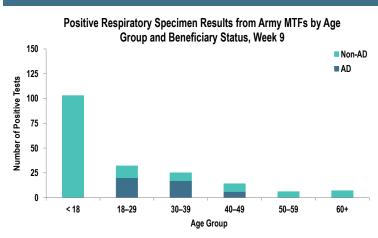


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#### **SUMMARY**

Influenza A activity is stable in the Army population. Seventy-two positive influenza A and thirty-eight influenza B specimens were reported during surveillance Week 9. One influenza-associated hospitalization was reported among a non-service member during week 9; the season total thus far is 154 hospitalizations compared to an average of 168 influenza-associated hospitalizations during the same time period during 2017–2020. Nationwide, influenza activity remains stable, with 0.9% of specimens tested by clinical laboratories being positive for influenza A or B, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

#### **DEMOGRAPHICS**

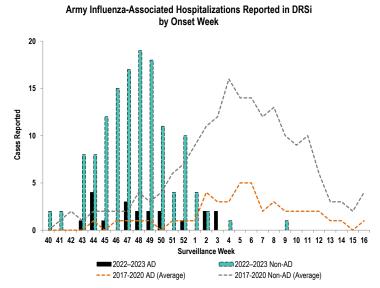


**AD**: Forty-three positive respiratory specimens were collected from active duty (AD) service members (SMs) during Week 9; 46.5% (n=20) of the positive specimens were collected from SMs 18 – 29 years of age.

**Non-AD**: One hundred and forty-four positive respiratory specimens were collected from non-AD individuals during Week 9; 71.5% (n=103) of the positive specimens were collected from individuals under 18 years of age.

The age and beneficiary status of some cases were not available. Therefore, all calculations involving these variables were conducted using only available data. Differences in total results, and age- and beneficiary status-specific results may be noted throughout the report.

#### INFLUENZA-ASSOCIATED HOSPITALIZATIONS



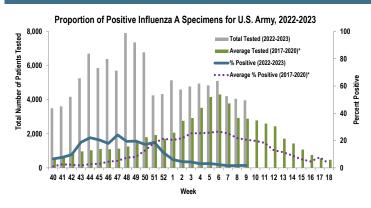
One influenza-associated hospitalization among a non-AD individual with an onset date in Week 9 was reported to the Disease Reporting System internet (DRSi). The season total thus far is 154 hospitalizations. The Week 9 average during the 2017–2020 seasons was 11 hospitalizations (with an average of 168 hospitalizations reported from the start of the season through Week 9).

The DRSi does not capture cases older than 65 years old for influenza-associated hospitalizations.

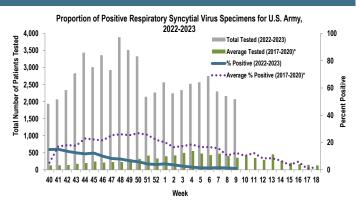
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#### **INFLUENZA A ACTIVITY - ARMY**

#### **RSV ACTIVITY - ARMY**



Of the 3,964 specimens tested for influenza A during Week 9, 1.8% (n=72) were positive. This is a slight increase from Week 8 (1.7%).



Of the 2,072 specimens tested for RSV during Week 9, 1.0% (n=20) were positive. This is a decrease from Week 8 (1.4%).

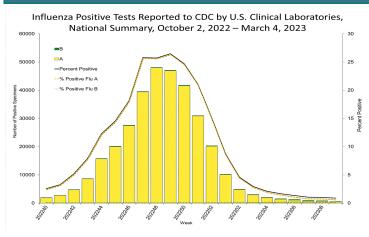
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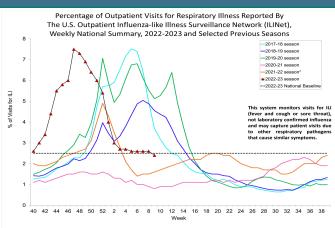
		Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Season Total
	Adenovirus	29	26	27	25	441
	Enterovirus	29	34	27	18	539
Army MTF	Influenza A	121	66	69	72	13,863
Laboratory	Influenza B	28	28	27	38	708
Results,	Parainfluenza	22	21	14	14	517
2022-23	RSV	39	37	31	20	4,019
	Negative	4,921	4,107	3,939	3,872	94,947
	Total	5,189	4,319	4,134	4,059	115,034

Of the 4,059 specimens tested during Week 9, 4.6% (n=187) were positive for any type of respiratory illness. Of the positive results, Influenza A accounted for 38.5% (n=72), influenza B accounted for 20.3% (n=38), adenovirus accounted for 13.4% (n=25), RSV accounted for 10.7% (n=20), enterovirus accounted for 9.6% (n=18), and parainfluenza accounted for 7.5% (n=14). Additionally, the reported number of specimens tested decreased by 1.8% from Week 8 to Week 9.

