

# Missouri Weekly Influenza Surveillance Report 2022-2023 Influenza Season<sup>1</sup>

Week 10: March 5, 2023 – March 11, 2023

All data are preliminary and may change as more reports are received.

### **Summary:**

- Seasonal influenza activity and the Influenza-like illness (ILI) activity in Missouri remained Local<sup>2</sup> and Level 4 in the low category<sup>3</sup>, respectively during Week 10.
- During Week 10 a total of 211 laboratory-positive influenza cases (101 influenza A, 110 influenza B and 0 untyped) were reported. The influenza type for reported season-to-date cases includes 94.4% influenza A, 5.1% influenza B and 0.4% untyped. The percentage of respiratory specimens testing positive for influenza in Missouri laboratories reporting to the National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System (NREVSS) was 0.84% for Week 10.
- Influenza-like illness activity for the hospital emergency room visit chief complaint data reported through ESSENCE remained at 2.03% for Week 10 (Figure 6).<sup>5</sup>
- Two hundred thirty one influenza-associated deaths have been reported in Missouri as of Week 8 (week ending February 25, 2023).<sup>6</sup>
- Eleven influenza outbreaks and two influenza-associated school closures have been reported as of Week 10.
- Seasonal influenza activity continues to decline nationwide. National influenza surveillance information is
  prepared by CDC and is included in the weekly FluView report, which is available online at
  <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivitysurv.htm">http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivitysurv.htm</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The 2022- 2023 influenza season begins CDC Week 40 (week ending October 8, 2022) and ends CDC Week 39 (week ending September 30, 2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Local is defined as: Outbreaks of influenza or increase in ILI cases and recent laboratory-confirmed influenza in a single region of the state...

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>ILI Activity indicates levels of activity on a scale of 1-13 ranging from minimal to very high. For more information see https://gis.cdc.gov/grasp/fluview/main.html

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>ILI is defined by ESSENCE as Emergency Department chief complaints for Influenza or (FeverPlus and (Cough or SoreThroat) and not NonILIFevers).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>Influenza deaths are collected from Missouri's death certificate data. Decedents with influenza listed as a cause or contributor to death are classified as an influenza-associated death. Death certificate data are generally available two weeks following the current CDC week.

## **Surveillance Data:**

#### **Interactive Maps**

The jurisdiction-specific influenza data are provided though interactive maps available at <a href="https://arcg.is/DKTSe0">https://arcg.is/DKTSe0</a>. Click on the jurisdiction to view the influenza data specific to that jurisdiction.

- Reported Laboratory-positive Influenza Cases by Influenza Type by Jurisdiction, CDC Week 10
- Reported Week-specific Rate per 100,000 Population, CDC Week 10
- Reported Laboratory-positive Influenza Cases by Influenza Type by Jurisdiction, Season-to-Date
- Reported Rate per 100,000 Population, Season-to-Date

#### **Data Figures**

Figure 1. Number of Laboratory-positive<sup>†</sup> Influenza Cases by Influenza Type, Missouri, CDC Weeks 08-10 (February 19, 2023 – March 4, 2023)\*

Influenza Type	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	2022-2023* Season-to-Date
Influenza A	184	149	101	100,718
Influenza B	177	145	110	5,464
Influenza Unknown Or Untyped	35	0	0	478
Total	396	294	211	106,660

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\*Influenza season begins with the week ending October 8, 2022 (CDC Week 40) Data Source: Missouri Health Information Surveillance System (WebSurv).

Figure 2. Number of Laboratory-positive<sup>†</sup> Influenza Cases and Case Rates by Age Group, Missouri, CDC Week 10 (March 5, 2023 – March 11, 2023)\*<sup>‡</sup>

Age Group	Week 10 Cases	Week 10 Rate <sup>‡</sup>	2022-23* Season-to-Date	2022-2023* Season-to-Date Rate <sup>‡</sup>
00-04	35	9.51	15,766	4,283.31
05-24	73	4.67	44,921	2,872.17
25-49	39	2.01	22,673	1,166.85
50-64	33	2.75	11,785	981.91
65+	31	2.92	11,514	1,084.14
Total	211	3.44	106,660	1,731.86

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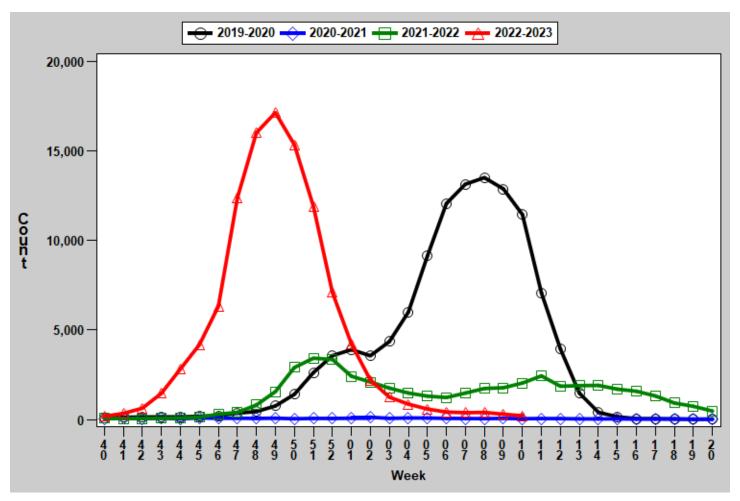
<sup>\*</sup>Incidence Rate per 100,000 population

