

# Michigan Flu Focus

Weekly Influenza Surveillance Report



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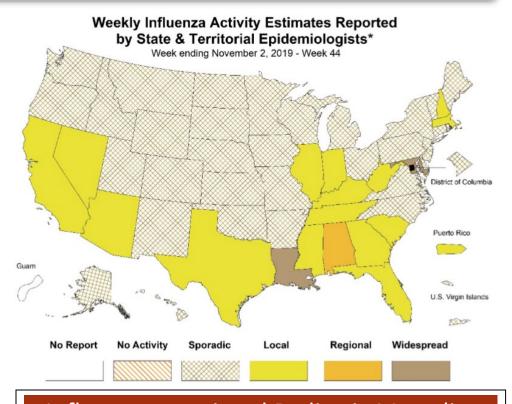
Michigan Influenza Activity					
No Activity					
<u>Sporadic</u>					
Local					
Regional					
Widespread					

<sup>\*</sup>Clicking on the current activity level will direct you to the CDC webpage defining each activity level for the geographic spread of influenza

## **Updates of Interest**

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services have recently updated the Influenza Guidance documents for the 2019-2020 influenza season. These documents will provide guidance on influenza surveillance, reporting, and testing for Local Health Departments, Healthcare Providers, and Laboratories.

Please visit <a href="https://www.michigan.gov/CDinfo">www.michigan.gov/CDinfo</a> for more information.



## Influenza-associated Pediatric Mortality

Nationally, two (2) influenza-associated pediatric deaths have been reported thus far for the 2019-2020 flu season. No (0) pediatric influenza deaths have been confirmed by MDHHS for the 2019-2020 flu season.

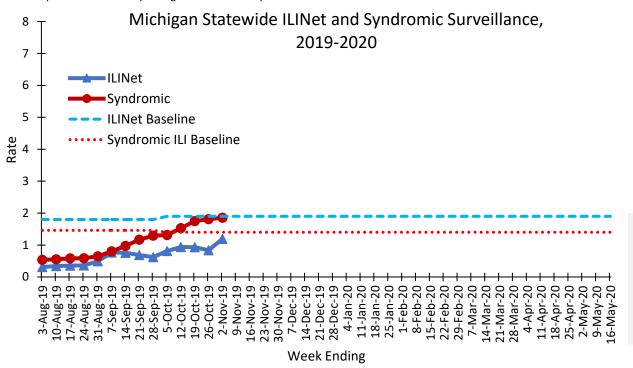
#### U.S. Outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet)

Michigan participates in ILINet, a collaborative effort between the CDC, state and local health departments, and volunteer sentinel clinicians as part of Michigan's influenza surveillance. ILINet provides data on the total number outpatient visits to health care providers seen for any reason and the number of those patients with influenza-like illness (ILI). For this system, ILI is defined as fever (temperature of 100°F [37.8°C] or greater) and a cough and/or a sore throat without a known cause other than influenza.

#### Number of Reports and ILI % by Region in Michigan during this time period:

Region	С	N	SE	SW
No. of Reporters <b>Total (26)</b>	8	4	8	6
ILI %	0.7	1.1	2.2	1.2

Data is provisional and may change as additional reports are received.



# Michigan ILI Activity

1.2%

(Last week: 0.8%)

Regional Baseline\*: 1.9%
A total of 143 patient visits due to ILI
were reported out of 11,997 office
visits during this period.

#### **National Surveillance**

In the United States, **2.1**% of outpatient visits were due to ILI. (Last week: 1.9%)
This is **below** the national baseline of 2.4%

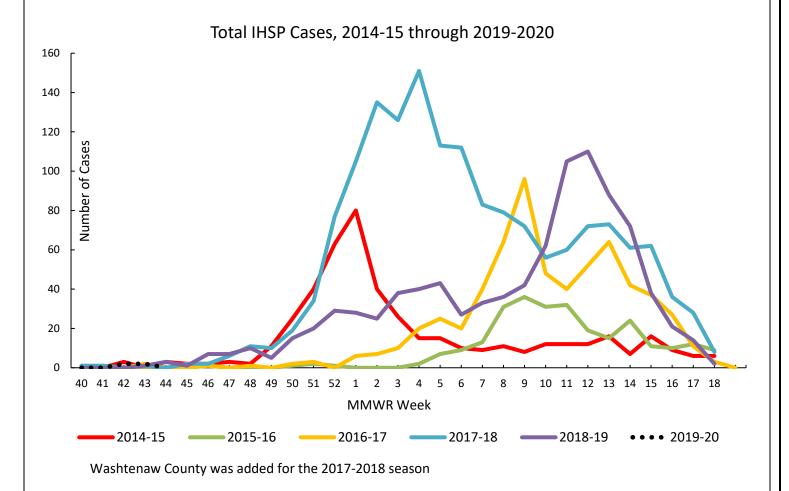
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<sup>\*</sup>Regional baseline is determined by calculating the mean percentage of patient visits due to ILI during non-influenza weeks for the previous three seasons and adding two standard deviations

