



The Respiratory Report summarizes influenza, COVID-19, and Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) activity in the City of Cleveland during each week of respiratory illness season. Respiratory illness season starts at the beginning of October (MMWR week 40\*) and lasts until mid-May the following year (MMWR week 20).

## Week 49 Summary

- 0.8% of emergency department (ED) visits were for influenza-like illnesses (ILI) with fevers. 76% of these visits were for children age 9 and younger.
- There were 5 hospitalizations for COVID and 2 for influenza reported this week. Hospitalization and death data often experience a delay in reporting, so more data for this week may appear on future reports.

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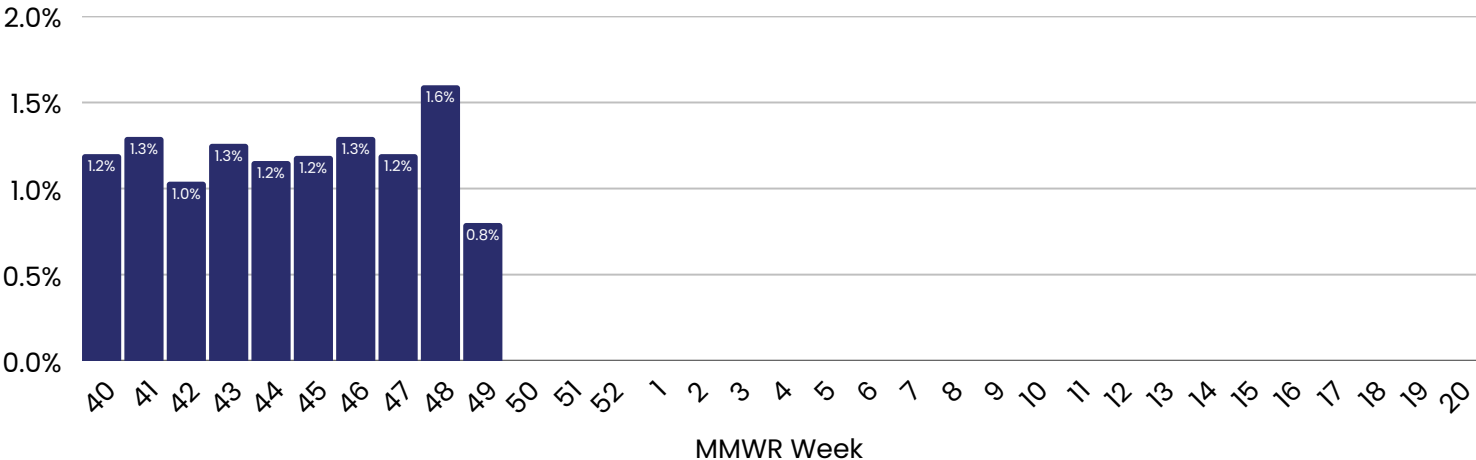
death linked to upper respiratory illness this season

| Metric                     | Count This Week<br>(% of total ED visits) | Compared to Last Week | Season Total<br>(% of total) |
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| ED Visits for ILI + Fever  | 66 (1.3%)                                 | -8<br>(11% decrease)  | 637 (1.3%)                   |
| Influenza Hospitalizations | 2   | -5                    | 14                           |
| COVID Hospitalizations     | 5   | --                    | 26                           |
| RSV Hospitalizations       | 0   | --                    | 1                            |

\*An MMWR week is the CDC's standard weekly calendar for tracking health data. Each week runs Sunday to Saturday. Each year, Week 1 is the first week of the year that has at least four days in the calendar year. 2025 contains 53 MMWR weeks. Data extracted on 12/12/2025. Data are preliminary and subject to change.

# Emergency Department (ED) Visits

Percentage of ED visits for ILI + Fever by MMWR Week, 2025-2026



Source: Health Monitoring Systems: EpiCenter 3.5.18. Data extracted on 12/12/2025.

ED Visits for ILI + Fever by Demographic, Week 49

