

Respiratory virus activity in BC:

Weekly summary – November 27, 2025

Reporting period: November 16-22, 2025 (Epi-week 47)

The [Viral Respiratory Outcomes](#) dashboard has undergone a system transition. For more information, please visit the dashboard.

Current respiratory activity is measured in consideration of recent past respiratory seasons.

Influenza and RSV activity are increasing; COVID-19 is decreasing.

Influenza

Influenza test positivity has been slowly increasing and is approaching seasonal levels. Wastewater viral loads are stable and low in most sites.

RSV

RSV test positivity is increasing among children. Wastewater viral loads have shown recent signs of increase in a few sites but remain low overall.

COVID-19

SARS-CoV-2 test positivity continues to decrease and is at low levels. Wastewater viral loads are decreasing or remain stable at varying levels. Severe outcomes remain low.

Health care visits

The proportions of emergency department and primary care visits for respiratory illness have increased over recent weeks, particularly among children. Trends remain comparable to the same period of the prior season.

National and international context

Influenza

- In Canada, indicators of influenza activity are increasing and the percentage of tests positive for influenza has crossed the seasonal threshold.¹
- In the USA, seasonal influenza activity remains low but is increasing.²
- In the European Union/European Economic Area (EU/EEA), influenza detections are now increasing which is early compared to previous two seasons.³

RSV

- In Canada, indicators of RSV activity remain at interseasonal levels.¹
- In the USA, RSV activity is increasing in the Southeastern and Southern areas of the country with emergency department visits increasing among children 0-4 years old.²
- In the EU/EEA, RSV circulation is low but increasing slowly, with children under five years predominantly affected.³

¹ Canadian Respiratory Virus Surveillance Report, <https://health-infobase.canada.ca/respiratory-virus-surveillance/>. Last updated: November 21, 2025.

² Respiratory Illnesses Data Channel, <https://www.cdc.gov/respiratory-viruses/data/index.html>. Last updated: November 21, 2025.

³ European Respiratory Virus Surveillance Summary (ERVISS), <https://erviss.org/>. Accessed on November 26, 2025.

COVID-19

- In Canada, indicators of COVID-19 activity decreased in the most recent reporting week.¹
- In the USA, COVID-19 activity is low.²
- In the EU/EEA, SARS-CoV-2 circulation is decreasing in all age groups.³

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