

Infection Prevention and Control Roundtable with Acute Care Facilities

9-19-24



ACHOO TEAM



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Agenda

- **CDPH Important Updates**
 - Antimicrobial Resistance Conference: registration is open.
 - Mpox
 - iGAS
 - Point Prevalence Surveys
- **Special Topic:**
 - Preparing for Respiratory Viral Season: Current Epidemiology, Reporting Changes, and Infection Control Guidance
- **Discussion and Q&A**



Registration is OPEN!



Combating Antimicrobial Resistance With Stewardship: A One Health Approach

November 19, 2024, 8:00 A.M. — 4:30 P.M. | Malcolm X College, Chicago


https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/depts/cdph/supp_info/infectious/one-health-conference-home.html

Important Updates: MPOX IP&C Guidance (Summary)

Patient Placement	PPE	Waste Management	EVS	Duration of Isolation	Assessing Risk in Exposed HCWs	Management of Patients with an Exposure
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A patient with suspected or confirmed MPXV infection should be placed in a single-person room; special air handling is not required. Intubation, extubation, and any procedures likely to spread oral secretions should be performed in an airborne infection isolation room. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gown Gloves Eye protection (i.e., goggles or a face shield that covers the front and sides of the face) N95 respirator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diagnostic samples and clinical waste advises that waste contaminated with clade I or clade II MPXV is designated as Category B infectious substances except when they contain or are contaminated with laboratory cultures of clade I MPXV. Refer to the current DOT Safety Advisory Notice for details. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard cleaning and disinfection procedures should be performed using an EPA-registered hospital-grade disinfectant with an emerging viral pathogen claim. Products with Emerging Viral Pathogens claims may be found on EPA's List Q. Soiled laundry should be gently and promptly contained in an appropriate laundry bag and never be shaken or handled in manner that may disperse infectious material. Activities such as dry dusting, sweeping, or vacuuming should be avoided. Wet cleaning methods are preferred. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Those with suspected MPXV infection should have recommended isolation precautions for mpox maintained until MPXV infection is ruled out. Those with confirmed MPXV infection should have recommended isolation precautions for mpox maintained until all lesions have crusted, those crusts have separated, and a fresh layer of healthy skin has formed underneath. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Correct and consistent use of PPE when caring for a patient with MPXV infection prevents transmission to HCP. However, unrecognized errors during the use of PPE (e.g., self-contaminating when removing contaminated PPE) may create opportunities for transmission to HCP. CDC uses risk categories when assessing exposures: see definitions here: https://www.cdc.gov/poxvirus/mpox/clinicians/infection-control-healthcare.html#anchor_1660143677200 <p>High Risk Exposure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring**: Yes PEP†: Yes <p>Intermediate Risk Exposure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring**: Yes PEP†: Informed clinical decision-making recommended on an individual basis to determine whether benefits of PEP outweigh the risks <p>Uncertain to Minimal Risk of Exposure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring**: At discretion of facility and public health authority PEP†: No <p>No Identifiable Risk of Exposure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring**: No PEP†: No <p>Decisions on how to monitor exposed HCP are at the discretion of the occupational health program and public health authorities. The type of monitoring employed often reflects the risk for transmission with more active-monitoring approaches used for higher risk exposures, including check-ins on tolerability of and adherence to PEP. Self-monitoring approaches are usually sufficient for exposures that carry a lesser risk for transmission.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In general, patients in healthcare facilities who have had an MPXV exposure and are asymptomatic do not need to be isolated, but they should be monitored for 21 days. If a rash occurs, patients should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be placed on empiric isolation precautions for mpox until (1) the rash is evaluated, (2) testing is performed, if indicated, and (3) the results of testing are available and are negative. If other symptoms of mpox are present, but there is no rash, patients should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be placed on empiric isolation precautions for mpox for 5 days after the development of any new symptom.



iGAS: Confirmed Cases

- Updated 6/25/2024
 - Confirmed: Group A Streptococcus, identified by culture or by detection of Strep A by nucleic acid testing from a normally sterile site, in an individual who:
 - Resides in a residential facility
 - Is postpartum
 - Is postsurgical
 - Was hospitalized at the time of onset of infection
 - Necrotizing fasciitis (NF) and Streptococcal Toxic Shock Syndrome (STSS) are forms of invasive GAS infection and should be reported in the above situations.
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iGAS Case Definition Details

- Normally sterile body sites: such as blood, cerebrospinal fluid (CSF), pleural fluid, peritoneal fluid, pericardial fluid, surgical aspirate, bone, joint fluid, or internal body site (e.g., lymph node, brain)
- Residential Facility: (e.g. long-term care facility including skilled nursing facility, assisted living, ICF/DD, SMHRF, SLF, etc.; correctional facility including prison, jail, or juvenile justice facility; university or residential school; homeless shelter; group home; or other residential facility)



iGAS Case Definition Details cont.

- Is postpartum
 - Associated with a clinical postpartum infection (e.g., endometritis) or from either a sterile site or a wound infection.
 - Postpartum period of interest includes all inpatient days and the first 7 days after discharge.
- Is postsurgical
 - Identified during the hospital stay or the first 7 days after discharge
 - From a sterile site or a surgical wound
 - The indication for surgery was not a preexisting GAS infection
- Hospital onset
 - Hospitalized at the time of onset of infection
 - Infection was neither present on admission nor incubating at the time of admission.
 - Sample taken on hospital day 4 or later and symptoms associated with iGAS were not present on admission.
 - Reason for admission was unrelated to GAS infection, either invasive or non-invasive.





- Please indicate in the comments if:
 - The patient resides in a residential facility - if not obvious from the address.
 - The patient is postpartum - include date of delivery.
 - The patient is postsurgical - include date of procedure and indication.
 - The case is hospital onset – make sure the admission date and specimen collection date are correct.
 - If these situations do not apply, please indicate “not postpartum,” “no surgery,” etc.
- CDPH may still need some additional information depending on the scenario.

Jurisdiction

Select a Jurisdiction: Illinois Dept of Public Health Central Office ▼

Other Information

Comment:
(Include any additional pertinent information.)

Additional Required Information

[Clinical](#) - Add or update patients clinical information.
[Laboratory Tests](#) - Add or update laboratory test information.

****Please fax the laboratory confirmation report to your local health department (LHD).****

(*) Mandatory

Submit to LHD Save As Draft Change Diagnosis Copy Case Cancel



XDR0 Point Prevalence Surveys

- CDPH may be able to come to your facility for a prevention or a response PPS.
- We test for CRE (peri-rectal swab) and C. auris (axilla/groin swab)
- If your facility is interested:
 - CDPH PPS Lead will reach out and walk you through the process
 - All levels of support will be provided by CDPH, including expense
 - What CDPH needs from you:
 - A current list of all residents with demographics, room/bed, indwelling devices, CP status
 - Rolling carts
 - Some staff support on the floor to help identify and locate residents
 - Reach out to Maria Bovee if interested in participating





CDPH Supported Point Prevalence Survey

CDPH also conducts periodic preventative PPSs at SNFs based on the Patient Transfer Network analysis.

If your facility is selected:

- CDPH PPS Lead will reach out and walk you through the process.
- All levels of support will be provided by CDPH, including expenses.
- What CDPH needs from you:
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Respiratory Disease Surveillance Review and Updates for the Coming Season

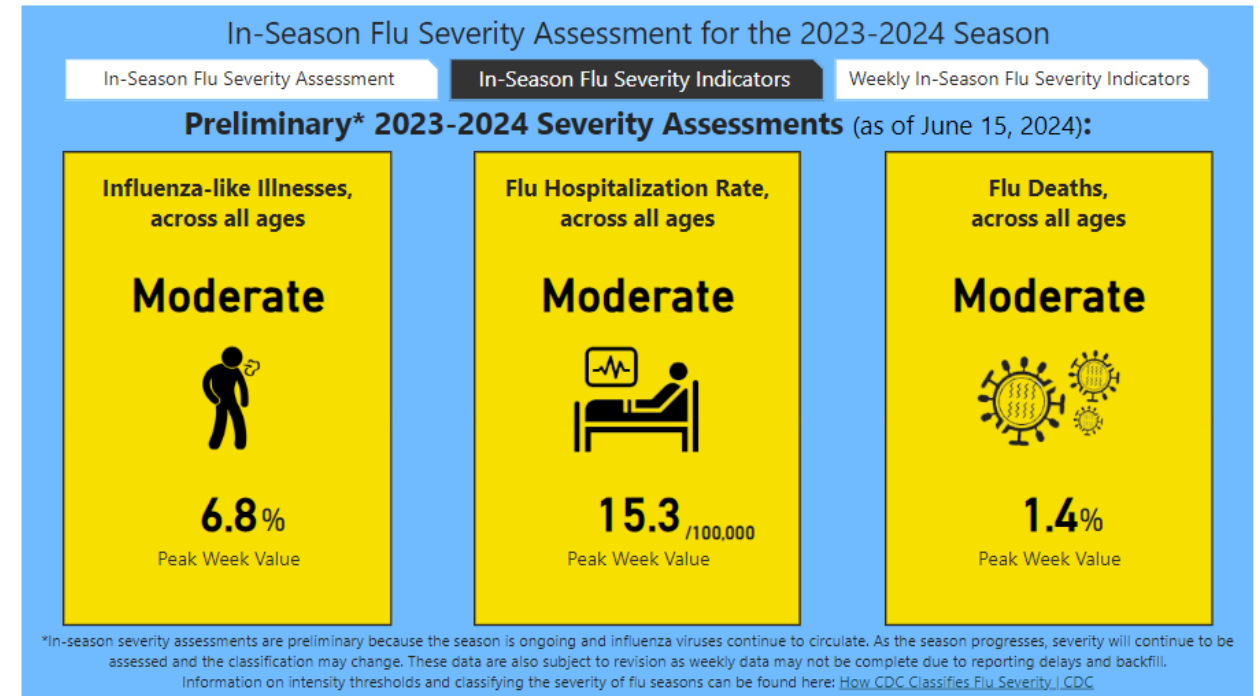
IP Round Table – 9/19/2024

Stephanie Gretsich

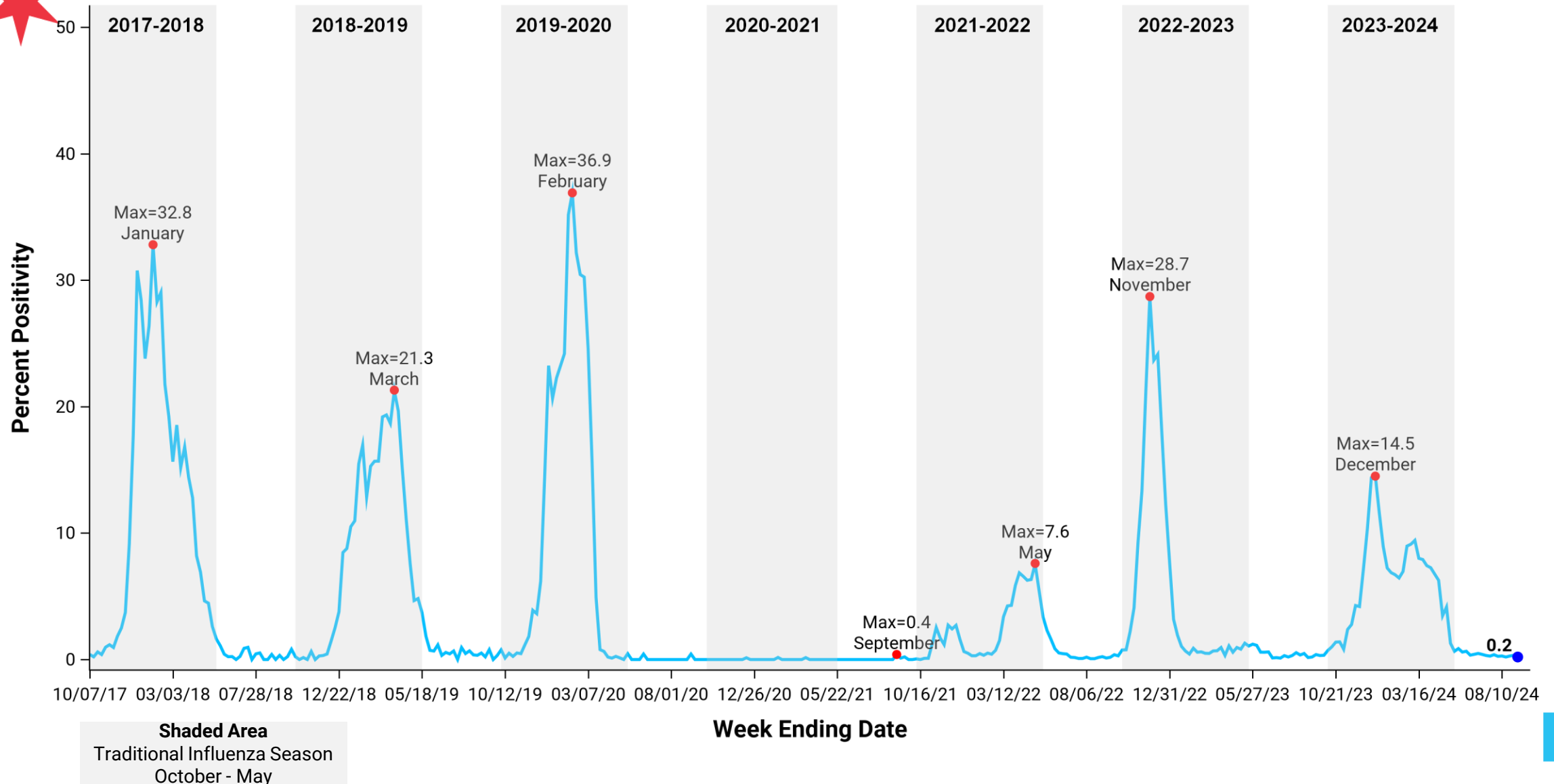


Influenza activity in Chicago during the 2023-24 season was similar to previous non-pandemic seasons.

