Middlesex-London Respiratory Surveillance Report

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Respiratory summary COVID-19 cases Influenza cases Other respiratory viruses

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Respiratory Transmission Risk Assessment

Middlesex-London region is in a High Risk Period for Respiratory Illness

Indicator	Status
1. Respiratory virus outbreaks in health care facilities	Frequent and ongoing
2. COVID-19 hospitalizations and ICU admissions	High
3a. % positivity for COVID-19	High
3b. % positivity for influenza	Low
4. Wastewater surveillance trend of COVID-19	High

COVID-19 Summary

<u>Local</u> metrics	Week 49 (Dec 03 - Dec 09, 2023)	Season to date (Aug 27 - Dec 09, 2023)	Trend (compared to previous week)	
Laboratory-confirmed cases	137	1,736	Increased	
Deaths	1	26	Decreased	
Active outbreaks	As of the end of Dec 11, 2023:	9	Increased	
Local test positivity	Percent of tests positive: 18.3% Positivity level: High		Decreased	
Provincial metrics	Week 48 (Nov 26 - Dec 02, 2023)			
Provincial weekly indicator change			Similar	

Influenza Summary

<u>Local</u> metrics	Week 49 (Dec 03- Dec 09, 2023)	Season to date (Aug 27 - Dec 09, 2023)	Trend (compared to previous week)		
Laboratory-confirmed cases	21	65	Decreased		
Influenza sub-types	Influenza A: 21 Influenza B: 0	Influenza A: 65 Influenza B: 0	Decreased Same		
Deaths	0	0	Same		
Active outbreaks	As of the end of Dec 11, 2023:	0	Decreased		
<u>Provincial</u> metrics	Week 48 (Nov 26 - Dec 02, 2023)				
Local influenza activity level	Activity level: Localized				
Provincial test positivity	Percent of tests positive: 4.8% Positivity level: Low				
Provincial weekly indicator change			Higher		

Data are from the *Acute Care Enhanced Surveillance (ACES)*. ACES provides near real-time surveillance of emergency

Clinical Syndromic Surveillance

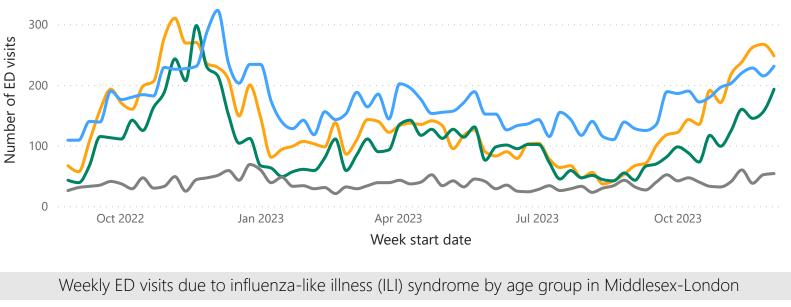
department (ED) visit records for approximately 95% of acute care hospitals in Ontario. Classifying algorithms are used to categorize each ED visit record into clinical syndromes according to information about the main reason for the visit listed in the record. Respiratory-related syndrome and influenza-like illness visits to Middlesex-London region hospitals (regardless of the client's health unit of residence) are shown below. For more details about each syndrome, please refer to the *Technical Notes*.



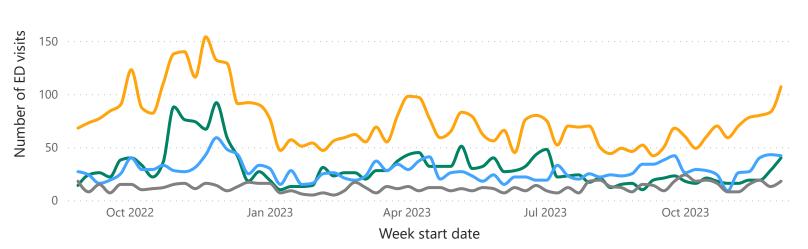
00-04 yr —

Weekly ED visits due to respiratory syndrome by age group in Middlesex-London

− 05-17 yr **−−−** 18-64 yr **−−−** 65+ yr



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Provincial and national reports:

The latest *Ontario Respiratory Virus Tool*, issued by PHO, is available at: <u>Ontario Respiratory Virus Tool</u>.

The latest *Flu Watch* report, issued by the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC), is available at: <u>Weekly influenza reports</u>.

Emergency department visits due to respiratory syndrome, is available at: <u>Viral Respiratory Mapper</u>.



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