

PHFPC Briefing

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Discussion Topics

- Texas 2025 Measles Outbreak
- 2025–2026 Respiratory Virus Season

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Texas 2025 Measles Outbreak



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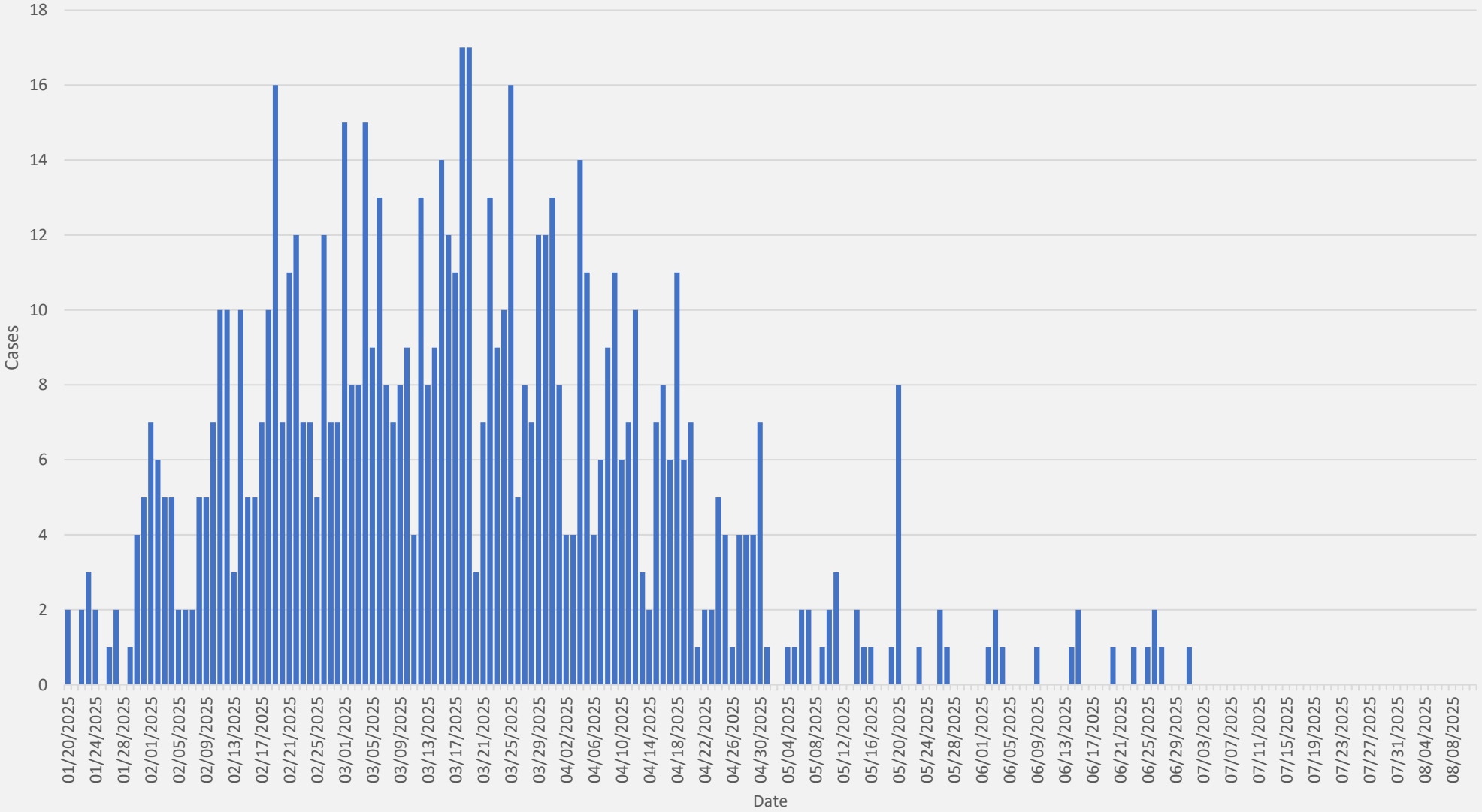
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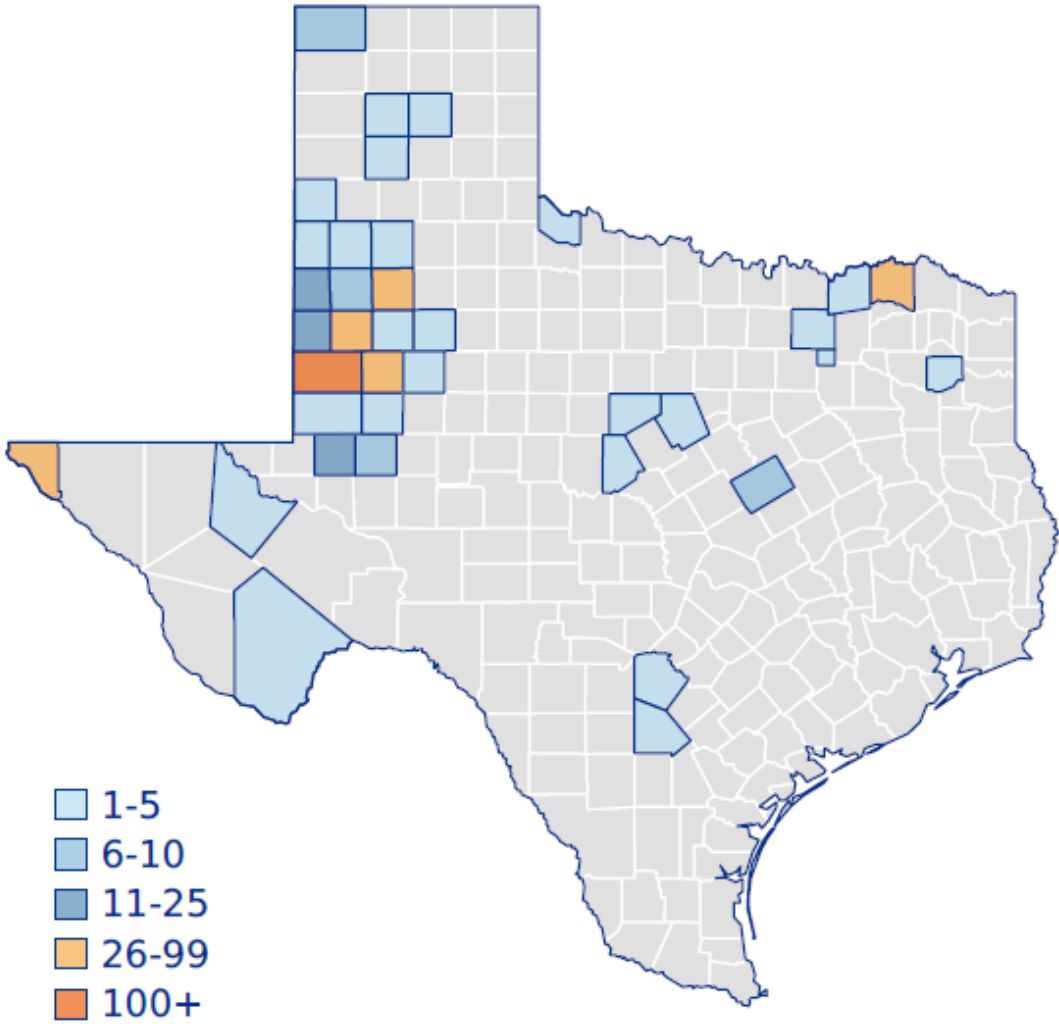
Texas 2025 Measles Outbreak Epi Curve of Confirmed Cases (8/11/2025)
Confirm Cases = 762



