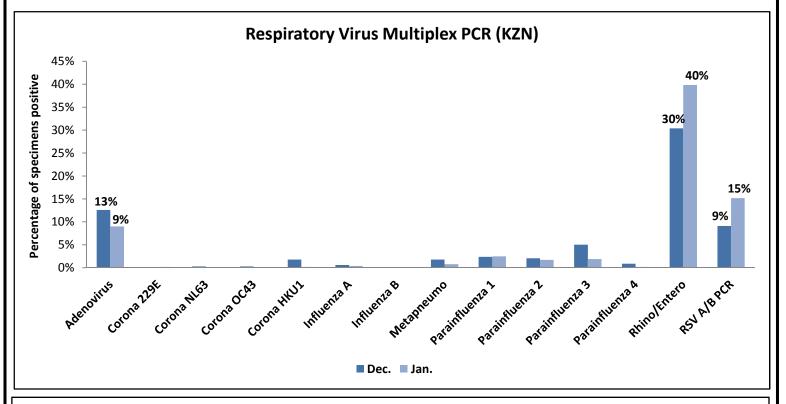
Respiratory Virus and *B. pertussis* PCR Statistics December 2018 & January 2019





Respiratory Virus Multiplex PCR: Findings during January 2019

The most frequently detected viruses during January were rhino/enterovirus (40%) and adenovirus (9%).

RSV activity has increased from 9% op specimens testing positive during December to 15% of specimens testing positive during January.

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

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Month	Total
October	50
November	45
December	35
January	44

