

# Marion County Influenza Situation Report 2023-2024 Seasonal Influenza Week 49 (December 03, 2023 – December 09, 2023)

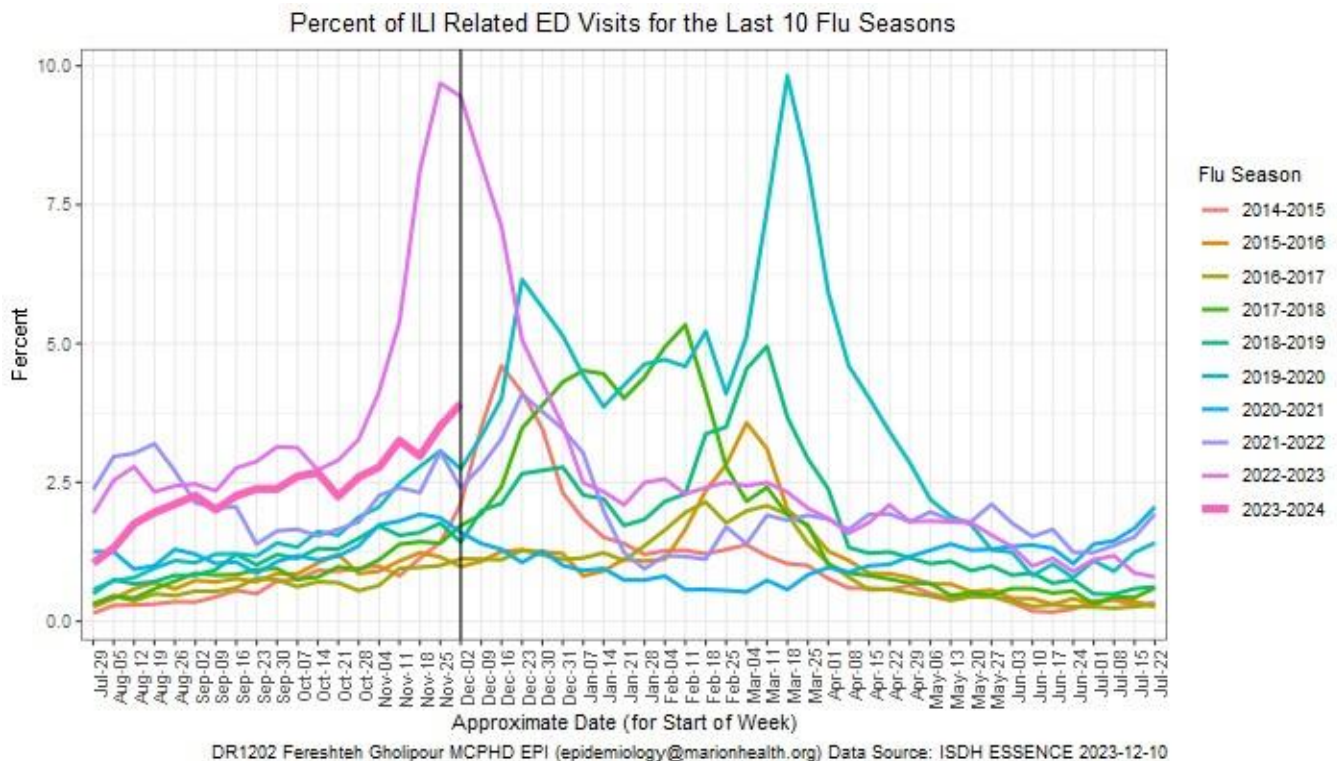


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## Influenza-like Illness ED visits in Marion County continued to increase during week 49.



