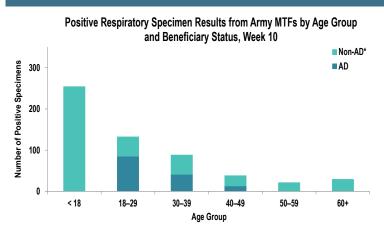


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SUMMARY

Influenza activity in the Army population decreased from Week 9 to Week 10. In addition, RSV activity slightly increased. Two influenzaassociated hospitalizations were reported during surveillance Week 10. Nationwide, influenza activity remains elevated, with 12.0% of specimens tested by clinical laboratories being positive for influenza A or B, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Practice good health habits, such as eating a balanced diet and exercising daily to help your body fight influenza infection.

DEMOGRAPHICS



AD: One hundred and forty-one positive respiratory specimens were collected from active duty (AD) service members (SMs) during Week 10; 60.3% (n=85) of the positive specimens were collected from SMs 18 – 29 years of age.

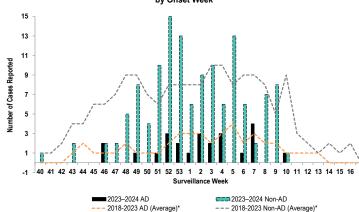
Non-AD: Four hundred and twenty-one positive respiratory specimens were collected from non-AD individuals during Week 10; 60.3% (n=254) of the positive specimens were collected from individuals under 18 years of age and 11.2% (n=47) from individuals who are 18 – 29 years old.

*Non-AD=All individuals that are not active duty service members.

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

Army Influenza-Associated Hospitalizations Reported in DRSi by Onset Week



Two influenza-associated hospitalizations with an onset date in Week 10 were reported to the Disease Reporting System internet (DRSi). The season total thus far is 154 hospitalizations. The Week 10 average during the 2018 – 2023 seasons was 9 hospitalizations (with an average of 184 hospitalizations reported from the start of the season through Week 10).

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

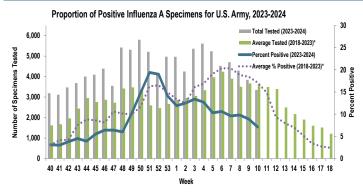
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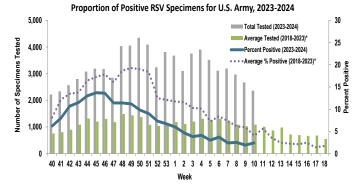
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INFLUENZA A ACTIVITY - ARMY



Of the 3,346 specimens tested for influenza A during Week 10, 7.1% (n=239) were positive. Influenza A activity decreased by 1.8%.

RSV ACTIVITY - ARMY

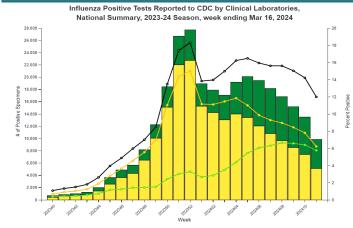


Of the 2,363 specimens tested for RSV during Week 10, 2.4% (n=56) were positive. RSV activity increased slightly.

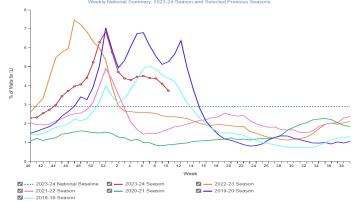
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		Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Season Total	e e e e e e e e e e				
	Adenovirus	14	12	14	15	305	positive for any type of respiratory illness. Influenza A accounted for				
	Enterovirus	39	39	48	30	1,066	42.5% (n=239) of the positive results, influenza B accounted for 33.8% (n=190), RSV accounted for 10.0% (n=56), parainfluenza ac-				
Army MTF	Influenza A	452	419	342	239	10,625	counted for 5.7% (n=32), enterovirus accounted for 5.3% (n=30),				
Laboratory	Influenza B	304	271	244	190	4,478	adenovirus accounted for 2.7% (n=15). Additionally, the reported				
Results,	Parainfluenza	16	16	22	32	316	number of specimens tested decreased 12.4% from Week 9 to Week				
2023-24	RSV	76	74	52	56	5,862	10. Significantly more tests for influenza have been conducted this				
	Negative	3,866	3,520	3,179	2,856	85,282	season compared to past seasons; 106,506 specimens have been tested for influenza A so far this season compared to the average of				
	Total	4,767	4,351	3,901	3,418	107,934	72,043 specimens during the same time period in 2018-2023*.				

