



Week In Review

March 04, 2024

ICD Quarterly Meeting

Minutes from the February 22 quarterly meeting can be found by clicking these links:

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Updates

ACIP Meeting ([ACIP](#))

- February 28-29, 2024. [Presentations](#)

COCA Call ([COCA](#))

- None Scheduled.

Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee ([VRBPAC](#))

- March 5, 2024, 9:00 am - 3:30 pm.
- March 16, 2024, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm.

MMWR Weekly ([No 8](#))

- Progress towards rubella and congenital rubella syndrome elimination - worldwide, 2012-2022
- Interim estimates of 2023-2024 seasonal influenza vaccine effectiveness - USA
- Interim influenza vaccine effectiveness against laboratory-confirmed influenza
- Interim effectiveness of updated 2023-2024 monovalent XBB.1.5 COVID-19 vaccines against COVID-19-associated emergency department and urgent care encounters and hospitalizations among immunocompetent adults aged 18+ years

Food & Drug Administration ([Announcements](#))

- Vaccination is the best protection against [measles](#)

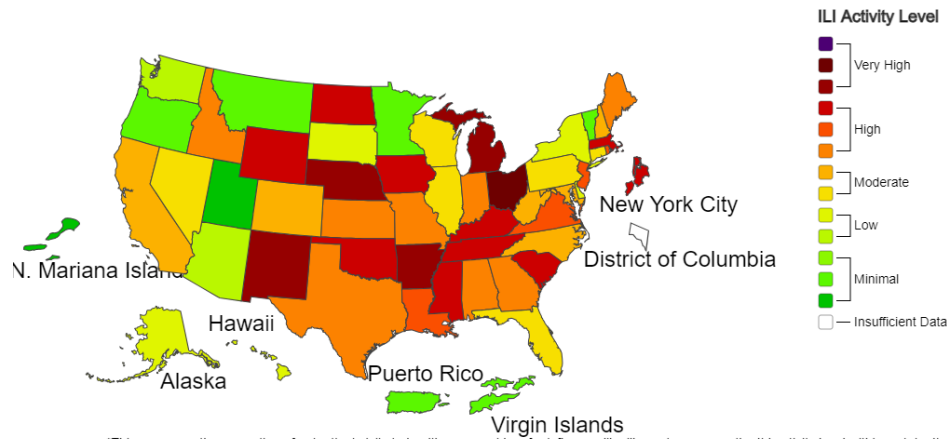
2023-2024 Respiratory Disease

A Weekly Influenza Surveillance Report Prepared by the Influenza Division

Outpatient Respiratory Illness Activity Map Determined by Data Reported to ILINet

This system monitors visits for respiratory illness that includes fever plus a cough or sore throat, also referred to as ILI, not laboratory confirmed Influenza and may capture patient visits due to other respiratory pathogens that cause similar symptoms.

2023-24 Influenza Season Week 8 ending Feb 24, 2024



*This map uses the proportion of outpatient visits to healthcare providers for influenza-like illness to measure the ILI activity level within a state. It does not, however, measure the extent of geographic spread of flu 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, and therefore may not accurately depict the full picture of influenza activity for the whole state.

*Data displayed in this map are based on data collected in ILINet, whereas the State and Territorial flu activity map are based on reports from state and territorial epidemiologists. 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.

*For the data download you can use Activity Level for the number and Activity Level Label for the text description.

*This graphic notice means that you are leaving an HHS Web site.

For more information, please see CDC's Exit Notification and Disclaimer policy.

For more information on the methodology, please visit Outpatient Illness Surveillance methods section.

Influenza

Week 8 (ending February 24)

- Seasonal influenza activity remains elevated nationally with increases in some parts of the country
- 14.2% positivity
- Most frequent virus: B/Victoria
- Outpatient Respiratory Illness: 4.4%

Preliminary In-Season Estimates

- Illnesses: 26-49 M
- Medical Visits: 12-22 M
- Hospitalizations: 290,000-610,000
- Deaths: 18,000-53,000

Delaware ILI Activity Level: Low

- Hospitalizations, YTD: 72
- Deaths, YTD: 6
- Percentage Vaccinated: 31.6%

| Location | Week 8 | Year to Date |
|------------|--------|--------------|
| Delaware | 640 | 5,955 |
| New Castle | 382 | 2,931 |
| Kent | 120 | 1,443 |
| Sussex | 138 | 1,581 |

COVID-19

As of February 29, 2024

- Positive cases this week: 462
- Current hospitalizations: 73.6
- Current critical hospitalizations: 5.9
- Total vaccinated with updated 2023-2024 dose: 14.5%

Cases By County

- New Castle: 203
- Kent: 87
- Sussex: 169

From the Experts

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Tuberculosis and Other Mycobacteria

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Outbreak News

[WHO Disease Outbreak News](#)

February 16: MERS CoV - Saudi Arabia

February 29: Nipah Virus - Bangladesh

[CDC Outbreak List](#)

February - *Listeria* outbreak, linked to Queso Fresco and Cotija Cheese

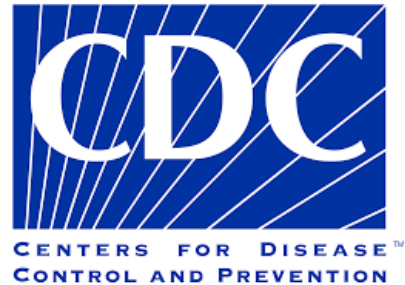
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Warning, Level 2

- Chikungunya - Timor-Leste
- Diphtheria - Guinea, Niger, Nigeria, Vietnam
- Mpox - Democratic Republic of the Congo
- Polio - Global

Watch, Level 1

- Dengue - Asia, Pacific Islands, Africa, Middle East, Americas
- Western Equine Encephalitis - Argentina
- Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever - Mexico
- Dengue - Americas, Africa, Middle East, Asia & Pacific Islands



Issue [1744](#): February 28, 2024

- March 4 - HPV Awareness Day
- Progress Towards Measles Elimination - MMWR

Ask the Experts: [RSV Vaccination \(Part I\)](#)
Ask the Experts: [RSV Vaccination \(Part II\)](#)

In the News

In The News

- Britain seeks urgent reversal of fall in childhood [vaccination](#) rates
- CDC recommends another [COVID-19](#) vaccine for older Americans (stay [up to date](#) with the recommendations here)
- New antibodies target "dark side" of [influenza](#) virus protein

2024 ICD Quarterly Meetings

2:00 - 3:30 pm

- Thursday, May 23
- Thursday, August 22
- Thursday, November 21

The meetings will be held on zoom, unless otherwise specified.

Immunization Coalition of Delaware
<https://www.immunizedelaware.org/>

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