



Weekly Flu Surveillance Report

Week 03 - January 12th - January 18th, 2025

Disclaimer

Most cases of influenza are not reportable in the state of Texas, thus the data in this report was collected from hospitals, clinics, and schools throughout the region who have agreed to voluntarily submit data.

Definitions

ILI: Influenza-Like Illness. This is an illness that resembles the flu, but has not been confirmed. **Rapid:** These tests are typically done in-house to quickly test for influenza. **PCR:** These tests are generally more precise than rapid tests and are performed at the DSHS state lab and many commercial labs to confirm a case of influenza.

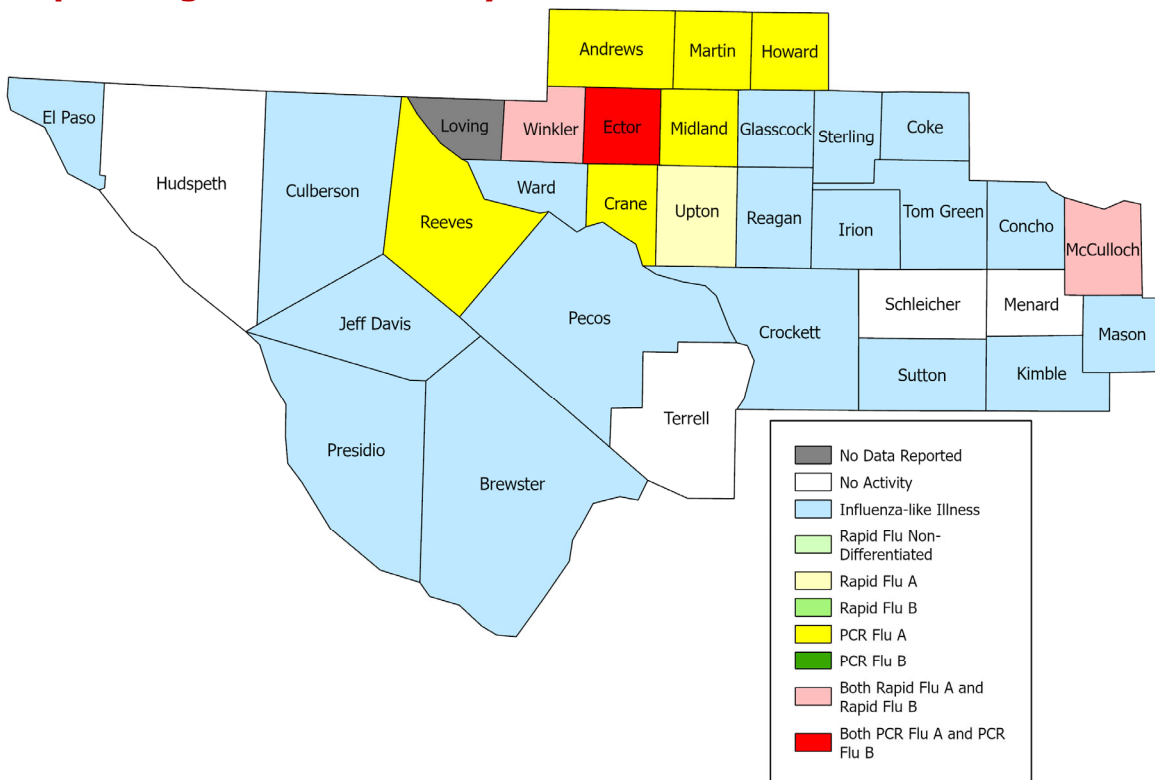
Summary Data

Condition	Week 03	Week 02	Week 01
Number of Counties Reporting (36 total)	↓ 35	36	35
Number of Counties Reporting ILI	↑ 26	23	23
Number of Counties Reporting High Levels of ILI*	↑ 14	9	11
Number of Counties Reporting Flu A	↓ 10	11	10
Number of Counties Reporting Flu B	↓ 0	3	6
Number of Counties Reporting Flu A & Flu B	↓ 0	3	5

The arrows represent changes from the previous week. A sideways arrow means there was no change in that condition.