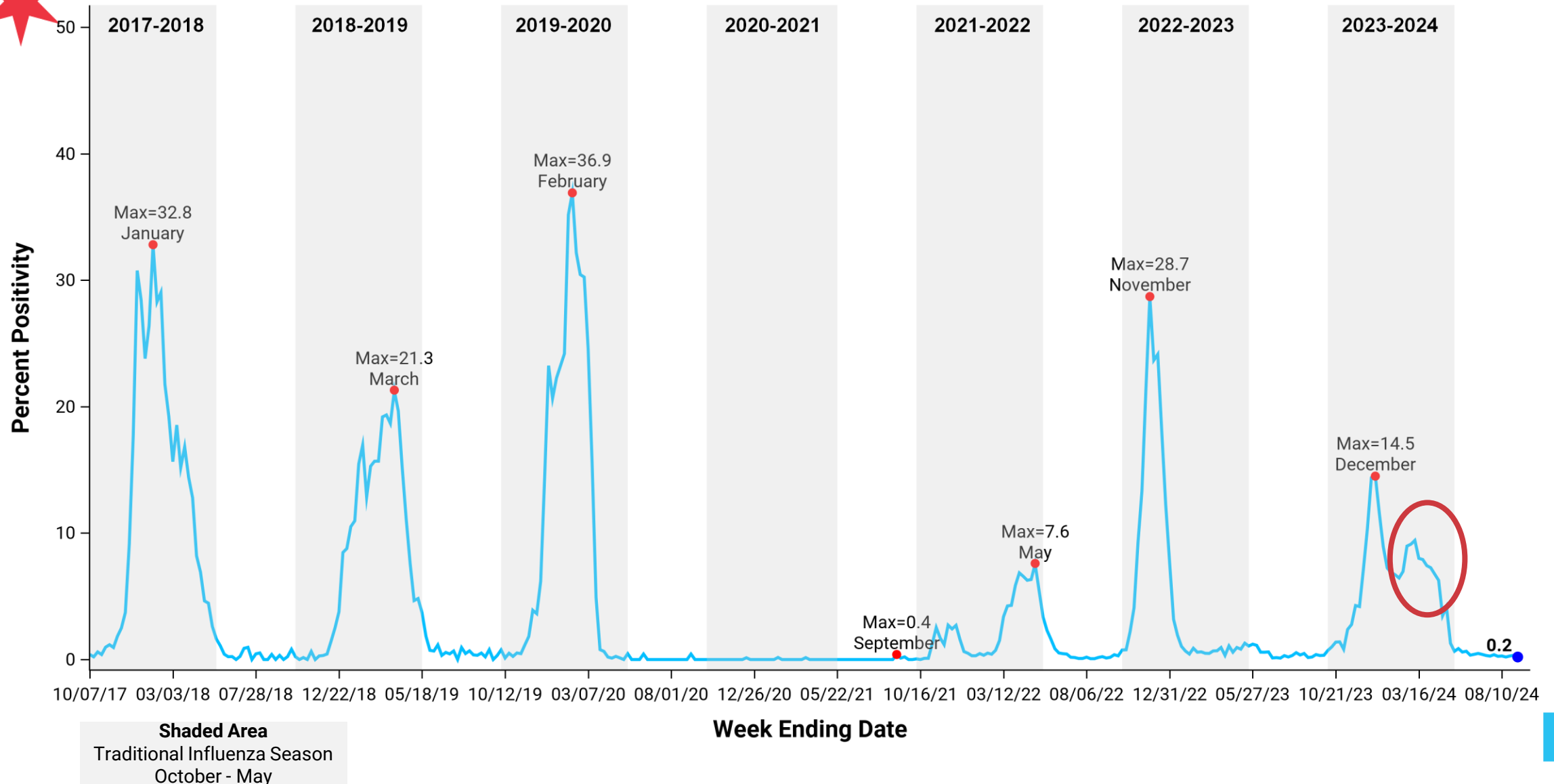
- 2023-24 season was moderately severe across all ages
- The most commonly detected influenza viruses for the season as a whole were **influenza A(H1N1)pdm09** viruses.
- The cumulative hospitalization rate is the second highest cumulative end-of-season hospitalization rate following the 2017-2018 season.
 - Older adults 65+ and 50-64 y/o followed by children <5 most affected



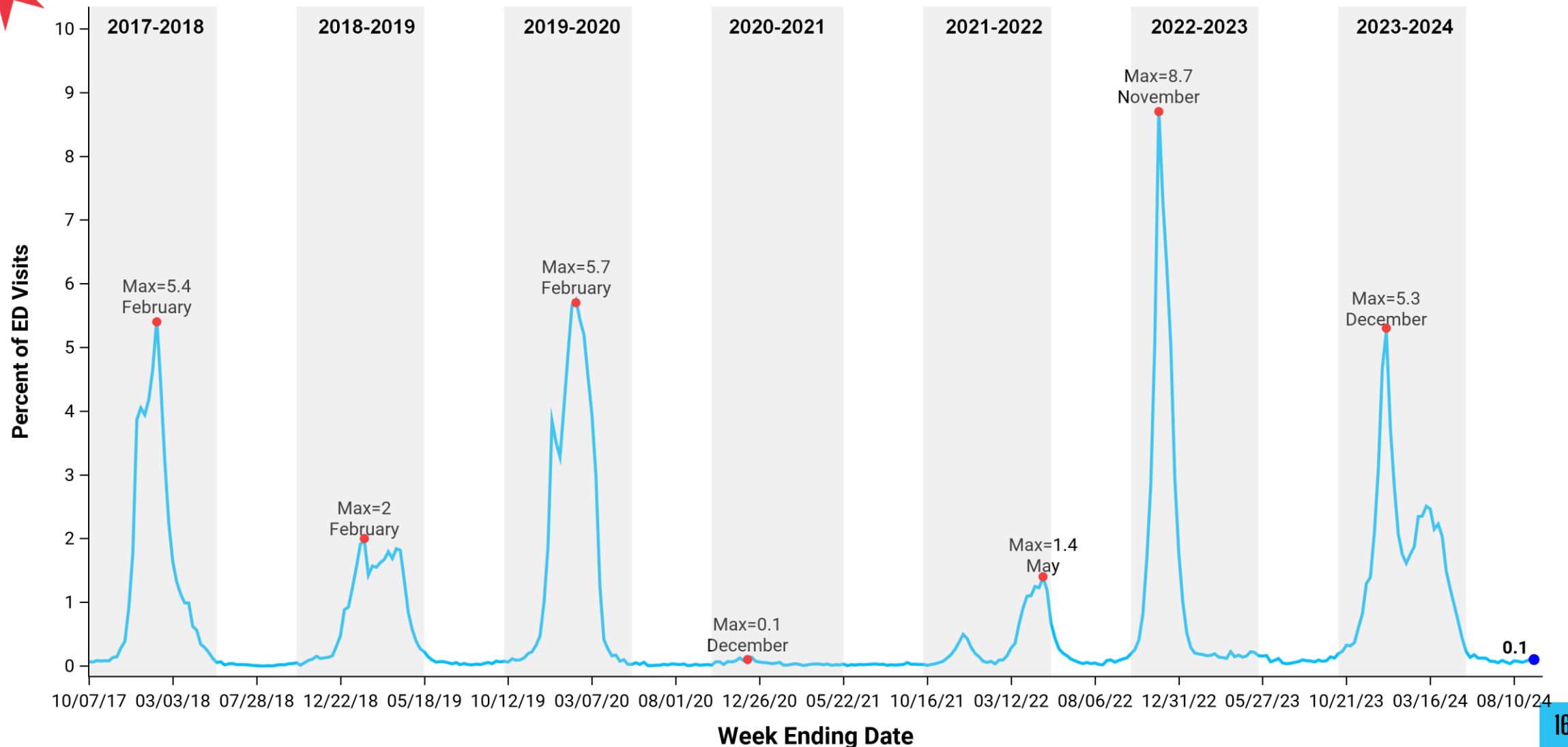
Influenza lab percent positivity peaked lower (14.5%) and later (in December) than last season.



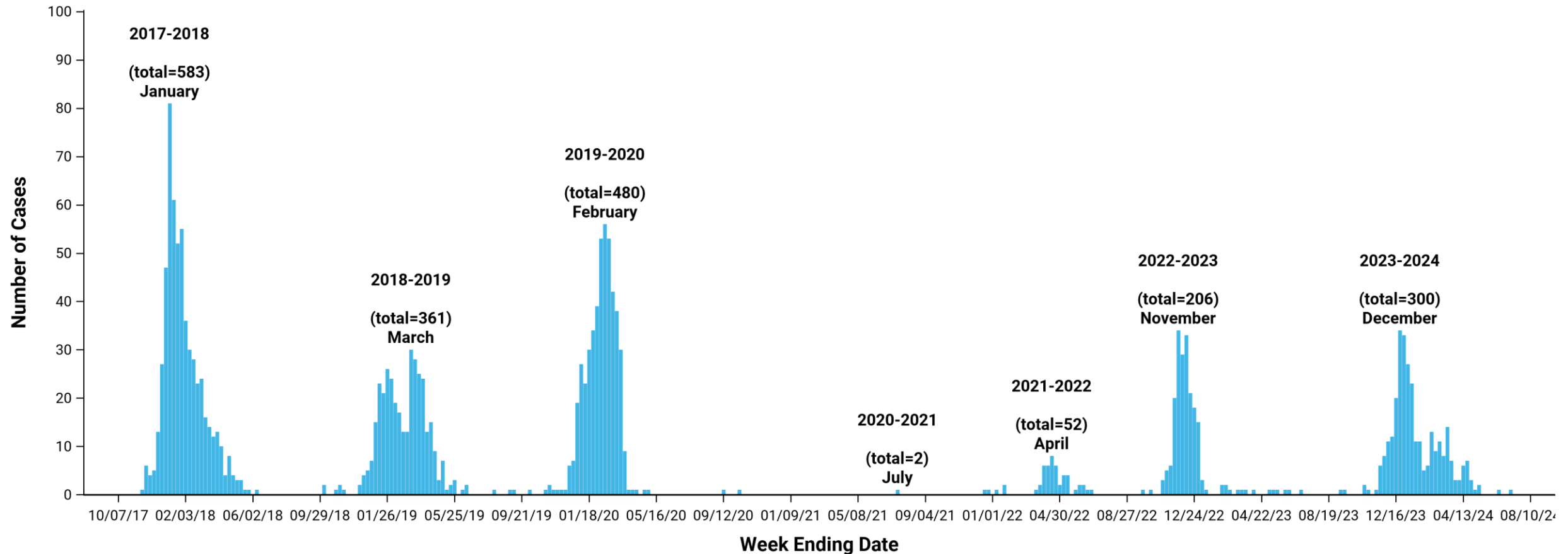
There was a second peak (9.4%) in March mainly associated with influenza B.



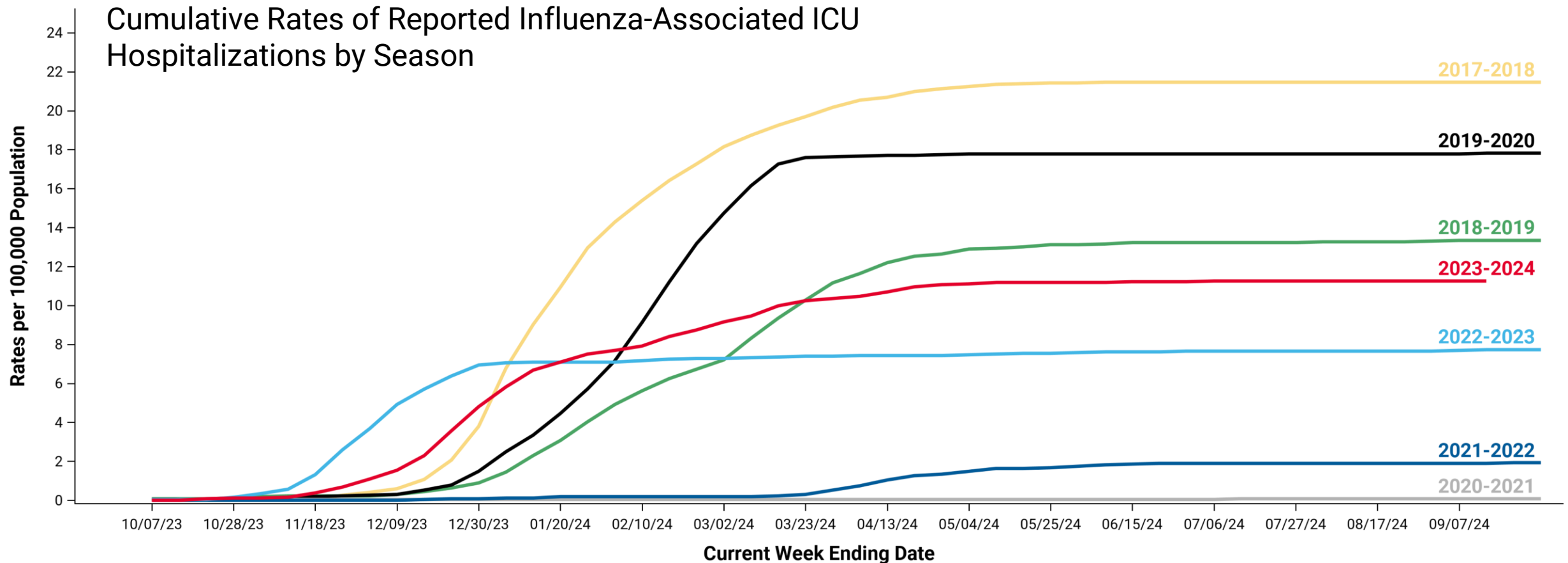
Similar trends seen among emergency department visits due to Influenza (DDx)