Figure 3. Number of Laboratory-positive<sup>†</sup> Influenza Cases and Case Rates by Region, Missouri, CDC Week 10 (March 5, 2023 – March 11, 2023)<sup>\*‡</sup>

Region	Week 10 Cases	Week 10 Rate <sup>‡</sup>	2022-23* Season-to-Date	2022-23* Season-to-Date Rate <sup>‡</sup>
Central	33	4.89	10,992	1,628.88
Eastern	77	3.40	29,724	1,310.70
Northwest	27	1.65	30,652	1,872.75
Southeast	16	3.70	12,326	2,850.35
Southwest	58	5.52	22,966	2,185.92
Total	211	3.44	106,660	1,737.86

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Figure 4. Number of Laboratory-positive<sup>†</sup> Influenza Cases by CDC Week, Missouri, 2019-2023<sup>\*</sup>



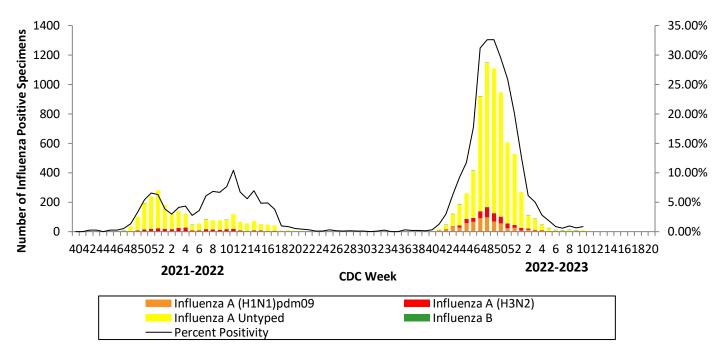
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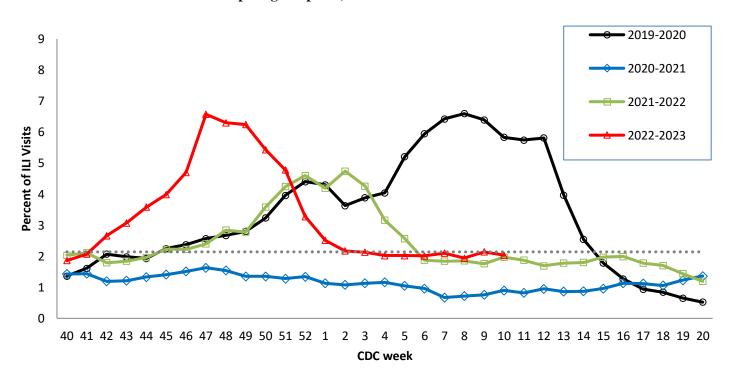
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Figure 5. Season-to-Date PCR (+) Tests for Influenza in Missouri



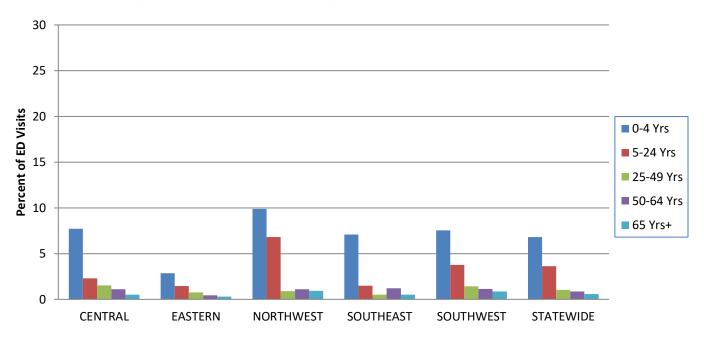
Data Source: National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System (NREVSS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). 2022-2023 season-to-date through the week ending March 11, 2023 (Week 10).

