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# Illinois Influenza Surveillance Report

Week 44: Week Ending Saturday, November 2, 2013

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## Summary

- For this reporting week, the proportion of outpatient visits for influenza-like illness (ILI)<sup>1</sup> was **1.30%**, which is **below** the regional baseline of **1.60%**.
- Based on CDC criteria, Illinois influenza activity is classified as **No Activity** (see CDC FluView Section) for this reporting week.
- Febrile Respiratory Illness (FRI) surveillance<sup>2</sup> at Naval Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes was **at or below expected value** for this reporting week.
- For this reporting week there were **98** influenza specimens tested by WHO/NREVSS collaborating Illinois laboratories (which includes all Illinois Department of Public Health Laboratories). All specimens tested negative for influenza.
- **No** influenza-associated Intensive Care Unit (ICU) admissions<sup>3</sup> were reported for this reporting week.
- **No** influenza-associated pediatric deaths were reported for this reporting week.
- For this reporting week, **no** influenza outbreaks were reported in a long-term care facility.

## Novel Influenza A

### H3N2v

- There are no updates or additional cases to report for Novel Influenza A (H3N2)v.

### H7N9

- There have been two new laboratory-confirmed cases of human infection with avian influenza A(H7N9) virus in China bringing the new totals to 139 laboratory-confirmed human cases and 45 deaths.
- Onsets of the two cases were October 29, 2013 (3-year-old) and October 30, 2013 (64-year-old woman). Both Cases had contact with live poultry.
- For additional information, visit the World Health Organization, Global Alert and Response update: [http://www.who.int/csr/don/2013\\_11\\_06/en/index.html](http://www.who.int/csr/don/2013_11_06/en/index.html)

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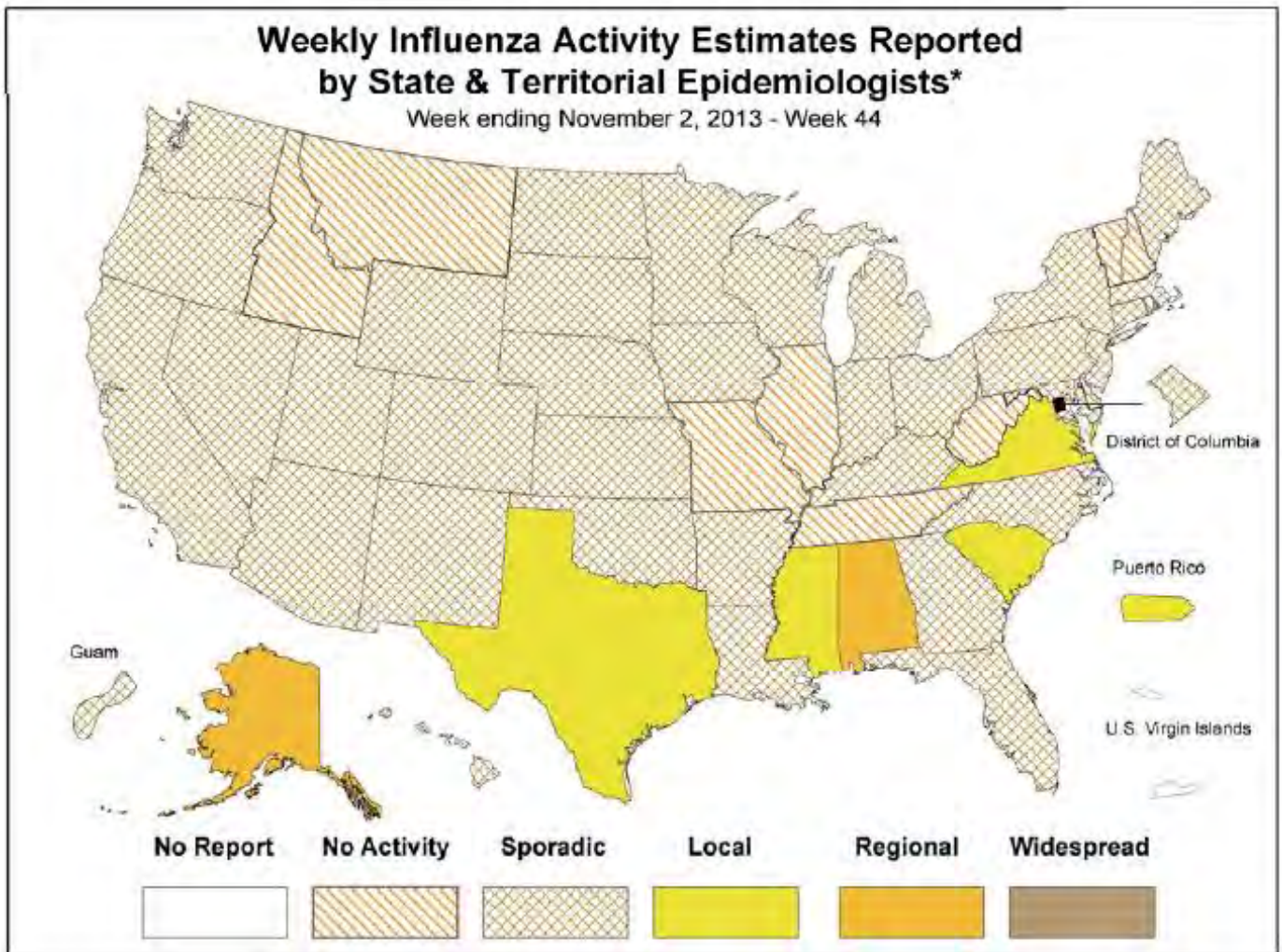
<sup>1</sup> ILI "Influenza like Illness" is defined as fever  $\geq 100^{\circ}\text{F}$  and cough and/or sore throat.