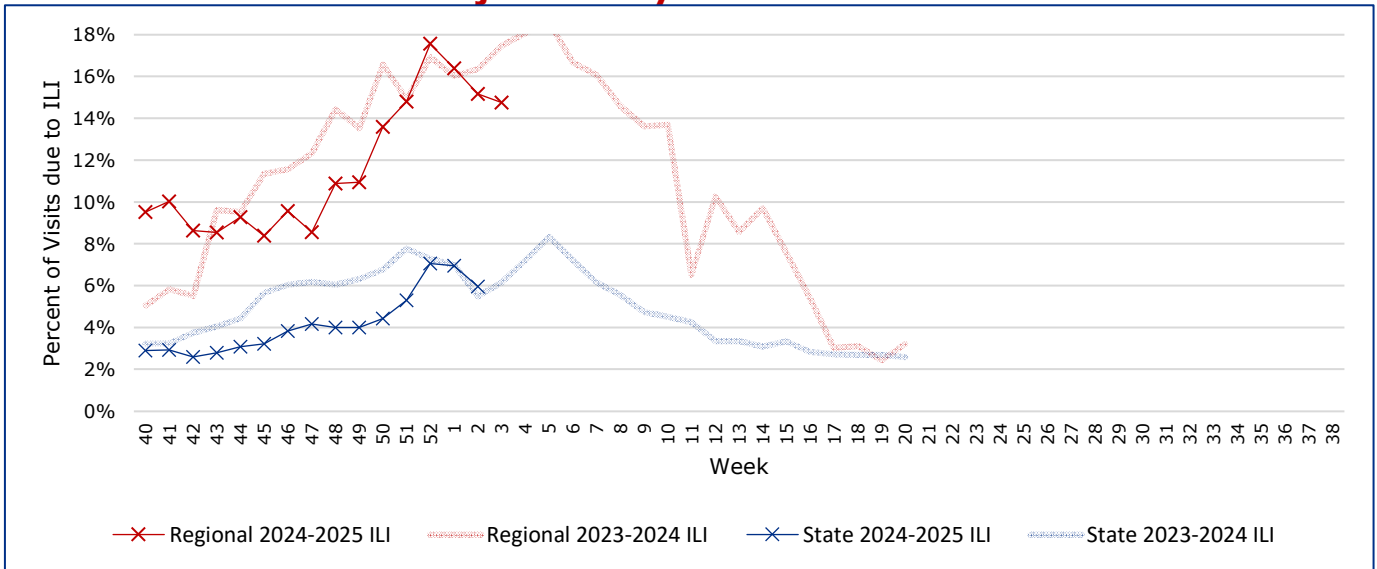
*Counties with total percent of visits due to ILI above 4.0% for the week are considered to have high/abnormal levels.

Map of Regional Flu Activity



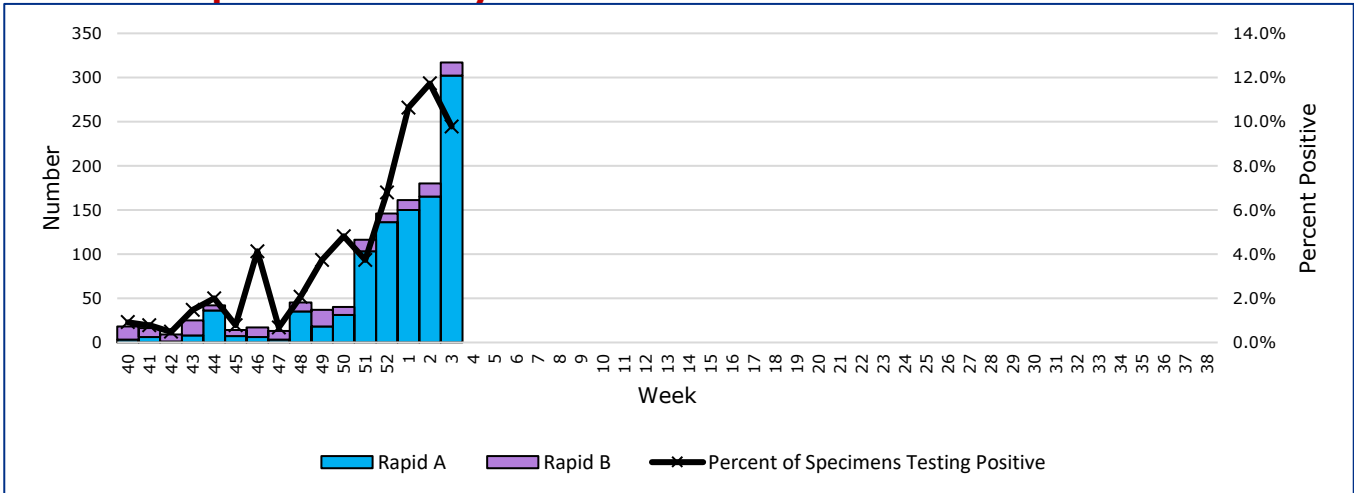
The map above depicts the previous week's reports of flu or influenza-like illness activity in each county. The legend on the bottom right of the map describes the meaning of each color.

