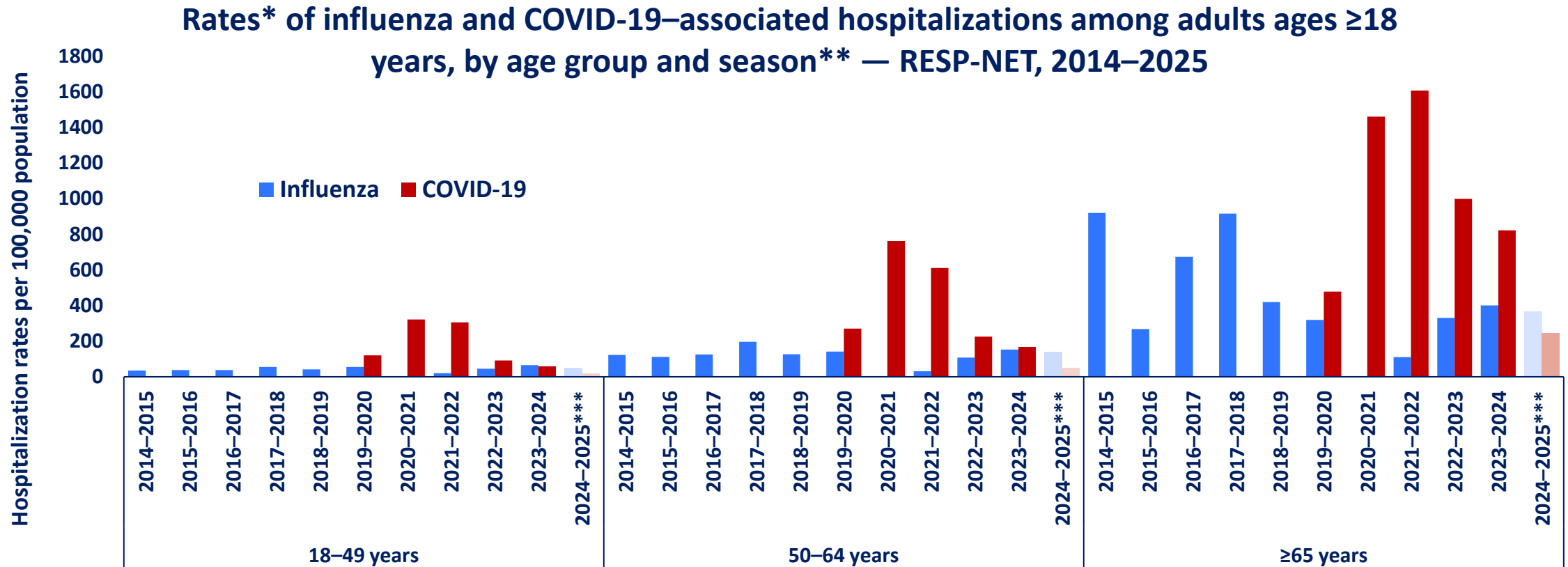


Among adults ages ≥ 65 years, rates of COVID-19–associated hospitalization during recent years remained higher than rates of influenza–associated hospitalization.



* Note that rates of influenza hospitalization for 2014–2015 through 2023–2024 are adjusted for undertesting and under-detection. Rates of influenza hospitalizations for 2024–2025 (shown in lighter colors) and all COVID-19 hospitalizations are not adjusted for undertesting or under-detection. Rates of hospitalization might be higher when adjusted for these factors.

** Monitoring for influenza hospitalizations typically occurs during October through April; for COVID-19 hospitalizations, monitoring begins in October and is conducted year-round. For the 2019–2020 period, monitoring for COVID-19 hospitalizations began in March 2020.

*** Data for 2024–2025 show data for October 2024 – March 2025 only as the season is ongoing.

Historical flu data from <https://www.cdc.gov/flu-burden/php/data-vis/past-seasons.html>. Historical flu data are not available for the 2020–2021 period.