<sup>2</sup> FRI surveillance is ongoing at 8 U.S. military basic training centers, representing all service branches. FRI Rate Status is classified into one of 3 categories:

1. At or below expected value
2. Moderately elevated
3. Substantially elevated

<sup>3</sup> For the purpose of diagnosis, influenza can be diagnosed by using the following test: reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction [RT-PCR], viral culture, Immunofluorescence [Direct Fluorescent Antibody (DFA) or Indirect Fluorescent Antibody (IFA) Staining], Enzyme Immuno Assay (EIA) or any rapid diagnostic test. Sensitivities of rapid diagnostic tests are approximately 50-70% when compared with viral culture or reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR), and specificities of rapid diagnostic tests for influenza are approximately 90-95%. False-positive (and true-negative) results are more likely to occur when disease prevalence in the community is low, which is generally at the beginning and end of the influenza seasons. False-negative (and true-positive) results are more likely to occur when disease prevalence is high in the community, which is typically at the height of the influenza season.

**CDC FluView**



\* This map indicates geographic spread & does not measure the severity of influenza activity

**No activity:** No laboratory confirmed cases of influenza and no reported increase in cases of influenza like illness (ILI).

**Sporadic:** Small numbers of laboratory confirmed influenza cases or a single laboratory confirmed influenza in a single region of the state.

