

Marion County Influenza Situation Report 2025-2026 Seasonal Influenza Week 5 (February 1, 2026 – February 7, 2026)



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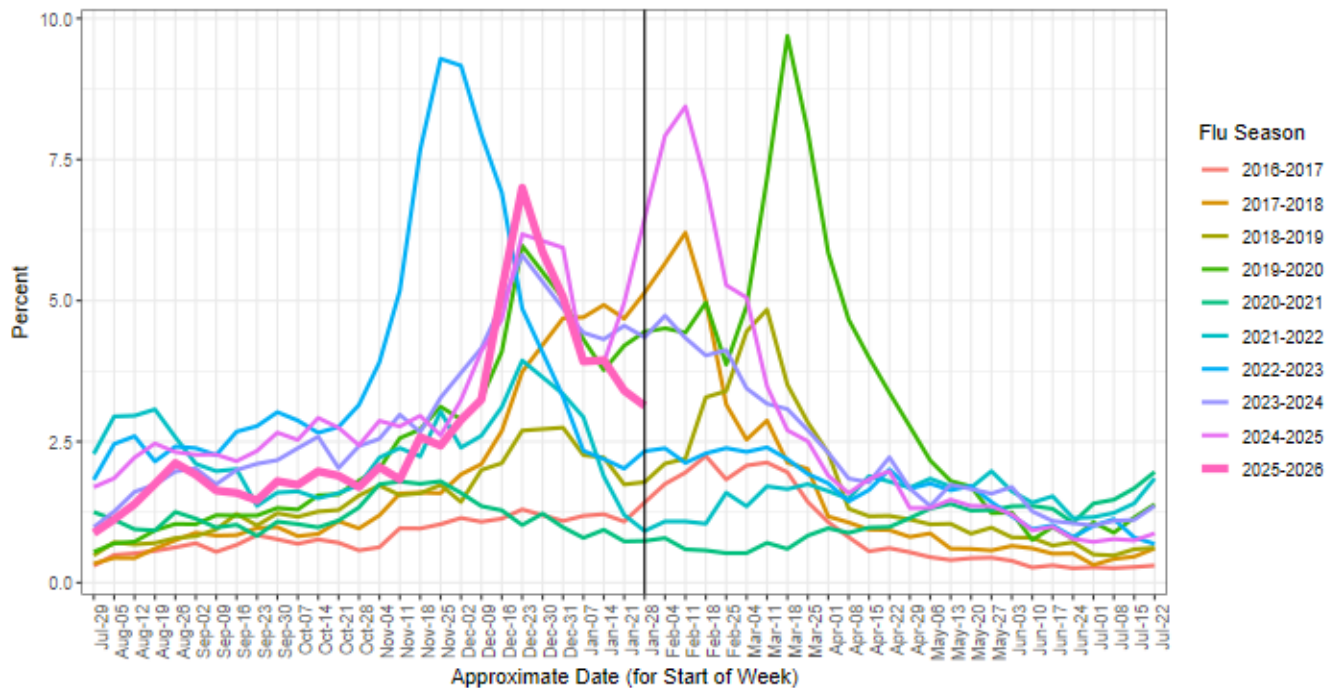
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Overview

Influenza-Like Illness (ILI) emergency department (ED) visits **decreased**, and RSV ED visits **decreased** during this past week. ILI ED visits in Marion County **decreased** during Week 5, a 7.6% **decrease** compared to Week 4. For children aged 0-4 years old, ILI ED visits **decreased** by 13.0%, while for children aged 5-17 years old, ILI ED visits **decreased** by 38.7%.

Percent of ILI Related ED Visits for the Last 10 Flu Seasons



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Influenza and RSV Surveillance – Week 5, February 1, 2026 – February 7, 2026 Marion County

Influenza

- During Week 5, **3.14% or 383 of Marion County ED visits had ILI symptoms**. The current percentage is lower than last week (3.40% or 362 visits).
- In Marion County hospitals, the age group 0-4 years old had the highest percentage of ILI-related ED visits at 6.24% (65 visits), followed by 5-17 years old at 5.79% (72 visits).
- The median percentage of ILI-related ED visits for Week 5 over the last five years is 3.13%.