Significantly more tests for influenza have been conducted this season compared to past seasons; 113,408 specimens have been tested for influenza A so far this season compared to the average of 44,996 specimens during the same time period in 2017-2020.

#### **INFLUENZA-LIKE ILLNESS (ILI) ACTIVITY - UNITED STATES**



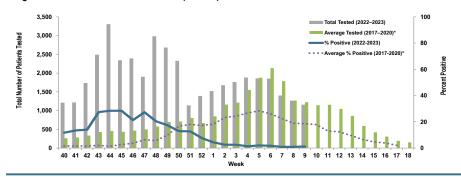


Nationwide in Week 9, incident ILI activity was 2.4%; this is below the national baseline of 2.5%. Additionally, a total of 64,083 specimens were tested for influenza by select clinical laboratories and submitted to the CDC; 565 (0.9%) were positive. Influenza A accounted for 70.1% (n=396) of the total positive specimens. For further information, please click here.

Locations providing Week 9 laboratory data as of 8 March 2023: Ft. Belvoir, Ft. Benning, Ft. Bliss, Ft. Bragg, Ft. Campbell, Camp Zama, Ft. Carson, Ft. Drum, Ft. Gordon, Ft. Hood, Ft. Huachuca, Ft. Jackson, Ft. Knox, Ft. Leavenworth, Ft. Lee, Ft. Leonard Wood, Ft. Lewis, Ft. Meade, Ft. Polk, Ft. Riley, Ft. Rucker, Ft. Sam Houston, Ft. Sill, Ft. Stewart, Ft. Wainwright, Korea, Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, Redstone Arsenal, Tripler Army Medical Center, and Walter Reed National Military Medical Center.

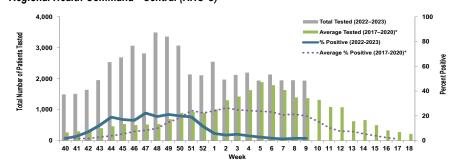
Proportion of Influenza A Positive Specimens by Week and Region, Army Medical Laboratories, 2022–2023 as Compared to 2017–2020\*

#### Regional Health Command - Atlantic (RHC-A)



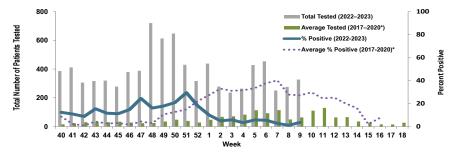
Week 9					
Age Group	AD	Non-AD	Season Total		
< 18	0	8	2,911		
18–29	0	1	1,238		
30-39	1	1	730		
40–49	1	1	358		
50-59	0	1	241		
60+	0	0	248		
Total	2	12	5,726		

#### Regional Health Command - Central (RHC-C)



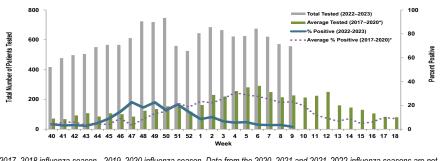
Week 9						
Age Group	AD	Non-AD	Season Total			
< 18	0	13	2,791			
18–29	6	5	1,314			
30-39	6	0	714			
40–49	0	3	356			
50-59	0	1	211			
60+	0	1	357			
Total	12	23	5,743			

#### Regional Health Command - Europe (RHC-E)



Week 9					
Age Group	AD	Non-AD	Season Total		
< 18	0	8	603		
18–29	0	0	202		
30-39	1	1	155		
40–49	1	0	77		
50-59	0	1	25		
60+	0	0	24		
Total	2	10	1,086		

#### Regional Health Command - Pacific (RHC-P)



Week 9						
Age Group	I AD I Non-AD I		Season Total			
< 18	0	4	516			
18-29	1	1	327			
30-39	1	1	215			
40-49	1	1	86			
50-59	0	1	42			
60+	0	0	91			
Total	3	8	1,277			

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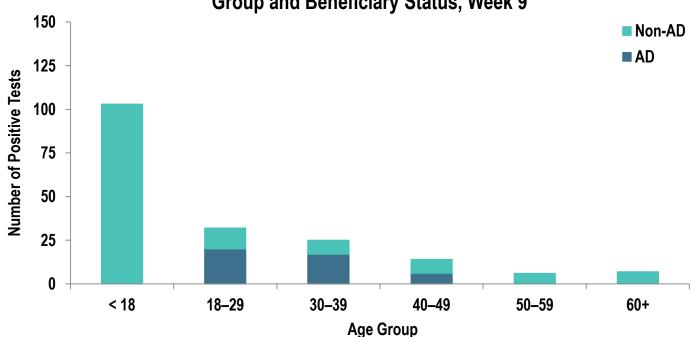
#### Number of Positive Influenza A Specimens by Region and Duty Status

