

Marion County Influenza Situation Report 2025-2026 Seasonal Influenza Week 9 (March 1, 2026 – March 7, 2026)



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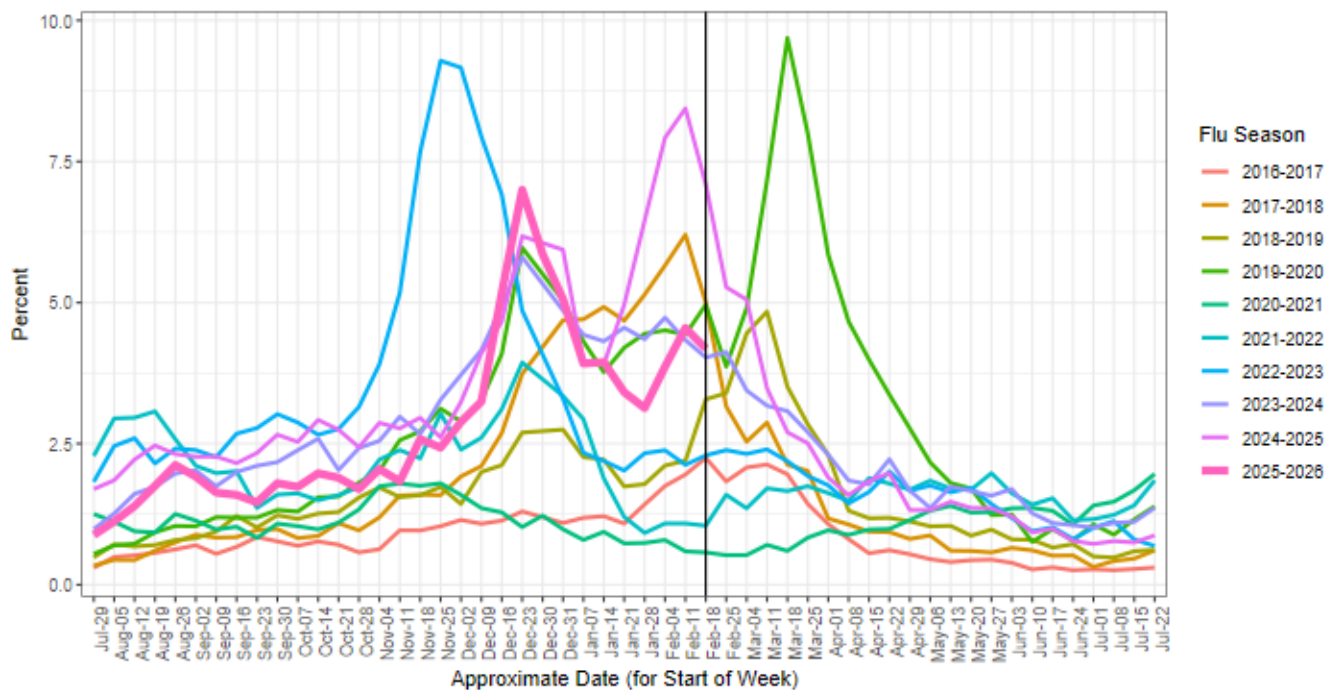
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Overview

Influenza-Like Illness (ILI) emergency department (ED) visits **decreased**, and RSV ED visits **increased** during this past week. ILI ED visits in Marion County **decreased** during Week 9, a 0.7% **decrease** compared to Week 8. For children aged 0-4 years old, ILI ED visits **increased** by 21.5%, while for children aged 5-17 years old, ILI ED visits **decreased** by 5.5%.

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



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Influenza and RSV Surveillance – Week 9, March 1, 2026 – March 7, 2026 Marion County

Influenza

- During Week 9, **4.08% or 519 of Marion County ED visits had ILI symptoms**. The current percentage is lower than last week (4.11% or 520 visits).
- In Marion County hospitals, the age group 0-4 years old had the highest percentage of ILI-related ED visits at 10.79% (118 visits), followed by 5-17 years old at 9.64% (158 visits).
- The median percentage of ILI-related ED visits for Week 9 over the last five years is 4.08%.