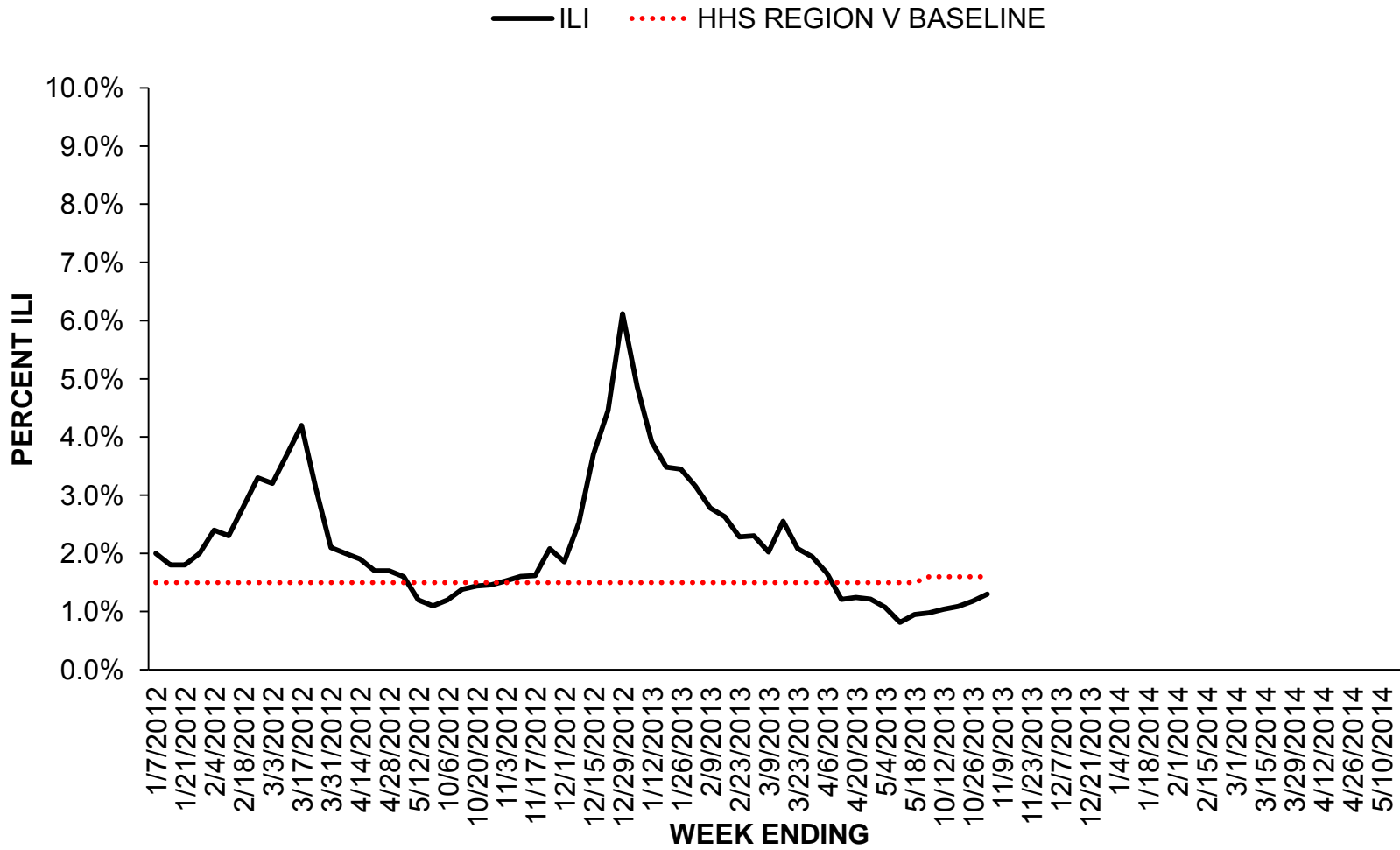
**Local:** Outbreaks of influenza or increases in ILI and recent laboratory confirmed influenza in a single region of the state.

**Regional:** Outbreaks of influenza or increases in ILI and recent laboratory confirmed influenza in at least two but less than half the regions of the state.

**Widespread:** Outbreaks of influenza or increases in ILI cases and recent laboratory confirmed influenza in at least half the regions in the state.

