

Public Health Briefing

Current and Emerging Health Issues

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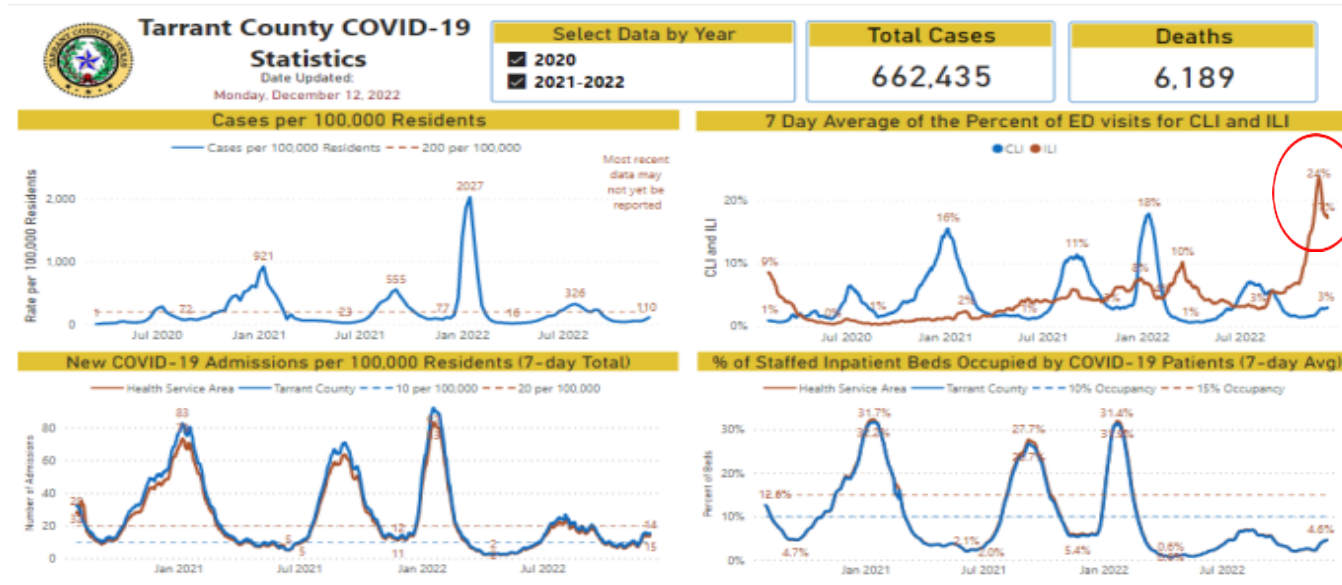
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COVID Trends in Tarrant County