INFLUENZA-LIKE ILLNESS (ILI) ACTIVITY - UNITED STATES



Percentage of Outpatient Visits for Respiratory Illness Reported by The U.S. Outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet),



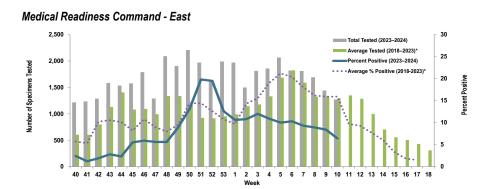
Nationwide in Week 10 (CDC's Week 11), incident ILI activity was 3.4%; this is above the national baseline of 2.9%. Additionally, a total of 82,202 specimens were tested for influenza by select clinical laboratories and submitted to the CDC; 9,862 (12.0%) were positive. Influenza A accounted for 51.9% (n=5,121) of the total positive specimens.

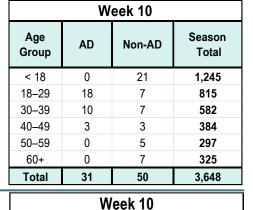
Locations providing Week 10 laboratory data as of 21 February 2024: Carlisle Barracks, Ft. Belvoir, Ft. Bliss, Ft. Campbell, Ft. Cavazos, Ft. Carson, Ft. Drum, Ft. Eisenhower, Ft. Eustis, Ft. Gregg-Adams, Ft. Huachuca, Ft. Invin, Ft. Jackson, Ft. Johnson, Ft. Knox, Ft. Leavenworth, Ft. Leonard Wood, Ft. Lewis, Ft. Liberty, Ft. Meade, Ft. Moore, Ft. Novosel, Ft. Riley, Ft. Sam Houston, Ft. Sill, Ft. Stewart, Ft. Wainwright, Korea, Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, Redstone Arsenal, Tripler Army Medical Center, the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, and Walter Reed National Military Medical Center.

Age Group

AD

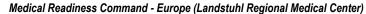
Proportion of Influenza A Positive Specimens by Week and Medical Readiness Command, 2023–2024 as Compared to 2018–2023*

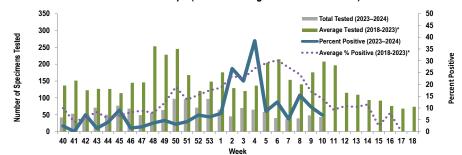


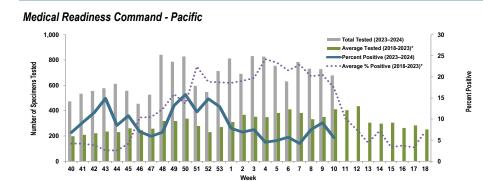


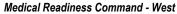
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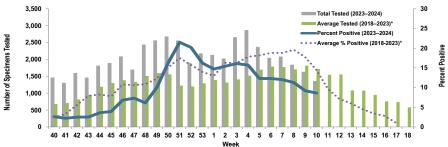
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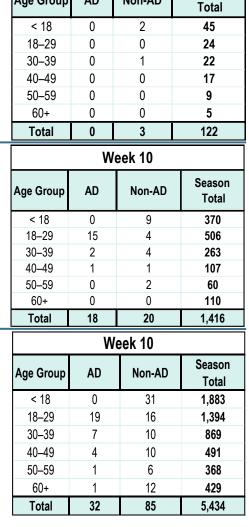








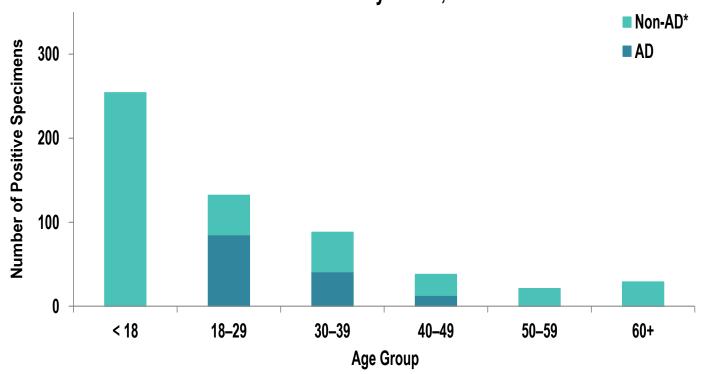




Number of Positive Influenza A Specimens by Region and Duty Status											
Region	W	/eek 7	Week 8		Week 9		Week 10				
	AD	Non-AD	AD	Non-AD	AD	Non-AD	AD	Non-AD			
MRC-East	71	97	66	84	48	73	31	50			
MRC-Europe	0	2	1	5	1	4	0	3			
MRC-Pacific	13	20	33	22	37	29	18	20			
MRC-West	77	172	79	129	58	92	32	85			