- During week 49 (December 03 to December 09), **3.92% of Marion County ED visits had ILI symptoms**. The current rate is higher than last week (3.36%). The median percentage of ILI-related ED visits for week 49 over the last five years is 2.58%.
- In Marion County hospitals, 0-4 years old had the highest rate (10.49%) of ILI related ED Visits. This rate is higher than last week (9.71%). The median percentage of 0-4 years old ILI-related ED visits for week 49 over the last five years is 8.8%.
- **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 18.8% out of all 0-4 years old ED visits during week 49. This rate is higher than last week (16.46%)
  - 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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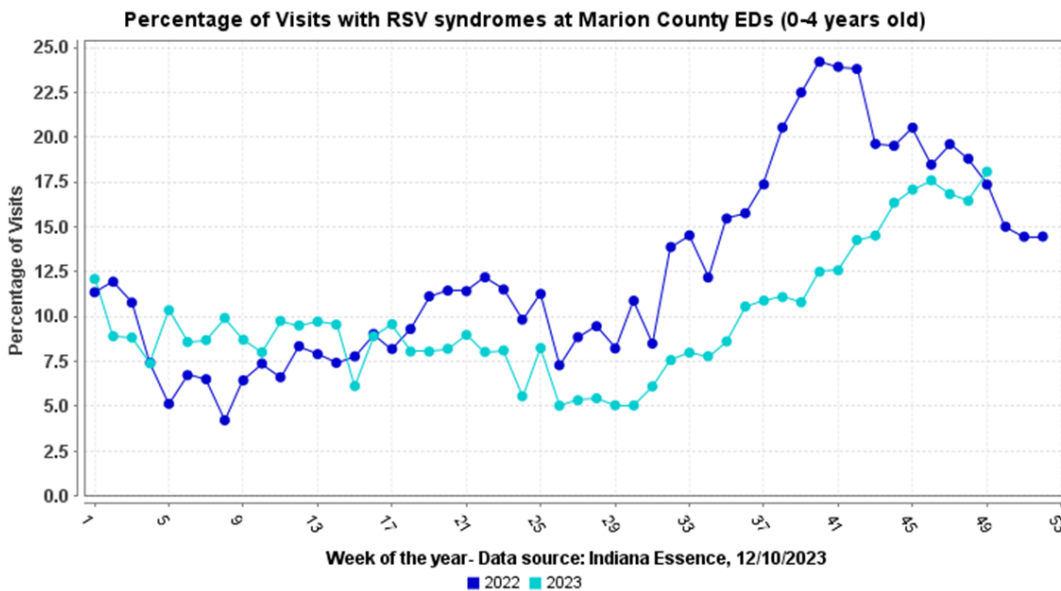
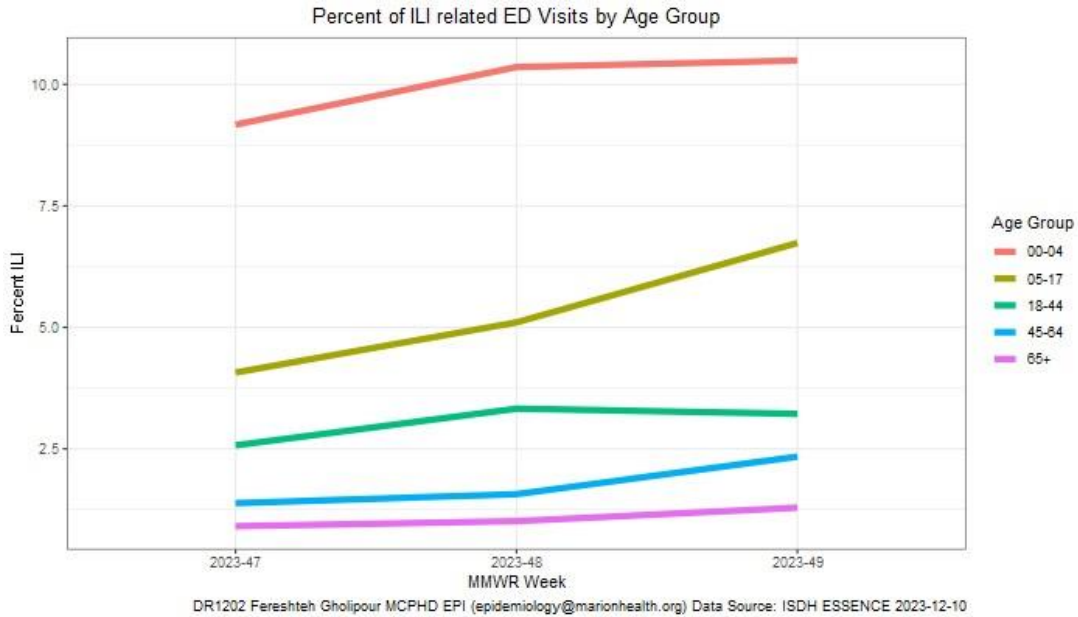
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## Marion County (Week 48, December 03, 2023 – December 09, 2023)

- The percentage of ILI-related ED visits was 3.92% out of all ED visits.
- In Marion County hospitals, 0-4 years old had the highest rate (9.71%) of ILI related ED Visits.

