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Illinois Influenza Surveillance Report

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Summary

- For this reporting week, the proportion of outpatient visits for influenza-like illness (ILI)¹ was **1.34%**, which is **below** the regional baseline of **1.60%**.
- Based on CDC criteria, Illinois influenza activity is classified as Sporadic (see CDC FluView Section) for this reporting week.
- Febrile Respiratory Illness (FRI) surveillance² at Naval Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes was **at or below expected value** for this reporting week.
- For this reporting week there were 162 influenza specimens tested by WHO/NREVSS collaborating Illinois laboratories (which includes all Illinois Department of Public Health Laboratories). Eight specimens tested positive for Influenza.
- Five influenza-associated Intensive Care Unit (ICU) admissions³ 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 news reports of two new, confirmed H7N9 cases in Hong Kong in week 49 (current week). Both of the cases are thought to have contracted the virus from Shenzhen, China. One case is an 80 year old man who is in stable condition and the other is a 36 year old woman who is in critical condition. The woman had confirmed contact with live poultry and it is unknown if the man had any contact with poultry.
- There will be additional information and details on these cases in the week 49 influenza report next week.

¹ ILI "Influenza like Illness" is defined as fever ≥ 100°F and cough and/or sore throat.

² 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:

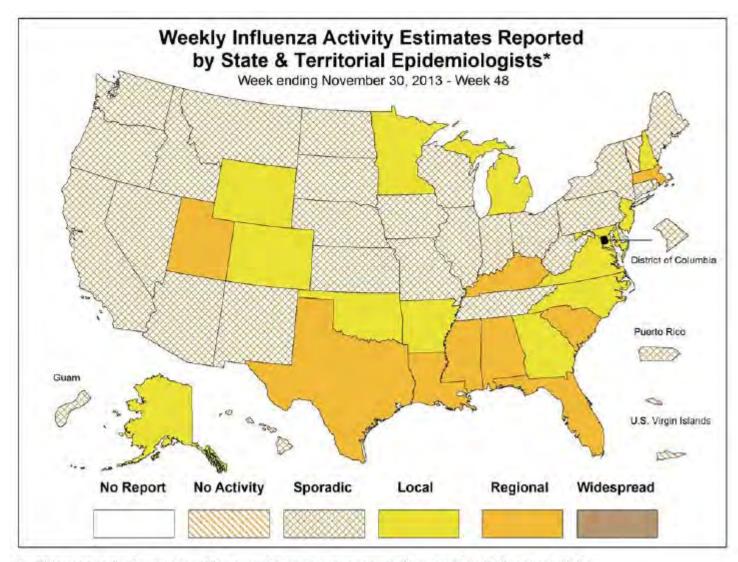
^{1.} At or below expected value

Moderately elevated

^{3.} Substantially elevated

³ 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.

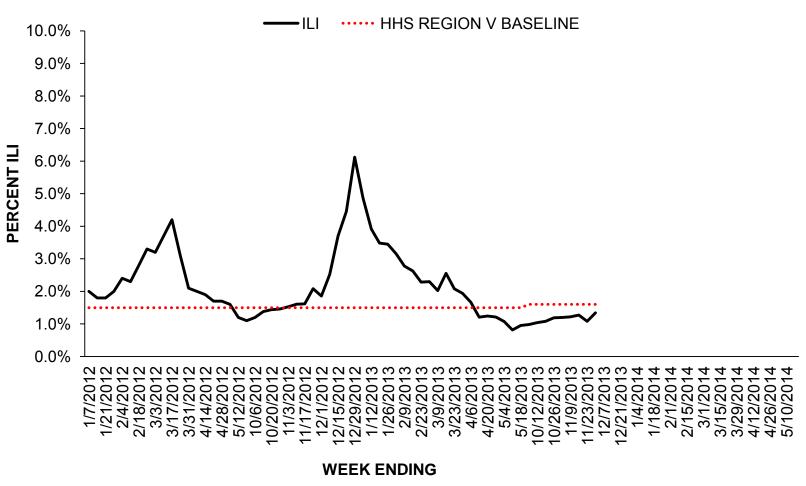
Local: Outbreaks of influenza or increases in ILI and recent laboratory confirmed influenza in a single region of the state.

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.