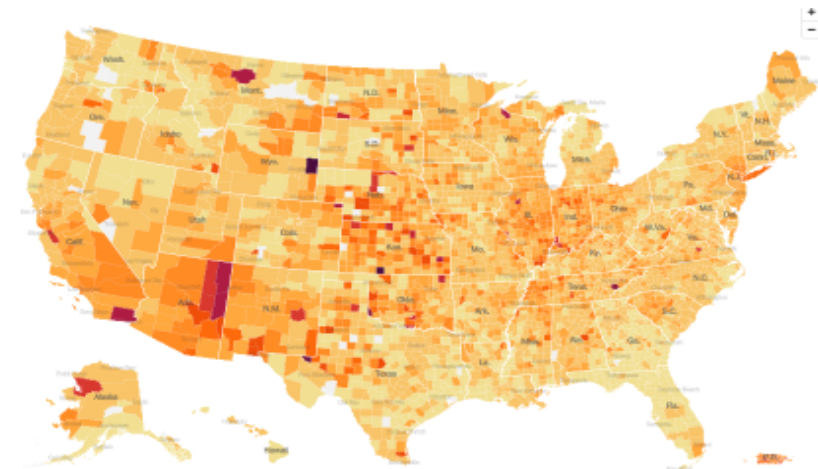
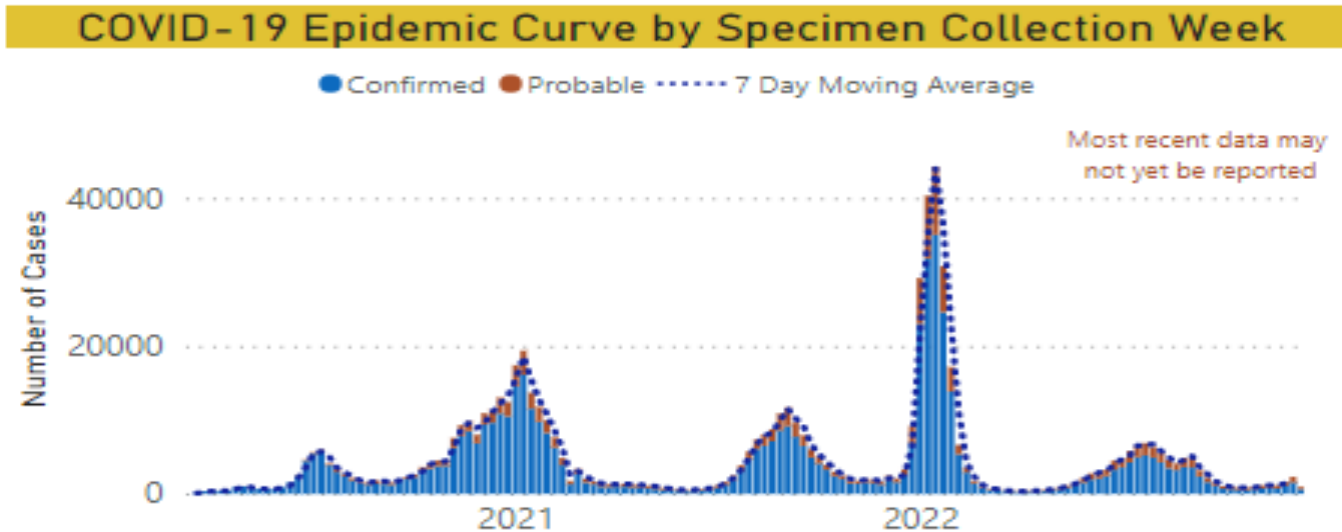


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COVID-19 Community Level
Medium

