

Respiratory virus activity in BC:

Weekly summary – January 30, 2025

Reporting period: January 19-25, 2025 (Epi-week 4)

Influenza activity continues to increase; RSV activity remains elevated; COVID-19 activity is low

Influenza

Influenza A test positivity is elevated and continues to increase. Wastewater trends continue to increase and remain high in most sites across BC.

RSV

RSV test positivity remains elevated but stable in recent weeks. Most wastewater trends continue to increase and remain high in all sites across BC.

COVID-19

COVID-19 activity remains relatively stable at low levels.

Health care visits

Data on health care visits are unavailable for January 19-25, 2025.

National and international context

Influenza

- In Canada, most indicators of influenza activity are stable.¹
- In the USA, seasonal influenza activity remains elevated across the country and is increasing in most areas.²
- In the European Union/European Economic Area (EU/EEA), all indicators point to widespread high influenza activity.³

RSV

- In Canada, RSV percent positivity is stable.¹
- In the USA, RSV activity has peaked in many areas of the country.²
- In the EU/EEA, RSV activity decreased overall in recent weeks.³

COVID-19

- In Canada, indicators of COVID-19 activity are decreasing.¹
- In the USA, COVID-19 activity has increased in most areas of the country.²
- In the EU/EEA, COVID-19 activity is at very low levels.³

¹ Canadian Respiratory Virus Surveillance Report, <https://health-infobase.canada.ca/respiratory-virus-surveillance/>. Last updated: January 24, 2025.

² Respiratory Illnesses Data Channel, <https://www.cdc.gov/respiratory-viruses/data/index.html>. Last updated: January 24, 2025.

³ European Respiratory Virus Surveillance Summary (ERVISS), <https://erviss.org/>. Accessed on January 29, 2025.