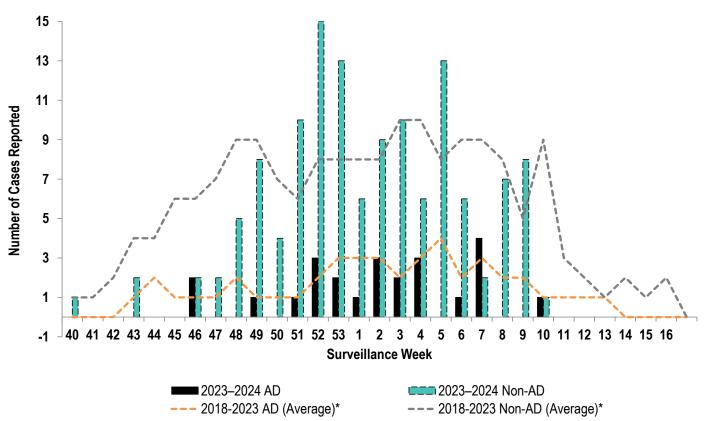
Positive Respiratory Specimen Results from Army MTFs by Age Group and Beneficiary Status, Week 10



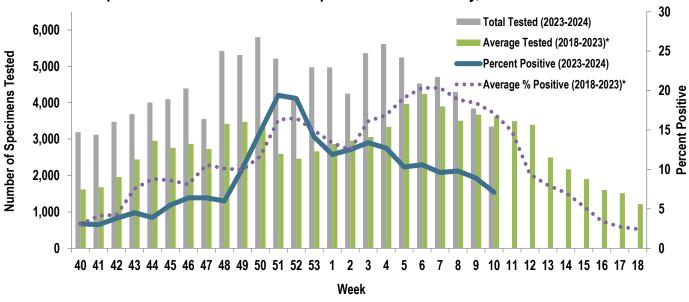


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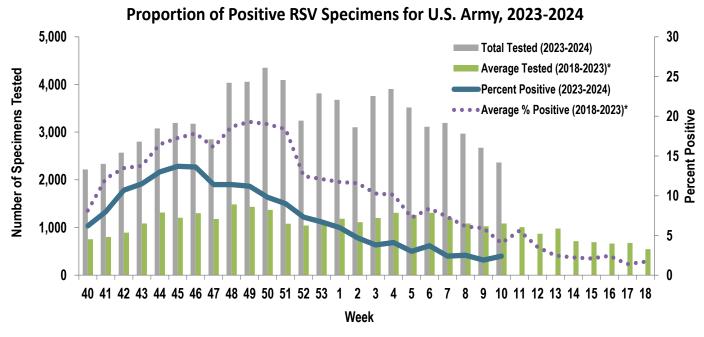






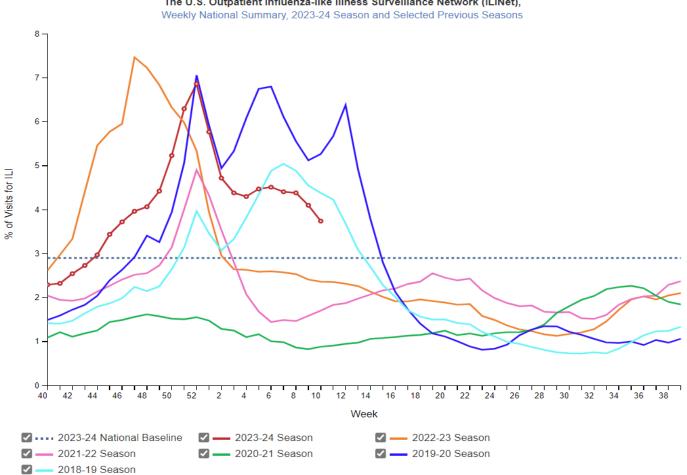
Proportion of Positive Influenza A Specimens for U.S. Army, 2023-2024







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Percentage of Outpatient Visits for Respiratory Illness Reported by The U.S. Outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet), Weekly National Summary, 2023-24 Season and Selected Previous Seasons



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Influenza Positive Tests Reported to CDC by Clinical Laboratories, National Summary, 2023-24 Season, week ending Mar 16, 2024

