion County remained steady over the last two weeks.

Percent of ILI related ED Visits



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- During week 21 (May 21 to May 27), **1.76% of Marion County ED visits had ILI symptoms**. The current rate remained steady during the last week and the median percentage of ILI-related ED visits for week 21 over the last five years is 1.29%.
- In Marion County hospitals, 0-4 years old had the highest rate (5.9%) of ILI related ED Visits. This rate is lower than last week (6.3%) and is the median percentage of 0-4 years old ILI-related ED visits for week 21 over the last five years.
- ED visits for Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) and other respiratory illnesses for 0-4 years old remained steady during the last week.** The percentage of RSV-related ED visits was 7.9% out of all 0-4 years old ED visits during week 20.
 - RSV is a common respiratory virus that is the most common cause of bronchiolitis and pneumonia for children under one year of age in the U.S.

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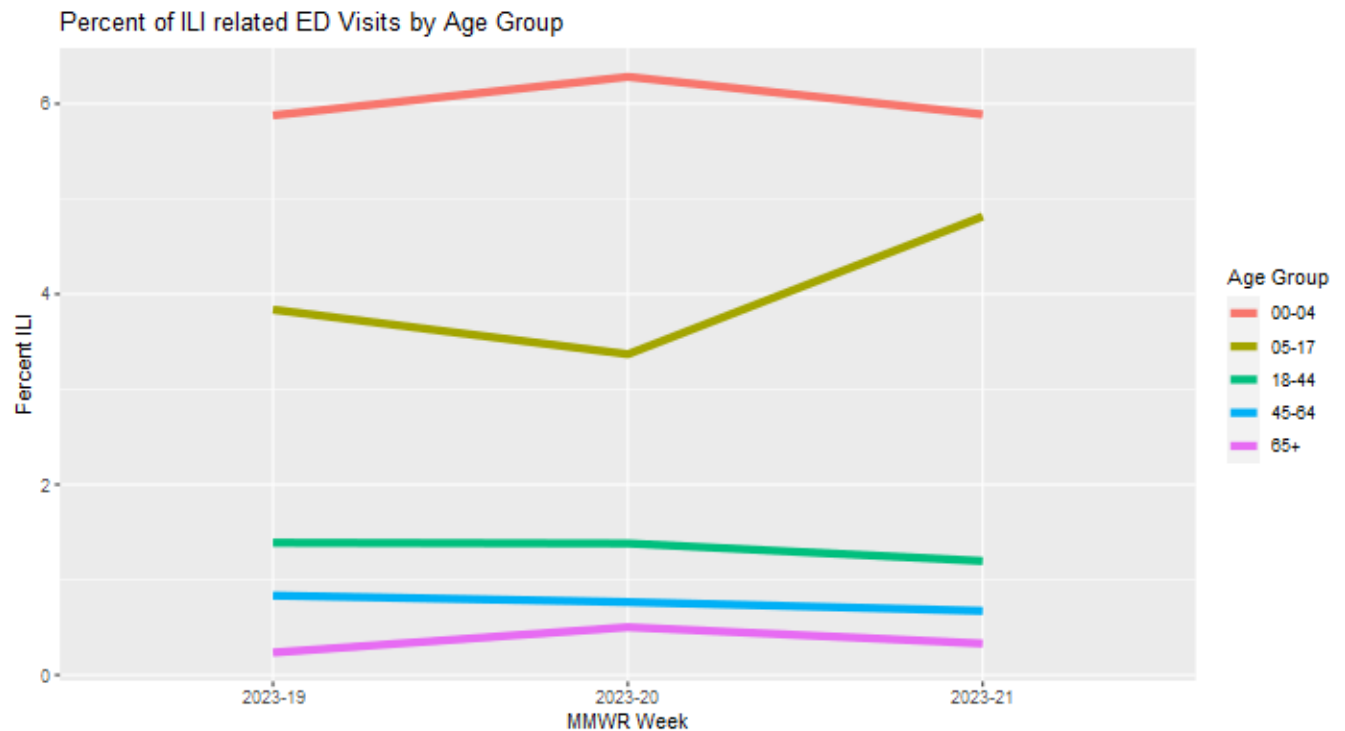
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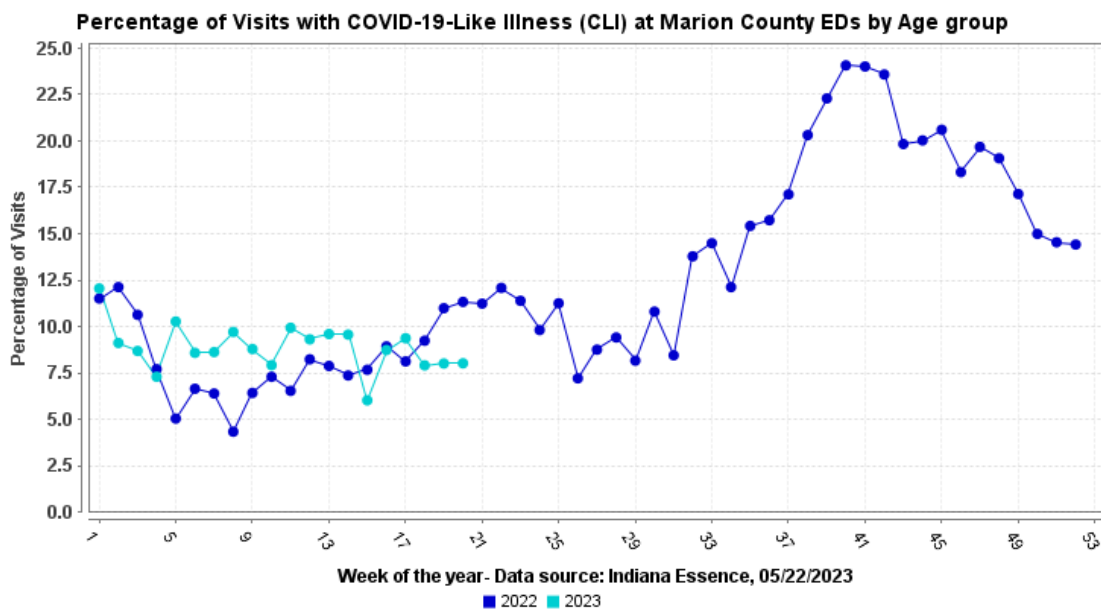
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Marion County (Week 20, May 14, 2023- May 20, 2023)