RSV

- The percentage of Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)-related ED visits for 0-4 years old was **1.65% (18 visits)** during Week 9. This percentage is higher compared to last week (1.52% or 18 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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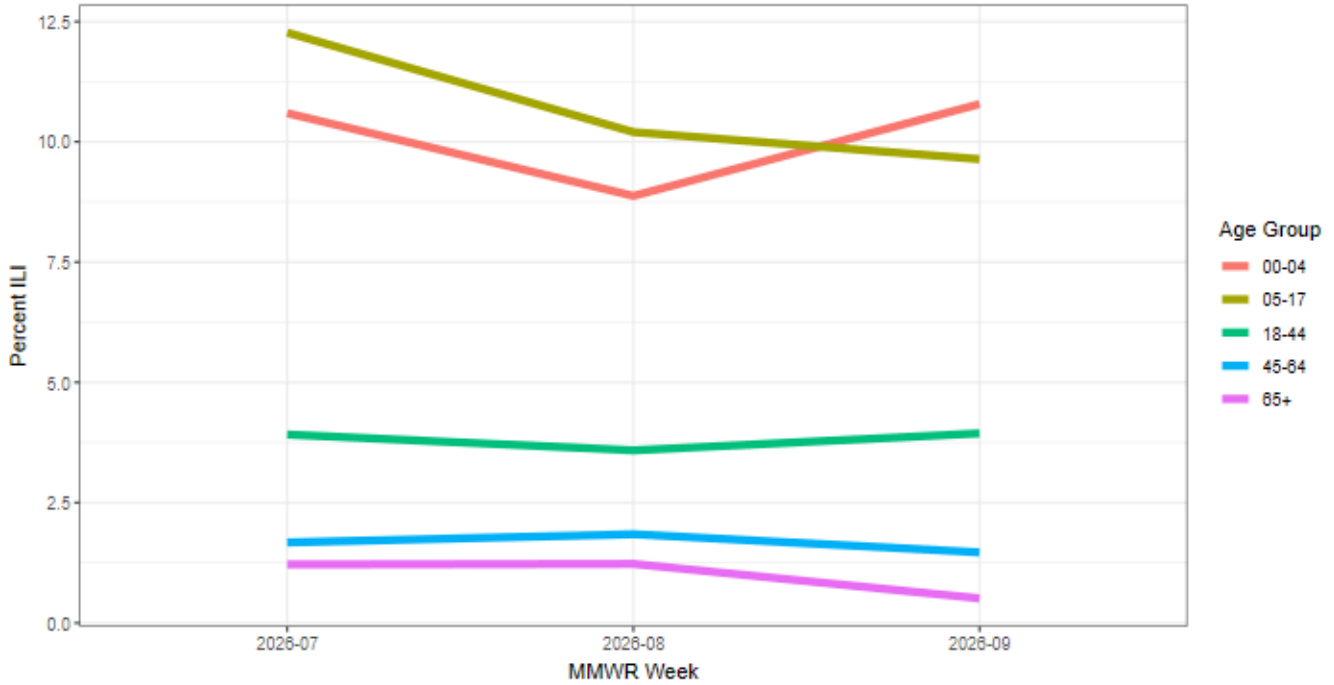


