



# UPDATE FROM PUBLIC HEALTH

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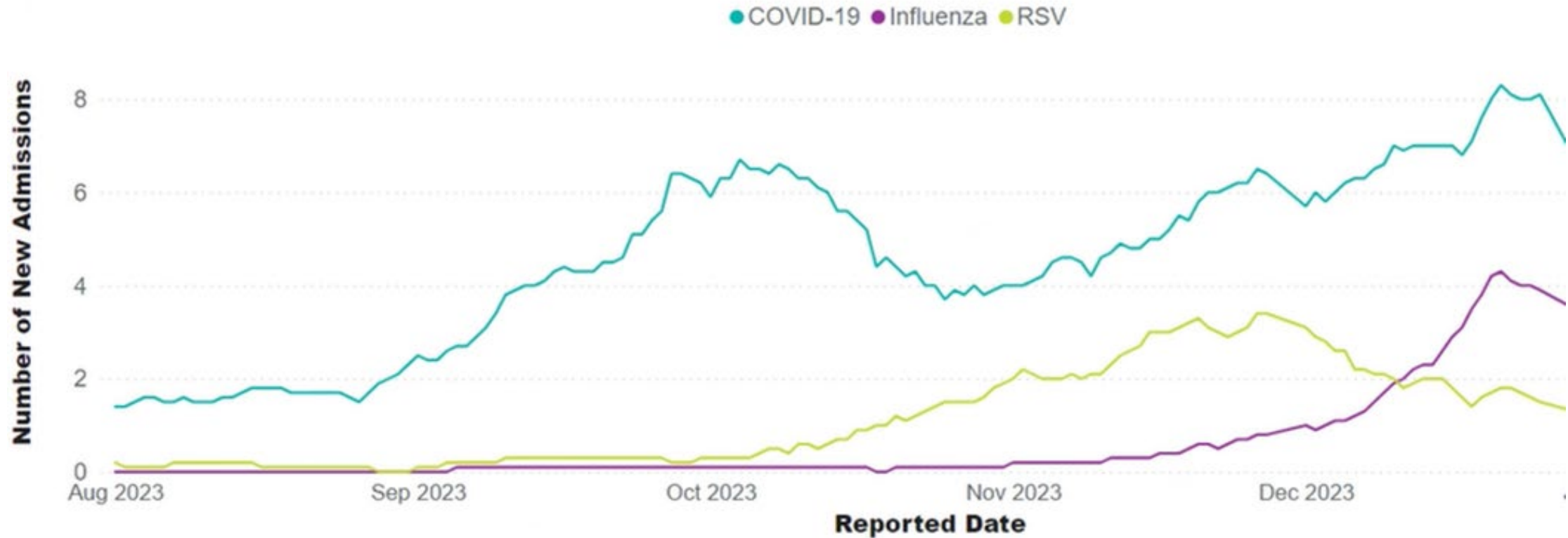