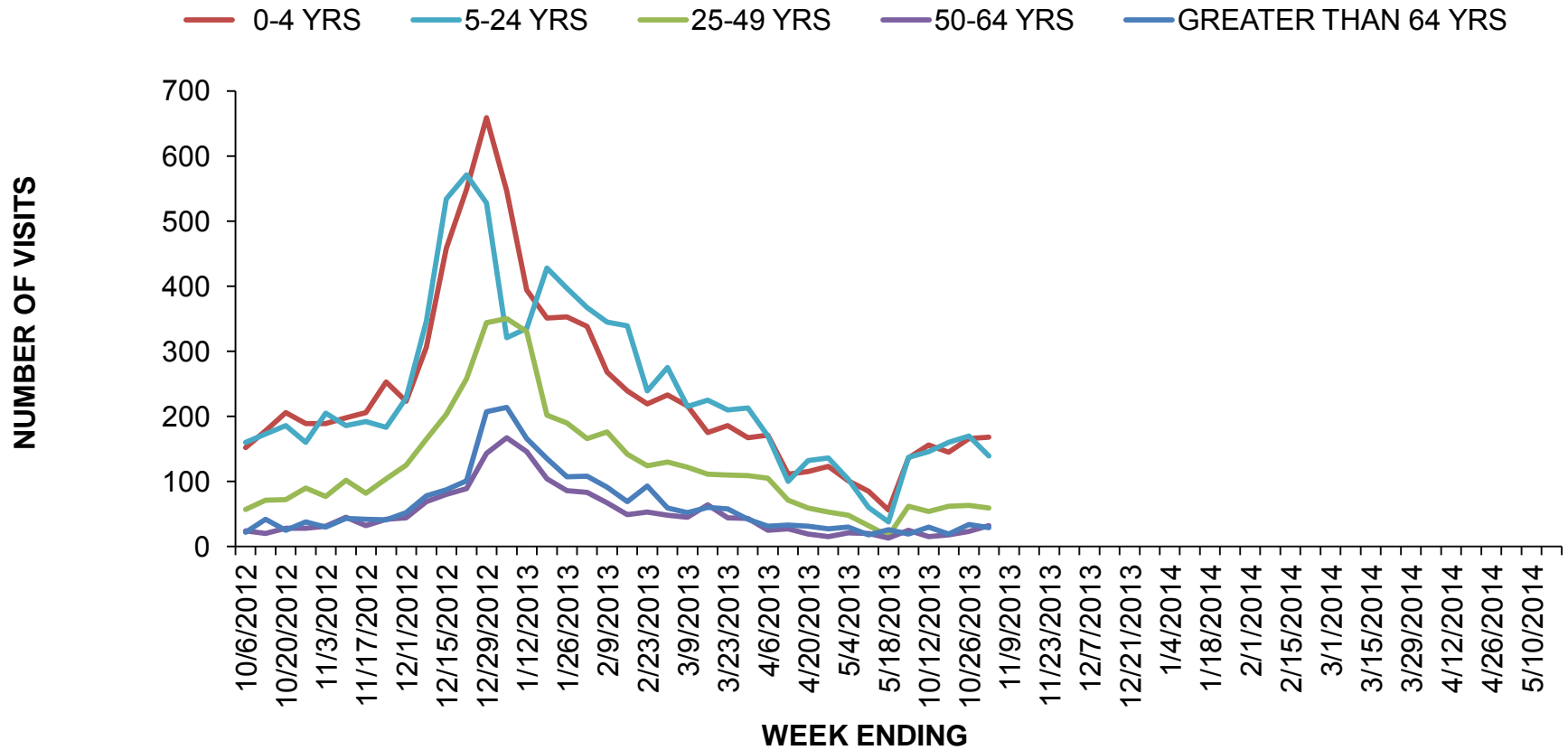
**ILINet Provider Surveillance**

Influenza Like Illness Outpatient Surveillance 2012-2014



**ILI Visits by Age Group**

2012-2014 INFLUENZA SEASON PROPORTION OF ILI OFFICE VISITS BY AGE GROUP



## **Great Lakes Naval Recruit Influenza Surveillance**

Febrile Respiratory Illness (FRI) surveillance<sup>1</sup> at the Naval Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes was **at or below expected value** for week 44 (week ending November 2, 2013). For more information visit <http://www.med.navy.mil/sites/nhrc/geis/Pages/default.aspx>

## **Influenza Intensive Care Unit (ICU) Admissions and Deaths**

There were **NO** influenza related ICU admission and **no** deaths for this reporting week.

