

# Marion County Influenza Situation Report 2023-2024 Seasonal Influenza Week 44 (October 29, 2023 – November 04, 2023)



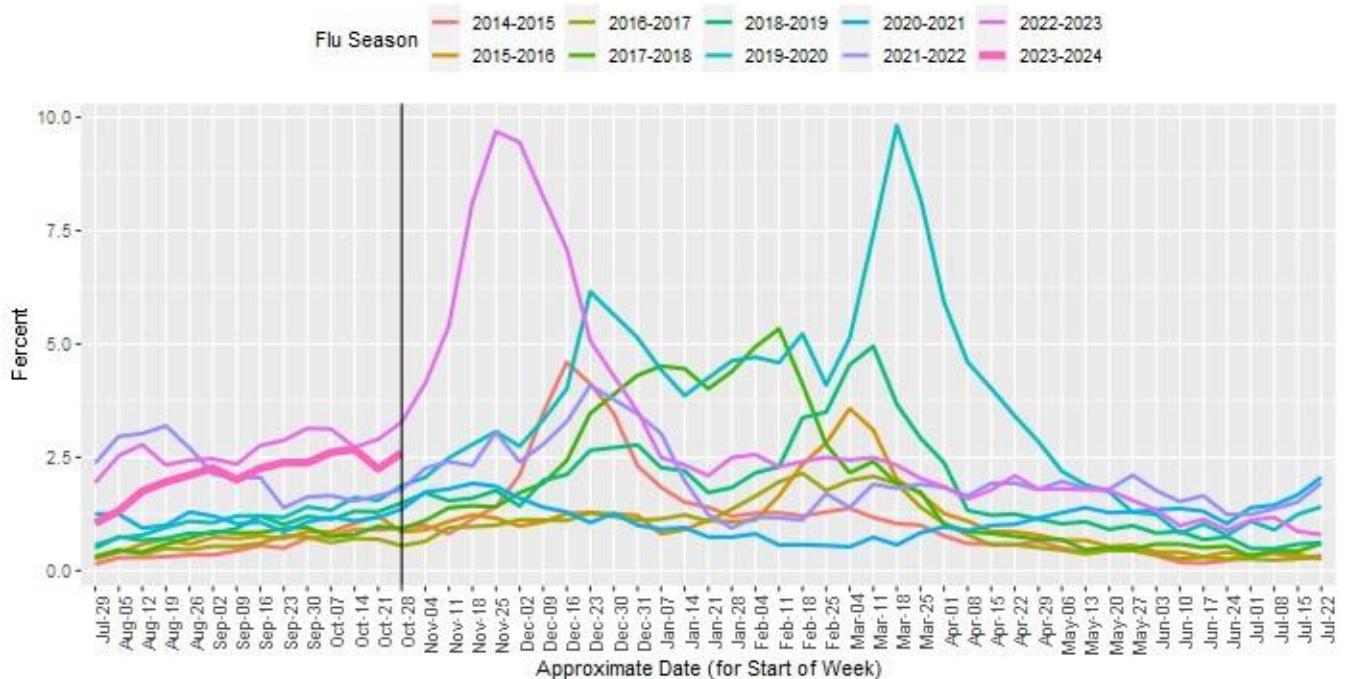
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## Influenza-like Illness ED visits in Marion County have increased during the last week.

Percent of ILI related ED Visits



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- During week 44 (October 29 to November 04), **2.6% of Marion County ED visits had ILI symptoms**. The current rate is higher than last week (2.29%). The median percentage of ILI-related ED visits for week 44 over the last five years is 2.06%.
- In Marion County hospitals, 0-4 years old had the highest rate (9.35%) of ILI related ED Visits. This rate is higher than last week (9.01%). The median percentage of 0-4 years old ILI-related ED visits for week 44 over the last five years is 8.69%.
- **ED visits for Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) and other respiratory illnesses for 0-4 years old have increased during the last week.** The percentage of RSV-related ED visits was 16.35% out of all 0-4 years old ED visits during week 44. This rate is higher than last week (13.97%)
  - RSV is a common respiratory virus that is the most common cause of bronchiolitis and pneumonia for children under one year of age in the U.S.