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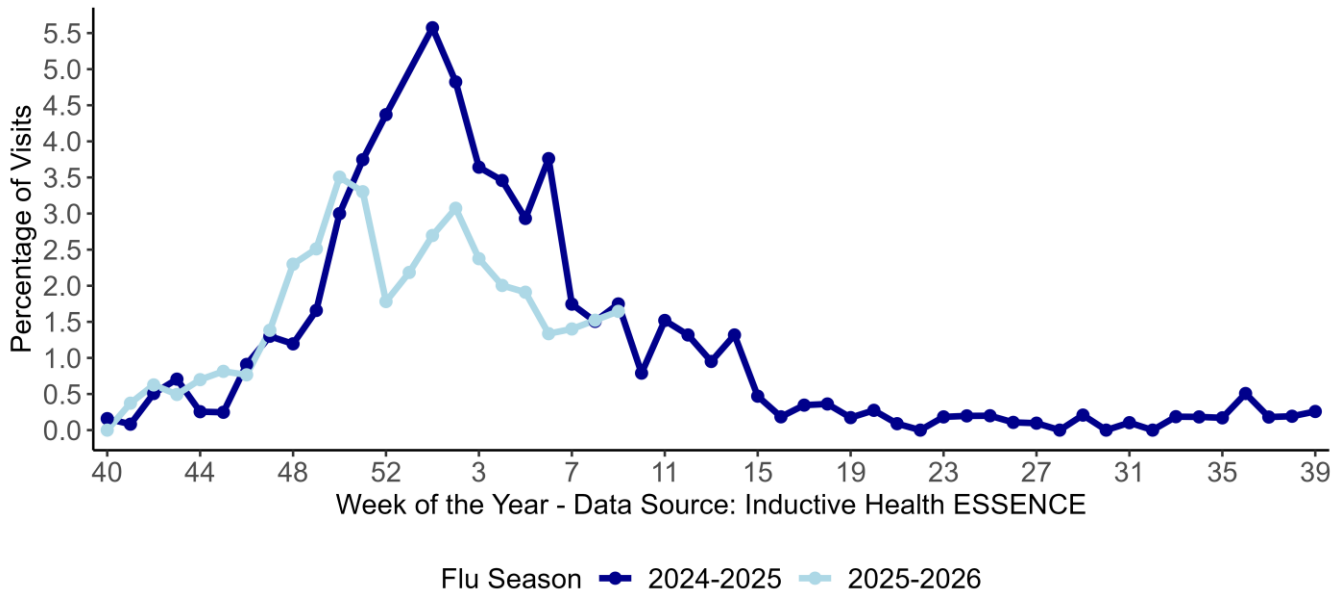
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Percent of ILI related ED Visits by Age Group



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



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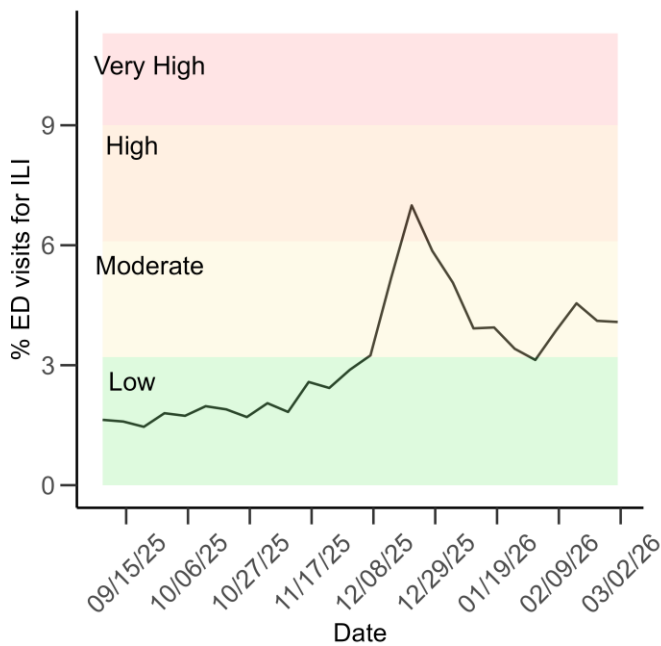
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Thresholds for ILI and RSV Severity – Week 9, March 1, 2026 – March 7, 2026

