Allergies, cold, flu or COVID?

How to Tell the Difference

Indications of COVID, the flu, the common cold and even seasonal allergies can be very similar. To help you tell the difference between these conditions, here's a roundup of their most commonly associated symptoms.



Most commons symptoms for each

| SYMPTOMS | ALLERGIES | COLD | FLU | COVID |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Body Aches | | \checkmark | | Sometimes |
| Chills | | Rarely | \checkmark | Sometimes |
| Dry Cough | \checkmark | \checkmark | \checkmark | \checkmark |
| Fatigue | Sometimes | \checkmark | \checkmark | \checkmark |
| Fever | | Rarely | \checkmark | \checkmark |
| Headache | \checkmark | Rarely | \checkmark | Sometimes |
| Itchy Eyes | \checkmark | | | |
| Lost of Taste/Smell | Sometimes | Rarely | Sometimes | \checkmark |
| Nasal Congestion | \checkmark | \checkmark | \checkmark | Rarely |
| Nausea/Vomiting/Diarrhea | | Sometimes | Sometimes | Sometimes |
| Runny Nose | \checkmark | \checkmark | \checkmark | Rarely |
| Sneezing | \checkmark | \checkmark | \checkmark | Sometimes |
| Sore Throat | Sometimes | \checkmark | \checkmark | Sometimes |
| Shortness of Breath | Sometimes | Rarely | \checkmark | \checkmark |

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