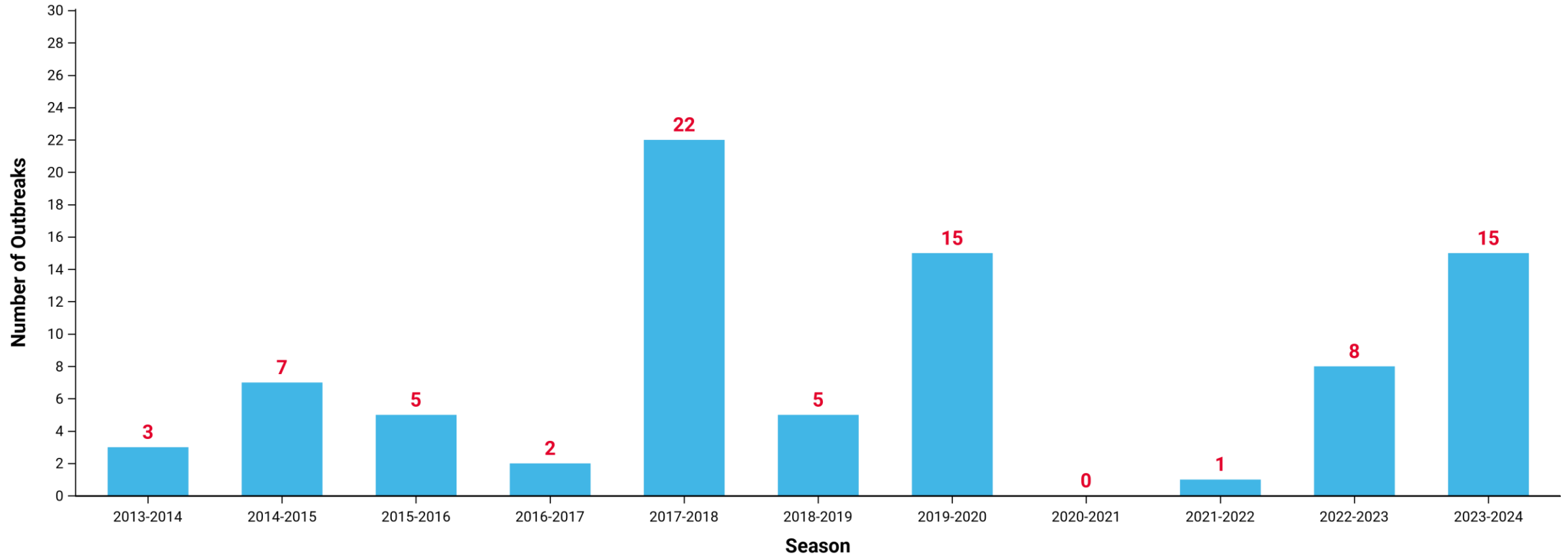
Weekly Reported Influenza-Associated ICU Hospitalizations 2017-2018 to 2023-2024



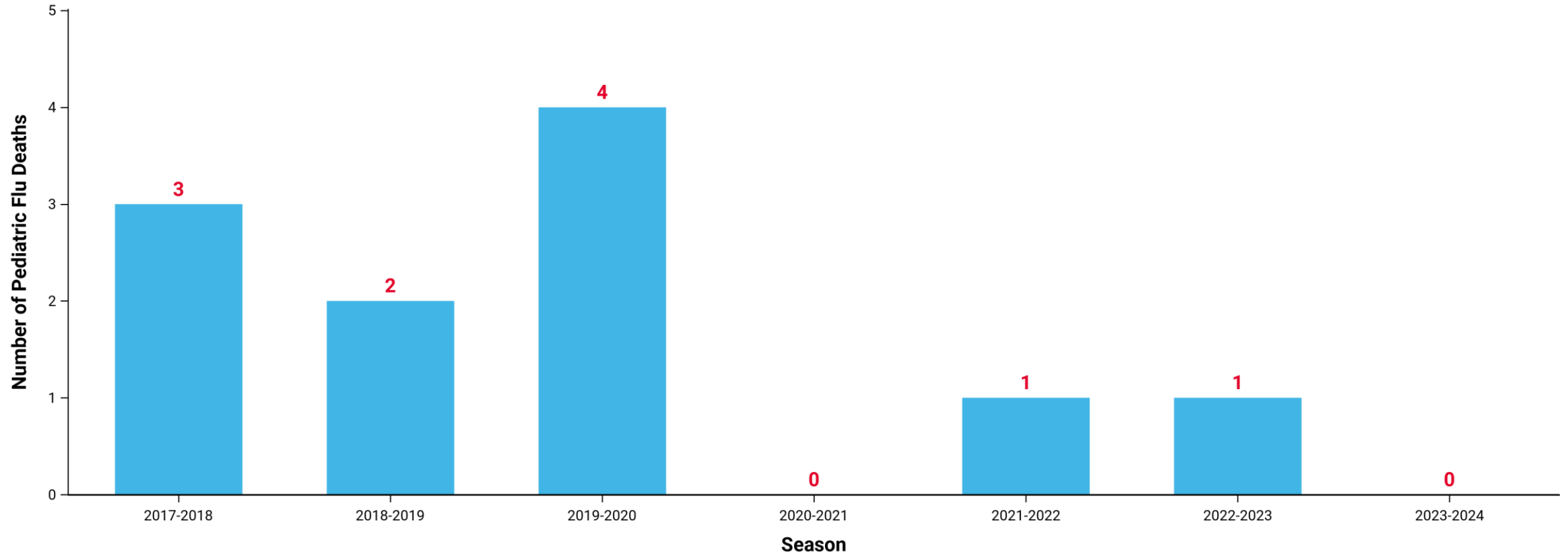
Cumulative ICU rates highest since the COVID pandemic but below prior influenza seasons



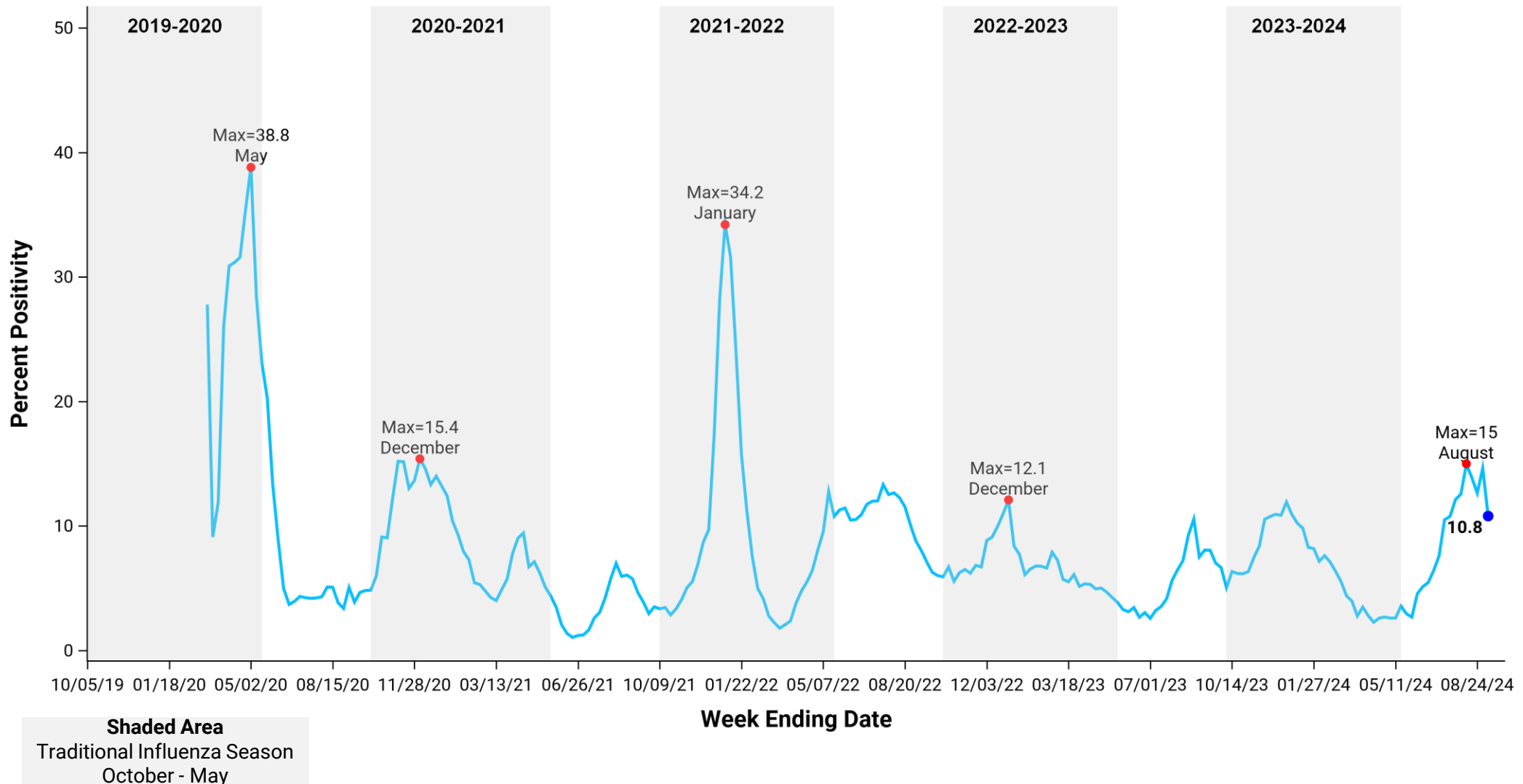
15 influenza outbreaks in long-term care facilities were reported, almost double than last season.



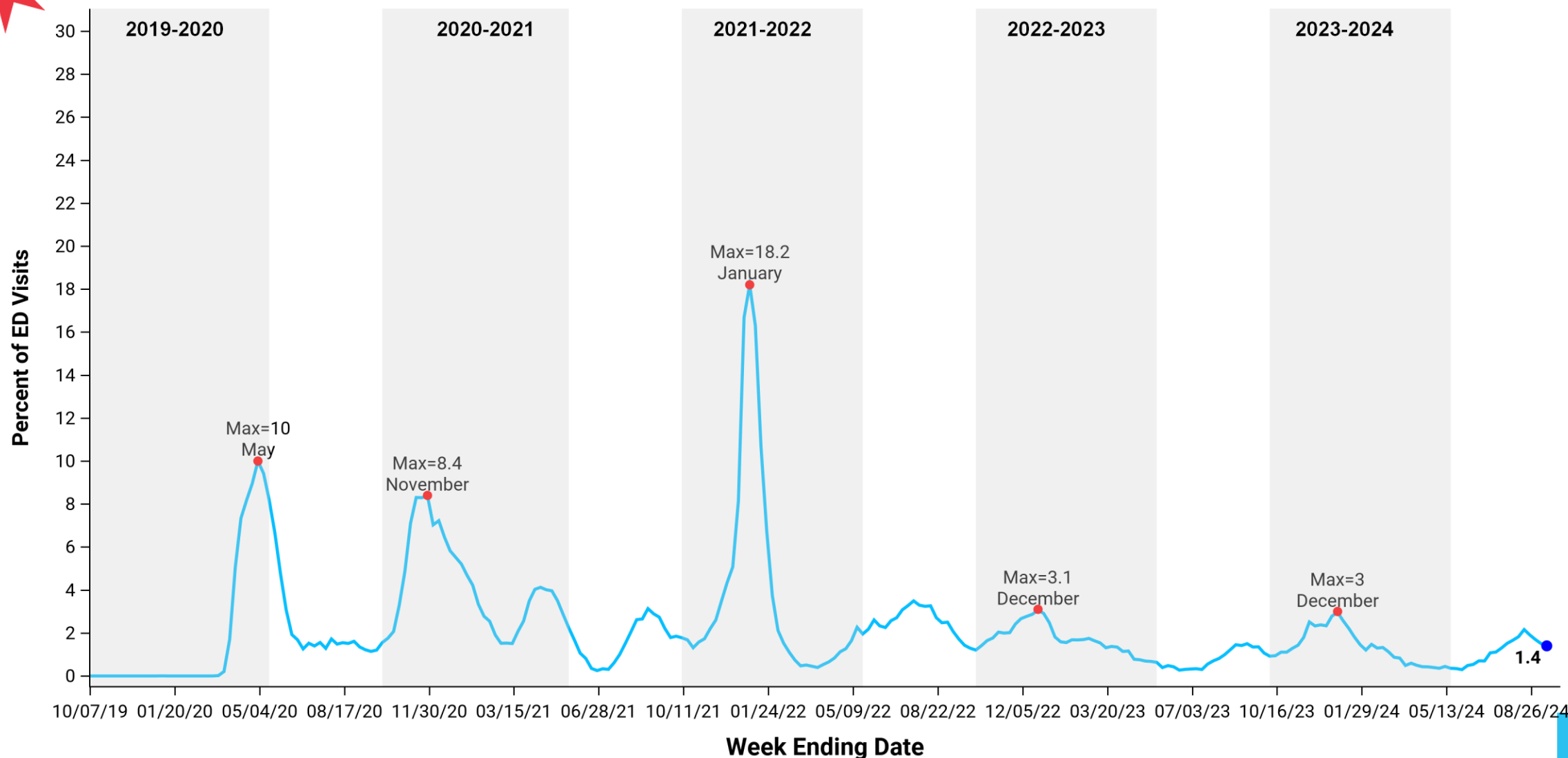
No reported pediatric influenza deaths in Chicago last season, but 199 reported in the US, equaling the previous high during the 2019–2020 season



