

Illness	Common cold	Hay fever (pollen allergy)	COVID-19
Fever	± Sometimes usually <38.5°C	No	+++ Yes, (maybe high grade)
Cough	+ Sometimes	± Sometimes	+++ Yes, persistent dry cough
Runny/stuffy nose	++ Yes	+++ Yes	± Sometimes
Sneezing	++ Yes	+++ Yes	± Sometimes
Headache	+ Yes	+ Yes	+++ Yes
Myalgia	No	No	++ Yes
Anosmia (loss of smell)	± Sometimes	± Sometimes	± Sometimes
Conjunctivitis	± Sometimes, depends on the virus	+++ Yes	++ Yes
Skin rash	No	++ Yes	No
Fatigue	± Sometimes	± Sometimes	+++ Yes
Difficulty breathing	No	± Sometimes, esp. if allergic asthma	++ Yes, in moderate to severe cases accounting for about 20% of infected
N/V/D	No	No	± Sometimes
Relieved by antihistamines	+ Antihistamines are included in OTC cold medications to relieve runny nose	+++ Yes	No