Influenza-Like Illness Projections by Week



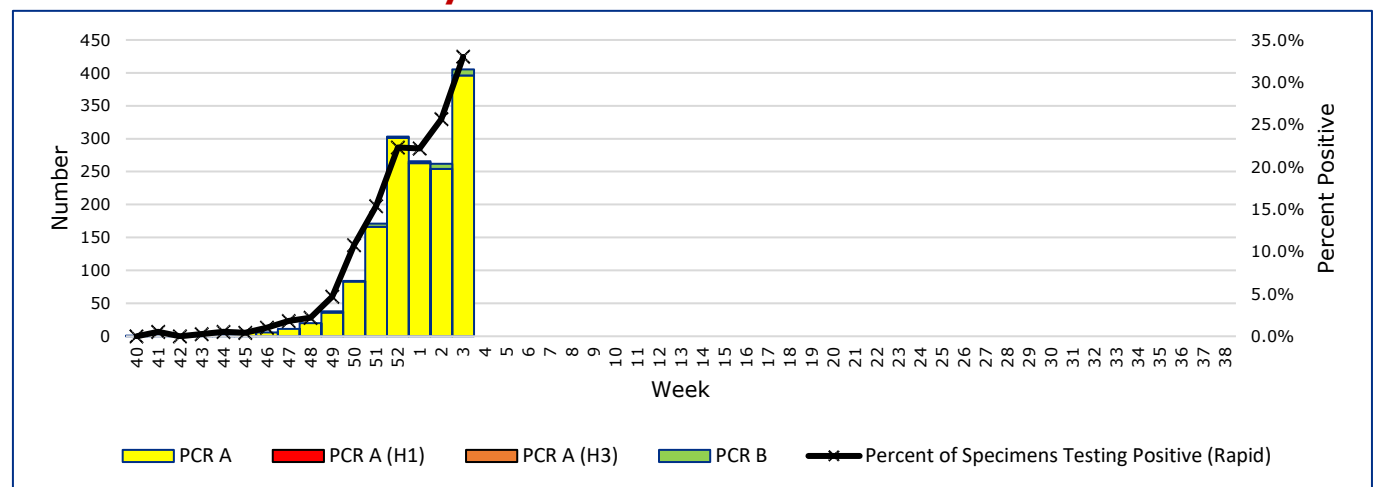
This chart documents the percentage of patient visits that were due to ILI at hospitals and clinics around the region, excluding confirmed COVID cases. It compares our region's data with the state's data and also compares to last flu season.

Positive Rapid Flu Tests by Week



This chart documents the number of rapid tests that have come back positive for flu A and flu B each week throughout the region.