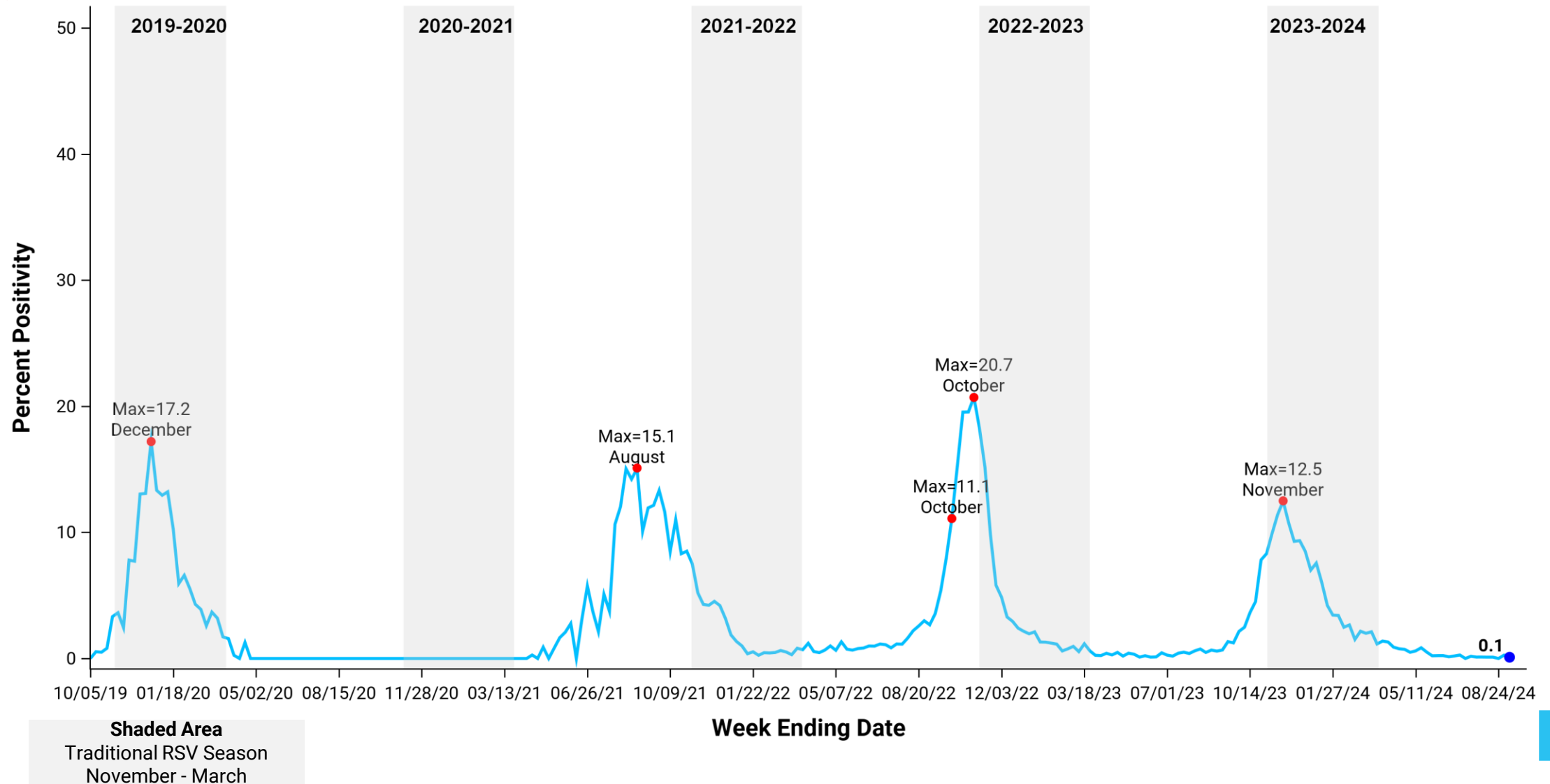
During the 2023-2024, COVID test positivity peaked in December (11.9%), similar to last season. However, a summer peak (15.0%) occurred in August.



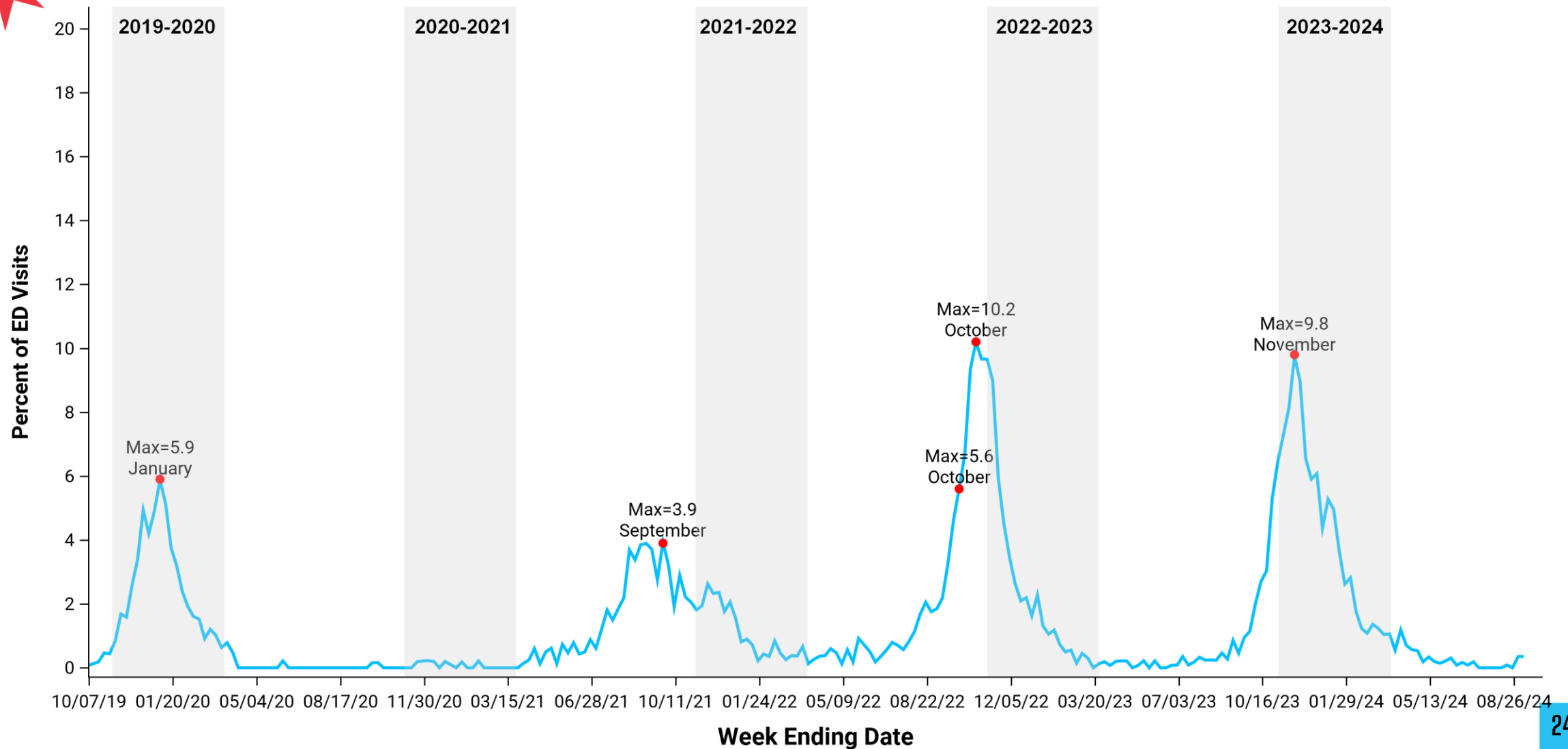
However, ED Visits Due to COVID-19 (DDx) were higher in December than during this current summer wave



RSV seasonality was disrupted following the COVID Pandemic but has started to shift back to normal seasonal patterns



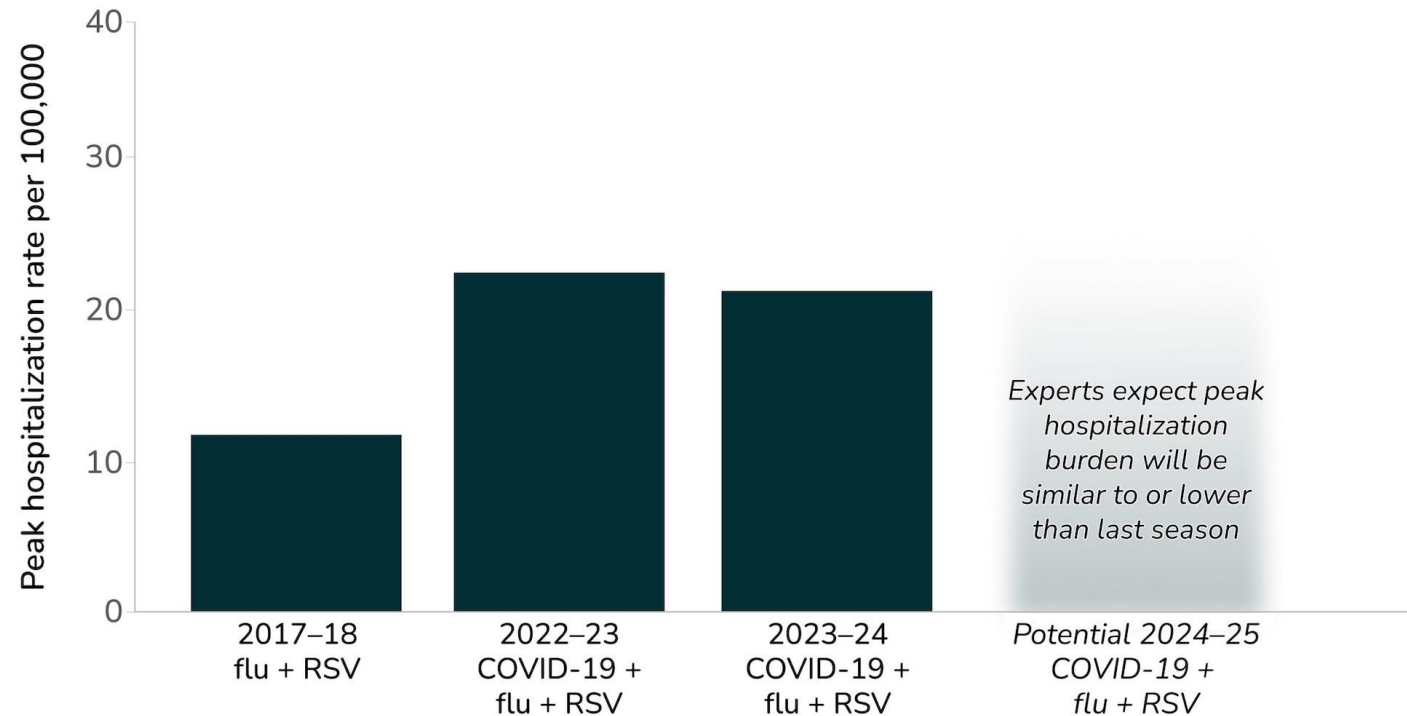
Emergency Department Visits Due to RSV (DDx) in Children <5 years





Upcoming 2024–25 season peak hospitalization burden likely similar to or lower than last year

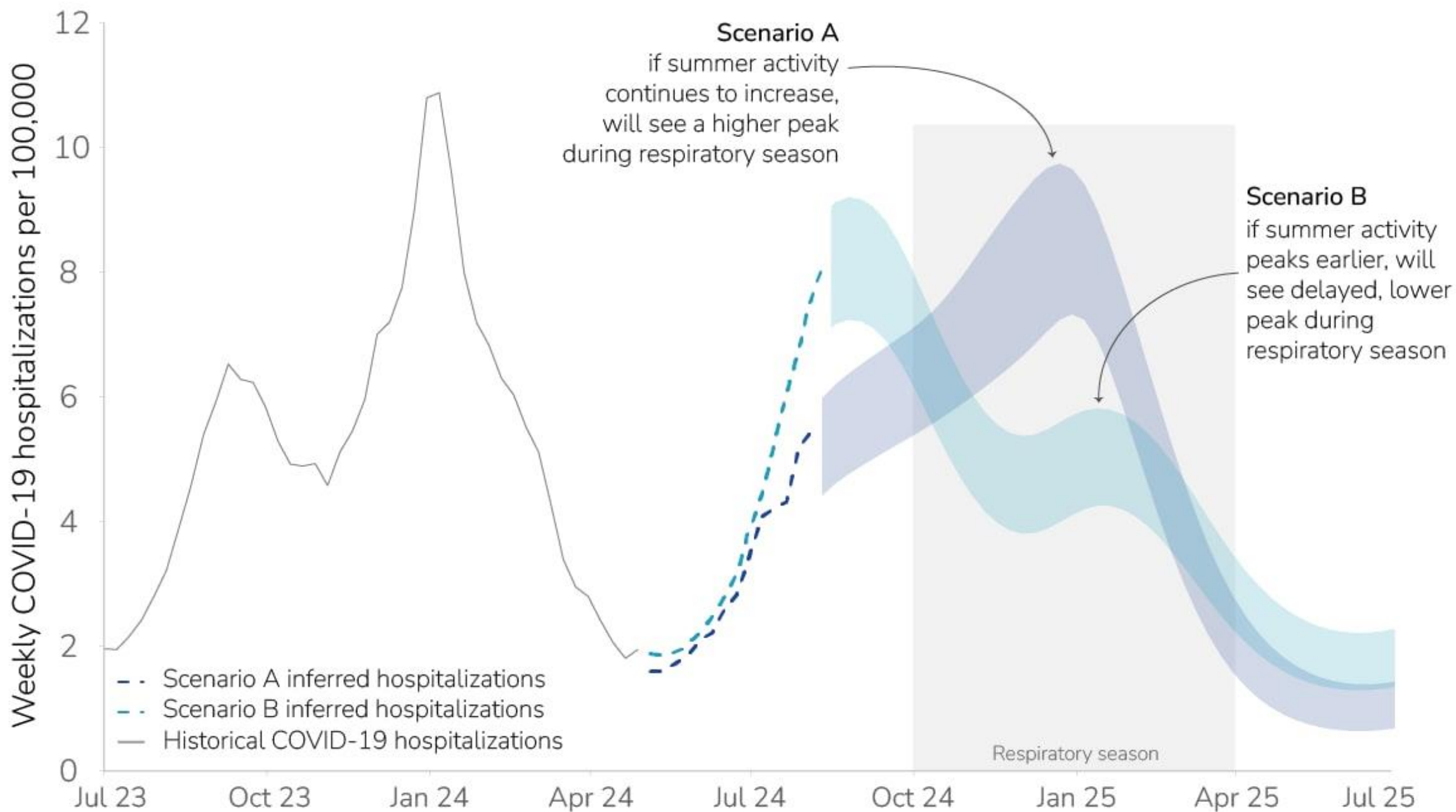
Combined peak hospitalization burden of COVID-19, influenza, and RSV