Data based on the following hierarchy according to available data: rash onset date, symptom onset date, specimen collection date, hospital admission date, or date reported to the region.

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Texas 2025 Measles Outbreak – Confirmed Cases (8/11/2025)



- 1-5
- 6-10
- 11-25
- 26-99
- 100+

Outbreak Cases by County

Home County	Confirmed	% of Total
Andrews	3	0.4%
Atascosa	1	0.1%
Bailey	2	0.3%
Bexar	1	0.1%
Borden	1	0.1%
Brewster	1	0.1%
Brown	1	0.1%
Carson	1	0.1%
Cochran	14	1.8%
Collin	1	0.1%
Dallam	7	0.9%
Dawson	26	3.4%
Eastland	2	0.3%
Ector	12	1.6%
El Paso	59	7.7%
Erath	1	0.1%
Fannin	4	0.5%
Gaines	414	54.3%
Garza	2	0.3%
Hale	5	0.7%
Hardeman	1	0.1%
Hockley	7	0.9%
Lamar	28	3.7%
Lamb	1	0.1%
Lubbock	52	6.8%
Lynn	2	0.3%
Martin	3	0.4%
McLennan	9	1.2%
Midland	6	0.8%
Parmer	5	0.7%
Potter	1	0.1%
Randall	1	0.1%
Reeves	2	0.3%
Rockwall	1	0.1%
Terry	60	7.9%
Upshur	5	0.7%
Yoakum	20	2.6%
Total	762	100.0%



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Texas 2025 Measles Outbreak Confirm Cases by Age Status Confirm Cases = 762 (8/11/2025)

Age Group	Confirmed
0-4 Yrs	225
5-17 Yrs	286
18+ Yrs	247
Pending	4



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Vaccination Status of Confirm Cases (8/11/2025)

Unvaccinated/Unknown	718
Vaccinated: 1 dose	23
Vaccinated: 2+ Doses	21

Note: The unvaccinated/unknown category includes people with no documented doses of measles vaccine more than 14 days before symptom onset.