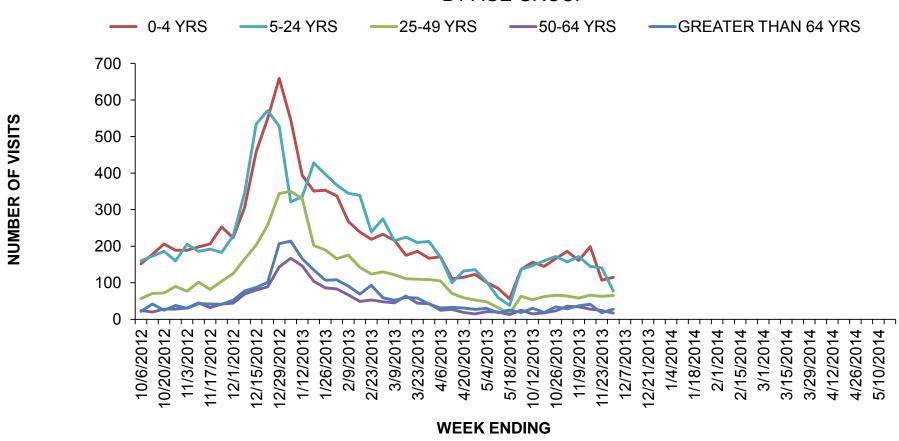
ILINet Provider Surveillance





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) surveillance¹ at the Naval Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes was **at or below expected value** for week 48 (week ending November 30, 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 **5** influenza related ICU admissions and 1 death for this reporting week.

Year	Week No Admissions		Deaths ⁴
2013	40	2	0
2013	41	1	0
2013	42	1	0
2013	43	3	0
2013	44	1	0
2013	45	5	1
2013	46	2	0
2013	47	1	1
2013	48	5	1
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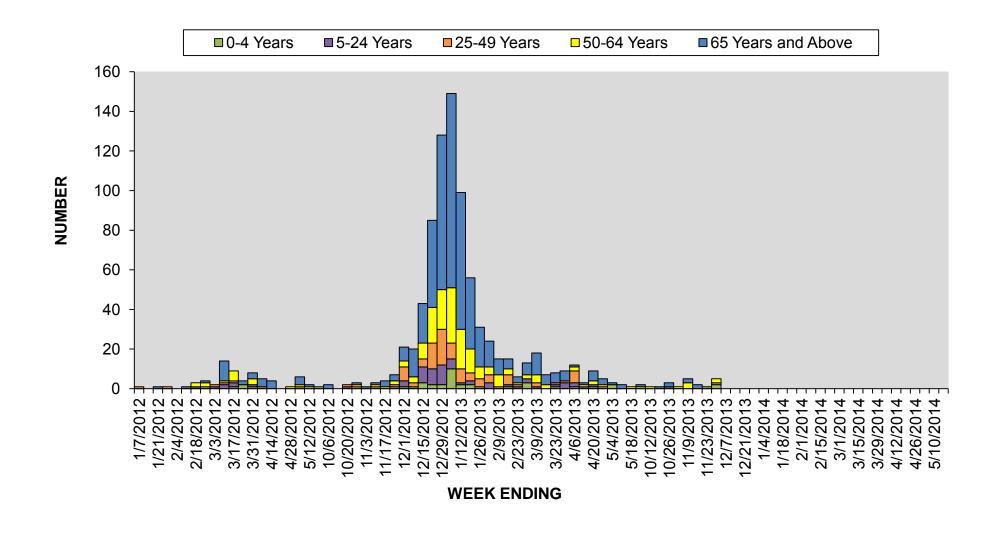
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^{2.} Moderately elevated

^{3.} Substantially elevated

⁴ Deaths are reported for a) adults admitted to an intensive care unit who have a positive 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

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For more information about circulating viruses visit:

St Louis Children's Hospital Weekly Virus/Microbiology Update:
http://slchlabtestquide.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)	В	Total # Tested	Total # Positive	% Positive
2013	42	0	1	0	0	0	0	86	1	1.0%
2013	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	78	0	0%
2013	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	98	0	0%
2013	45	0	1	0	0	2	0	173	3	2.0%
2013	46	0	2	0	0	0	1	185	3	2.0%
2013	47	0	2	0	0	1	0	132	3	2.0%
2013	48	0	2	0	0	5	1	162	8	5.0%
То	tals	0	8	1	0	8	2	1,040	19	2.34%

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 adamantine resistance testing are not presented below.