Positive PCR Flu Tests by Week

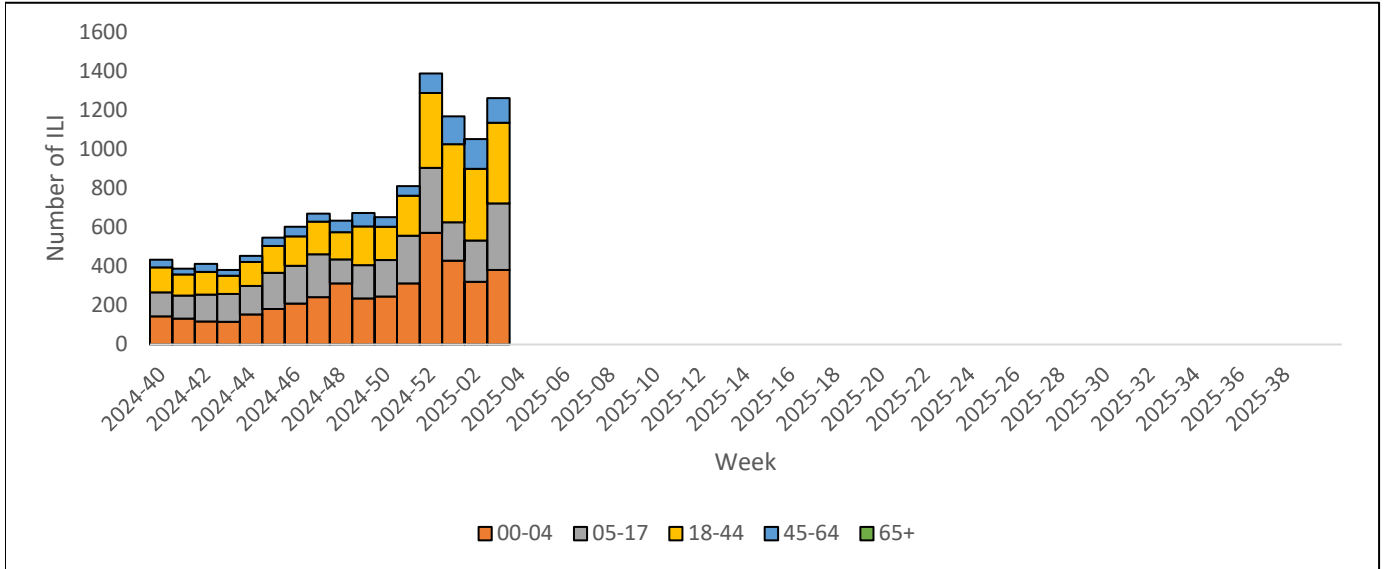


This chart documents the number of PCR tests that have come back positive for flu A and flu B each week throughout the region.

Flu Data by County

County	Week 03				Week 02				Week 01			
	Patient Visits	% with ILI	Flu A	Flu B	Patient Visits	% with ILI	Flu A	Flu B	Patient Visits	% with ILI	Flu A	Flu B
Andrews	772	17%	33	0	702	3%	18	0	573	23%	17	0
Borden	5	0%	0	0	2	0%	0	0	2	0%	0	0
Brewster	73	0%	0	0	81	0%	0	0	108	0%	0	0
Coke	20	0%	0	0	32	0%	0	0	12	0%	0	0
Concho	49	0%	0	0	25	0%	0	0	39	0%	0	0
Crane	35	3%	1	0	23	0%	0	0	37	0%	0	0
Crockett	21	0%	0	0	11	0%	0	0	30	0%	0	0
Culberson	9	0%	0	0	5	0%	0	0	8	0%	0	0
Dawson	169	0%	0	0	137	0%	0	0	185	0%	0	0
Ector	5647	40%	317	18	5191	37%	173	17	5315	41%	189	8
El Paso	7436	0%	0	0	6961	0%	0	0	8022	0%	0	0
Gaines	161	0%	0	0	82	0%	0	0	161	0%	0	0
Glasscock	13	8%	0	0	1	0%	0	0	4	0%	0	0
Howard	686	23%	56	0	677	23%	18	1	676	28%	20	3
Hudspeth	15	0%	0	0	14	0%	0	0	17	0%	0	0
Irion	11	0%	0	0	13	0%	0	0	24	0%	0	0
Jeff Davis	12	0%	0	0	11	0%	0	0	17	0%	0	0
Kimble	12	0%	0	0	115	10%	2	1	136	9%	0	1
Loving	0		0	0	2	0%	0	0	0		0	0
McCulloch	254	13%	6	1	257	13%	2	0	274	11%	3	0
Martin	202	8%	1	0	194	9%	3	0	221	14%	3	0
Mason	44	0%	0	0	40	0%	0	0	57	0%	0	0
Menard	8	0%	0	0	12	0%	0	0	18	0%	0	0
Midland	4315	12%	189	0	3874	14%	126	1	3103	18%	131	2
Pecos	157	3%	0	0	165	3%	0	0	148	5%	0	0
Presidio	37	0%	0	0	72	3%	0	0	32	0%	0	0
Reagan	38	0%	0	0	18	0%	0	0	31	0%	0	0
Reeves	1031	8%	41	0	1018	7%	35	1	818	7%	22	0
Schleicher	4	0%	0	0	7	0%	0	0	7	0%	0	0
Sterling	10	0%	0	0	10	0%	0	0	7	0%	0	0
Sutton	15	0%	0	0	28	0%	0	0	32	0%	0	0
Terrell	2	0%	0	0	6	0%	0	0	2	0%	0	0
Tom Green	1376	0%	0	0	1186	0%	0	0	1296	0%	0	0
Upton	119	26%	8	0	132	28%	5	0	131	38%	12	0
Ward	183	1%	0	0	863	44%	25	0	748	41%	9	0
Winkler	464	26%	46	4	355	21%	12	2	363	14%	7	0
Total	23405	14.7%	698	23	22322	14.8%	419	23	22654	16.1%	413	14

ILI by Age Group



This chart documents the number of ILI admissions in hospitals around the region by age group from syndromic surveillance data. It excludes ILI with a confirmed COVID-19 discharge diagnosis.

Flu-Associated Pediatric Deaths & Outbreaks

One flu-associated pediatric death has been reported in PHR 9/10 this flu season. In PHR 9/10, no flu outbreaks have been reported for Week 03.

For a more comprehensive look at respiratory illnesses circulating throughout Texas, please visit: <https://www.dshs.texas.gov/texas-respiratory-virus-surveillance-report> and select the "Current Extended Flu Activity Report"