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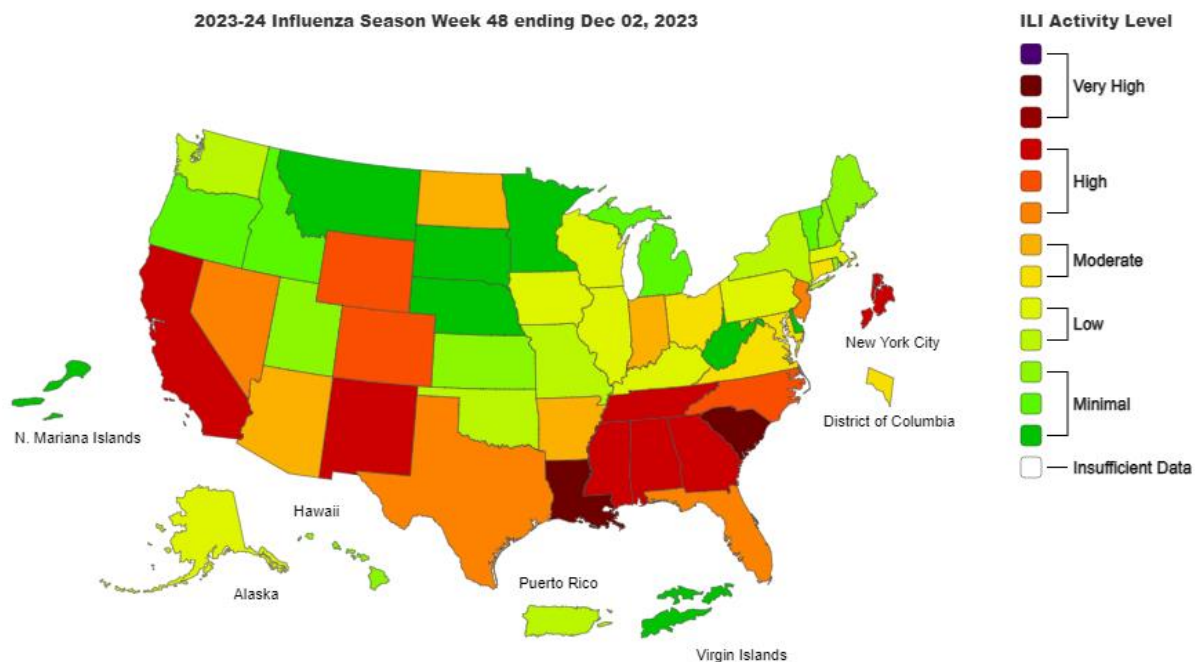
## [Indiana \(Week 48, December 03, 2023 – December 09, 2023\)](https://www.in.gov/health/idepd/influenza/influenza-dashboard/)

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- Indiana is experiencing **moderate** ILI activity for week 48.
- IDOH reported 2.81% ILI at sentinel provider sites and 3.10% ILI at ED and urgent care visits. Both rates have increased during the last week.
- **One influenza-associated death has been reported** during week 48. Six deaths have been reported since the beginning of the season.
- Eight specimens were tested at the IDOH Laboratory during Week 48. All were detected as influenza negative.

## [National \(Week 48, December 03, 2023 – December 09, 2023\)](https://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/index.htm)

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- Seasonal influenza activity continues to increase in most parts of the country, with the southeast and south-central areas of the country reporting the highest levels of activity.
- According to the U.S. Outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet), **4% of outpatient visits to healthcare providers** were related to ILI (influenza-like illness). This rate is higher than last week (3.9%) and is above the baseline of 2.9%.
- **Four influenza-associated pediatric deaths** have been reported to CDC during week 48. Three deaths were associated with influenza A(H1N1) viruses and one death was associated with an influenza B virus. Twelve influenza-associated pediatric deaths have been reported to CDC since the beginning of the season.

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- During Week 48, **6.8%** of **clinical laboratory specimens** were **positive for influenza**. This rate is higher than last week (6.2%).
- During Week 48, 547 (**20.3%**) of **specimens** were **positive at public health laboratories**. This rate is higher than last week (19%).

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