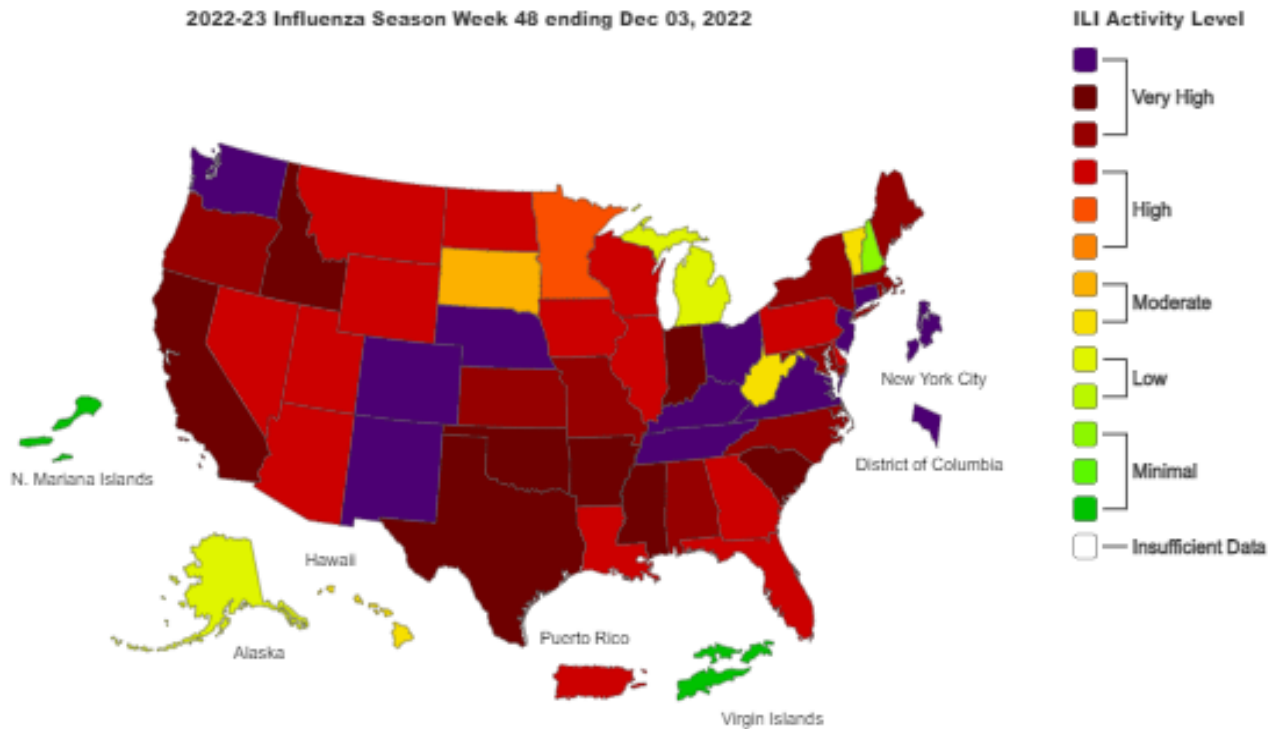
Situational Awareness

- Community Level MEDIUM!
 - Overall trend turning upwards in TC, hospitalizations and cases above threshold
 - Conditions are worsening across the country with increased cases and hospitalizations, however, current surge appears to be milder
 - Consider getting a booster to avoid winter surge.
 - Consider wearing a mask in public indoor settings.
 - New variants being tracked.
 - BQ 1, BQ 1.1, XBB

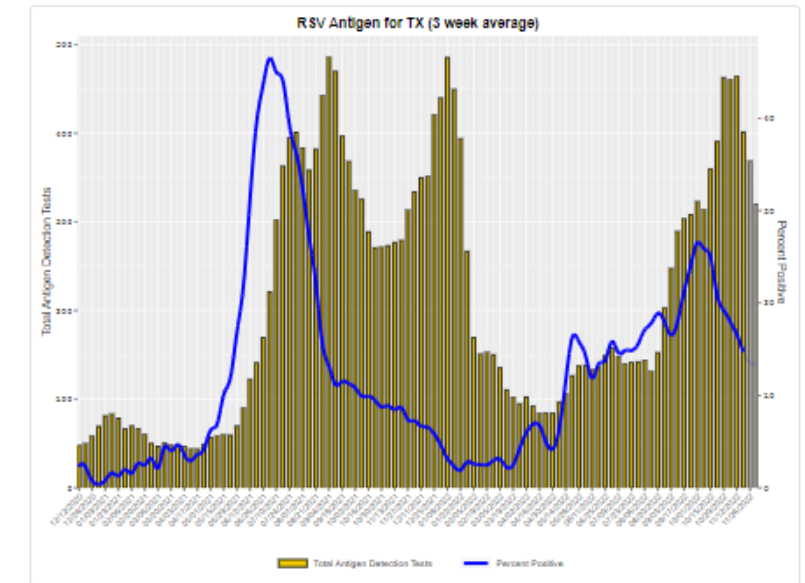


Flu & RSV Trends in Tarrant County

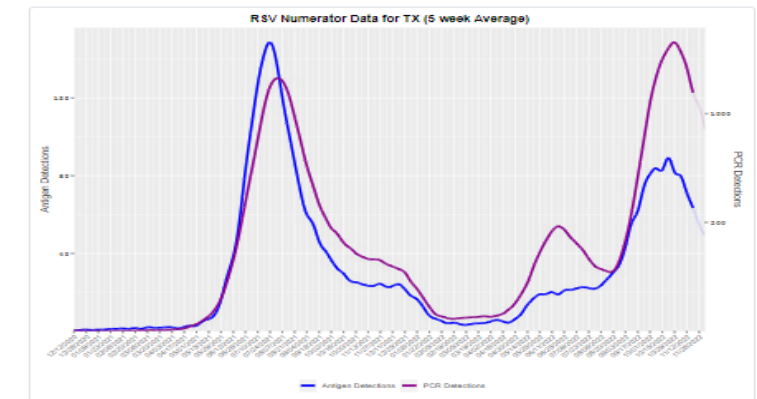
- RSV and Flu start to decline in TX
- Flu still VERY HIGH activity in TX, showing recent peak in TC
 - Strongly recommend vaccination now!
 - Vaccine appears to be a good match this season.



Total Antigen Tests



Detections



The gray line and gray bars indicate weeks when the data may be less complete.

