

Marion County Influenza Situation Report 2021-2022 Seasonal Influenza Week 20 (May 15, 2022 – May 21, 2022)



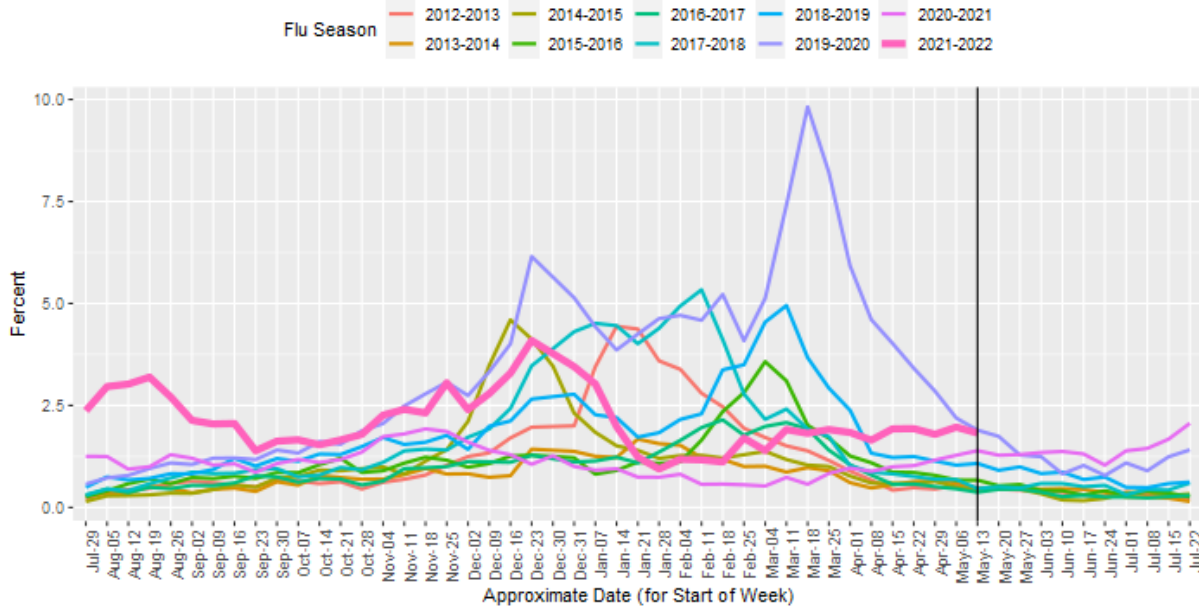
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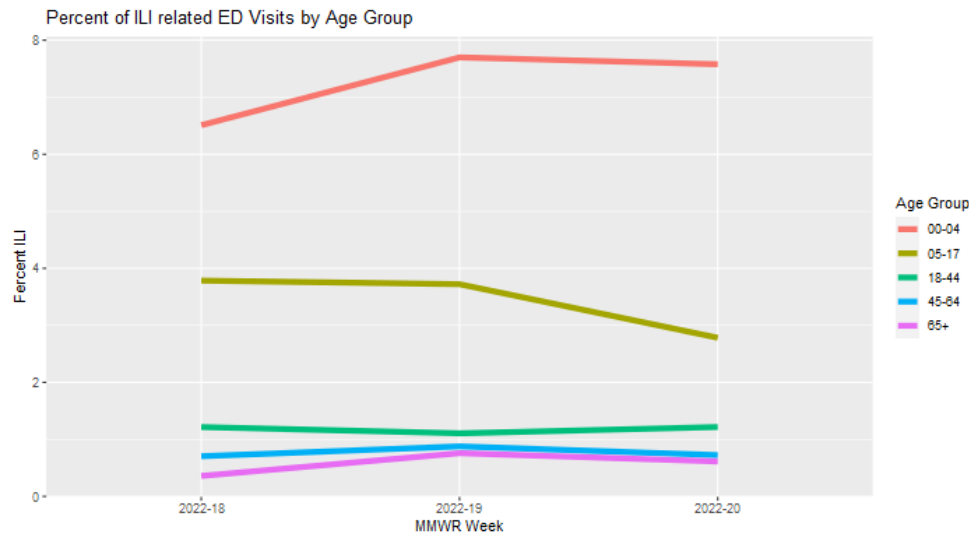
Influenza-like Illness ED visits in Marion County slightly decreased during the last week but still is the second highest out of the past ten flu seasons.