RSV

- The percentage of Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)-related ED visits for 0-4 years old was **1.92% (20 visits)** during Week 5. This percentage is lower compared to last week (2.00% or 19 visits).
- 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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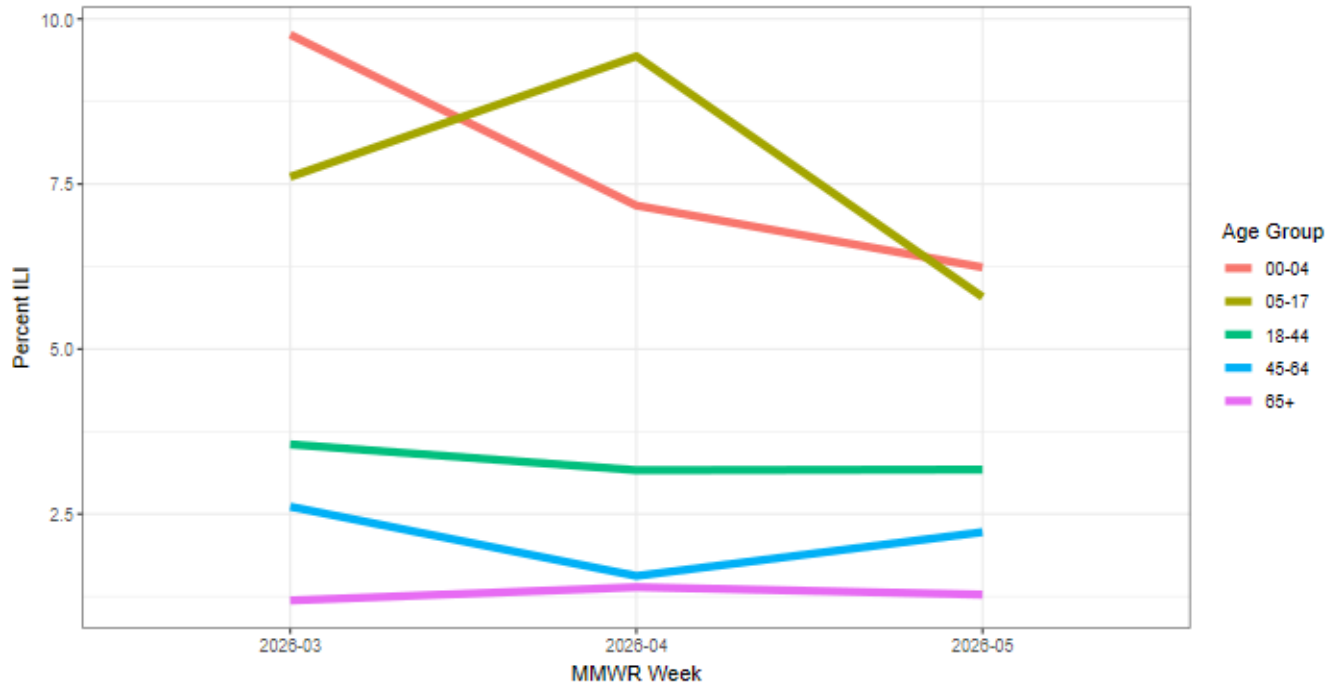


