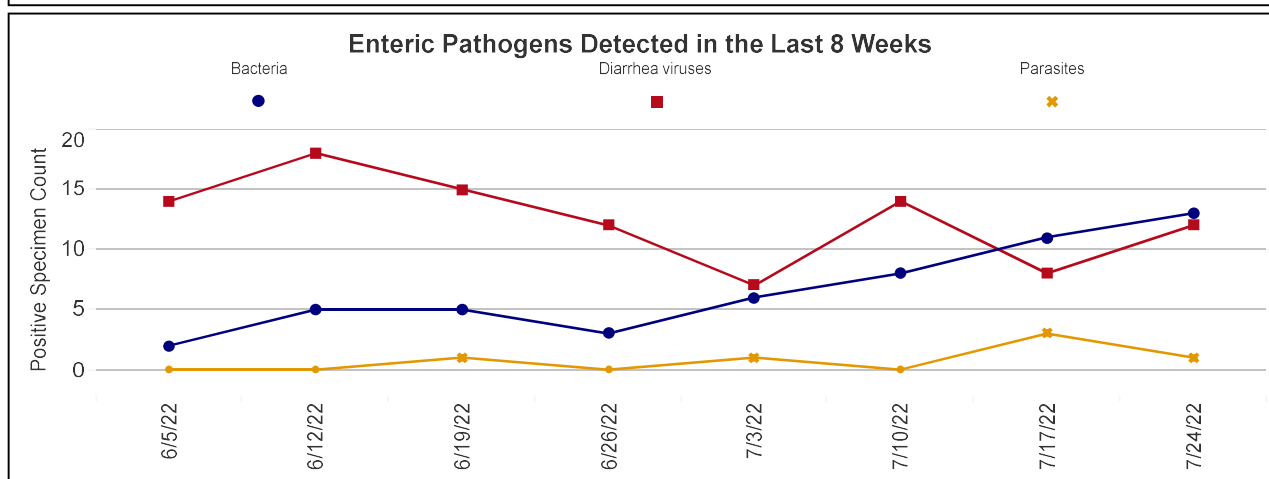
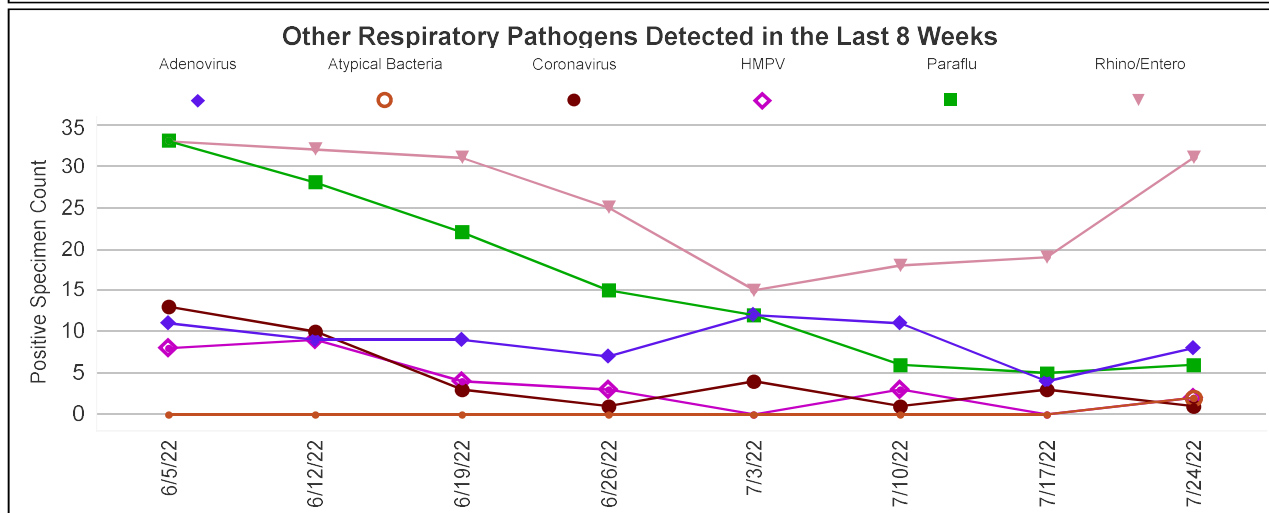
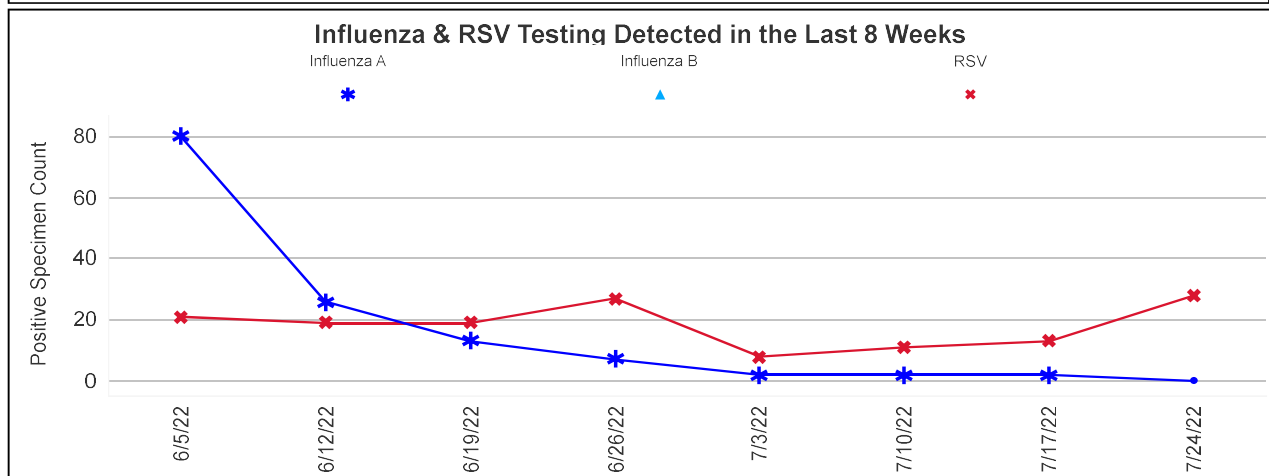
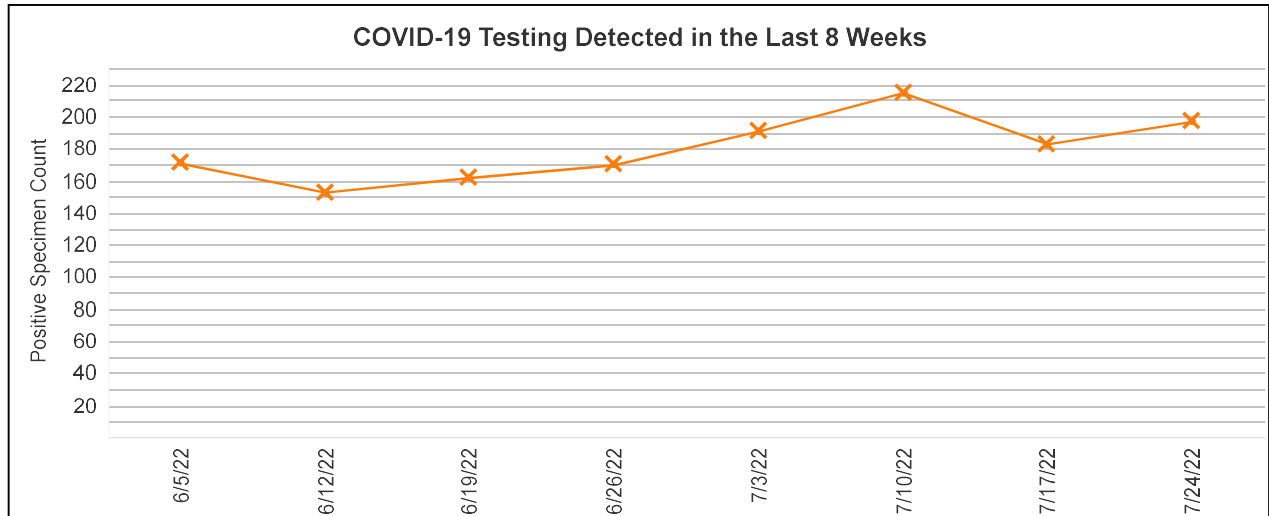


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**Late Breaker:** COVID cases remain high in Colorado and throughout the U.S. driven by the highly transmissible omicron BA.5 subvariant which now makes up greater than 80% of all cases. The number of cases of monkeypox throughout the U.S. has risen sharply in the past 2 weeks with close to 3,500 cases confirmed nationally (53 in Colorado). Globally, 75 countries have reported cases of monkeypox with over 18,000 cases. Information regarding what to do if you suspect a case of monkeypox can be found on the CDPHE website: <https://cdphe.colorado.gov/diseases-a-to-z/monkeypox>. CHCO contagious comments regarding Monkeypox can be found at [july-2022-contagious-comments-faqs-monkeypox.pdf \(childrenscolorado.org\)](#).