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

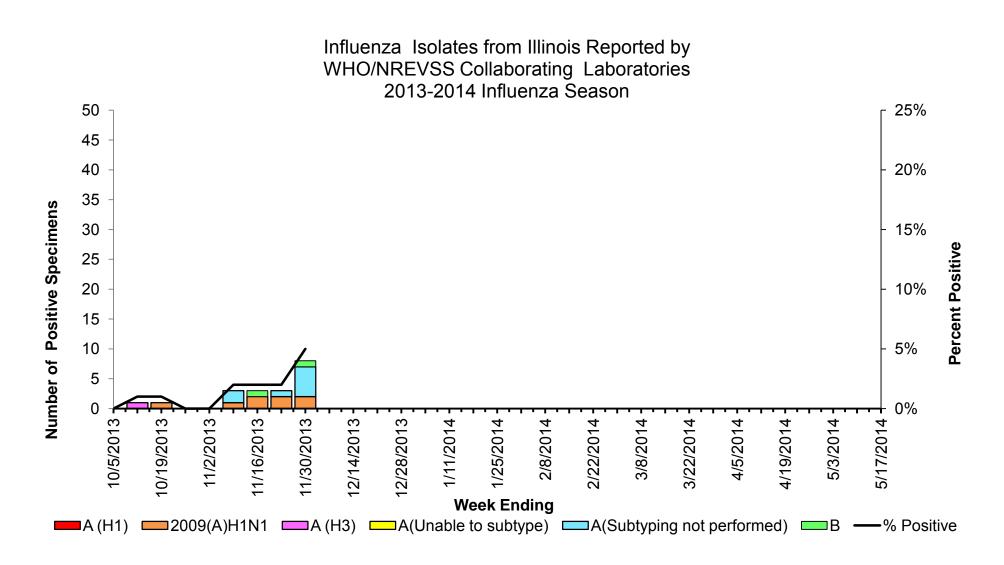
	Ose	ltamivir	Zanamivir		
	Virus Samples tested (n)	Resistant Viruses, Number (%)	Virus Samples tested (n)	Resistant Viruses, Number (%)	
Influenza A (H3N2)	46	0 (0.0)	46	0 (0.0)	
Influenza B	- 11	0 (0.0)	11	0 (0.0)	
2009 H1N1	265*	6 (2.3)	181	0 (0.0)	

^{*}Includes specimens tested in national surveillance and additional specimens tested at public health laboratories in five states (AZ, HI, MI, NY, and WI) who share testing results with CDC.

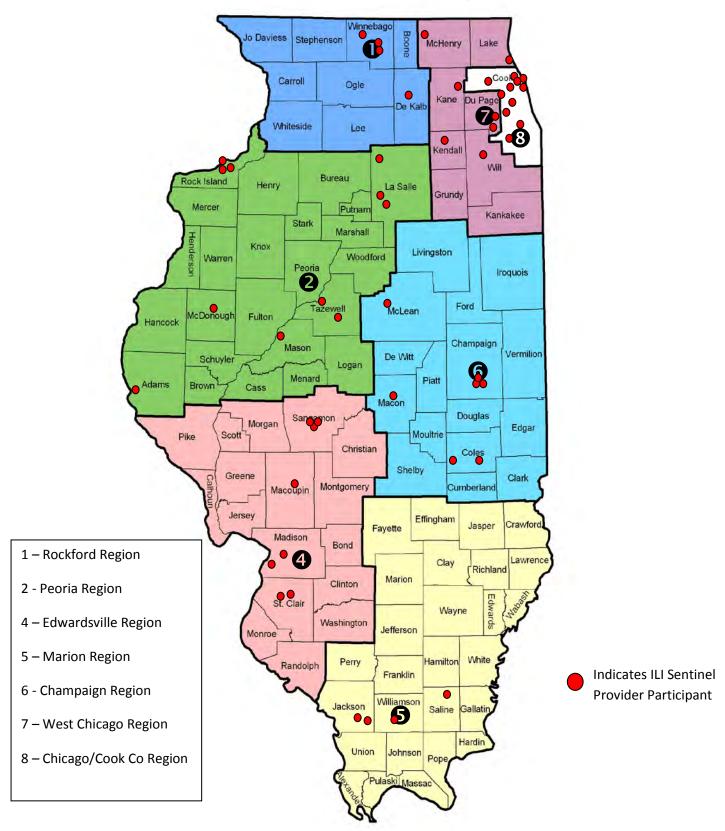
The majority of currently circulating influenza viruses are susceptible to the neuraminidase inhibitor antiviral medications oseltamivir and zanamivir; however, rare sporadic cases of oseltamivir-resistant 2009 H1N1 and A (H3N2) viruses have been detected worldwide. Antiviral treatment with oseltamivir 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.

Weekly Viral Subtype

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



IDPH Infectious Diseases Regional Map



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.