Figure 6. Percentage of Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Influenza-like Illness (ILI) in ESSENCE Participating Hospitals, 2019-2023 Influenza Seasons\*<sup>‡</sup>



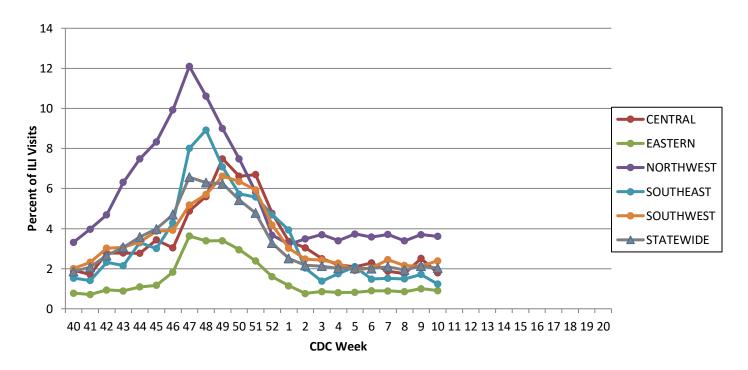
\*The ESSENCE ILI Baseline is the mean percent of ILI visits for each week during the previous three flu seasons when percentage of ILI visits were less than 2% of total visits, plus two standard deviations. Data Source: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS), Bureau of Reportable Disease Informatics, ESSENCE version 1.20.

Figure 7. Percentage of Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Influenza-like Illness (ILI) in ESSENCE Participating Hospitals, by Age Group, Region and Statewide, Week 10, 2023\*



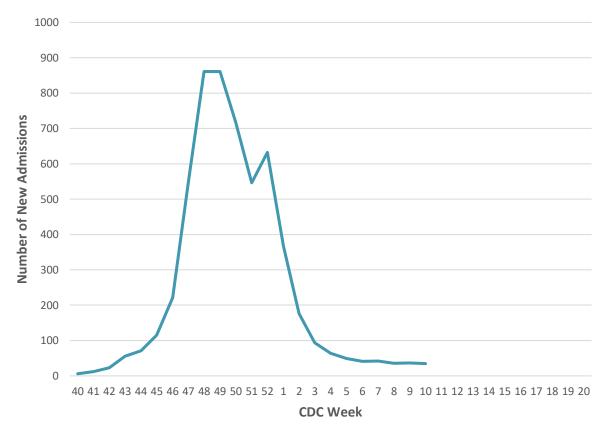
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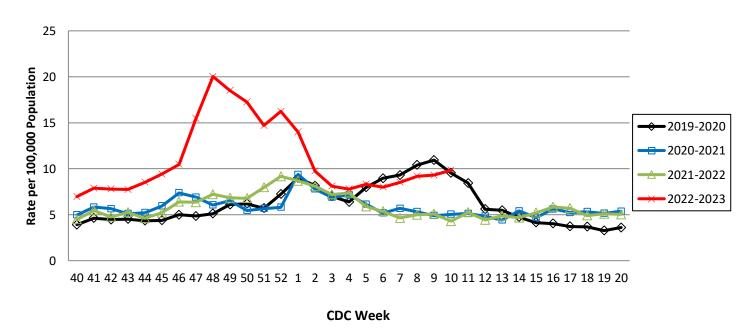
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Figure 9. New Influenza Hospital Admissions Reported to HHS Protect, Missouri Hospitals, 2022-2023 Season



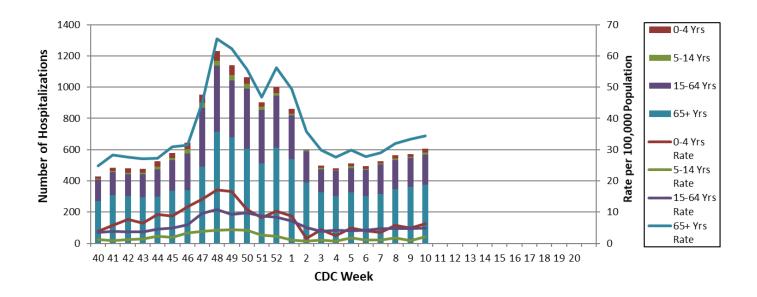
Data Source: https://healthdata.gov/Hospital/COVID-19 Reported Patient Impact and Hospital Capacity by State Timeseries | HealthData.gov. 2022-2023 season-to-date through the week ending March 11, 2023 (Week 10).

Figure 10. Weekly Rate of Patients Hospitalized with Influenza and/or Pneumonia Syndromes in Missouri Hospitals, 2019-2023 Influenza Seasons



Data Source: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS), Bureau of Reportable Disease Informatics, HL7 Messaging Portal. Population data from Missouri Census Data Center 2017 (<a href="https://census.missouri.edu">https://census.missouri.edu</a>).

Figure 11. Number of Patients Hospitalized with Influenza and/or Pneumonia Syndromes in Participating Missouri Hospitals by Age Group, Week 10, 2022-2023 Influenza Season



Data Source: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS), Bureau of Reportable Disease Informatics, HL7 Messaging Portal

#### **Additional Influenza Data Sources:**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: National Influenza Surveillance (FluView): http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivitysurv.htm

The National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System (NREVSS): https://www.cdc.gov/surveillance/nrevss/

World Health Organization: International Influenza Surveillance: <a href="http://www.who.int/influenza/surveillance\_monitoring/en/">http://www.who.int/influenza/surveillance\_monitoring/en/</a>