Could be worse if:

- New COVID variant
- Predominance of influenza subtype with more severe outcomes
- Lower vaccine uptake or effectiveness

Possible scenarios for weekly COVID-19 hospitalizations for 2024-2025 respiratory season

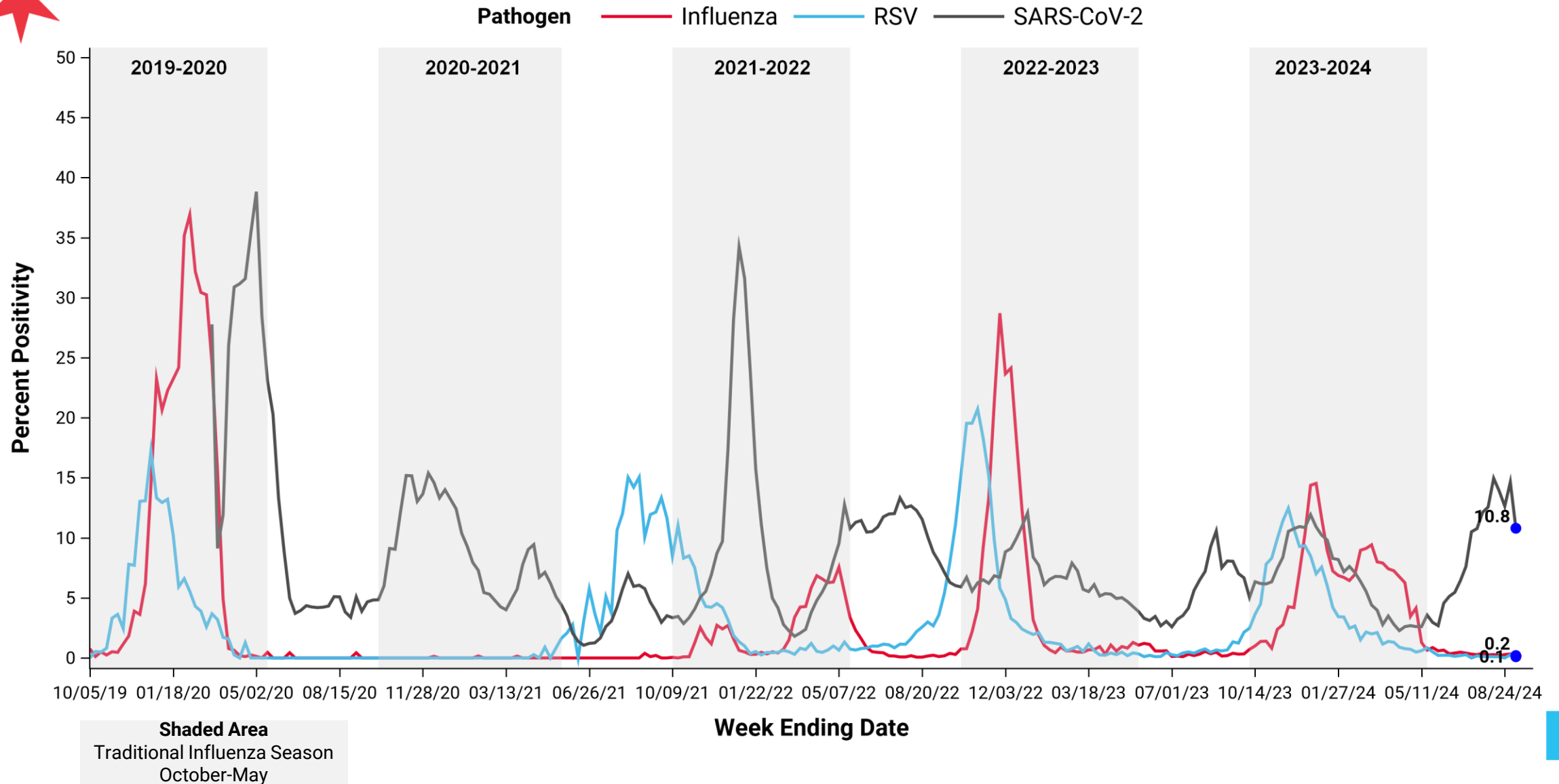




Data suggests that this flu season was similar to previous flu seasons in the Southern Hemisphere.

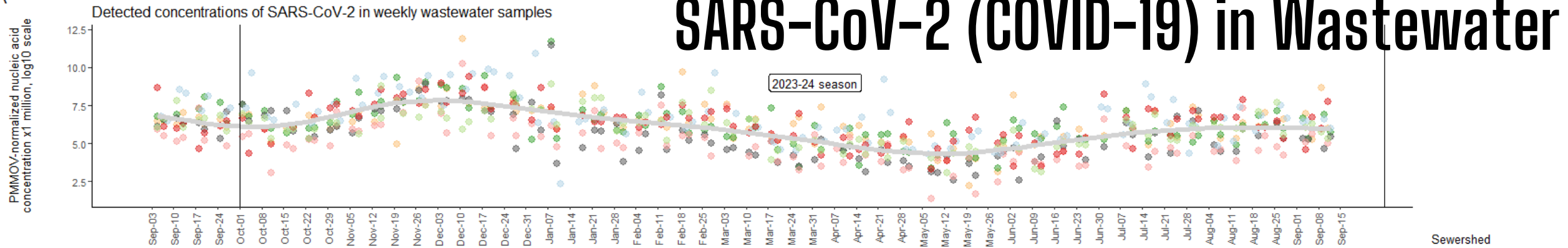
- **South America:**
 - Flu activity has been primarily attributed to influenza A(H3N2) viruses, though influenza A(H1N1) and B viruses have also been reported.
 - Some countries experienced very high levels of flu activity, but most reported moderate or low flu activity levels similar to levels observed in prior seasons.
- **Africa:**
 - Influenza A(H1N1) viruses have predominated in Africa, though influenza B detections have increased in recent weeks.
 - So far, most African countries have remained at low and moderate levels of influenza detections during the 2024 season.
- **Australia:**
 - Influenza A(H3N2) viruses were predominant among subtyped viruses.
 - Australia's 2024 flu season had a similar start week compared to both pre-pandemic trends and the previous 2023 season.
 - Influenza detections briefly reached moderate levels but have been decreasing in recent weeks, though several jurisdictions continue to show increasing flu activity

What's going on right now

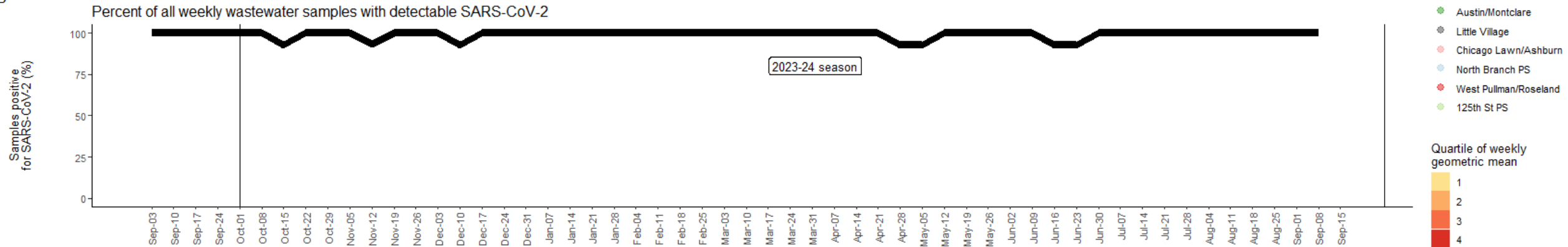


SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) in Wastewater

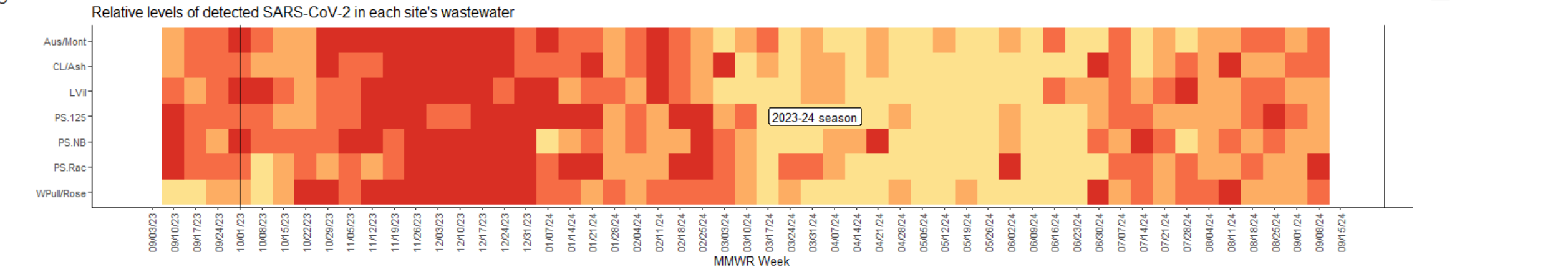
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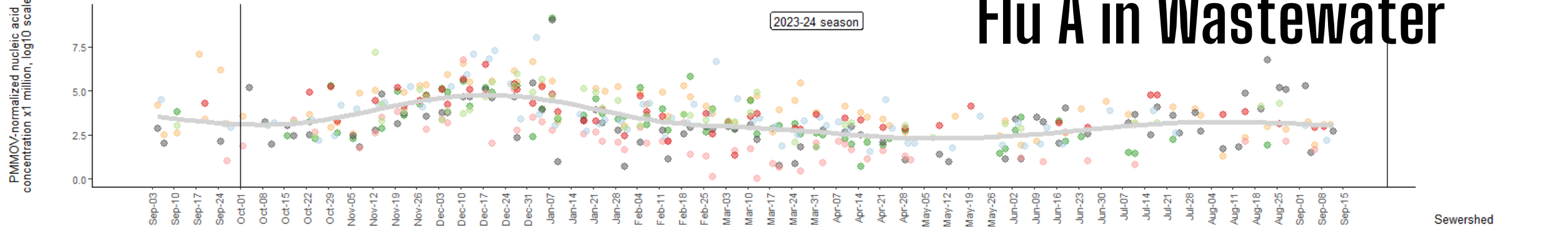


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Flu A in Wastewater

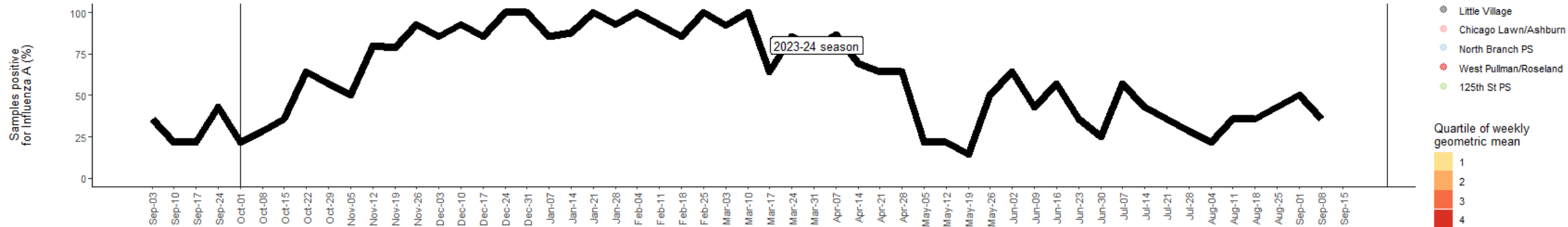
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Detected concentrations of Influenza A in weekly wastewater samples



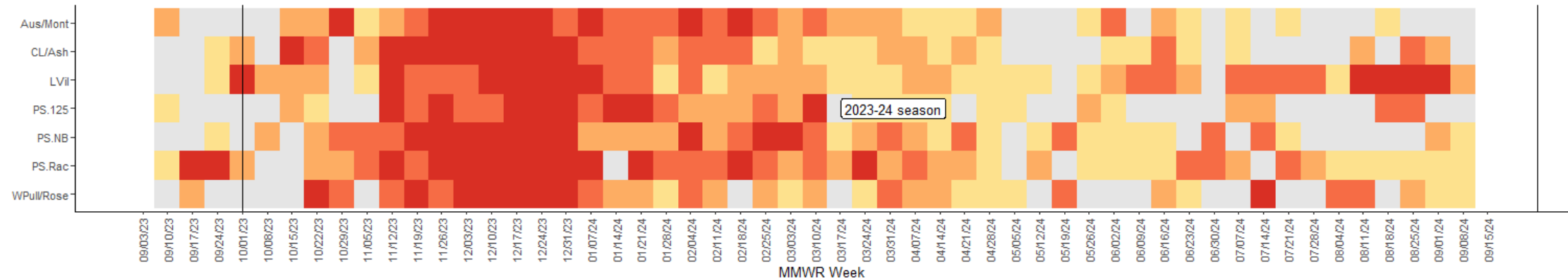
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Percent of all weekly wastewater samples with detectable Influenza A