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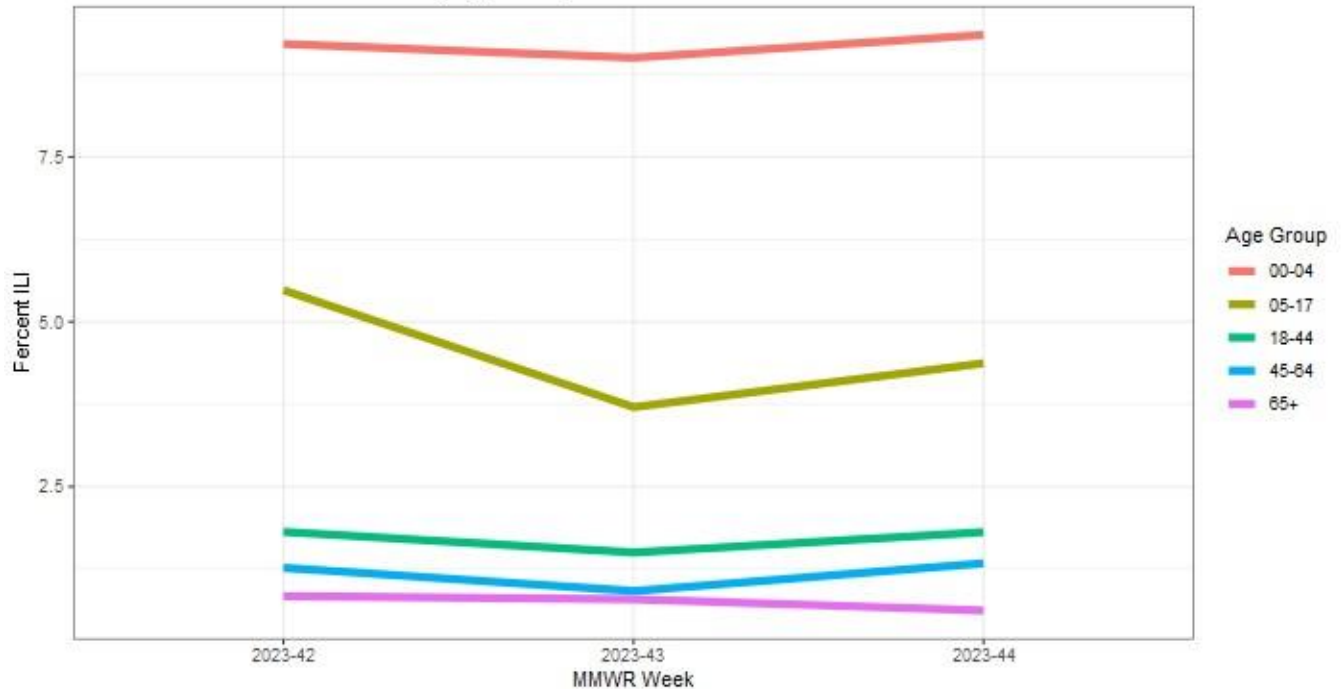


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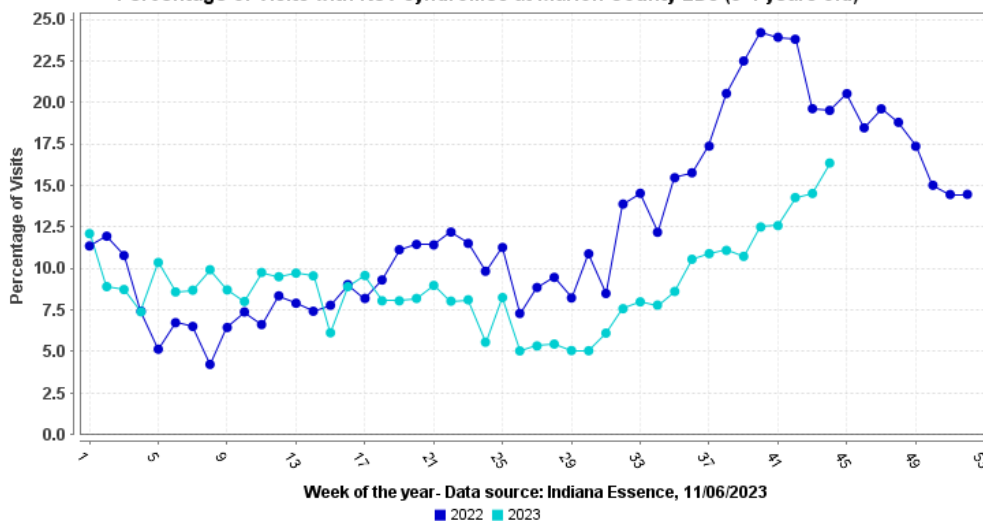
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Percent of ILI related ED Visits by Age Group



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Percentage of Visits with RSV syndromes at Marion County EDs (0-4 years old)



Week of the year - Data source: Indiana Essence, 11/06/2023

■ 2022 ■ 2023

## Marion County (Week 43, October 22 – October 28, 2023)

- The percentage of ILI-related ED visits was 2.29% out of all ED visits.
- In Marion County hospitals, 0-4 years old had the highest rate (9.01%) of ILI related ED Visits.