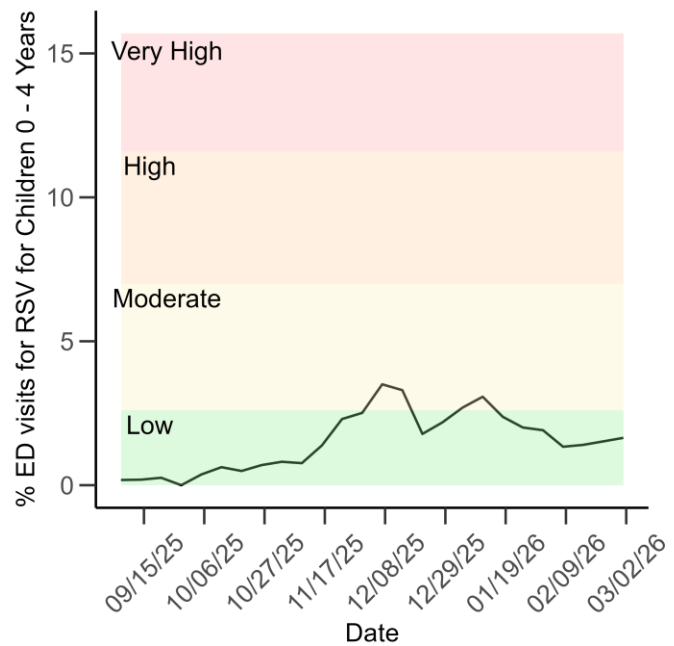
Marion County

- In Marion County, the severity of ILI is **moderate** and the severity of RSV for children 0 - 4 years old is **low** for Week 9. Severity thresholds were estimated using Marion County data from flu seasons 2017/2018 to 2024/2025.

Influenza-Like-Illness Severity: Moderate



RSV Severity for Children 0 - 4 Years: Low



Influenza Surveillance – Week 8, February 22, 2026 – February 28, 2026

Marion County

- During Week 8, **4.11% or 520 visits 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 10.20% (162 visits), followed by 0-4 years old at 8.88% (105 visits).

Indiana

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

- Indiana is experiencing **High** ILI activity.
- IDOH reported 3.77% ILI at ED and urgent care visits and 3.59% ILI at sentinel provider sites.
- Six influenza-associated deaths have been reported** during Week 8. A total of 182 deaths have been reported since the beginning of the season.

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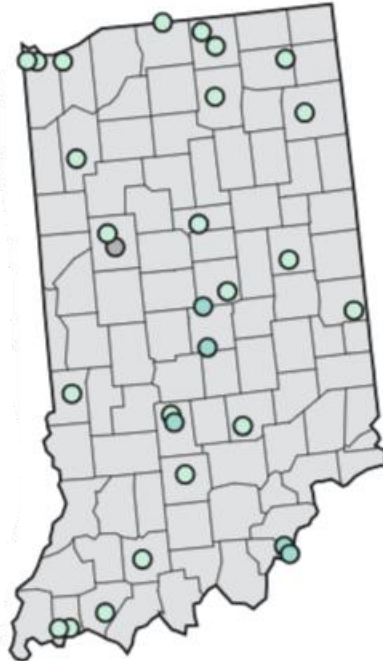
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[Wastewater Viral Activity Levels – Week 8, February 22, 2026 – February 28, 2026](https://www.cdc.gov/nwss/data-methods.html)
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Influenza A Wastewater

- In Indiana, the wastewater viral activity level is currently **Very Low**.
- In Marion County, the wastewater viral activity level is currently **Low**.



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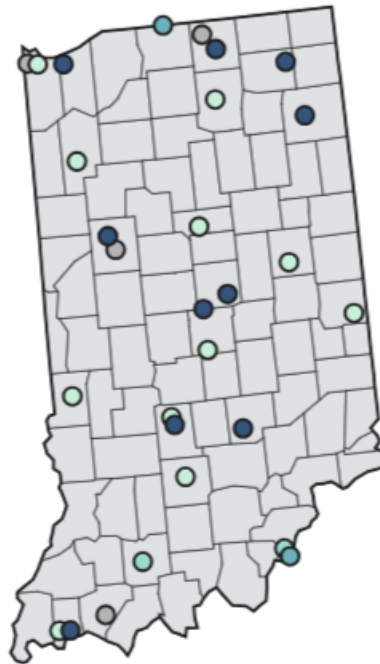
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RSV Wastewater

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- In Marion County, the wastewater viral activity level is currently **Very Low**.



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