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Texas announces second death in measles outbreak

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 NEWS RELEASE

April 6, 2025

The Texas Department of State Health Services is reporting the second measles death of a Texas resident in the ongoing outbreak centered in the state's South Plains region. The school-aged child who tested positive for measles was hospitalized in Lubbock and passed away on Thursday from what the child's doctors described as measles pulmonary failure. The child was not vaccinated and had no reported underlying conditions.

As of April 4, 481 cases of measles have been confirmed in the outbreak since late January. Most of the cases are in children. Fifty-six people have been hospitalized over the course of the outbreak.

Measles is a highly contagious respiratory illness, which can cause life-threatening illness to anyone who is not protected against the virus. During a measles outbreak, about one in five children who get sick will need hospital care and one in 20 will develop pneumonia. Rarely, measles can lead to swelling of the brain and death. It can also cause pregnancy complications, such as premature birth and babies with low birth weight.

DSHS's interactive dashboard and additional information about the outbreak can be found on the [News & Alerts page](#) that is updated on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Health care providers can find recommendations for infection control and diagnostic testing in [DSHS health alerts](#). Providers should report any suspected cases to their local health department immediately, preferably while the patient is still with the provider.



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2025-2026 Respiratory Virus Season



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National Respiratory Illnesses

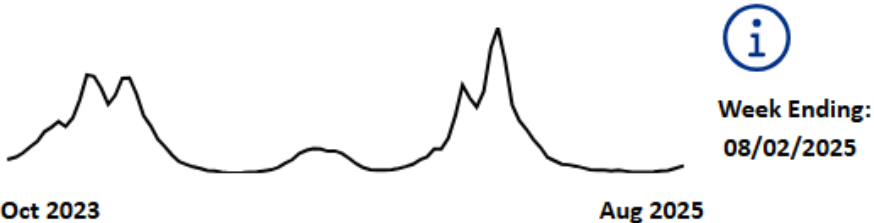
- As of August 8, 2025, the amount of acute respiratory illness causing people to seek health care is at a very low level in the United States.
- COVID-19 activity is increasing in many areas of the country.
- Seasonal influenza activity is low, and RSV activity is very low across the country.



