

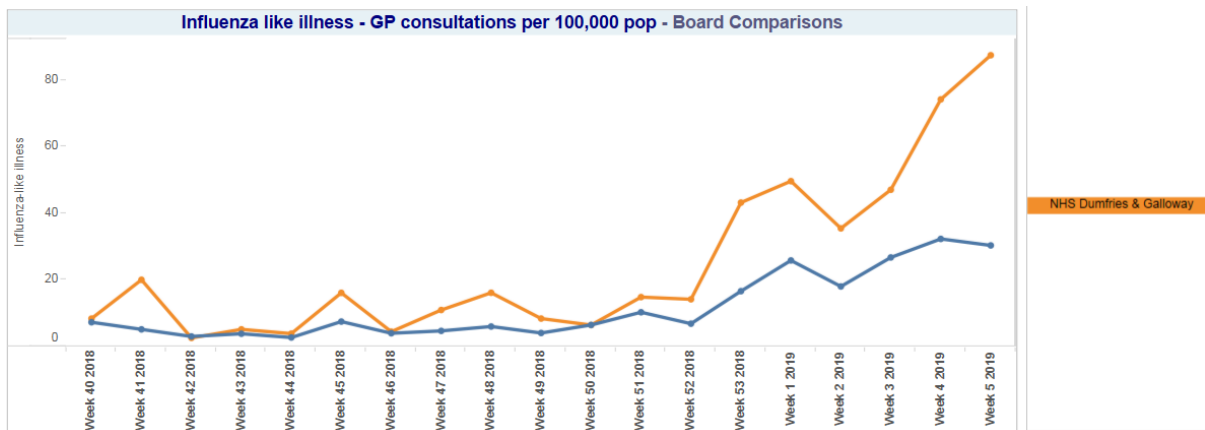
Systemwatch – Upturn in Influenza like illnesses

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ISD Systemwatch data is showing a recent upturn in GP consultations for influenza like illnesses in Dumfries and Galloway.

The first chart below shows the rate of GP consultations for influenza like illnesses in Dumfries and Galloway (orange line) and compares it to the Scottish national rate (blue line).

For week ending 3rd February 2019 (week 5) Dumfries and Galloway had a rate of 87 GP consultations per 100,000 population for influenza like illnesses – almost 3 times the Scottish average of 31 GP consultations per 100,000 population.



Although the rate of consultations has risen in recent weeks, it is still lower than this time last year. The following chart shows the rate of GP consultations in Dumfries and Galloway this year (orange line) compared to the same weeks last year (blue line). While this year's rate has been much lower than last year since the start of December (week 49), the recent upturn has meant that the gap has narrowed in recent weeks.

