

Marion County Influenza Situation Report 2021-2022 Seasonal Influenza Week 20 (May 22, 2022 – May 28, 2022)



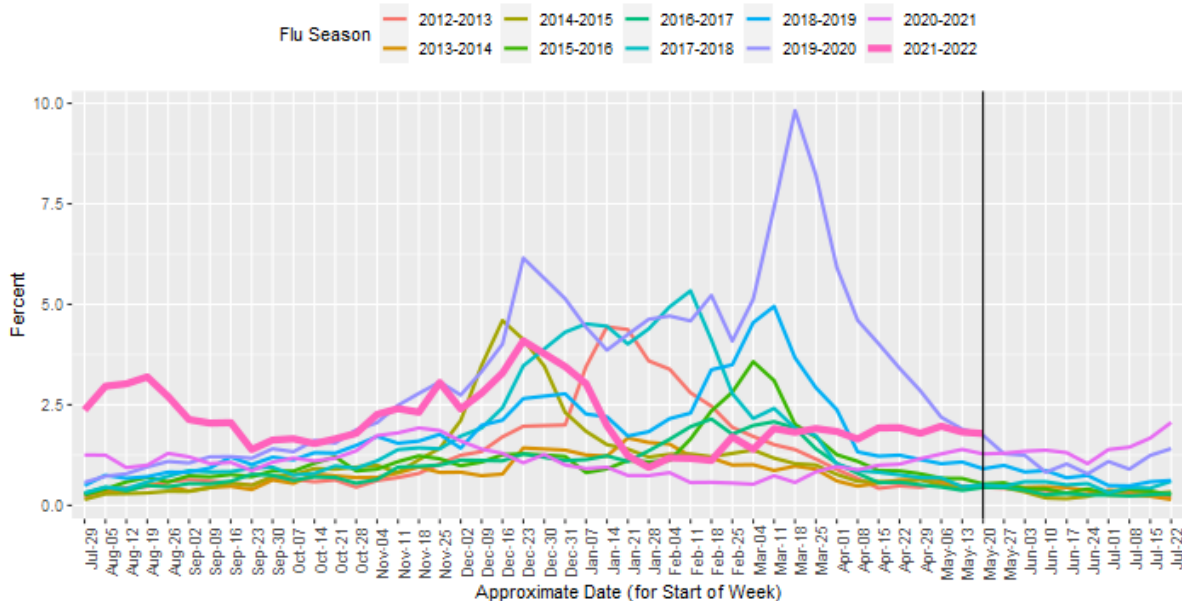
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Influenza-like Illness ED visits in Marion County remained steady during the last week but is higher than usual for this time of the year. Influenza activity is increasing in parts of the US.

