

Respiratory Watch

January 7-13, 2024 (MMWR Week 2)

COVID-19

- COVID-19 activity is stable in Cuyahoga County. The current case rate is 214.6 cases per 100,000 residents. The current rate is above the state average (208.7) and represents an approximate 1.3% increase from the previous reporting period.
- CCBH jurisdiction COVID-19 case report counts are decreasing. 755 cases were reported this week compared to 901 cases the previous week.
- The number of COVID-19 related hospitalizations decreased. 10 hospitalizations were reported this week compared to 19 the previous week.
- The number of COVID-19 related deaths within Cuyahoga County also decreased. 0 COVID-19 related deaths were reported this week compared to 2 the previous week.
- Wastewater monitoring data suggest viral gene copy concentration levels are steady at NEORSD Easterly, Southerly, and Westerly WWTCs.

Note: Numbers may change from week to week due to testing and reporting lag times.

INFLUENZA

Cuyahoga County

Flu activity level remained 'minimal' for the 2nd consecutive week.

6.2% of deaths reported were due to pneumonia. This represents an approximate 51.1% increase from the previous week.

0 flu deaths were reported this week. There has been 1 flu death this season.

51 Influenza-associated hospitalizations were reported this week. There have been 444 hospitalizations for the flu season.

2.7% of emergency department visits were for flu like symptoms. This represents an approximate 12.9% decrease from the previous week.

Ohio

Flu activity for the State of Ohio remained 'high' for the 2nd consecutive week.

521 Influenza-associated hospitalizations were reported this week.

2.0% of emergency department visits were for flu like symptoms.

United States

Seasonal influenza activity remains elevated in most parts of the country.

Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)

Cuyahoga County

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CCBH is not investigating any RSV outbreaks.

Ohio

27.2% of antigen tests and 10.2% of PCR tests from participating laboratories in Ohio were positive for RSV (via 3 week moving average for week ending 1/13/24).

United States

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7.3% of antigen tests, 8.4% of PCR tests, and 50.0% of virus isolation tests from participating laboratories were positive for RSV (for week ending 1/13/24).