

Marion County Influenza Situation Report 2021-2022 Seasonal Influenza Week 07 (February 13, 2022 – February 19, 2022)



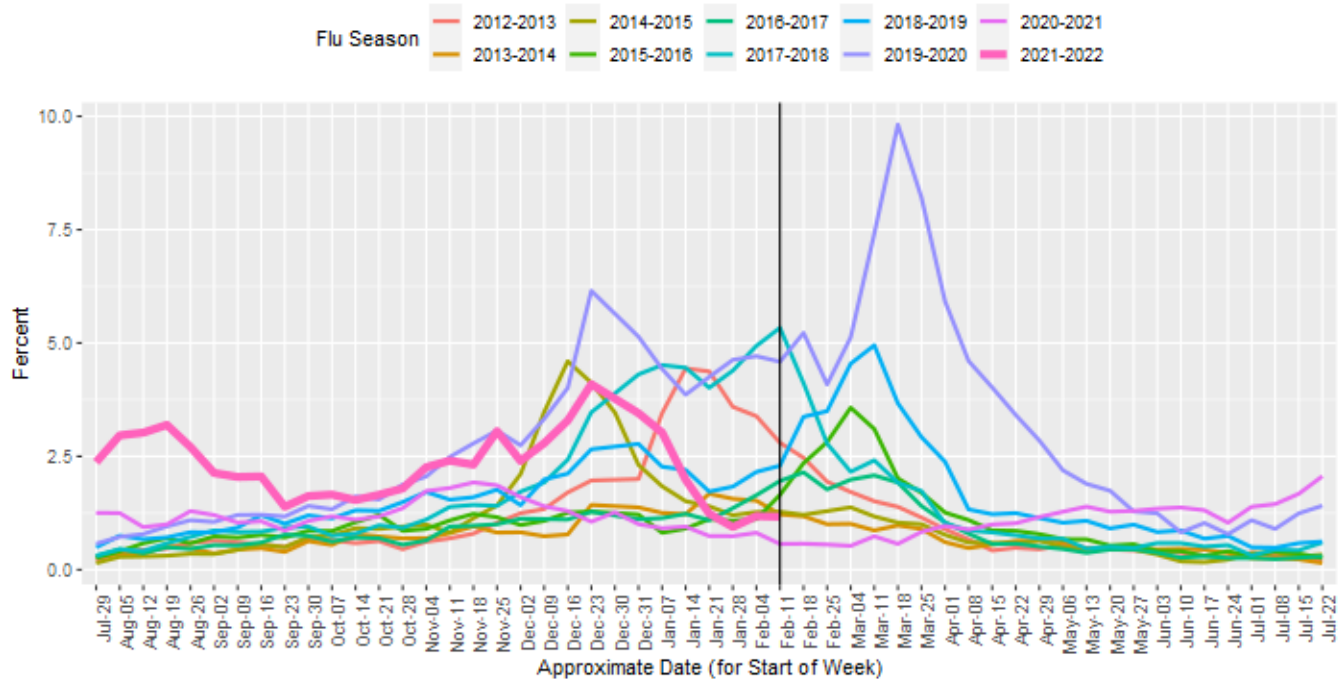
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Influenza-like Illness ED visits in Marion County were lower than usual for week 07 and at the same level as week 06.

Percent of ILI related ED Visits



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- During Week 07 (Feb.13 to Feb.19), **1.2% of Marion County ED visits had ILI symptoms**. ED visits with ILI symptoms were at the same level as Week 06 (1.2%). The median percent of ILI-related ED visits for Week 07 in the last 5 years (2018-2022) was 2.3%.
- Among Marion County hospitals' ED population, ILI was most common in the **0-4 age group** (4.8%). This rate is lower than the percentage of ILI visits for ages 0-4 for Week 06 (5.37%). The median percent of ILI-related ED visits for ages 0-4 over the last 5 years was 6.48%.
- ED visits for respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) for 0-4 years old have declined during last week.
 - RSV is a common respiratory virus that is the most common cause of bronchiolitis and pneumonia for children under 1 year of age in the U.S.
- The COVID-19 pandemic may impact the Indiana Syndromic ILI data. Surveillance indicators that monitor outpatient and ED visits for ILI will detect visits for other respiratory illnesses with similar symptoms, including COVID-19.