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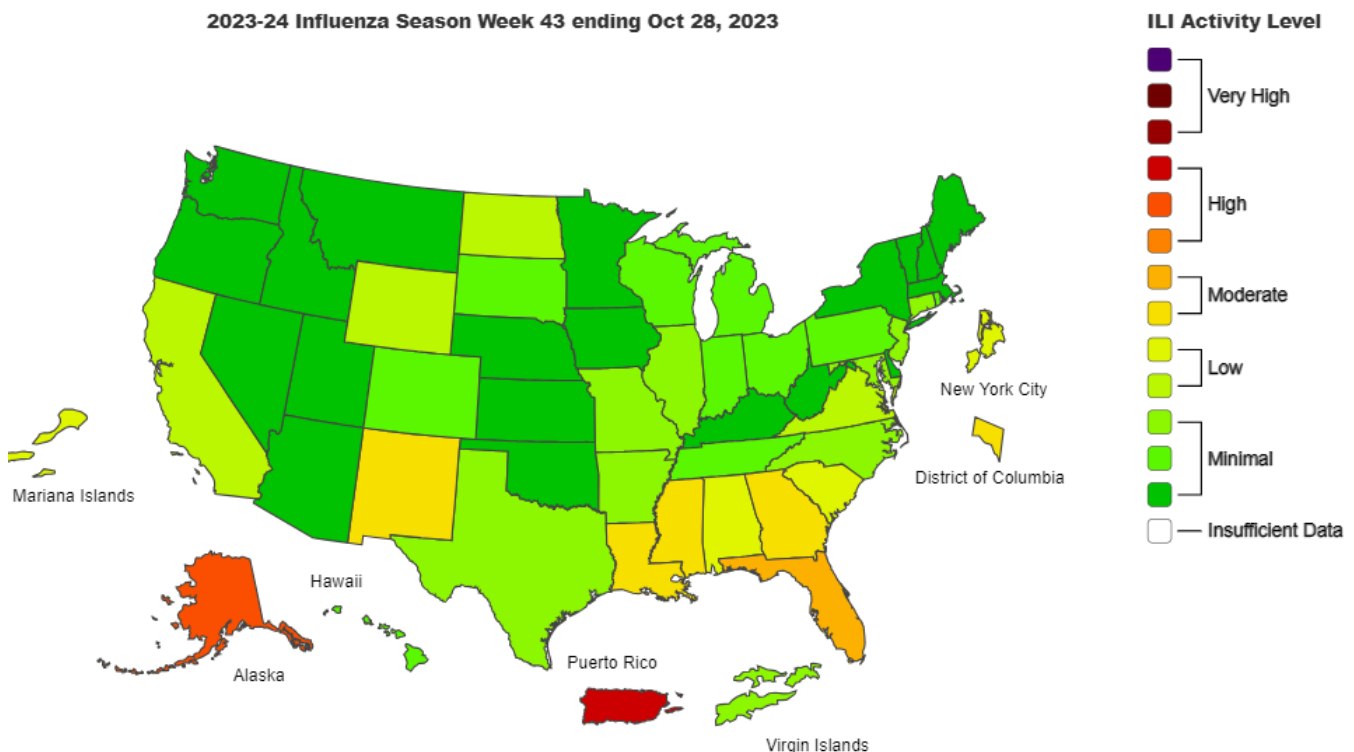
## [Indiana \(Week 43, October 22 – October 28, 2023\)](https://www.in.gov/health/idepd/influenza/influenza-dashboard/)

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- Indiana is experiencing **Minimal** ILI activity. For week 43.
- IDOH reported 1.84% ILI at sentinel provider sites and 1.70% ILI at ED and urgent care visits. Both rates have increased during the last week.
- **One influenza-associated death has been reported** during week 43.
- Eight specimens were tested at the IDOH Laboratory during Week 43. All were detected as influenza negative.

## [National \(Week 43, October 22 – October 28, 2023\)](https://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/index.htm)

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- Seasonal influenza activity remained **low** across the US but there are slight increases in some parts of the country.
- According to the U.S. Outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet), **2.7% of outpatient visits to healthcare providers** were related to ILI (influenza-like illness). This rate is higher than last week (2.5%) and is below the baseline of 2.9%.
- **Three influenza-associated pediatric deaths occurring during the 2023-2024 season have been reported to CDC.**
- During Week 43, **1.9% of clinical laboratory specimens** were **positive for influenza**. This rate is higher than last week (1.4%).
- During Week 43, **189 (8.5%) specimens** were **positive at public health laboratories**. This rate is higher than last week (5%).

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