C

Relative levels of detected Influenza A in each site's wastewater

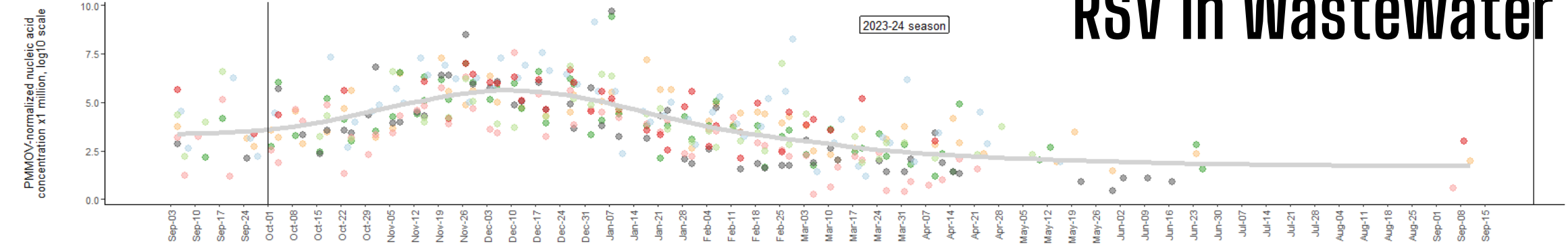


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RSV in Wastewater

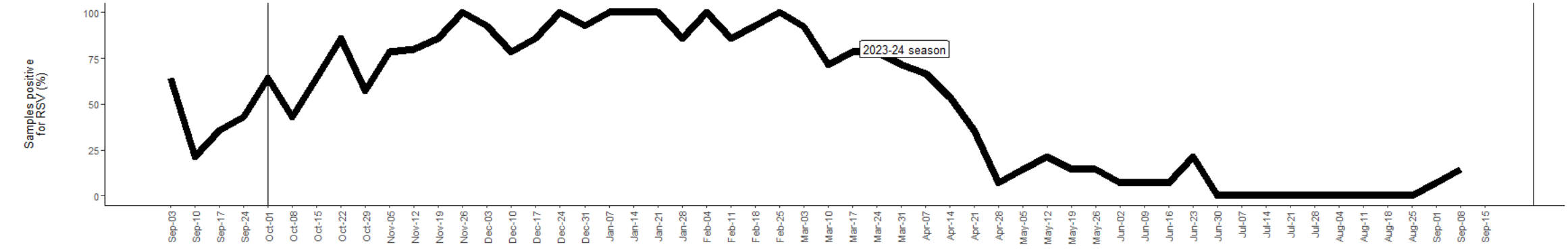
A

Detected concentrations of RSV in weekly wastewater samples



B

Percent of all weekly wastewater samples with detectable RSV



Sewershed

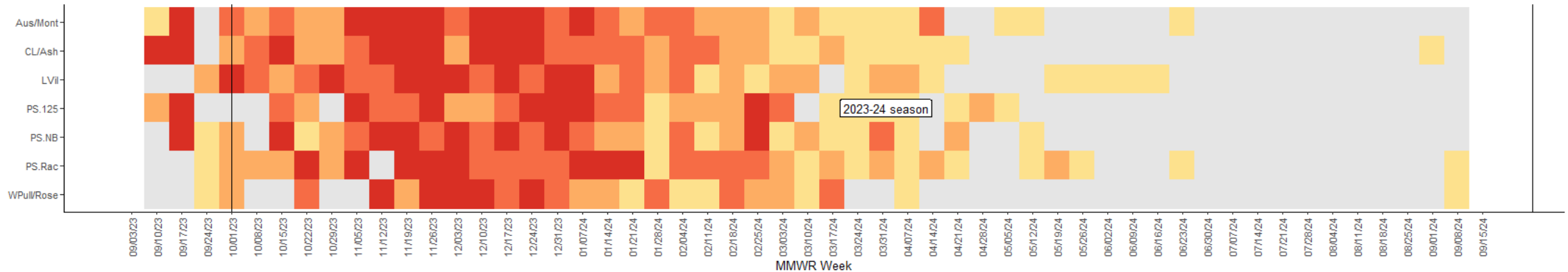
- Racine Ave PS
- Austin/Montclare
- Little Village
- Chicago Lawn/Ashburn
- North Branch PS
- West Pullman/Roseland
- 125th St PS

Quartile of weekly geometric mean

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- Not detected

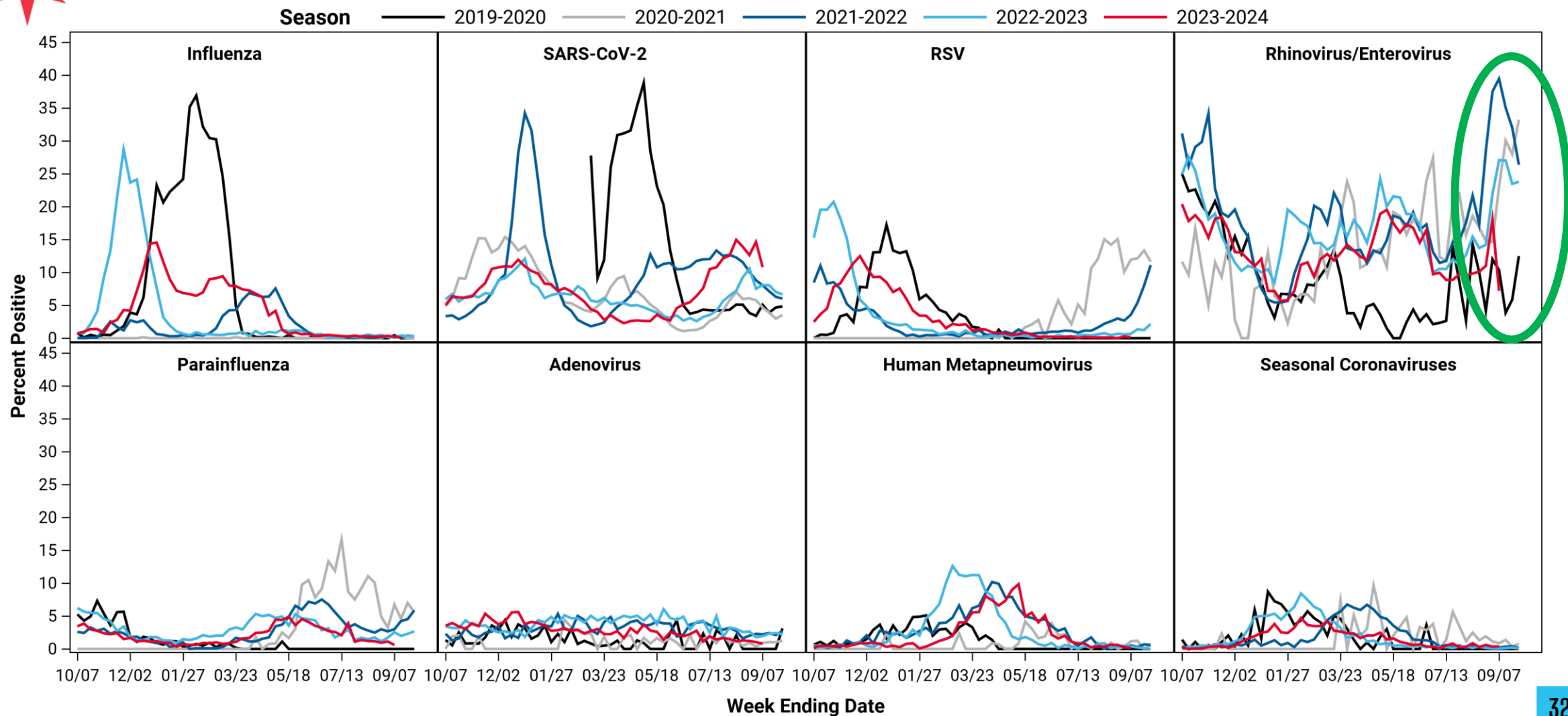
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Relative levels of detected RSV in each site's wastewater

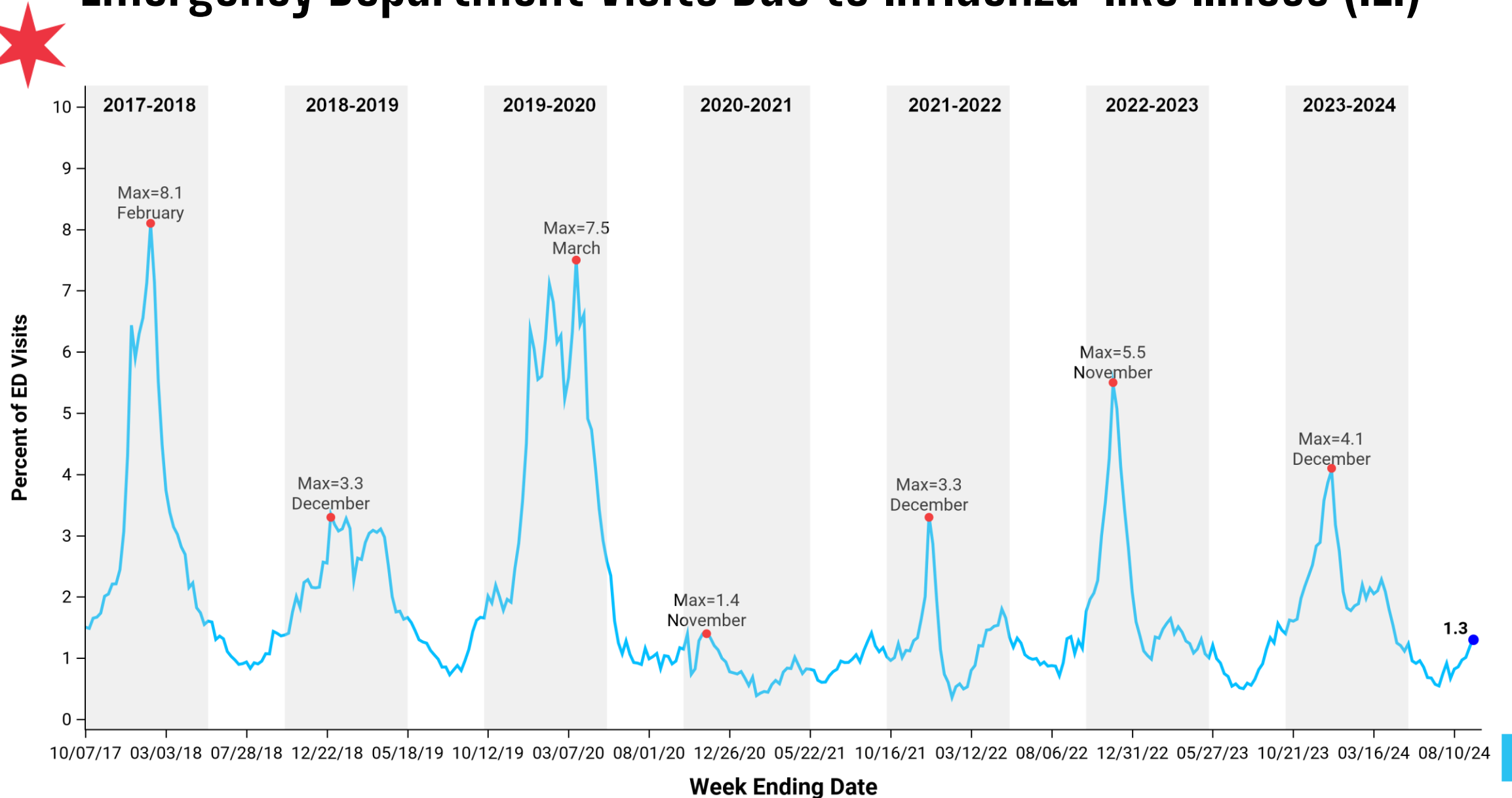


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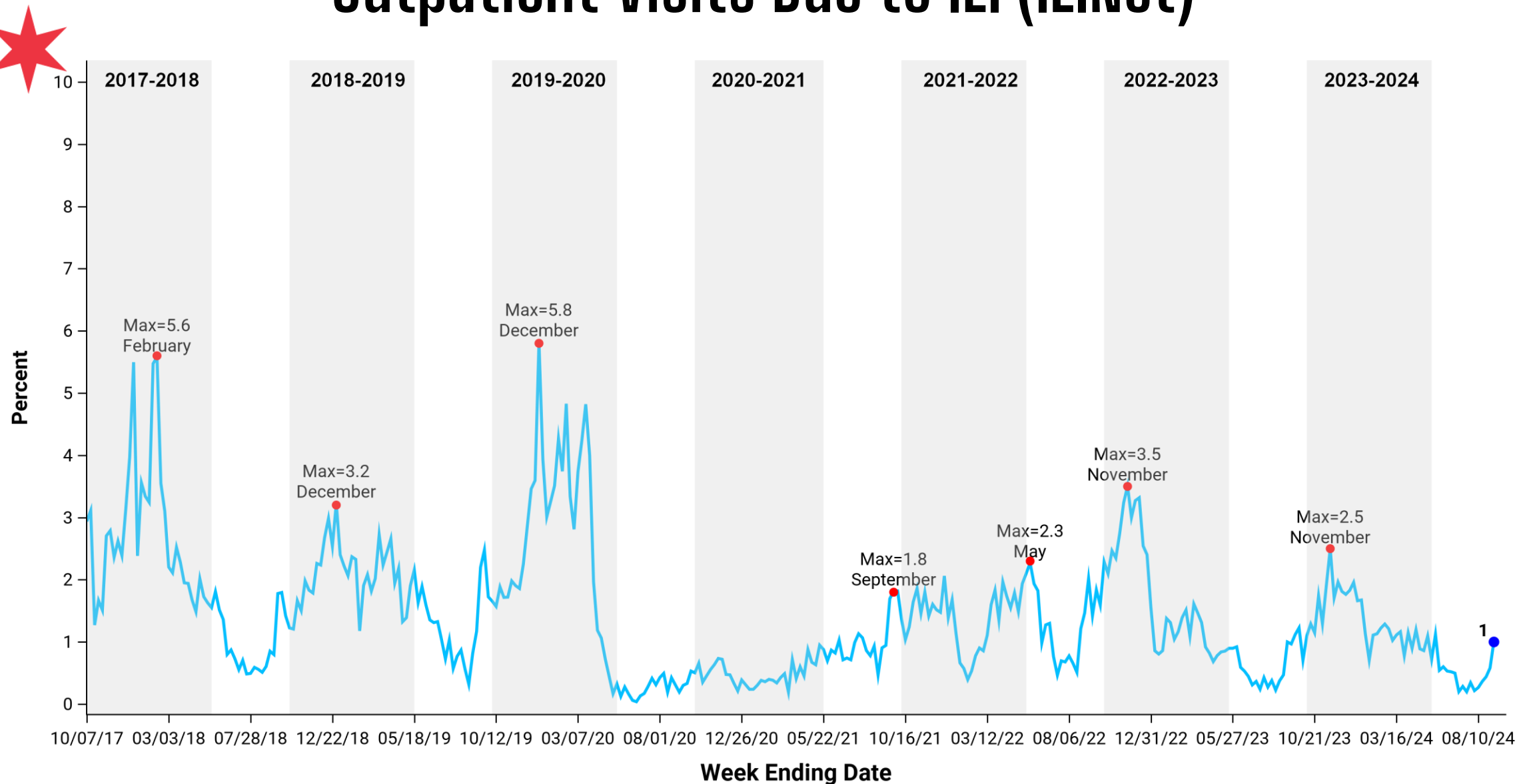
Respiratory Virus Percent Positivity Seasonal Trends



Emergency Department Visits Due to Influenza-like Illness (ILI)



Outpatient Visits Due to ILI (ILINet)



Avian Influenza A (H5N1) Situation

- No indicators of unusual flu activity in people, including avian influenza A(H5N1) viruses. Overall risk assessment still low.