#### Influenza Hospitalization Surveillance Project (IHSP)

The CDC's Influenza Hospitalization Surveillance Network (FluSurv-NET) provides population-based rates of laboratory-confirmed influenza-associated hospitalizations from October 1<sup>st</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup> each year. Michigan participates as an IHSP state in FluSurv-NET for Clinton, Eaton, Genesee, Ingham, and Washtenaw Counties.

There were **no** (0) influenza-associated hospitalizations reported to MDHHS for the IHSP during this time period.



# Join the Influenza Sentinel Hospital Network (ISHN)!

What is it? ISHN is a group of hospitals in Michigan that voluntarily report weekly aggregate counts of influenza positive inpatients to assist MDHHS with statewide flu surveillance

How it works: As a participating hospital in the ISHN, you would complete a brief Survey Monkey every week containing:

- Number of hospitalizations with a positive influenza test by age group during that time period
- The total number of hospitalizations due to any condition during that time period (if available)

The data you provide is aggregated by region and can assist providers and public health in recognizing changes in the age or geographic distribution of flu in this population.

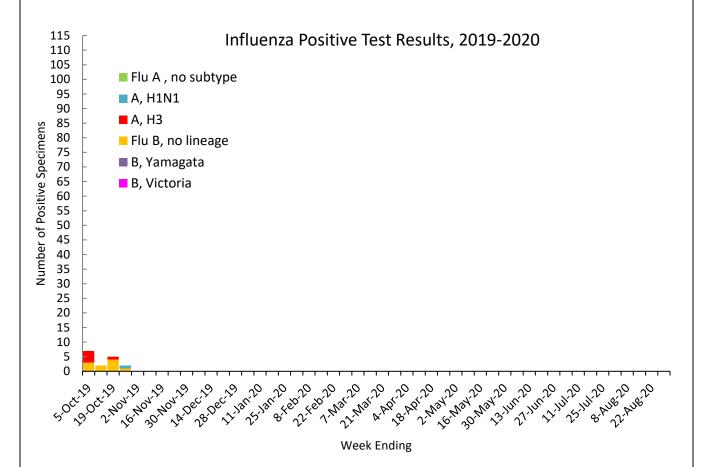
If your facility is interested in participating or would like more details, please contact Sue Kim (KimS2@michigan.gov)

## Laboratory (Virologic) Surveillance

There was 1 new positive influenza result (OC, ON, 1SE, OSW) reported by the MDHHS Bureau of Laboratories (BOL) during this time period.

#### # of Positive Respiratory Virus Results by Region

	С	N	SE	SW	Total
H1N1	1	0	0	0	1
H3N2	1	0	3	1	5
Infl B	1	0	8	2	11
Total	3	0	11	3	17



Note: Flu B subtyping will be reported based on MDHHS BOL testing runs and will be backtracked into this graph Latest MDHHS BOL Flu B lineage determination run: September 23, 2019

# Michigan Sentinel Clinical Lab Network Respiratory Virus Data

Eleven (11) sentinel clinical labs (3SE, 2SW, 5C, 1N) reported during this week

SE Region				
Influenza A:	sporadic – low			
Influenza B: low				
Parainfluenza: slightly elevated				
RSV: low – slightly elevated				
Adenovirus:	low			
hMPV:	low			
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Central Region				

Central Region				
Influenza A:	very low			
Influenza B:	sporadic			
Parainfluenza:	low – slightly elevated			
RSV:	sporadic – low			
Adenovirus:	low			
hMPV:	no activity			

SW Region				
Influenza A:	no activity			
Influenza B:	sporadic			
Parainfluenza:	low			
RSV:	low			
Adenovirus:	low			
hMPV:	sporadic			

North Region					
Influenza A:	no activity				
Influenza B:	no activity				
Parainfluenza:	no data available				
RSV:	no data available				
Adenovirus:	low				
hMPV:	no data available				

## **Congregate Setting Outbreaks**

There were <u>no (0)</u> new respiratory outbreaks (0C, 0N, 0SE, 0SW) reported to MDHHS during this time period. Respiratory outbreaks for the 2019-2020 season are listed in the table below.