# Many Factors Drive Emergency Department Congestion



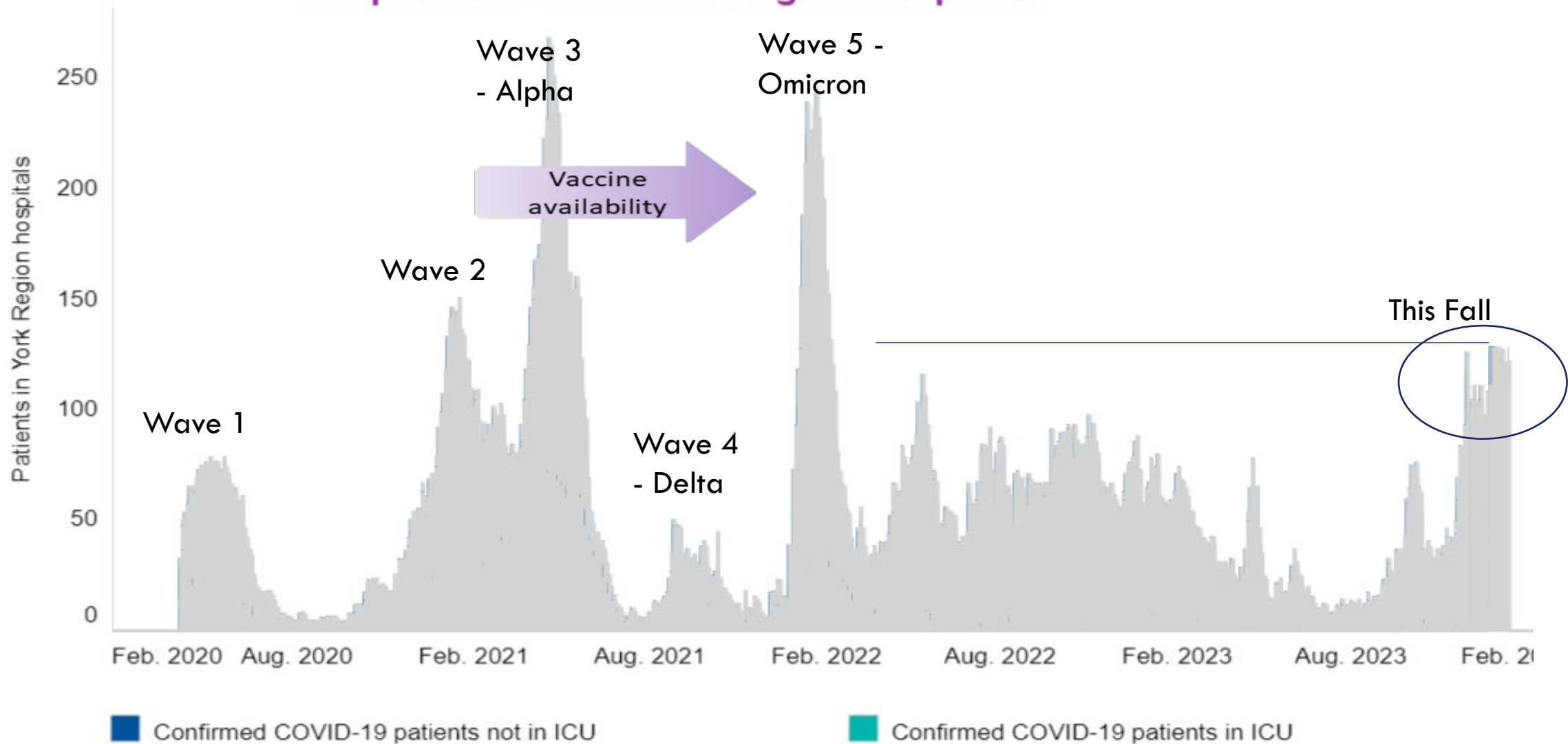
# COVID-19, Influenza, RSV all Contributing to Burden

