

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF **PUBLIC HEALTH**

Flu Watch

MMWR Week 21: May 18, 2025 to May 24, 2025

All data are provisional and subject to change as more reports are received.

Geographic Spread

South Carolina reported sporadic activity this week

Virologic Surveillance

This week **48** lab-confirmed tests were reported. In the current flu season, there have been 62,227 lab-confirmed tests reported.

Influenza-Like Illness Surveillance

The percent of patient visits to sentinel providers for an influenza-like illness (ILI) was **1.6%**, which is **below** South Carolina's baseline (**3.2%**). The ILI activity level overall was **minimal**.

For a description of South Carolina's influenza surveillance components and definitions go to: https://dph.sc.gov/professionals/public-health-data/fluwatch



Influenza Indicators

Influenza Indicator	Change from Previous Week
Lab-confirmed tests	Decreased
ILI Percent	No Change
Hospitalizations	No Change



Regional Influenza Activity



Influenza-Associated Hospitalizations

This week 9 influenza-associated hospitalizations were reported by 44 hospitals. The cumulative hospitalization rate is 162.5 per 100,000. In the current flu season, there have been 8251 influenzaassociated hospitalizations.

Influenza-Associated Deaths

This week, **0** influenza-associated deaths were reported. The cumulative mortality rate is 6.2 per 100,000. In the current flu season, there have been **315** influenza-associated deaths.