Percent of ILI related ED Visits



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- During week 20 (May 15 to May 21), **1.8% of Marion County ED visits had ILI symptoms**. This rate is slightly lower than week 19 (1.98%). The median percent of ILI-related ED visits for week 20 in the last five years (2018-2022) was 1.4%.
- Among Marion County hospitals' ED population, ILI was most common in the **0-4 age group** (7.6%). This rate remained steady during the last week. The median percent of 0-4 years old ILI-related ED visits for week 20 over the last five years was 3.87%.



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Marion County (Week 19)

- The percentage of ILI-related ED visits was 1.97%.
- Infants and toddlers aged 0-4 had the highest age-specific percent of ILI-related ED visits (7.7%).

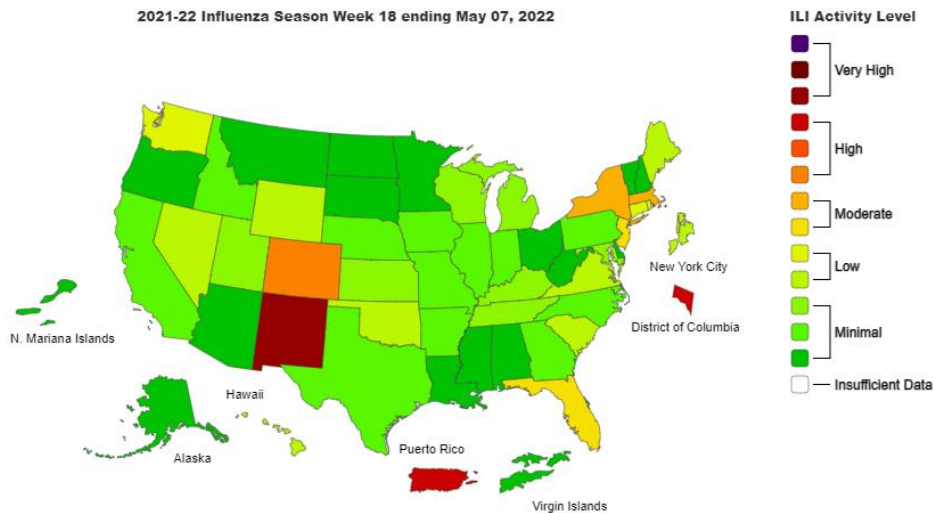
Indiana (Week 19)

<https://www.in.gov/health/erc/files/Weekly-Flu-Report-Week-19-2021-2022.pdf>

- Indiana is experiencing **Minimal** ILI activity. For week 19, IDOH reported 1.47% ILI at sentinel provider sites and 1.54% ILI at ED and urgent care visits. Both rates remained steady over the last two week.
- There have been **Forty-eight influenza-associated deaths** this season. One death occurred during week 38, which was outside of the regular flu reporting season (weeks 40-20). **Two deaths have been reported during the week 19.**
- Seven specimens were tested at the IDOH Laboratory during Week 19 and were detected as Influenza A/H3 seasonal virus.

National (Week 19)

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



- Seasonal Influenza viruses are still circulating, and influenza 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-Four influenza-associated pediatric deaths** have been reported to CDC this flu season. Zero influenza-associated pediatric deaths were reported to CDC during the week 19.
- During Week 19, **7.0% of clinical laboratory specimens** were **positive for influenza**. This rate is lower than the last week (8.6%).
- During Week 19, **436 (3.4%) specimens** were **positive at public health laboratories**. This rate is higher than the last week (3.2%).

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