

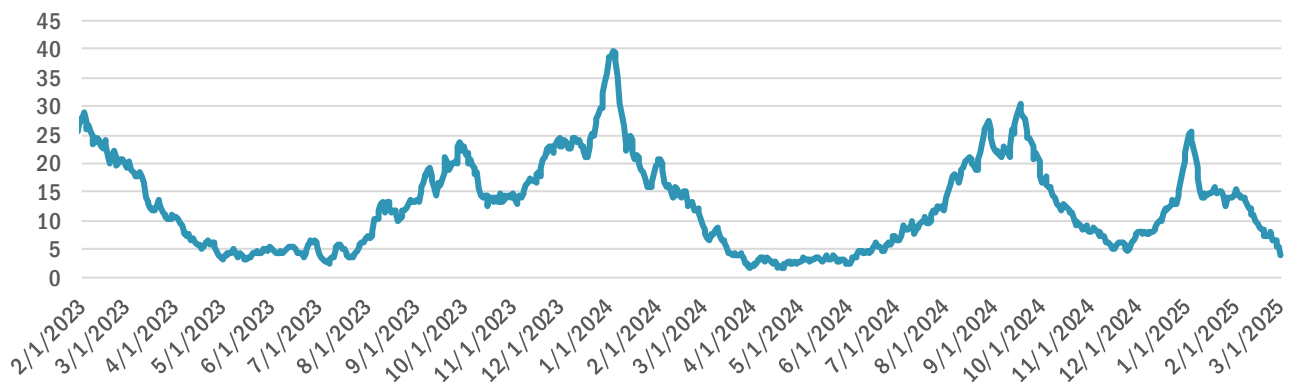
## Report Timeframe: February 23 to March 1, 2025

Current Vermont Department of Health recommendations on [preventing COVID-19](#).

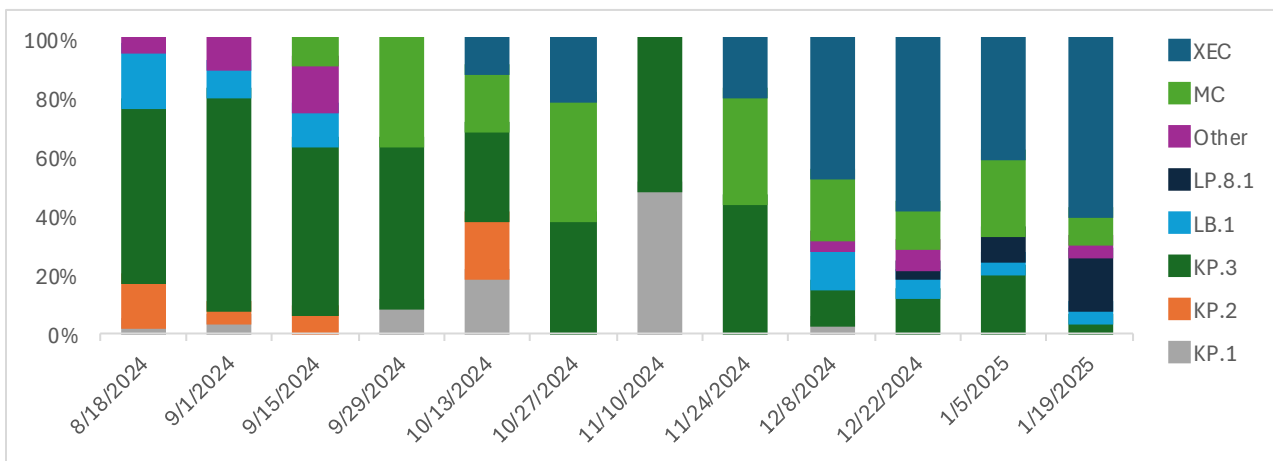
## Syndromic Surveillance

The Electronic Surveillance System for the Early Notification of Community-based Epidemics (ESSENCE) reflects all visits from participating emergency departments (ED). The chart below shows a rolling seven-day average of all ED visits in Vermont hospitals that include a COVID-19 diagnosis (emergency and non-emergency, in- and outpatient visits).