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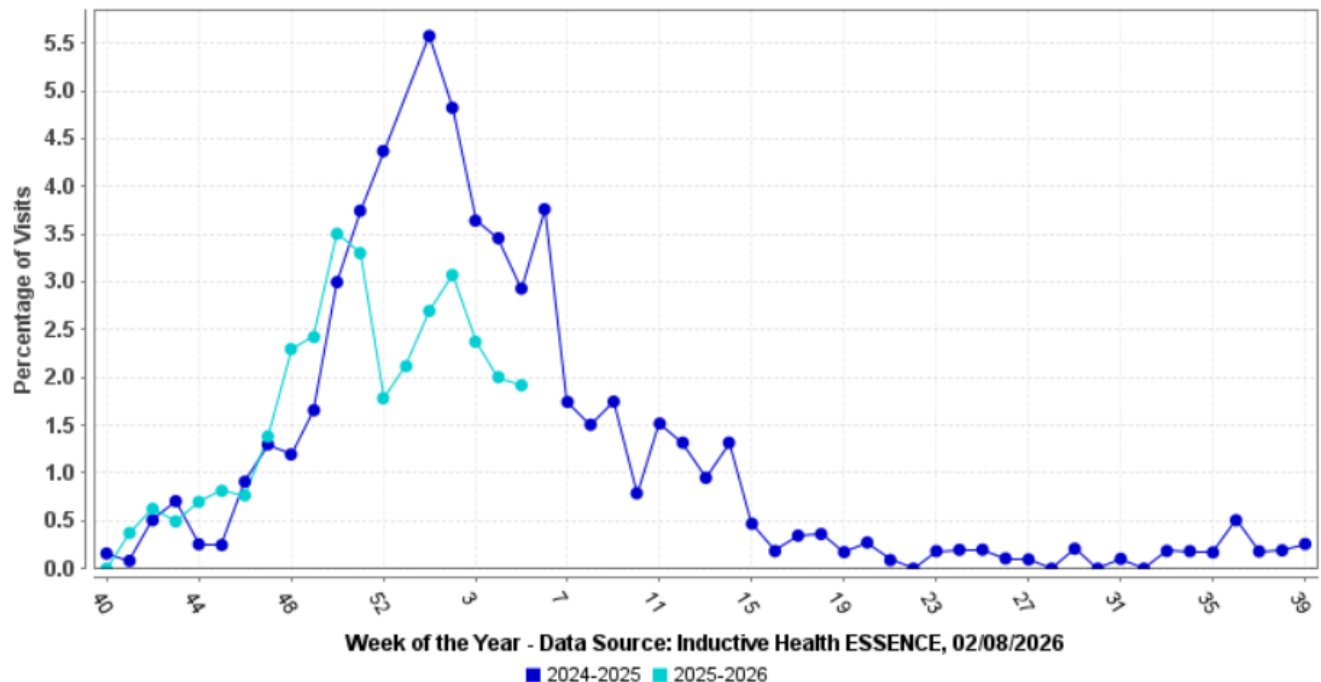
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Percent of ILI related ED Visits by Age Group



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Percentage of Visits with RSV Syndromes at Marion County EDs for 0-4 Years Old



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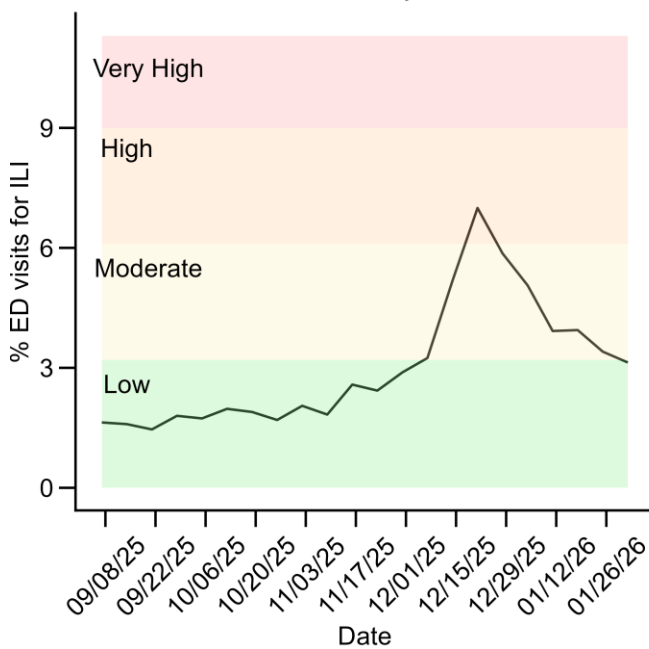
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Thresholds for ILI and RSV Severity – Week 5, February 1, 2026 – February 7, 2026

