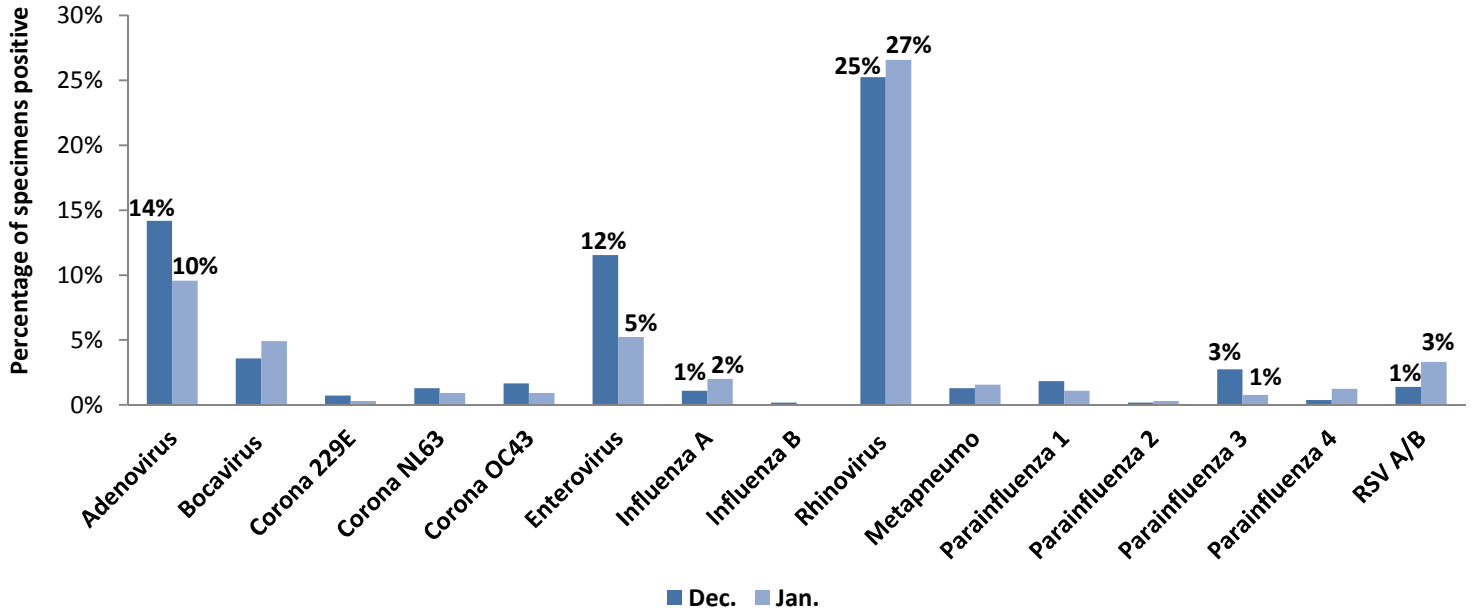


**Respiratory Virus Multiplex PCR  
(Excluding Cape Town and KZN province)**



**Respiratory Virus Multiplex PCR: Findings during January 2019**

The most frequently detected viruses during January were rhinovirus (27%), adenovirus (10%) and enterovirus (5%). RSV activity during January was low with 3% of specimens testing positive.

***B. pertussis***

The NICD issued an alert in August 2018 regarding the increase in *B. pertussis* cases. Refer to the NICD website for guidelines on management of *B. pertussis*.

**Ampath: Country wide**

***B. pertussis* Positive PCR specimens**

Month	Total
October	50
November	45
December	35
January	44

***B. pertussis* PCR: Positive Specimens by Age  
January 2019**