Texas Respiratory Illness Interactive Dashboard

Statewide Snapshot

Percent Change from Previous Week



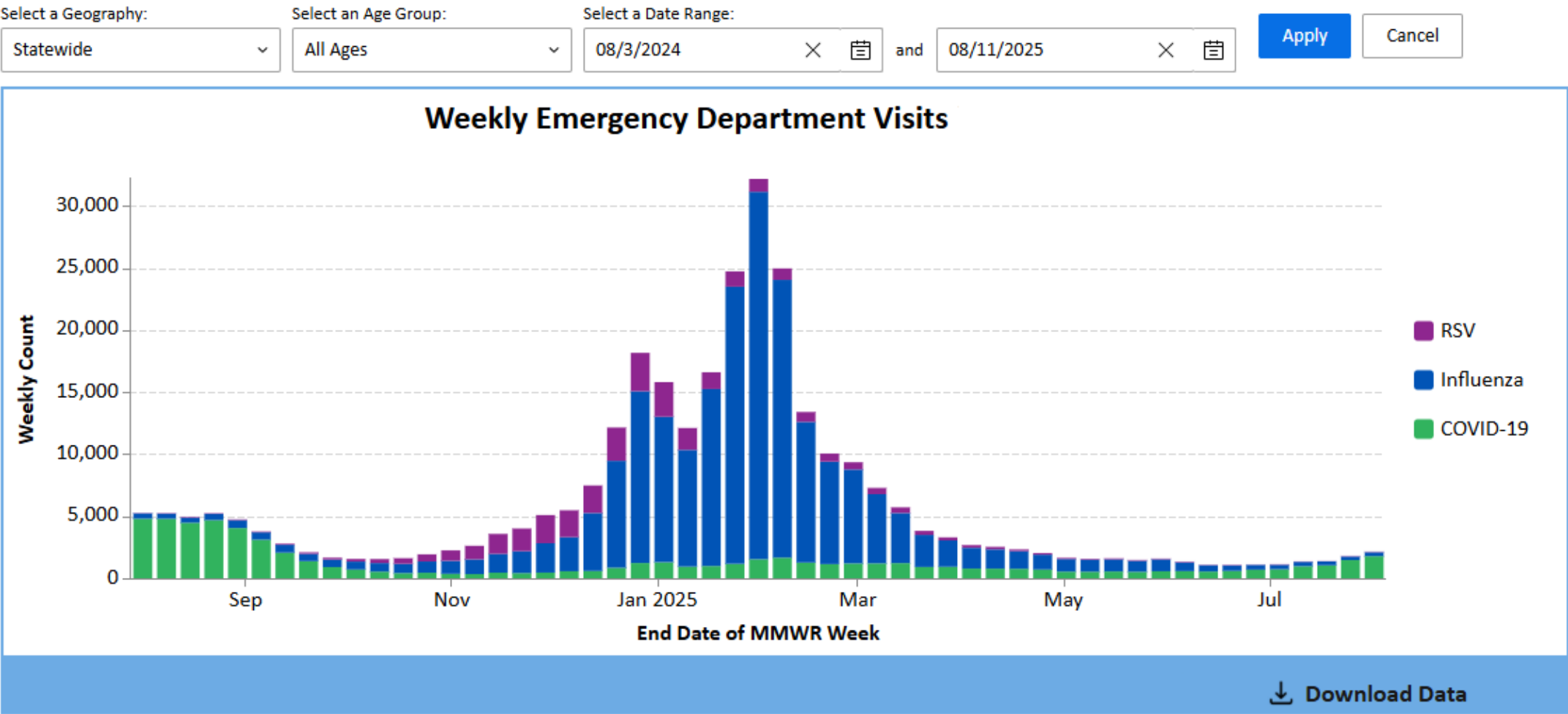
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Emergency Department Visits	Hospitalizations	Deaths
Data through 08/02/2025	Data through 08/02/2025	Data through 07/19/2025
COVID-19: ▲ +21.51%	COVID-19: ▲ +17.65%	COVID-19: - 0.00%
Influenza: ▲ +10.33%	Influenza: ▼ -33.33%	Influenza: --
RSV: ▲ +3.90%	RSV: --	RSV: --

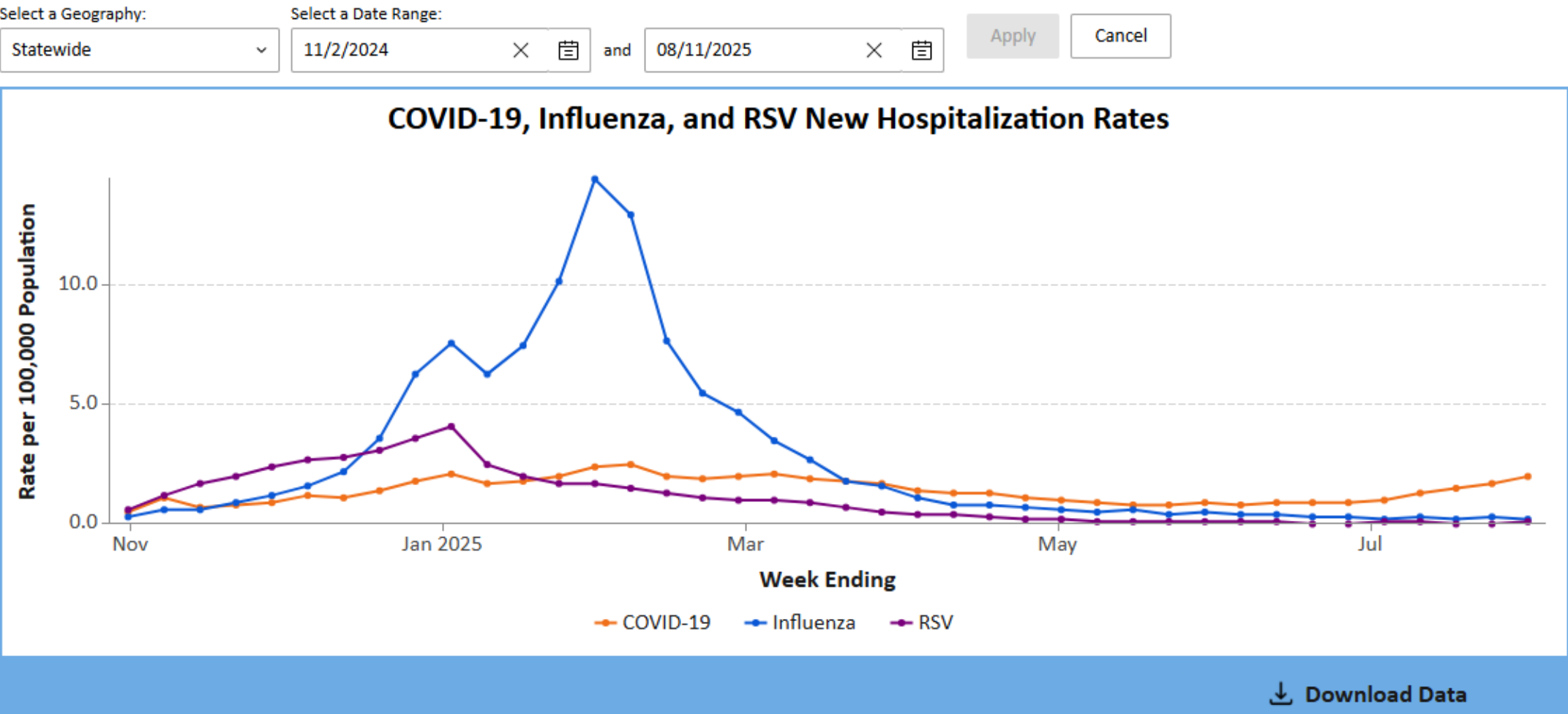
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Weekly Emergency Department Visits in Texas