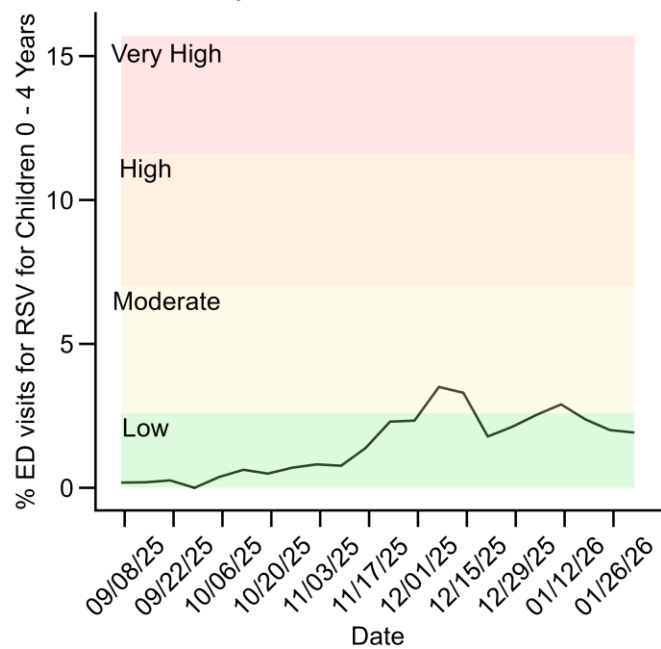
Marion County

- In Marion County, the severity of ILI is **low** and the severity of RSV for children 0 - 4 years old is **low** for Week 5. Severity thresholds were estimated using Marion County data from flu seasons 2017/2018 to 2024/2025.

Influenza-Like-Illness Severity: Low



RSV Severity for Children 0 - 4 Years: Low



Influenza Surveillance – Week 4, January 25, 2026 – January 31, 2026

Marion County

- During Week 4, **3.40% or 362 of Marion County ED visits had ILI symptoms.**
- In Marion County hospitals, the age group 5-17 years old had the highest percentage of ILI-related ED visits at 9.44% (92 visits), followed by 0-4 years old at 7.17% (68 visits).

Indiana

<https://www.in.gov/health/idepd/respiratory-disease/influenza/influenza-dashboard/>

- Indiana is experiencing **Moderate** ILI activity.
- IDOH reported 3.29% ILI at ED and urgent care visits and 3.39% ILI at sentinel provider sites.
- Eight influenza-associated deaths have been reported** during Week 4. Eighty-seven deaths have been reported since the beginning of the season.

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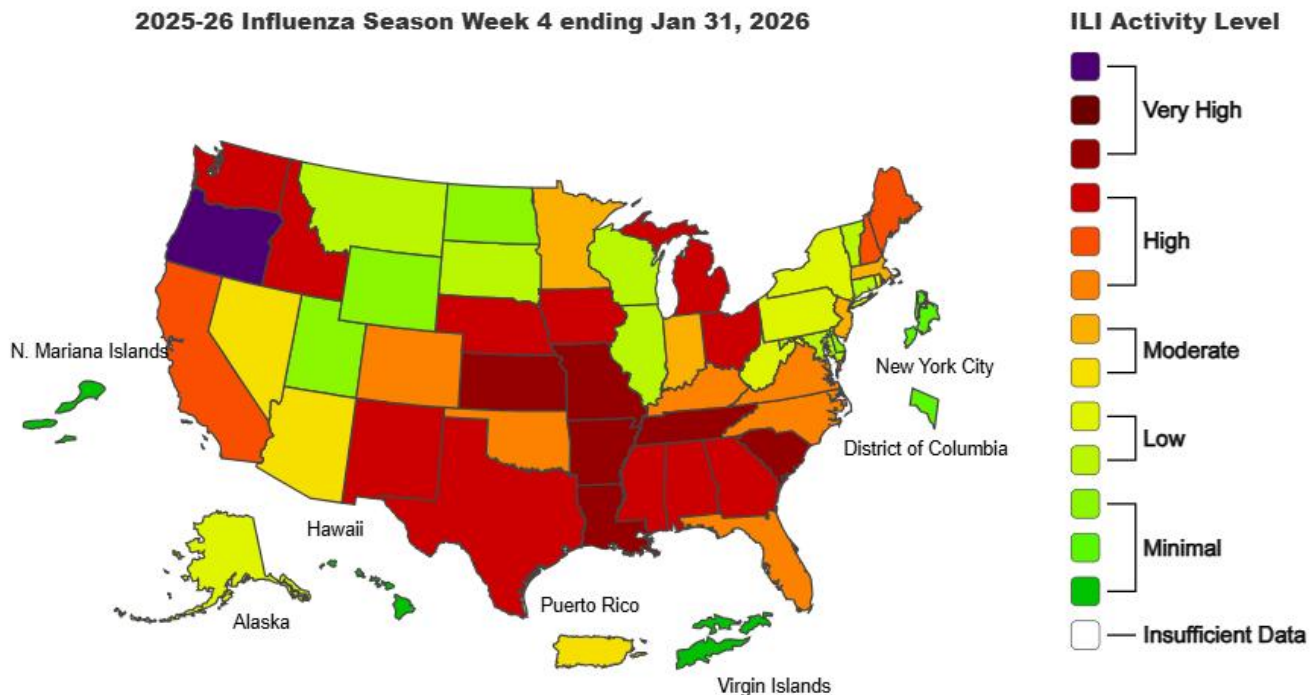
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National