- The percentage of ILI-related ED visits was 1.76% out of all ED visits.
- In Marion County hospitals, 0-4 years old had the highest rate (5.9%) of ILI related ED Visits.

Indiana (Week 20, May 14, 2023- May 20, 2023)

IDOH [flu dashboard](#)

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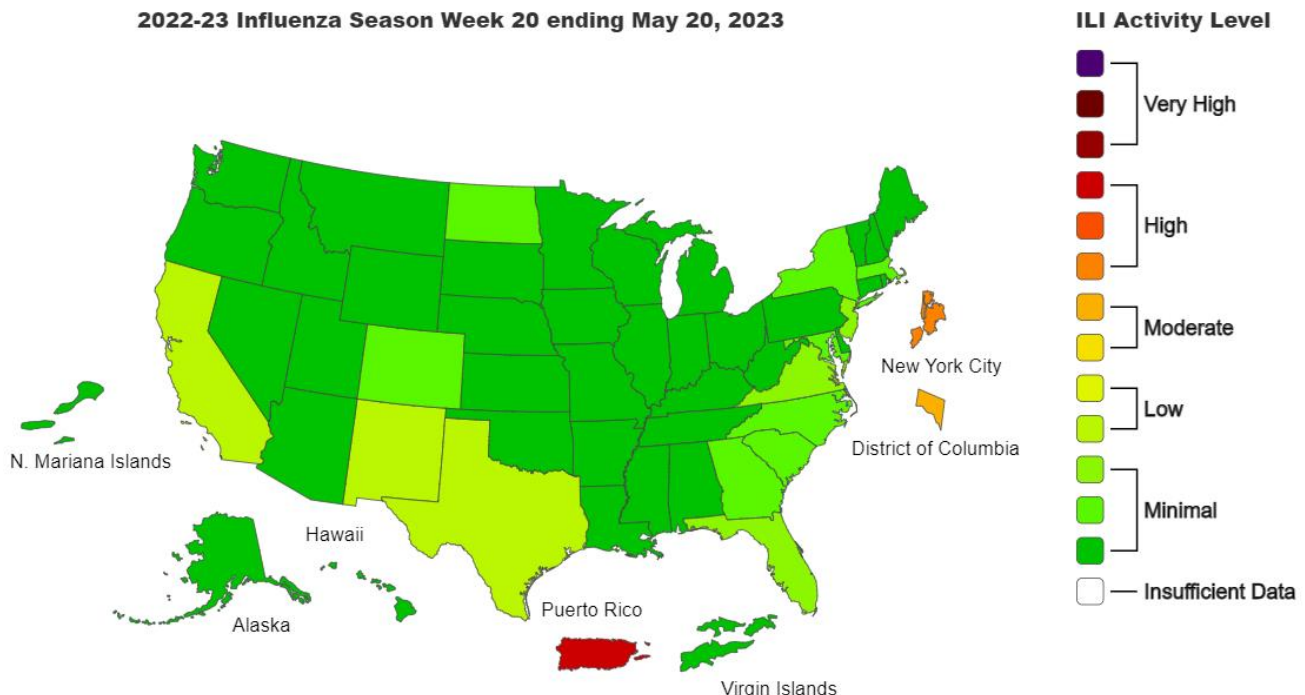
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- Indiana is experiencing **Minimal** ILI activity. For week 20, IDOH reported 1.16% ILI at sentinel provider sites and 1.13% ILI at ED and urgent care visits. Both rates have decreased during the last week.
- There have been **270 influenza-associated deaths** this season, two influenza-associated deaths were detected for the week 20.
- Eight specimens were tested at the IDOH Laboratory during Week 20. All were detected as influenza negative.

National (Week 20, May 14, 2023- May 20, 2023)

<https://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/index.htm>

2022-23 Influenza Season Week 20 ending May 20, 2023



- Seasonal influenza activity remained **low** across the US.
- According to the U.S. Outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet), **2.0% of outpatient visits to healthcare providers** were related to ILI (influenza-like illness). This rate is lower than last week and is below the baseline of 2.5%.
- **Two influenza-associated pediatric deaths were reported to CDC** during week 20. Both deaths were associated with influenza A viruses. The total number of pediatric deaths occurring during the 2022-2023 season reported to CDC was 154.
- During Week 20, **1.1% of clinical laboratory specimens** were **positive for influenza**. This rate is higher than last week (1.0%).
- During Week 20, **36 (1%) specimens** were **positive at public health laboratories**. This rate remained steady during the last week.

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