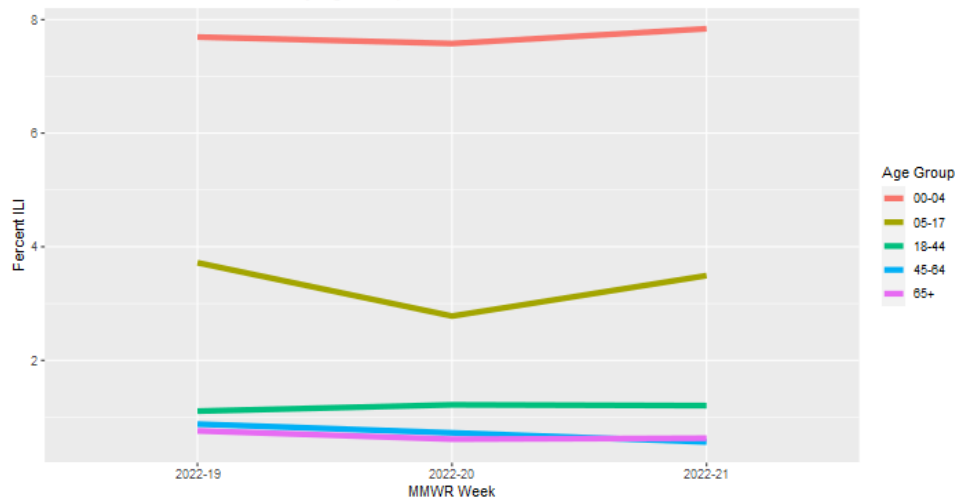
Percent of ILI related ED Visits



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- During week 21 (May 22 to May 28), **1.8% of Marion County ED visits had ILI symptoms**. This rate remained steady during the last week. The median percent of ILI-related ED visits for week 21 in the last five years (2018-2022) was 1.3%.
- Among Marion County hospitals' ED population, ILI was most common in the **0-4 age group** (7.8%). This rate is slightly higher than the last week (7.6%). The median percent of 0-4 years old ILI-related ED visits for week 21 over the last five years was 3.2%.

Percent of ILI related ED Visits by Age Group



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Marion County (Week 20)

- The percentage of ILI-related ED visits was 1.8%.
- Infants and toddlers aged 0-4 had the highest age-specific percent of ILI-related ED visits (7.6%).

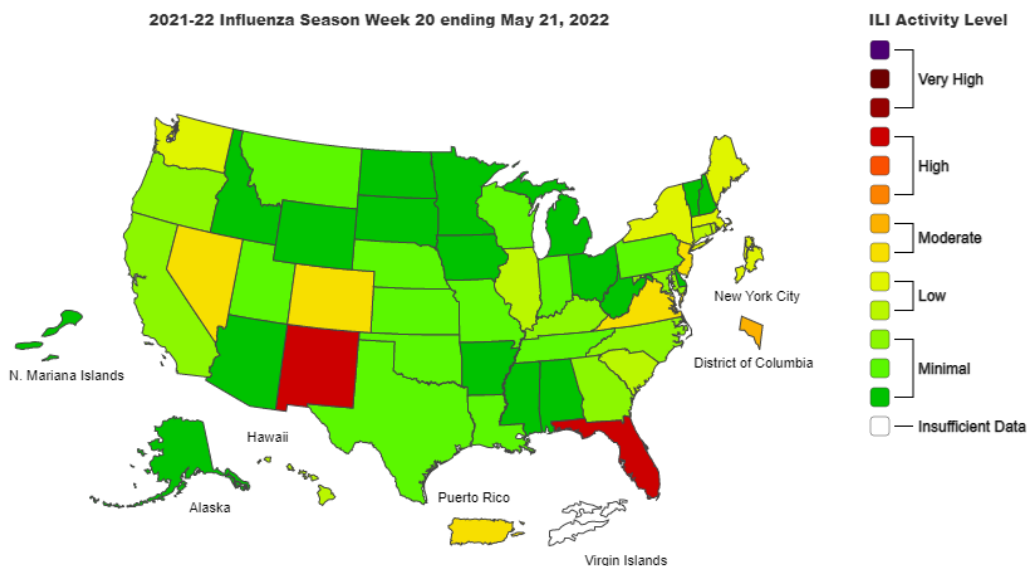
Indiana (Week 20)

<https://www.in.gov/health/erc/files/Weekly-Flu-Report-Week-20-2021-2022.pdf>

- Indiana is experiencing **Minimal** ILI activity. For week 20, IDOH reported 1.4% ILI at sentinel provider sites and 1.45% ILI at ED and urgent care visits. Both rates remained steady over the last three weeks.
- There have been **fifty-nine influenza-associated deaths** this season. One death occurred during week 38, which was outside of the regular flu reporting season (weeks 40-20).
- Five specimens were tested at the IDOH Laboratory during Week 20. All were detected as Influenza negative.

National (Week 20)

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



- Seasonal Influenza viruses are still circulating, and the flu activity continued to increase in parts of the country during the last week.
- Of **outpatient visits to a healthcare provider**, **2.4% were ILI-related**, as reported through the U.S. Outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet).
- **Twenty-five influenza-associated pediatric deaths** have been reported to CDC this flu season. One influenza-associated pediatric death was reported to CDC during the week 20.
- During Week 20, **6.4% of clinical laboratory specimens** were **positive for influenza**. This rate is lower than the last week (7.0%).

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- During Week 20, **361 (2.8%) specimens** were **positive at public health laboratories**. This rate is lower than the last week (3.4%).