Total Reported Human Cases of H5 in the United States since 2022	15
Human Cases of H5 Following Exposure to Dairy Cows since April 1, 2024	4
Human Cases of H5 Following Exposure to Poultry since April 28, 2022	10 (9 in 2024)
Human Cases of H5 with No Immediately Known Animal Exposure	1 (Missouri case reported 9/6/24)*
States with Reported Case(s)	Colorado, Michigan, Missouri, Texas

- As of September 13, 2024, USDA is reporting that 202 dairy cow herds in 14 U.S. states have confirmed cases of avian influenza A(H5N1) virus infections in dairy cows as the number of infected herds continues to grow.
- Most recently, outbreaks in cows on eight California dairy farms were confirmed.
- USDA reports that since April 2024, there have been A(H5) detections in 35 commercial flocks and 22 backyard flocks, for a total of 18.68 million birds affected.
- **No H5 detections have been identified on Illinois farms.**



CDPH H5 Surveillance Activities

- Wastewater Surveillance
 - Monitoring for high levels of influenza A and conducting H5 dPCR testing if high levels detected.
 - **Currently, CDPH has not had any H5 detections in tested samples.**
- Symptom monitoring for exposed individuals
 - CDPH has a protocol to monitor individuals that have worked on farms where H5 has been detected and return to Chicago after contract work has ended.
 - Less than a dozen individuals have been monitored this year.
- Laboratory-based surveillance
- Monitoring usual human influenza surveillance systems for unusual activity over the summer



When to submit influenza specimens for typing

- In general, these are the two main categories where we would recommend a specimen be sent to IDPH for subtyping:
 1. If a rapid test is performed on an ICU patient and it is positive for influenza A: the recommendation is to send that specimen to IDPH lab for further subtyping, the hospital doesn't need to subtype if they don't want to. This doesn't apply to ED or outpatient visits. *unless of course there is a high suspicion for HPAI in which case they should consult with CDPH and we can advise.
 2. If a lab performs an influenza test on a platform that does subtype and the result is influenza A, but it was not subtypeable (meaning they tried but couldn't), IDPH recommendation is to send that specimen to IDPH lab to subtype. Regardless of level of care.
- And this only applies to positive influenza A specimens (not influenza B).
- CDPH is not recommending any specific types of tests to be used.



New reportable conditions this season

	COVID-19	Influenza	RSV
ICU Admissions (lab-confirmed)	NEW	Existing	NEW
Pediatric deaths	NEW	Existing	NEW
Positive laboratory tests*	Existing	NEW	NEW

*Electronic laboratory reporting (ELR) only

Report within 24 hours

Common reporting issues so far

- Lags in reporting or no reporting so far
- Missing ICU information

Disease

- Influenza with ICU Hospitalization
- Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) with ICU Hospitalization
- SARS-CoV-2 infection (COVID-19) with ICU Hospitalization
- Pediatric Influenza Death
- Pediatric Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) Death
- Pediatric SARS-CoV-2 infection (COVID-19) Death

Selected Disease: *

SARS-CoV-2 infection (COVID-19) with ICU Hospitalization

(*) Mandatory (A)

OK Cancel

[My Cases](#)[Reports](#)[Log Off](#)**Notify Health Authority**User Name: [Test User One Provider](#)

All cases of *Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)* with ICU Hospitalization should be reported during normal business hours to your local health department ASAP (within 24 hours).

Please phone the appropriate health department below:

Illinois Dept of Public Health Central Office

daytime: (217) 782-4977 x1234

after hours:

Sangamon County Health Department

daytime: (217) 535-3103

after hours:

If the numbers above are not available, phone the state public health duty officer at 1-800-782-7860.

Case Details

User Name: [Test User One Provider](#)

Patient Information

First:*	<input type="text"/>		
Middle:	<input type="text"/>		
Last:*	<input type="text"/>		
Suffix:	<input type="text"/>		
DOB: (mm/dd/ccyy)*	<input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/>	Current Age:	<input type="text"/> Years <input type="text"/>
Sex at Birth:	<input type="text"/>	Current Gender:	<input type="text"/>
Ethnicity:	<input type="text"/>		
Deceased:	<input type="text"/>	Deceased Date: (mm/dd/ccyy)	<input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/>
Available		Selected	
Races:	<div><div>American Indian or Alaskan Native</div><div>Asian</div><div>Black or African American</div><div>Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander</div></div>	<div>Add >></div> <div><< Remove</div>	<div><div></div></div>
Address Line 1:	<input type="text"/> (Enter street address only. Example: 1234 W Main Street)		
Address Line 2:	<input type="text"/> (Enter PO Box#, Suite#, Apt#, Room#, etc.)		
City:	<input type="text"/>		
State:	<input type="text"/>	Zip Code:	<input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/>
County:	<input type="text"/>	Country:	<input type="text"/>
Community Area:	<input type="text"/> (Applicable for Chicago only.)		
Home Phone #:	(<input type="text"/>) <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/>		
Cell Phone #:	(<input type="text"/>) <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/>		

Patient Demographics

Case Information

Disease: Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) with ICU Hospitalization

Earliest Report
Date:
(mm/dd/ccyy)

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Disease/Onset
Date:
(mm/dd/ccyy)

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Was the patient
seen in an
emergency
department due
to the disease?

ER Hospital:

If ER hospital
not found,
enter
information
here:

Was the patient
admitted to a
hospital due to
the disease?

Was the hospital
admitted to
same as ER?

Provide information for the hospital admitted to if it is different from the ER Hospital.

Hospital
admitted to:

If hospital not
found,
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information
here:

Admission Date:
(mm/dd/ccyy)

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Discharge Date:
(mm/dd/ccyy)

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Is the Patient
Pregnant?

Estimated Due
Date:
(mm/dd/ccyy)

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Disease onset

**ED and
Hospitalization**

Physician Information

Physician:

If not found in Physician Dropdown:

[Search Physician](#)

If physician not found in dropdown or through search, enter information here:

Reporter Information

Name: Test User One Provider

Phone: (217) 333-4444

Reporting Organization Information

Type: Hospital

Name: Sherman Hospital

Address: 1425 North Randall Road
Elgin, IL 60123-2300

Other
Reporting
Organization:

Jurisdiction

Select a Jurisdiction:

Other Information

Comment:

(Include any additional pertinent information.)

Provider info

Your info

Comments

**!Please include
if patient lives or
works in a
congregate
living setting
(e.g., nursing
home,
corrections,
group home)!**



Disease specific additional info

Additional Required Information

Clinical - Add or update patients clinical information.

Treatment and Immunization - Add or update patients treatment information.

Laboratory Tests - Add or update laboratory test information.

Epidemiologic Data - Add or update all epidemiologic data.



Clinical Info Section



Does/did the patient have any of the following symptoms?

Fever (≥ 100.4 F or ≥ 38 C):

Highest recorded temperature if available

Cough:

Sore Throat:

Fever/chills (subjective)

Wheezing:

Shortness of breath/resp distress

Apnea

Congestion/runny nose

Diarrhea:

Nausea/Vomiting:

Dehydration:

Ear ache/ear infection

Myalgia/muscle aches

Seizures

Cyanosis:

Tachypnea

Hypothermia

Inability to eat, poor feeding

Decreased vocalization or stridor

Lethargy, less active or sleepy

Other

If other, specify

Symptom history

Complete as much as is known

Clinical Info Section



Does the patient have any of the following secondary infections or complications?

Altered mental status	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bronchiolitis	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encephalitis:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Myocarditis (Infection of heart muscle):	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pneumonia (Chest X-ray confirmed)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pulmonary hypertension	<input type="checkbox"/>
Seizures	<input type="checkbox"/>
Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS):	<input type="checkbox"/>
Secondary bacterial infection	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sepsis/multi-organ failure	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other Complications	<input type="checkbox"/>

Specify Other Secondary Complications:	<input type="text"/>
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Complications



Clinical Info Section



Does the patient have any of the following pre-existing underlying conditions?

Asthma/reactive airway disease

Neuromuscular disorder

Neurological disorder(e.g., cerebral palsy, seizure disorder, developmental delay, etc.)

Liver Disease:

Prematurity

If yes, specify gestational age at birth in weeks

Active Cardiac Disease (e.g., congestive heart failure):

If yes, what type of active cardiac disease does the patient have?

Other Lung Disease (e.g., COPD, emphysema, lung cancer):

If yes, what type of chronic lung disease does the patient have?

Diabetes:

End Stage Renal Disease (or dialysis):

Hemoglobinopathy (e.g., sickle cell disease):

Immunosuppression:

If yes, describe (e.g., AIDS, steroid use):

Other underlying condition:

Specify Other Conditions:

Is the patient a child (<18 years) on chronic aspirin therapy?

Save Cancel

Pre-existing
underlying
medical
conditions

Treatment and Immunizations



This is where you report ICU admission info!

Was the patient hospitalized in the Intensive Care Unit?

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If yes, Date Admitted to ICU: (mm/dd/ccyy)

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If yes, Date Discharged from ICU: (mm/dd/ccyy)

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Was the patient on a ventilator?

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Immunization Information

Did the patient receive RSV vaccine for the current season?

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If yes, Date of Vaccination: (mm/dd/ccyy)

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Type of Vaccine:

Antiviral Medications

Did the patient receive antiviral medications?

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If yes, Date Initiated: (mm/dd/ccyy)

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If yes, Date Discontinued: (mm/dd/ccyy)

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Drug:

Specify other treatments

Save

Cancel

Laboratory Tests



Were human laboratory tests conducted?

Yes

Confirmed Case: ICU Hospitalization AND positive PCR, Culture, IFA or EIA
Probable Case: ICU Hospitalization AND positive rapid test

Which RSV subtype did the patient test positive for?

Was a chest X-ray or chest CAT scan performed?

If yes, did patient have radiographic evidence of pneumonia or respiratory distress syndrome (RDS)?

Collection	Specimen	Laboratory	Ordering Facility	Facility Phone
Specimen Number				
	Test Type	Test Result		

Save

Add Lab Specimen

Cancel

Must have lab-confirmation to be reported



Epidemiologic Data



Has the patient smoked in the last year?

If yes, for how many years?

 Years

Was the patient a former smoker?

If yes, for how many years?

 Years

Has the patient used combustible THC in the last year?

If yes, for how many years?

 Years

Has the patient used e-cigarette or vaping products in the last 90 days?

If yes, has the patient used nicotine based e-cigarette or vaping products?

If yes, has the patient used cannabis based e-cigarette or vaping products?

If yes, has the patient used CBD based e-cigarette or vaping products?

Reporting source for smoking and vaping questions?

Other:

Save

Cancel

**Report if
available but
not priority**





New IDSS System

- Planned launch for communicable disease conditions, including COVID-19, Influenza and RSV at the end of October – exact date has not been announced
- IDPH CD section chief speaking at next roundtable
- Training for LHD staff not conducted yet – we all have a lot to learn 😊



Reporting of Hospital Respiratory Data to NHSN

- Reporting starts **November 1, 2024**. Modules will soon be live on NHSN application.
 - This is a CMS reporting requirement for all acute care hospitals, long-term acute care hospitals, freestanding rehabilitation facilities, freestanding psychiatric facilities, Children's hospitals and other facility types.
- Hospital respiratory data reporting **will replace** Hospital Respiratory Pathogen, Bed Capacity, and Supply Data.
- Encompass many of the same data elements: capacity and occupancy, hospitalized patients and new admissions with lab confirmed COVID-19, Influenza, and RSV; hospital PPE and supply information.
- All reporting modalities will continue to be available.
- Cadence: option to report once per week (on Tuesdays by 11:59 PM) **OR** daily
- **Bookmark** [Hospital Respiratory Data | NHSN | CDC](#) for important updates, additional resources, and webinar training information.