### Emergency Department Visits with COVID-19 Diagnosis Seven-Day Rolling Average, Vermont Hospitals



## Variant Proportions - Clinical Specimens



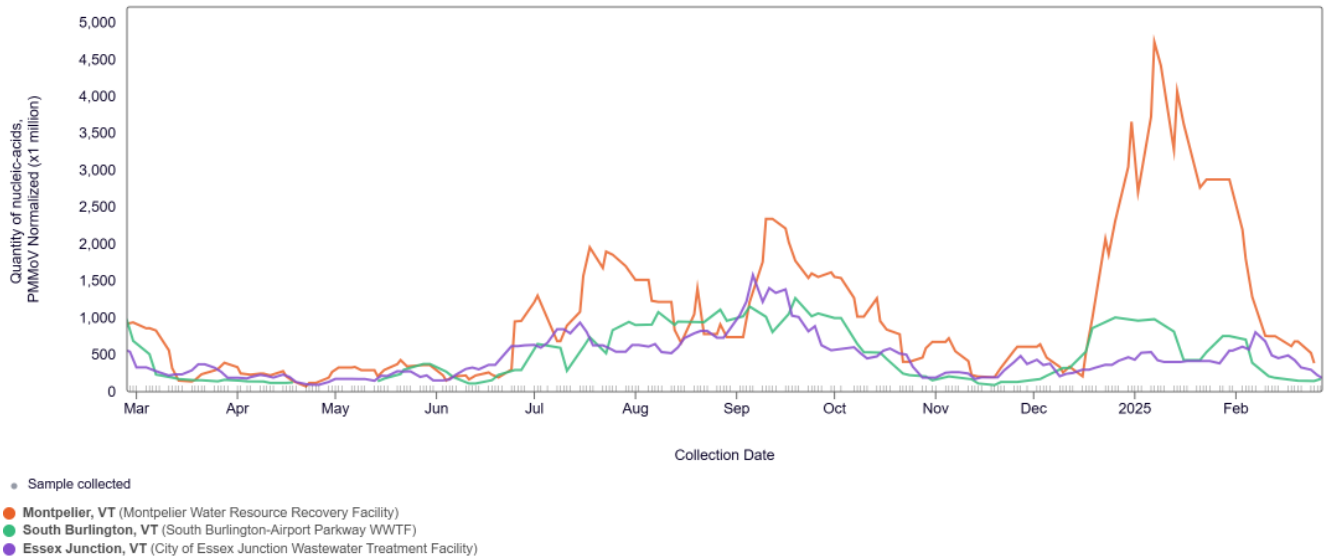
**XEC is the most common circulating variant.** Some limited specimen quantities may impact proportion accuracy, specifically the weeks of 11/10–23/2024. For more timely data, see the [National SARS-CoV-2 Genomic Surveillance System](#) which includes data from Vermont and other states. Source: Vermont Department of Health Whole Genome Sequencing program.

## Virus Concentrations and Trends – Wastewater Monitoring

Concentrations are moderately elevated in Burlington and Montpelier. Lower concentrations are observed in Middlebury, Essex Junction, South Burlington, St. Albans, and Ludlow. Concentrations are low or decreasing at most sites. Some week-to-week fluctuation is expected.

Montpelier, South Burlington and Essex Junction wastewater districts participate in [WastewaterSCAN](#). The graph below shows COVID-19 levels and trends over time in these districts.

SARS-CoV-2, Vermont



Data for Burlington’s Main plant is available through [Burlington’s Wastewater Monitoring Report](#).

## COVID-19 Outbreaks Reported Date to Date

For purposes of this report, an outbreak is defined as three or more epidemiologically linked cases of COVID-19, where at least one case has been laboratory or clinically confirmed as COVID-19.

Facility type	New Outbreaks Reported 2/25- 3/3
Long-term Care (LTC)	1
Non-LTC Healthcare	-
Correctional Facility	-
School/childcare	-
Other	-

County	New Outbreaks Reported 2/25- 3/3
Addison	-
Bennington	-
Caledonia	-
Chittenden	1
Essex	-
Franklin	-
Grand Isle	-
Lamoille	-
Orange	-
Orleans	-
Rutland	-
Washington	-
Windham	-
Windsor	-

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