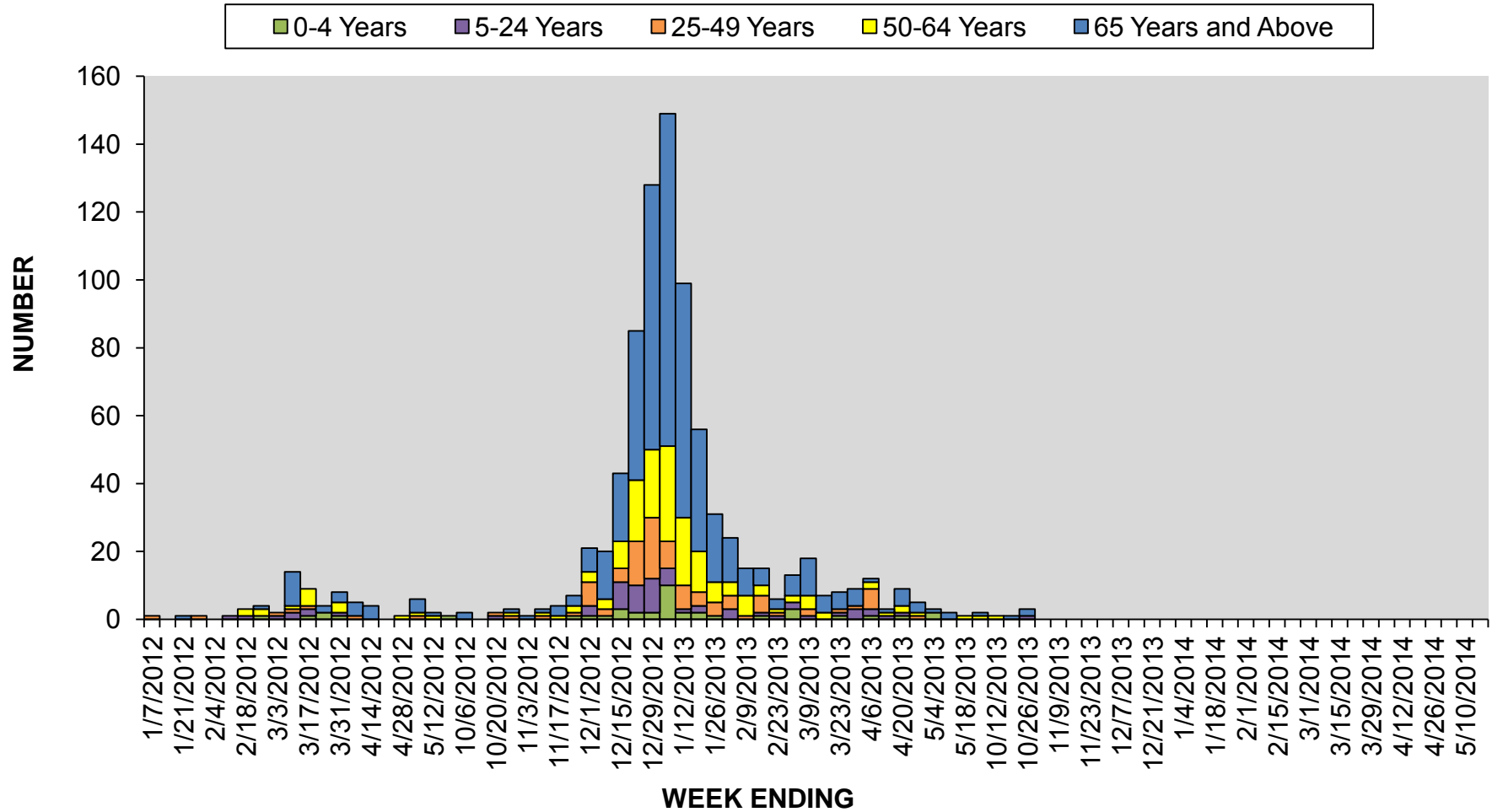
Year	Week No	Admissions	Deaths <sup>4</sup>
2013	40	2	0
2013	41	1	0
2013	42	1	0
2013	43	3	0
2013	44	0	0

<sup>1</sup> FRI surveillance is ongoing at 8 U.S. military basic training centers, representing all service branches. FRI Rate Status is classified into one of 3 categories:

1. At or below expected value
2. Moderately elevated
3. Substantially elevated

<sup>4</sup> Deaths are reported for a) adults admitted to an intensive care unit who have a positive culture or PCR test for influenza and b) hospitalized and non-hospitalized children (less than 18 years of age) with a positive influenza test. The degree to which influenza infection is an immediate or underlying cause of death is not ascertained. CDC Influenza-Associated Pediatric Mortality data: <http://gis.cdc.gov/GRASP/Fluview/PedFluDeath.html>

**Influenza Related ICU Admissions by Age Group, 2012-2014**





**Laboratory Surveillance**

- For this reporting week there were **98** influenza specimens tested by WHO/NREVSS collaborating Illinois laboratories (which includes all Illinois Department of Public Health Laboratories). **All** specimens tested **negative** for influenza.