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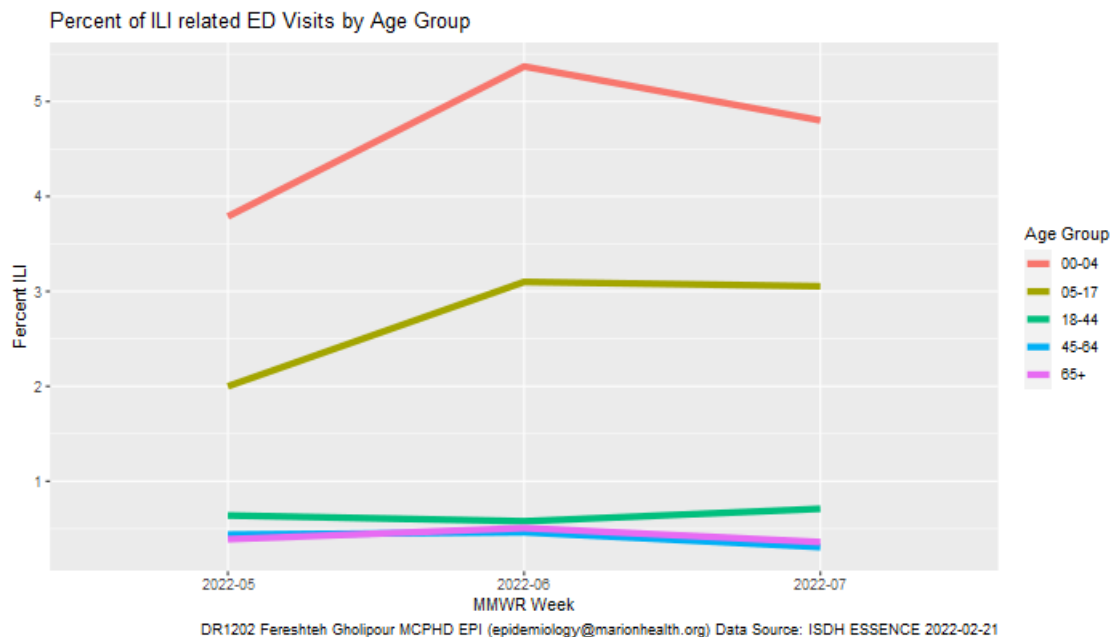
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Marion County (Week 06)

- The percentage of ILI-related ED visits was 1.2%.
- Infants and toddlers aged 0-4 had the highest age-specific percent of ILI-related ED visits (5.37%).

Indiana (Week 06)

<https://www.in.gov/health/erc/files/Weekly-Flu-Report-Week-6-2021-2022.pdf>

- Indiana is experiencing **Minimal** ILI activity. For Week 05, IDOH reported 0.88% ILI at sentinel provider sites and 0.85% ILI at ED and urgent care visits.
- There have been **nineteen (19) influenza-associated deaths** this season. One death occurred during Week 38, which was outside of the regular flu reporting season (Weeks 40-20).
- Three (3) specimens were tested at the IDOH Laboratory during Week 06. Two (2) of them were detected as Influenza A/H3 seasonal virus and one (1) was detected as Influenza negative.

National (Week 06)

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

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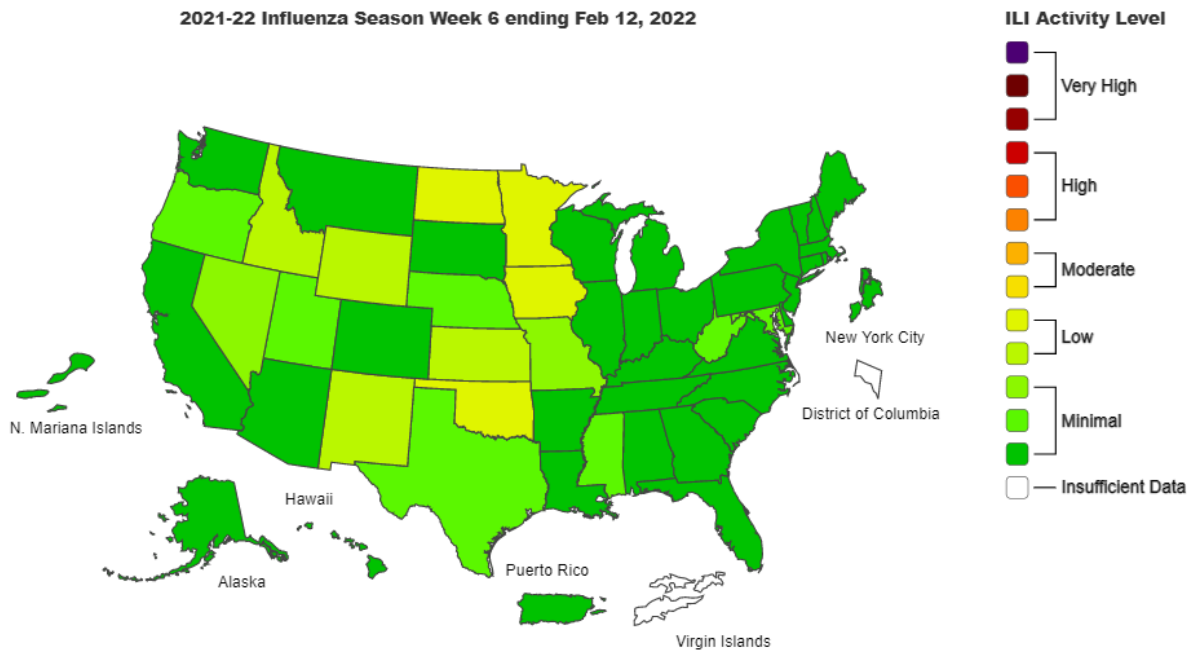
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- Influenza activity in the United States was below the baseline during week 06. The majority of jurisdictions had minimal to low flu activity.
- Of **outpatient visits to a healthcare provider, 1.4% were ILI-related**, as reported through the U.S. Outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet).
- **Five (5) influenza-associated pediatric deaths** have been reported to CDC this flu season. Zero (0) influenza-associated pediatric death were reported for week 06.
- During Week 06, **3.0% of clinical laboratory specimens** were **positive for influenza**. This rate is **higher** than Week 05 (2.0%).
- During Week 06, **454 (1.8%) specimens** were **positive at public health laboratories**. This rate is higher than Week 05 (1.6%).

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