<https://www.cdc.gov/fluview/>

2025-26 Influenza Season Week 4 ending Jan 31, 2026



- Seasonal influenza (flu) activity remains elevated across the country.
- According to the U.S. Outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet), **4.4% of outpatient visits to healthcare providers** were related to ILI (influenza-like illness). This percentage is above the baseline of 3.0%.
- During Week 4, 18.0% of **clinical laboratory specimens** were **positive for the influenza virus**.
- During Week 4, 72.17% of specimens were **positive for influenza viruses at public health laboratories**.
- **Eight influenza-associated pediatric deaths** were reported to CDC during Week 4. The deaths occurred during weeks 51, 52, 1 and 3.
 - All deaths were associated with influenza A viruses. Six of these deaths had subtyping performed and all of them were A(H3N2) viruses.
 - A total of sixty influenza-associated pediatric deaths occurring during the 2025-2026 season have been reported to CDC.

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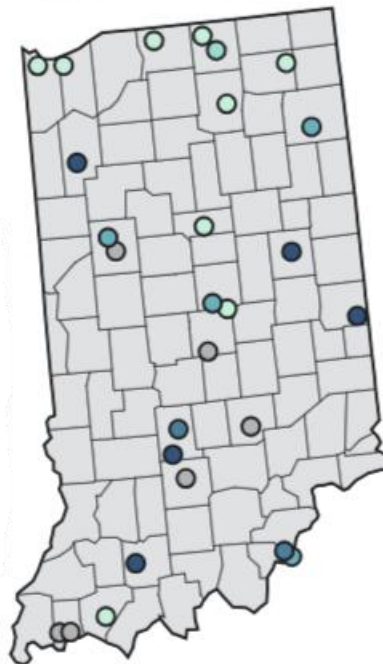
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[Wastewater Viral Activity Levels – Week 4, January 25, 2026 – January 31, 2026](https://www.cdc.gov/nwss/data-methods.html)
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Influenza A Wastewater

- In Indiana, the wastewater viral activity level is currently **Moderate**.
- In Marion County, there is currently no data on the wastewater viral activity level.



Current Site Levels

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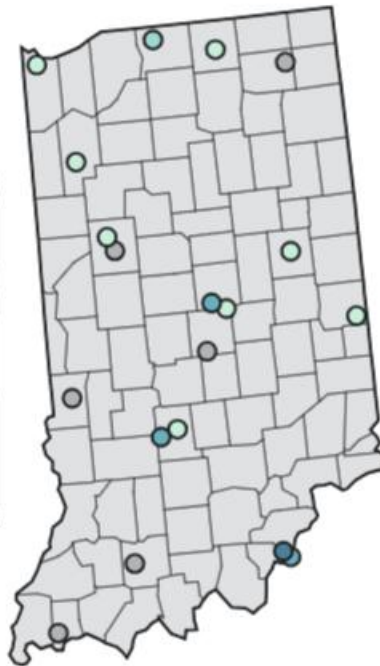
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RSV Wastewater

- In Indiana, the wastewater viral activity level is currently **Very Low**.
- In Marion County, there is currently no data on the wastewater viral activity level.



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