For more information about circulating viruses visit:

- St Louis Children’s Hospital Weekly Virus/Microbiology Update:  
<http://slchlabtestguide.bjc.org/Default.aspx?url=63e0653d-fe31-466f-9228-d4de90fa7424>

Year	Week	A (H1)	2009(A) H1N1	A (H3)	A (Unable to subtype)	A (Sub typing not performed)	B	Total # Tested	% Positive
2013	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	56	0%
2013	41	0	0	1	0	0	0	68	0.01%
2013	42	0	1	0	0	0	0	86	0.01%
2013	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	78	0%
213	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	98	0%

**Influenza Outbreaks Reported in Long-Term Facilities (LTC) and Nursing Homes (NH)**

There were no outbreaks reported in long-term care facilities for this reporting week.

Region	2013-2014 Influenza Season - Number of outbreaks (%)
Rockford (1)	0(0)
Peoria (2),	0(0)
Edwardsville (4),	0(0)
Marion (5),	0(0)
Champaign (6),	0(0)
West Chicago (7)	0(0)
Chicago/Cook (8)	0(0)
Total	0(0)

**Viral Resistance:**

**Antiviral Resistance:** Testing of 2009 H1N1, influenza A (H3N2), and influenza B virus isolates for resistance to neuraminidase inhibitors (oseltamivir and zanamivir) is performed at CDC using a functional assay. Additional 2009 H1N1 and influenza A (H3N2) clinical samples are tested for mutations of the virus known to confer oseltamivir resistance. The data summarized below combine the results of both testing methods. These samples are routinely obtained for surveillance purposes rather than for diagnostic testing of patients suspected to be infected with antiviral-resistant virus.

High levels of resistance to the adamantanes (amantadine and rimantadine) persist among 2009 influenza A (H1N1) and A (H3N2) viruses (the adamantanes are not effective against influenza B viruses). As a result, data from adamantane resistance testing are not presented below.

**Neuraminidase Inhibitor Resistance Testing Results  
on Samples Collected Since October 1, 2013**

	Oseltamivir		Zanamivir	
	Virus Samples tested (n)	Resistant Viruses, Number (%)	Virus Samples tested (n)	Resistant Viruses, Number (%)
Influenza A (H3N2)	6	0 (0.0)	6	0 (0.0)
Influenza B	1	0 (0.0)	1	0 (0.0)
2009 H1N1	37*	2 (5.4)	31	0 (0.0)

\*Includes specimens tested in national surveillance and additional specimens tested at public health laboratories in two states (AZ and MI) who share testing results with CDC.

The majority of currently circulating influenza viruses are susceptible to the neuraminidase inhibitor antiviral medications oseltamivir and zanamivir; however, rare sporadic cases of oseltamivir-resistant 2009 H1N1 and A (H3N2) viruses have been detected worldwide. Antiviral treatment with oseltamivir or zanamivir is recommended as early as possible for patients with confirmed or suspected influenza who have severe, complicated, or progressive illness; who require hospitalization; or who are at greater risk for serious influenza-related complications. Additional information on recommendations for treatment and chemoprophylaxis of influenza virus infection with antiviral agents is available at

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/antivirals/index.htm> .