## New Admissions to Hospital for COVID-19, Influenza, RSV

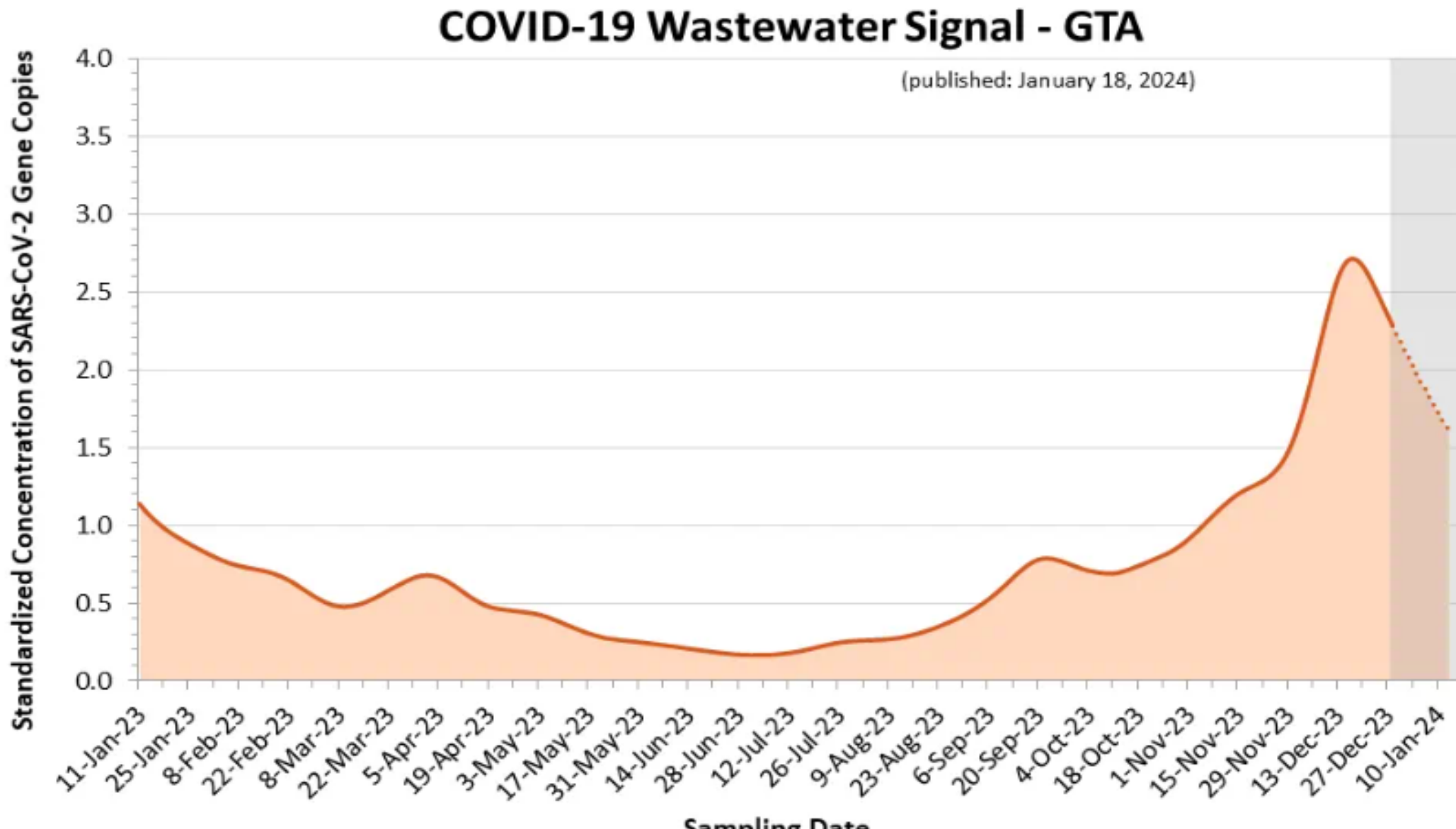


# COVID-19 Today in Perspective

## Hospitalizations in York Region Hospitals

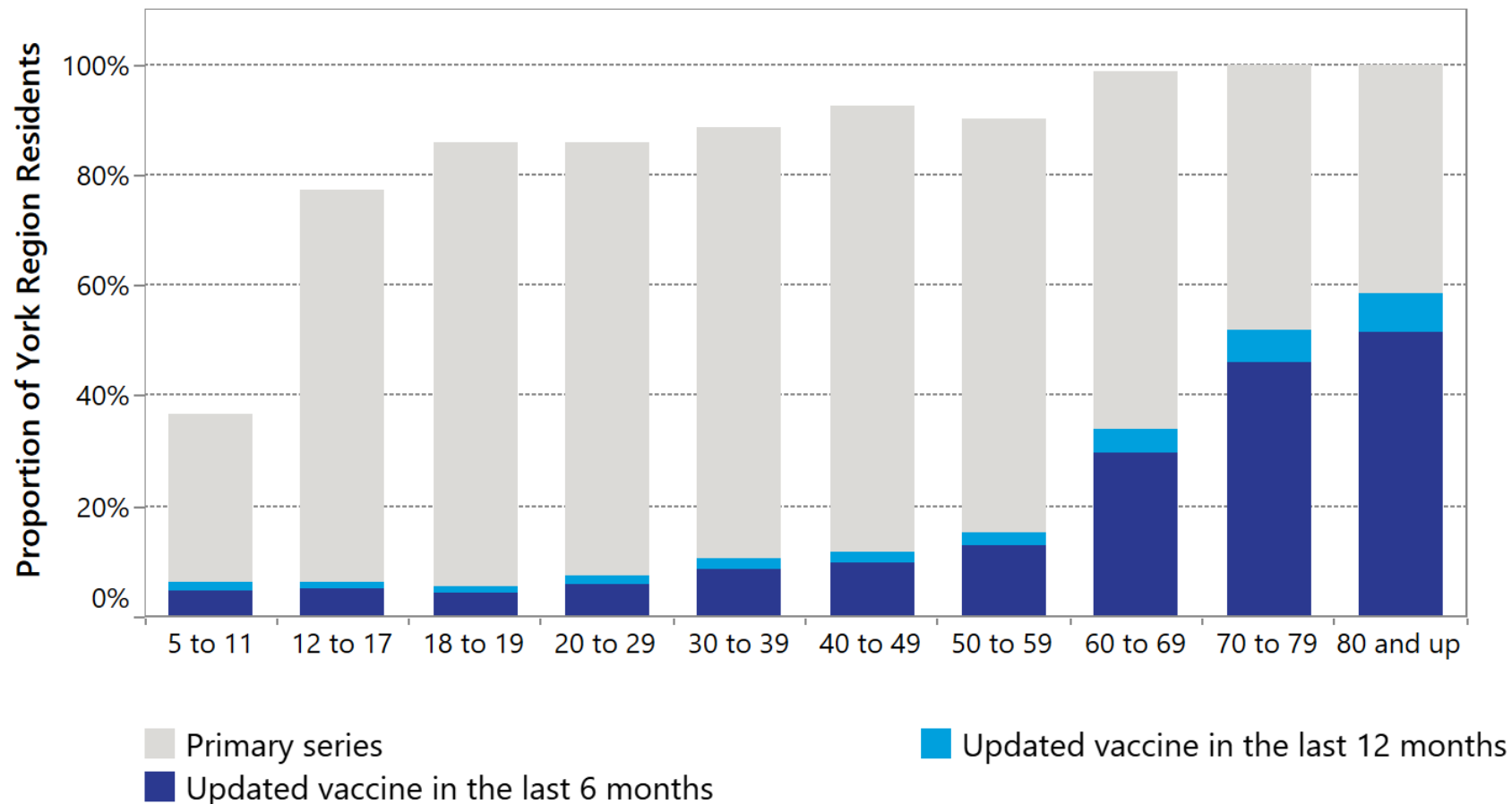


# COVID-19 has Likely Peaked



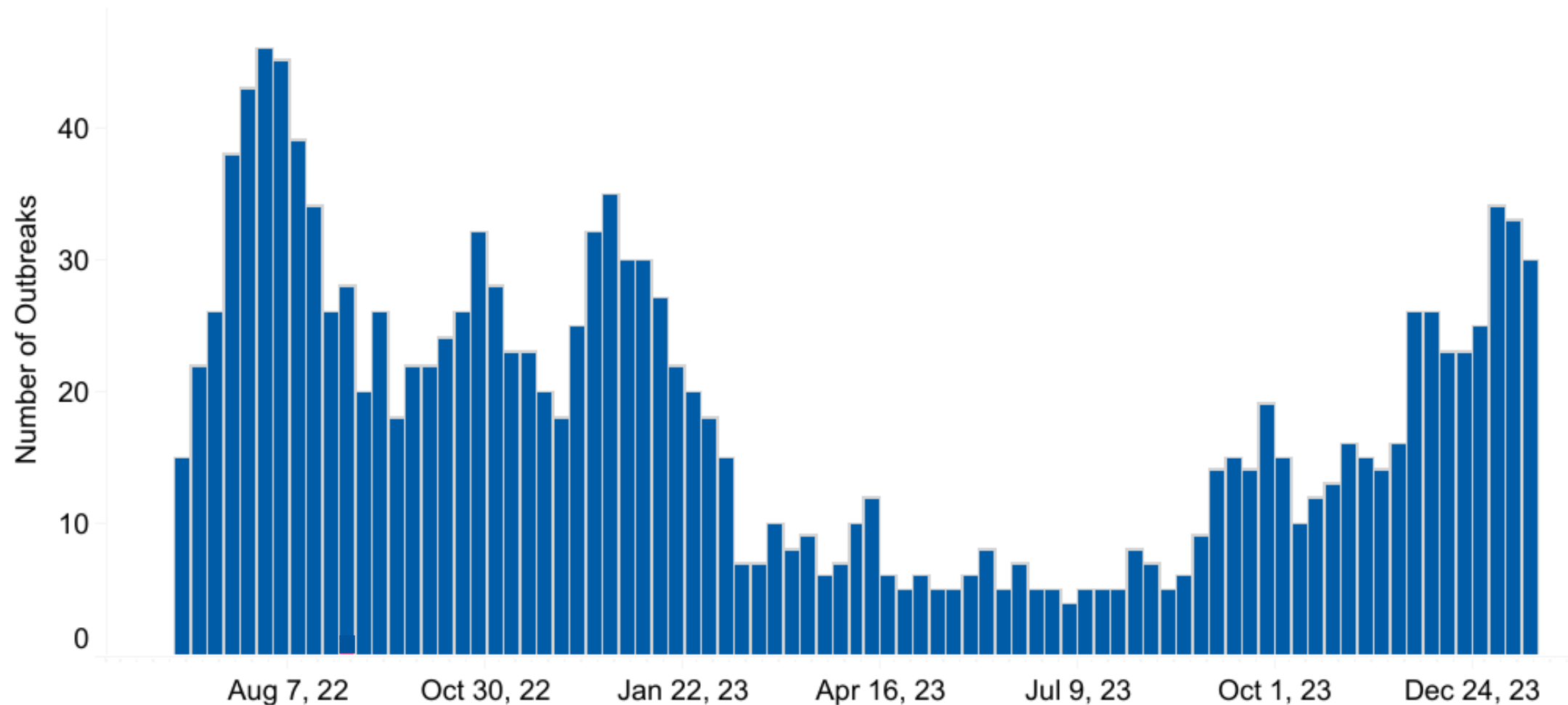
# Updated (<6mo) Vaccination Rate High in Seniors

## COVID-19 Vaccine Coverage in York Region by Age – Last 6 months



# COVID-19 Outbreaks in Institutions are High

## Outbreaks in York Region



# Other Public Health Achievements

- **Ensuring students have routine vaccines for first time since pandemic**
  - Public Health is collecting immunization information online via Immunization Connect Ontario
  - Applying provincial *Immunization of School Pupils Act* in 7-8 year-olds in publicly funded boards
- **Grade 7 Hep B, HPV and Meningococcal vaccination program**
  - On track to meet or exceed coverage compared to 2022/2023 school year
- **Unprecedented Invasive Group A Strep cases and deaths in Ontario**
  - Levels are high in the Province (222 cases in Ontario in December 2023)
  - York Region had nine cases in December 2023 and four cases to date in January 2024
- **100% of required inspections complete**
  - Food premises, spas, pools, personal service settings, and fridges holding publicly funded vaccines
- **Opioid Action Plan updated and released January 2024**



# Thank You

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