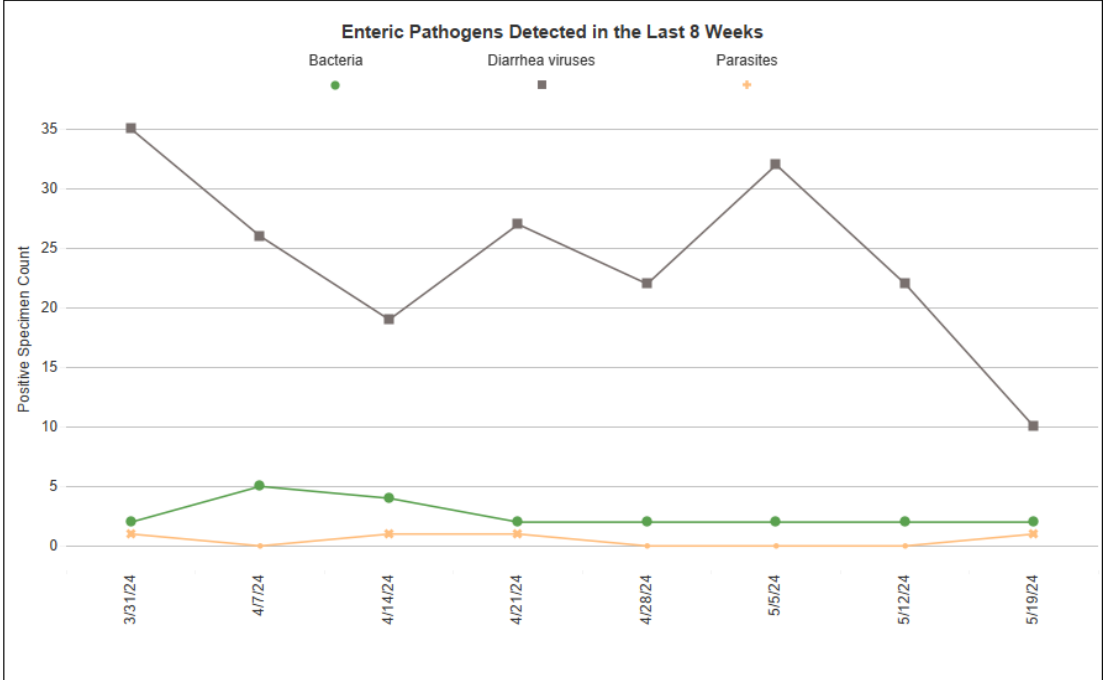
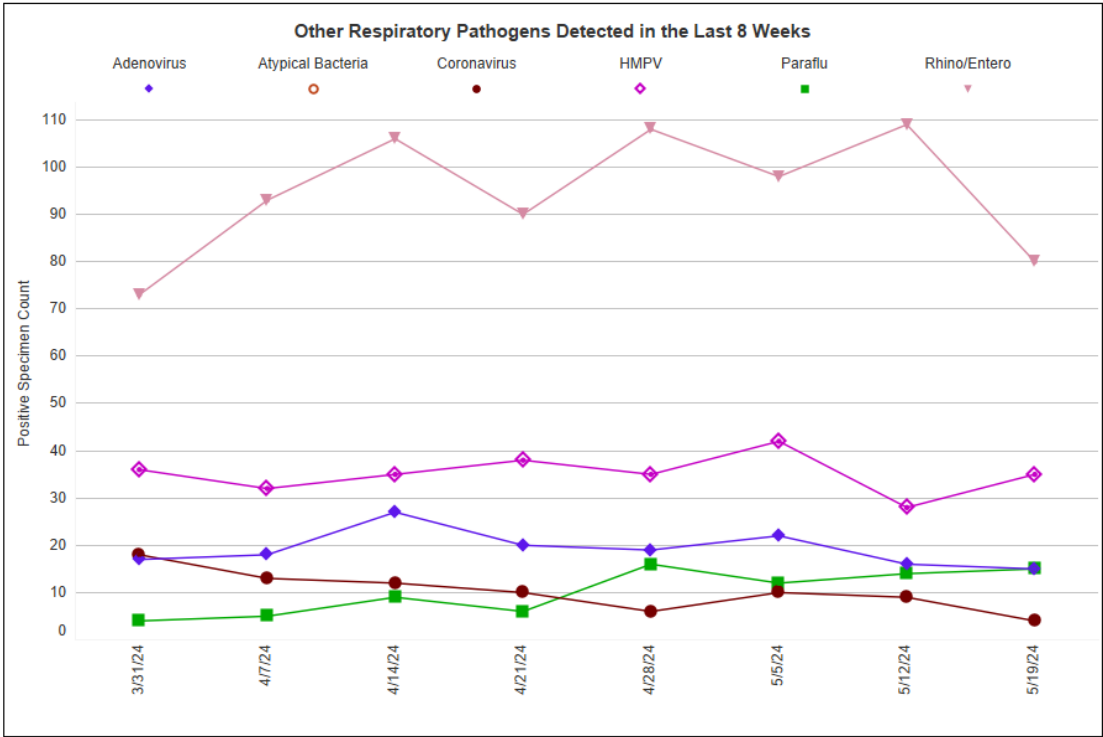
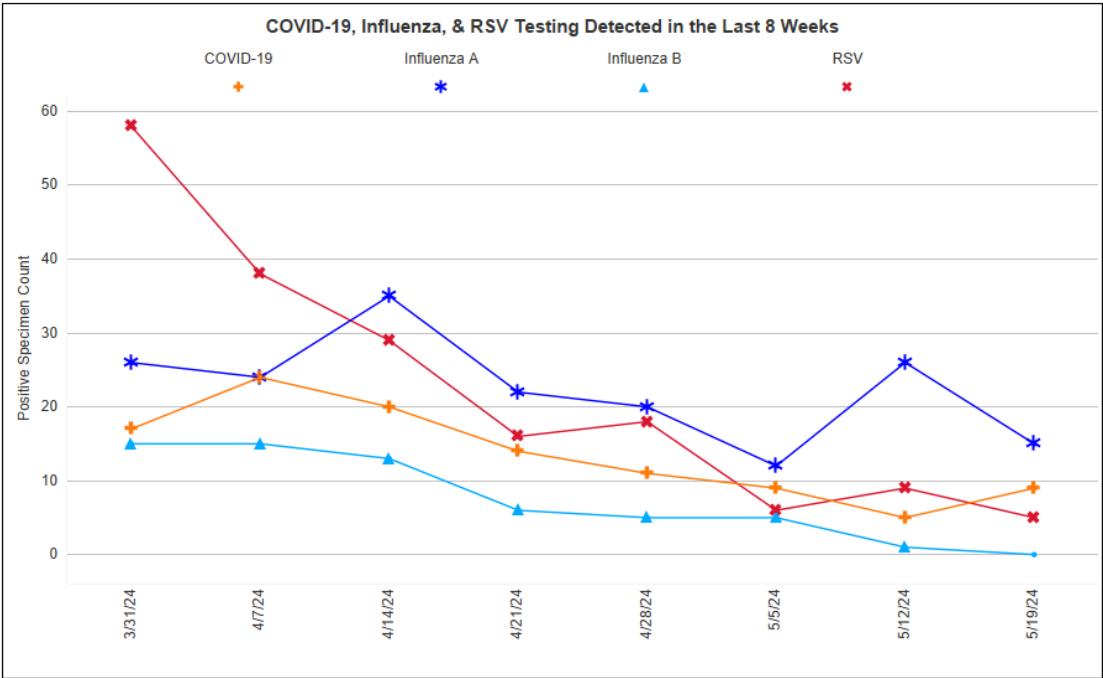


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Late Breaker: Respiratory season is over, with very little circulation of influenza, RSV, and SARS-CoV-2. Over the past few weeks, a new SARS-CoV-2 variant, KP.2, has quickly become the dominant variant in the US comprising almost 30% of isolates sequenced. Although overall cases and hospitalizations are not on the rise, researchers are watching closely to see if this new variant will result in a summer rise in COVID-19 cases.