### IDPH Infectious Diseases Regional Map

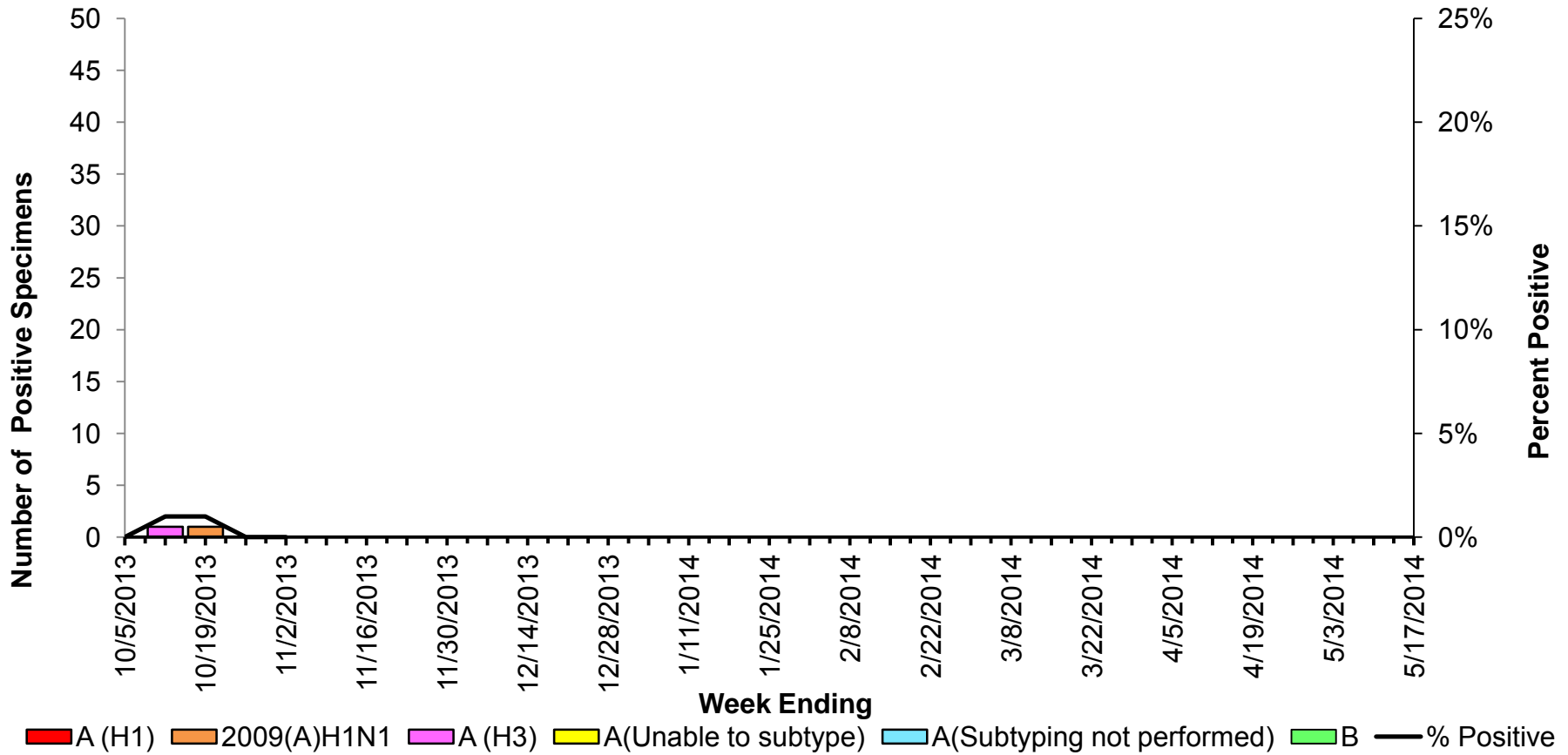


- 1 – Rockford Region
- 2 - Peoria Region
- 4 – Edwardsville Region
- 5 – Marion Region
- 6 - Champaign Region
- 7 – West Chicago Region
- 8 – Chicago/Cook Co Region

**Weekly Viral Subtype**

Influenza Isolates from Illinois Reported by WHO/NREVSS Collaborating Laboratories, 2013-2014 Influenza Season

Influenza Isolates from Illinois Reported by WHO/NREVSS Collaborating Laboratories 2013-2014 Influenza Season



## **Resources**

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Influenza Website: <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/>
- Immunization Action Coalition Website: <http://immunize.org/>
- IDPH Seasonal Influenza Website: <http://www.idph.state.il.us/flu/surveillance.htm>
- St Louis Children's Hospital Weekly Virus/Microbiology Update: <http://slchlabtestguide.bjc.org/Default.aspx?url=63e0653d-fe31-466f-9228-d4de90fa7424>
- CDC Avian Influenza A (H7N9): <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/avianflu/h7n9-virus.htm>.
- World Health Organization, Global Alert and Response update: [http://www.who.int/csr/don/2013\\_11\\_06/en/index.html](http://www.who.int/csr/don/2013_11_06/en/index.html)