Data Elements

Data Elements

- Total of 58 data elements will be available for reporting, of which 48 are required, while 10 are optional:

REQUIRED	48	OPTIONAL	10
New admissions (COVID-19, influenza, RSV)	21	Days on hand supplies	5
Prevalent hospitalizations (COVID-19, influenza, RSV)	12	Able to maintain supplies	5
Pathogen agnostic bed capacity and occupancy	12		
Facility information and datetime fields	3		

REQUIRED Data Elements – Weekly Snapshots

- Of the 24 required weekly snapshots, 12 data elements collect information on pathogen-specific prevalent hospitalizations and ICU hospitalizations

Prevalent hospitalizations	6 elements total	ICU hospitalizations	6 elements total
COVID-19	All hospitalized adult patients with laboratory-confirmed COVID-19	COVID-19	Adult ICU patients with laboratory-confirmed COVID-19
	All hospitalized pediatric patients with laboratory-confirmed COVID-19		Pediatric ICU patients with laboratory-confirmed COVID-19
Flu	All hospitalized adult patients with laboratory-confirmed influenza	Flu	Adult ICU patients with laboratory-confirmed influenza
	All hospitalized pediatric patients with laboratory-confirmed influenza		Pediatric ICU patients with laboratory-confirmed influenza
RSV	All hospitalized adult patients with laboratory-confirmed RSV	RSV	Adult ICU patients with laboratory-confirmed RSV
	All hospitalized pediatric patients with laboratory-confirmed RSV		Pediatric ICU patients with laboratory-confirmed RSV

Infection Prevention and Control Recommendations: Respiratory Virus

IP Round Table – 9/19/2024

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Infection Prevention Specialist



Respiratory Viruses: Summary of Recommendations

- Use masks and respirators to help decrease the spread of respiratory viruses.
- Get vaccinated and [encourage patients to do the same](#).
- Practice physical distancing and implement screening and triage procedures.
- Practice respiratory hygiene and cough etiquette.
- Keep your [hands clean](#).
- Clean and disinfect. Make sure you read labels correctly when using disinfectants.
- Check that the air handling in your facility is functioning as it should.
- [Infection Control Guidance: Respiratory Viruses | Project Firstline | CDC](#)

Summary of Infection Prevention Recommendations for Respiratory Virus—adapted from Appendix A (Guideline for Isolation Precautions: Preventing Transmission of Infectious Agents in Healthcare Settings (2007))



Facilities might have different requirements/protocols.

	COVID-19	RSV	Seasonal Influenza
PPE	N95 mask. Surgical mask if N95 unavailable. Gown, Gloves Eye protection* *Use eye/face protection if aerosol-generating procedure performed or contact with respiratory secretions is anticipated.	Surgical mask Gown Gloves Eye protection* *Use eye/face protection if aerosol-generating procedure performed or contact with respiratory secretions is anticipated.	Surgical mask Gown Gloves Eye protection* *Use eye/face protection if aerosol-generating procedure performed or contact with respiratory secretions is anticipated.
Isolation Type	Airborne + Droplet + Contact + Standard	Droplet + Contact + Standard	Droplet + Standard
Special Ventilation	Use Caution when Performing Aerosol-Generating Procedures: use airborne infection isolation room (AIIR) when feasible. Considering use of portable HEPA filtration units to further reduce the concentration of contaminants in the air.		
Cleaning and Disinfection	Use products according to label instructions and use products that are on EPA's List N: Disinfectants for Coronavirus . Review directions for use, kill claims, contact time.	Use products according to label instructions. Review with staff directions for use, kill claims, contact time.	

Infection Prevention Recommendations for Respiratory Virus



	COVID-19	RSV	Seasonal Influenza
Vaccine	1 or more doses of the current COVID –19 vaccine depending on age or health status. Anyone ages 6 months and older For more information: www.cdc.gov/covidschedule	1 dose <ul style="list-style-type: none">adults age 75+Adults ages 60 -74 increased riskPregnant people 32 -26 weeksBabies given after birthChildren 8 – 19 months	1 dose each year Anyone ages 6 months and older
Hospital Exposures	Testing (3 viral tests) and work restriction of symptomatic HCP (higher-risk exposures). Testing recommendations: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Day 1, 3 and 5. Follow your facility's work restrictions Work restriction is not necessary for most asymptomatic HCP following a higher-risk exposure, regardless of vaccination status.	Symptomatic HCP should be excluded from work until fever free for 24 hours	
Reporting Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">ICU admissionPediatric Death <18 years of ageOutbreaks		
Patient Placement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Place patients with suspected or confirmed influenza in a private room or area.When a single patient room is not available, consultation with infection control personnel is recommended to assess the risks associated with other patient placement options (e.g.,If cohorting, only patients with the same respiratory pathogen should be housed in the same room)		



Sources

CDC Guidelines:

- [Guideline for Isolation Precautions: Preventing Transmission of Infectious Agents in Healthcare Settings \(2007\) \(cdc.gov\)](#), Last update: July 2023
- [Appendix A: Type and Duration of Precautions Recommended for Selected Infections and Conditions | Infection Control | CDC](#)
- [Appendix A: Table 2. Clinical Syndromes or Conditions Warranting Empiric Transmission-Based Precautions in Addition to Standard Precautions | Infection Control | CDC](#)

Covid-19

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Influenza

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- <https://dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/diseases-and-conditions/respiratory-disease/diseases/influenza.html>

RSV

- <https://www.cdc.gov/rsv/hcp/clinical-overview/index.html>
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★ Project First Line: Respiratory Packet (NEW)

- [PFL Respiratory Packet](#)
- [Prepare Your Clinics and Patients for Fall and Winter Respiratory Virus Season With CDC Director and AMA](#)

Ventilation Resources/Recursos De Ventilación

Create an account here

Free ASHE e-Learning: Ventilation for the Clinical Team Course

Ventilation for the Clinical Team: Infection Prevention and Ventilation

Create an account here

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Ventilation for the Facilities Team: Infection Prevention and Ventilation

English

Español

Ventilation Videos

- [A.I.R. and Room Turnover](#)
- [Negative Pressure Rooms](#)
- [What is a Negative Pressure Anteroom?](#)

Videos De Ventilación

- [A.I.R. y Rotación de Habitaciones](#)
- [Salas de Presión Negativa](#)
- [¿Qué son las antenasas de presión negativa?](#)

Infection Control Actions to stop the spread of viral respiratory infections like influenza, RSV, and COVID-19.

Hand hygiene and routine cleaning & disinfection help remove or destroy respiratory viruses.

Practicing these infection control actions together effectively stops the spread of germs.

How?

Alcohol-based sanitizer inactivates viral particles.

Hand Hygiene

Environmental Disinfection

Soap and water carry viral particles off the skin.

EPA-registered disinfecting products destroy the virus.

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Learn More

Germ Can Live in the Respiratory System Infographic: <https://bit.ly/46Da0WE>

Infection Control Actions to Stop the Spread of Respiratory Viruses: <https://bit.ly/3O1UX6M>

Ventilation in Healthcare Settings: <https://bit.ly/3QOYWjs>

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Infection Control Actions to stop the spread of viral respiratory infections like influenza, RSV, and COVID-19.

Respiratory viruses can be in the nose, mouth, airway, and lungs. Talking, sneezing, and coughing can spread these germs into the air.

Masks block these germs.

When used correctly, respirators filter germs - very large to very small - as air is breathed in and out.

Wearing masks and respirators in healthcare facilities will protect you, your patients, and your coworkers.

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Fungal Disease Awareness Week

September 16-20, 2024

9/16 | Testing and antifungals



9/17 | Fungal diseases and One Health



9/18 | Neglected Tropical Diseases



9/19 | Fungal pneumonias



9/20 | The future of fungal diseases





Q&A

- How are facilities prepared to report Hospital Respiratory Data in light of the new CMS/NHSN respiratory burden requirement?
- Have any other facilities, particularly those using Epic, successfully built a report to utilize the CSV template/upload feature for this requirement?
- If so, how do these facilities handle the reporting process compared to manually collecting the data in the PDF form?





Thank you for participating!

Next Meeting (on Teams): Thursday, October 17, 2:00 PM

Main Presenter: Judy Kauerauf, MPH

Communicable Disease Section Chief, Division of Infectious Diseases, IDPH



Certificate of Attendance





Additional Slides/Resources

(not presented during the meeting)





Our Services

Our team consists of Infection Prevention Specialists, Epidemiologists, Project Managers, Projects Administrators, and Medical Directors who provide the following assistance:

- IP&C Guidance and Training
- Infection Control Assessments and Responses (ICARs)
- Epidemiology Support
- IP&C Roundtable
- Our partnerships and site visits are meant to be educational, constructive, non-regulatory, and non-punitive
 - We work with you to resolve any identified issues
 - These services are not in response to citations or complaints



Case Report Forms (CRFs)

- CDPH requires additional epidemiological information for specific cases, in addition to the standard reporting requirement. Providing this information to CDPH allows us to have a better understanding of individual case and aids in limiting the transmission of certain multi-drug resistant organisms.
- For MDRO Reporting training (whether you have a new IP or need a refresher) and for questions regarding CRF completion requirements, please contact Cecilia Pigozzi at cecilia.pigozzi@cityofchicago.org



★ Project Firstline Overview

- Project Firstline is the Center for Disease Control's (CDC) National Training Collaborative for Healthcare Infection Control education
- Project Firstline (PFL) brings together more than 75 healthcare, academic, and public health partners to reach healthcare workers across the country
- PFL offers educational resources in a variety of formats to meet the diverse learning needs and preferences of the healthcare workforce

As of May 2022, Project Firstline and its collaborative partners have:



Developed **200+** educational products and training materials on healthcare infection control



Hosted **750+** educational events, reaching approximately **65,238** healthcare workers



Received **84 million+** views across the web and various digital platforms



Available Resources

- **Learn about Infection Control in Health Care:** CDC's Project Firstline provides innovative and accessible resources so all healthcare workers can learn about infection control in health care.
 - *Topics include 14+ foundational IP&C (e.g., hand hygiene, environmental services, ventilation, PPE, how viruses spread, etc.), Recognizing Risk using Reservoirs, Where Germs Live training toolkits, and more interactive resources.*
- **Lead an Infection Control Training:** Our facilitator toolkit is designed to work with your team's learning styles and busy schedules (10-, 20-, and 60-minute scripted sessions).
- **Access Infection Control Educational Materials:** Find short videos, fact sheets, job aids, infographics, posters, printed materials, interactive computer lock screens, and social media graphics to utilize at your facility on foundational IPC topics.
- **Earn Continuing Education:** Earn CEU's on CDC Train for PFL content.
- **Translated Resources:** IPC materials translated into Spanish & additional languages.





Infection Control Training Topics (Onsite/Virtual with IDPH CEU/CEC)

1. The Concept of Infection Control
2. The Basic Science of Viruses
3. How Respiratory Droplets Spread COVID-19
4. How Viruses Spread from Surfaces to People
5. How COVID-19 Spreads - A Review
6. Multi-Dose Vials
7. PPE Part 1 - Eye Protection
8. PPE Part 2 - Gloves & Gowns
9. Hand Hygiene
10. Virus Strains
11. PPE Part 3 - Respirators
12. EVS (Enviro Cleaning & Disinfection)
13. Source Control
14. Asymptomatic Spread of COVID-19
15. Ventilation



★ Print Materials & Job Aids

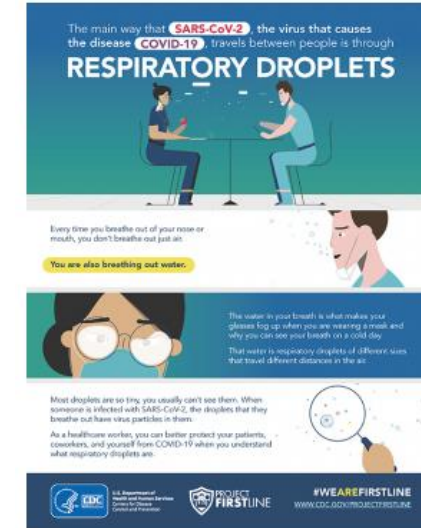
- Several print materials and job aids available on foundational IP&C topics.
 - Available for [free download](#) on CDC's website.
 - Including lock screens for staff computers.
- We are happy to offer professional printing support for poster requests!
 - Please see our team after the presentation to request print materials.
 - For remote guests, please email: projectfirstline@cityofchicago.org.



[How to Read a Disinfectant Label](#) [PDF - 1 Page]



[Water and Wet Surfaces Profile](#) [PDF - 1 Page]



[Respiratory Droplets Flyer](#) [PDF - 1 Page]



[What would you see? Poster](#) [PDF - 1 Page]



[Germs live in blood](#) [JPG - 1 Page]

**Germs are everywhere,
including on surfaces
and devices in the
healthcare environment.**

**Learn how to stop their spread:
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INFECTION CONTROL PROTECTS



You



Your Coworkers



Your Patients



Your community



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The right infection control actions help stop germs from spreading.

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WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK TO DEVELOP NEW CONTENT!

- + CDPH is a proud partner of CDC's National IP&C Training Collaborative, Project Firstline.
- + This brief survey (<10 minutes) helps us develop relevant content for you and your team.
- + We are working to identify priority IPC training needs among your frontline healthcare staff.
- + These trainings will be developed for our Fall 2023 IPC webinar series (with free CEUs)!

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- **CDPH Infection Preventionist:** Your facility's main contact for all infection prevention and control questions.
 - *General contact information:*
cdphhaiar@cityofchicago.org
- **PFL-CDPH Team:** Contact our team to learn about specific Chicago-based educational opportunities!
 - We offer many resources including virtual or onsite trainings, webinars, and job aides.
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Facilitate collaboration among facility departments



Provide learning opportunities in critical areas



Help facilities prepare for Joint Commission surveys



Increase involvement of facility leaders in infection prevention work

Infection Control Assessment Tools | HAI | CDC

Click on each module below to open the tool in a fillable PDF document.

[Module 1 – Training, Audits, Feedback](#)

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[Module 3 – Transmission-Based Precautions \(TBP\)](#)

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