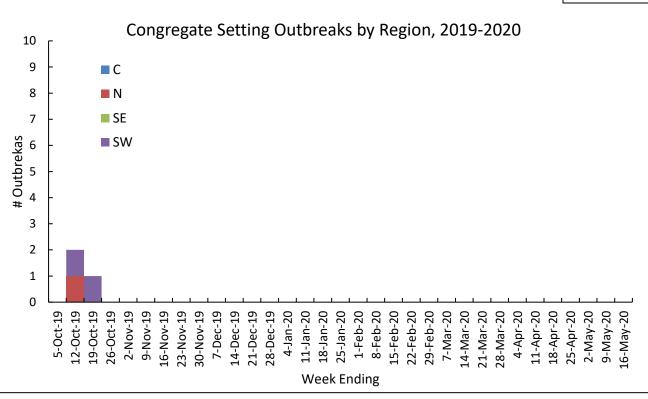
#### # of Congregate Setting Outbreaks by Region

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Facility Type	С	N	SE	SW	Total
Schools: K-12 & College	0	0	0	0	0
Long-term Care / Assisted Living Facility	0	1	0	2	3
Healthcare Facility	0	0	0	0	0
Daycare	0	0	0	0	0
Homeless Shelter	0	0	0	0	0
Correctional Facility	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	1	0	2	3

#### Did you know?

Congregate setting outbreaks of viral respiratory illnesses are required to be reported to your local health department? See:

- Influenza Guidance for Healthcare Providers
- Guideline for influenza and Respiratory Virus Outbreaks in Long-Term Care Facilities



The Michigan Component of the U.S Outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet) is Recruiting!

ILINet is a voluntary surveillance program that collects data on flu-like illness at outpatient clinics around the state. Outpatient flu sentinel providers may be healthcare clinicians from any specialty and nearly any setting (e.g. private practice, emergency room, urgent care) who are likely to see patients with flu-like illness.

Influenza-like illness cases do not have to be laboratory confirmed and current providers state the reporting process typically takes **less** than 30 minutes!

#### Benefits of participating in the ILINet program include:

- Weekly feedback reports summarizing your site's data, regional, state, and national flu data
- Free respiratory virus testing at MDHHS Bureau of labs for ~11 specimens per year
- Regularly reporting sentinels receive 2 free registrations to an MDHHS Fall Regional Immunization Conference

We need sentinel providers in all these counties!

Alger	Alpena	Antrim	Antrim Baraga	
Charlevoix	Chippewa	Clinton	Clare	Crawford
Detroit	Dickinson	Emmet Gladwin		Gogebic
Hillsdale	Huron	losco Iron		Isabella
Keweenaw	Lake	Leelanau	Luce	Mackinac
Menominee	Missaukee	Monroe	Montmore-	Ogemaw
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Ontonagon	Otsego	Saginaw	Sanilac	Schoolcraft
	Charlevoix Detroit Hillsdale Keweenaw Menominee	Charlevoix Chippewa Detroit Dickinson Hillsdale Huron  Keweenaw Lake Menominee Missaukee	Charlevoix Chippewa Clinton Detroit Dickinson Emmet Hillsdale Huron losco  Keweenaw Lake Leelanau Menominee Missaukee Monroe	Charlevoix Chippewa Clinton Clare Detroit Dickinson Emmet Gladwin Hillsdale Huron losco Iron  Keweenaw Lake Leelanau Luce Menominee Missaukee Monroe Montmorency

#### **Influenza-Related Articles/News**

- Study: Newly Identified Flu Antibodies Could Improve Vaccines
- <u>Prevention and Control of</u>
   <u>Seasonal Influenza with Vaccines:</u>
   <u>ACIP Recommendations US</u>
   2019-2020 Flu Season
- Studies Show Flu Vaccines Reduce Risk of Hospitalization and Death
- Global Influenza Update
- American Lung Association- My Shot Campaign

#### **Additional Resources**

- MDHHS Influenza Webpage
- MDHHS Bureau of Laboratories
   (BOL) Webpage and Test Request

   Forms
- CDC FluView Weekly Report
- NFID Flu and Chronic Health Conditions Toolkit
- <u>CDC Healthcare Professionals Flu</u> Toolkit
- Immunization Action Coalition: Ask the Experts- Flu

View Michigan Flu Focus Report archives here

#### **Influenza Vaccine Updates**

FDA approves quadrivalent highdose flu vaccine for seniors

In a <u>press release</u> on November 4<sup>th</sup>, Sanofi announced that the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved licensure for its **high dose quadrivalent flu vaccine (Fluzone)**.

The trivalent high dose influenza vaccine for adults 65 years and older was approved and has been available since 2009. A phase 3 immunogenicity and safety study indicated that the quadrivalent vaccine induces a better immune response compared to the trivalent vaccine.

Sanofi expects the quadrivalent high dose flu vaccine to be available for the 2020-2021 flu season.

To find out more about the high-dose influenza vaccine for adults 65 years and older click <u>here</u>.

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