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New Hospitalization Rates (COVID-19, Influenza, and RSV) in Texas



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Trends in Viral Respiratory Deaths in Texas

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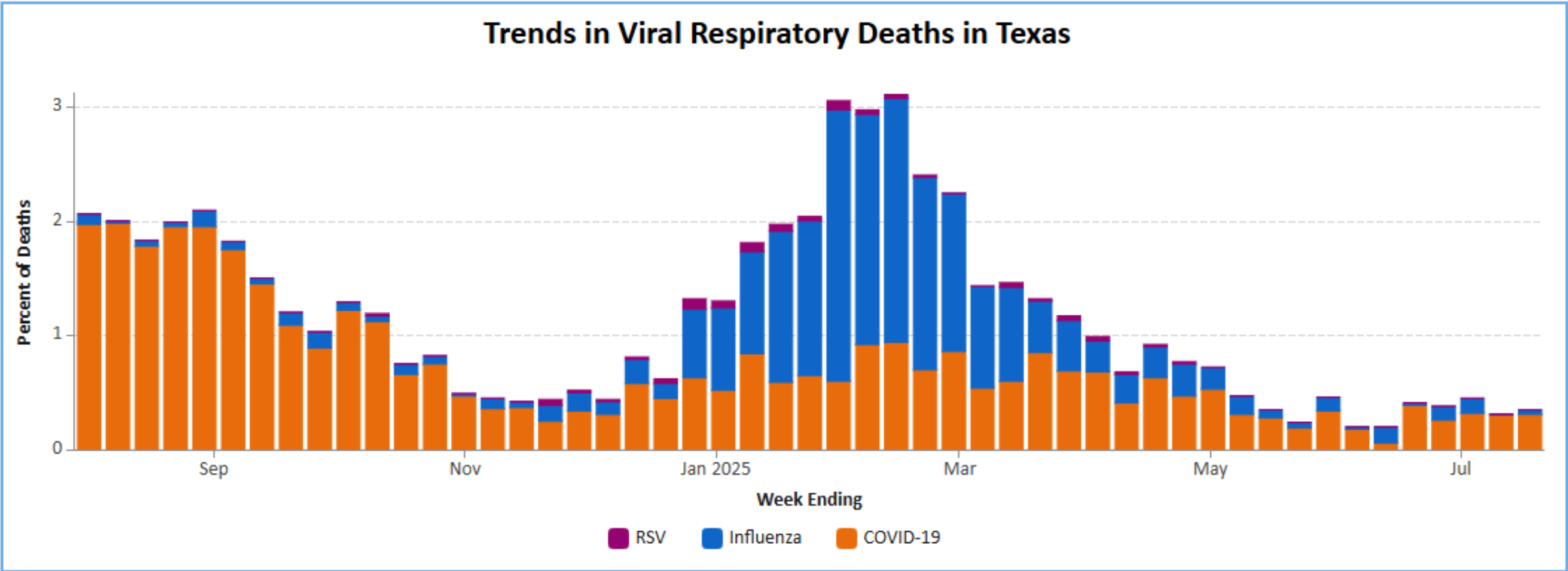
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