Tracking Cases



Tarrant County Mpox Statistics

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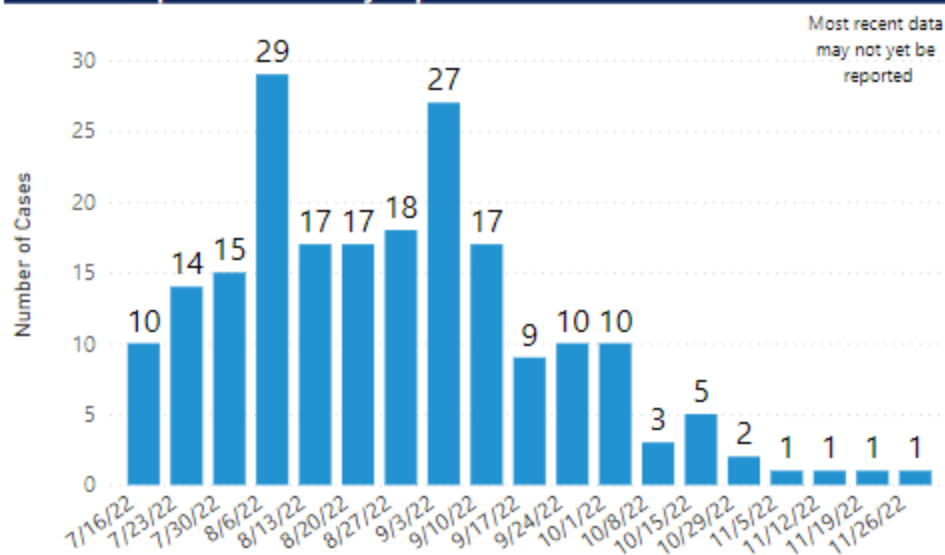
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Total Cases

207

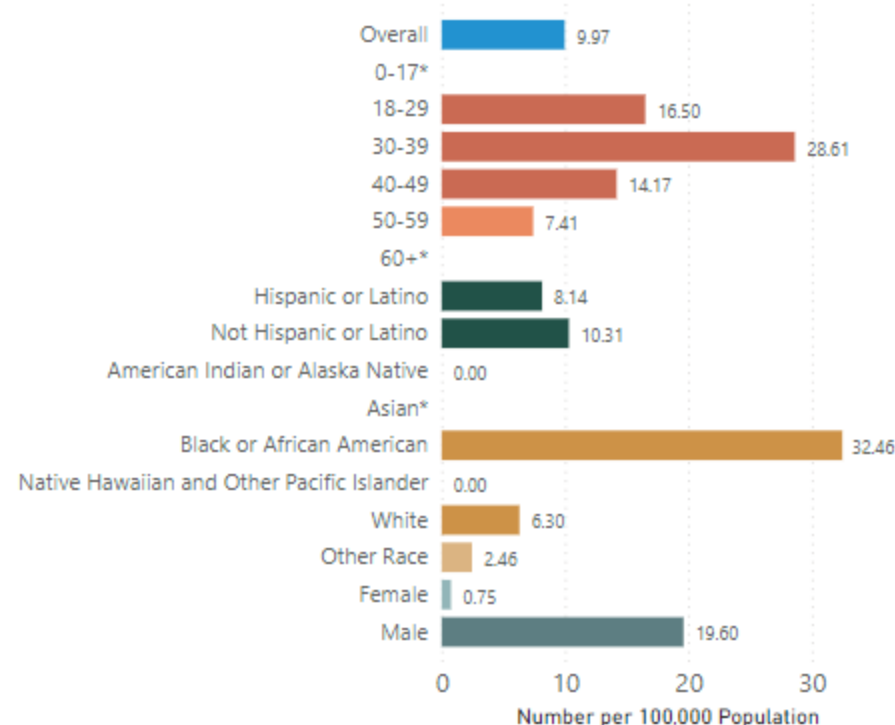
Number per 100,000 Population by Demographics

Mpox Cases By Specimen Collection Week



*Categories with <5 cases are suppressed. Faded bars: Rates for categories with case numbers between 4 and 20 are unstable and should be interpreted with caution.

Example Rate Interpretation: Among males, there are 19.6 cases of mpox per 100,000 male Tarrant County residents.



- DSHS provided update that over 27K vaccinated in TX
- National data shows vaccine was protective.
- Mpox 9 times higher in those with no vaccine
- Mpox 7 times higher in those with 1 dose, showing some protection
- 2 dose series very effective

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