Region	Week 6		Week 7		Week 8		Week 9	
	AD	Non-AD	AD	Non-AD	AD	Non-AD	AD	Non-AD
RHC-A	11	20	2	11	2	9	2	12
RHC-C	16	24	8	17	13	22	12	23
RHC-E	9	16	1	6	0	3	2	10
RHC-P	8	17	11	10	6	14	3	8



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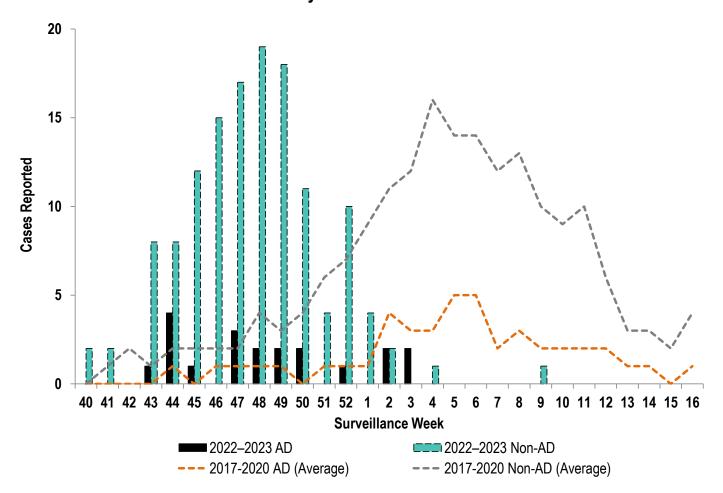
### Positive Respiratory Specimen Results from Army MTFs by Age Group and Beneficiary Status, Week 9





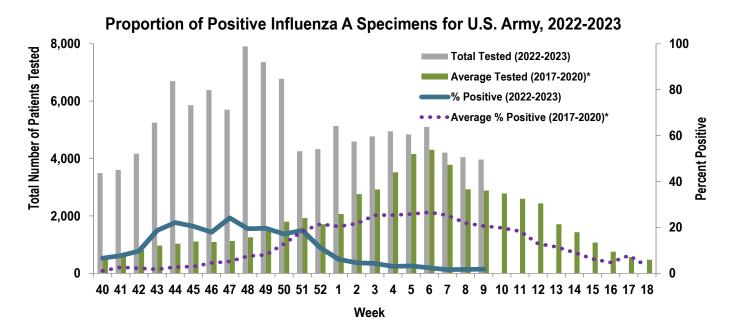
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### Army Influenza-Associated Hospitalizations Reported in DRSi by Onset Week





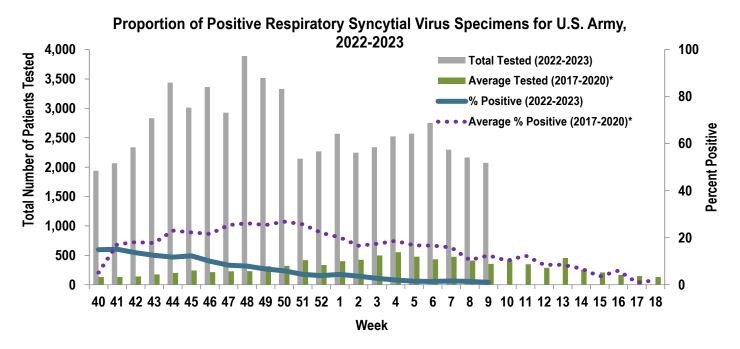
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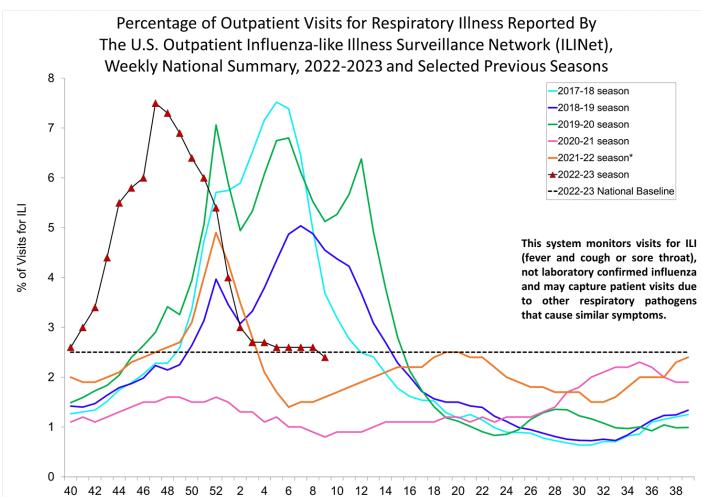
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