

ANALYSIS QUESTIONS

When does flu season start?

Flu season kicks in when there's a surge in influenza cases, usually during the fall and winter months. In 2023, we saw the flu gaining momentum in October, hitting its peak in December, causing over 500,000 hospitalizations in the United States.

How long does flu season last?

Typically, flu season sticks around for a few months. Between 2022 and 2023, the flu was pretty active from October 2022 through January 2023, lasting around 26 weeks.

Does flu season vary across different regions of the United States?

Nope, flu season hits all four major regions of the United States - West, Midwest, South, and Northeast - around the same time, from October to January.

Are there specific months known for peak flu activity?

Yep, November and December usually see the highest flu activity. Interestingly, flu cases drop significantly from December to January in the Northeast, Midwest, and West.

Which states saw the highest flu and pneumonia cases in 2023?

In 2023, the states topping the charts for flu and pneumonia hospitalizations were:

1. Florida
2. California
3. New York (State & City)
4. Virginia
5. Georgia

Which states have the most seniors aged 65 and above?

As of 2022, the states with the largest population of folks aged 65 and older are:

1. California
2. Florida
3. Texas
4. New York
5. Pennsylvania