

Weekly Report

2016 Week 47 (November 20 – November 27, 2016) through 2017 Week 47 (November 19 – November 26, 2017)

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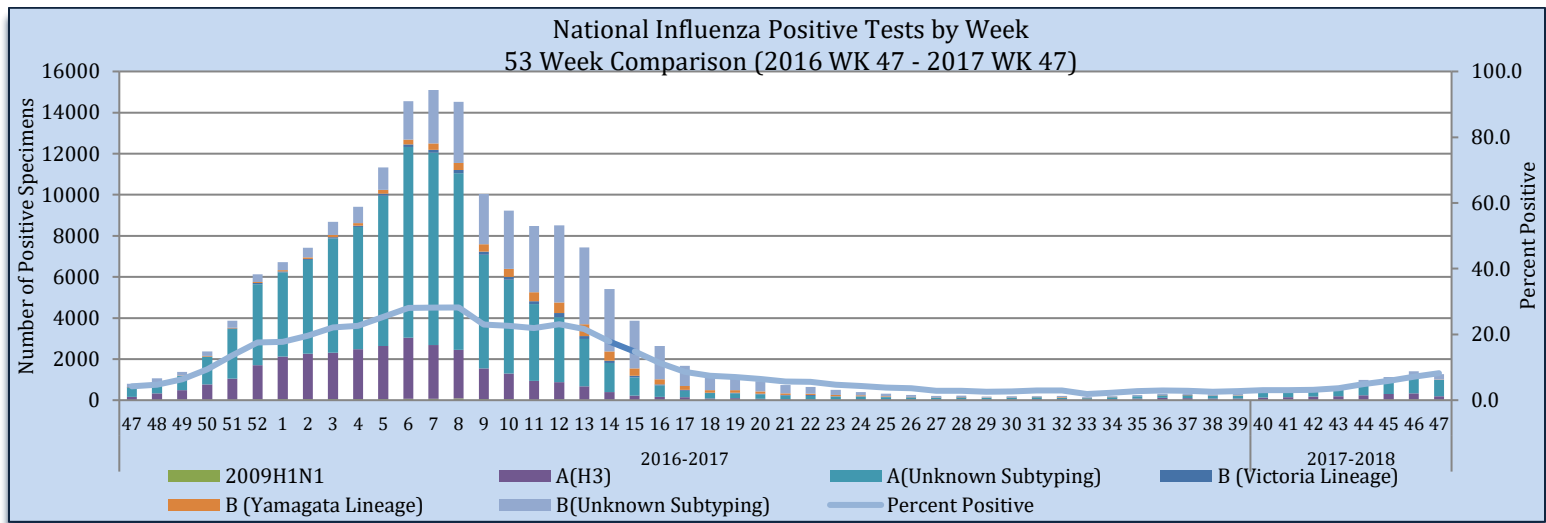
Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of and statistics for the influenza season in Nevada for the local public health authorities, sentinel providers and the public.

Sentinel Provider Data: Influenza-Like Illness Network Surveillance (ILINet)

Respiratory specimens are tested for influenza by the World Health Organization (WHO) and National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System (NRVESS) collaborating laboratories by sub-type. During week 47, there were 15,268 specimens collected and tested for influenza, of those 1,261 were positive (8.3%).

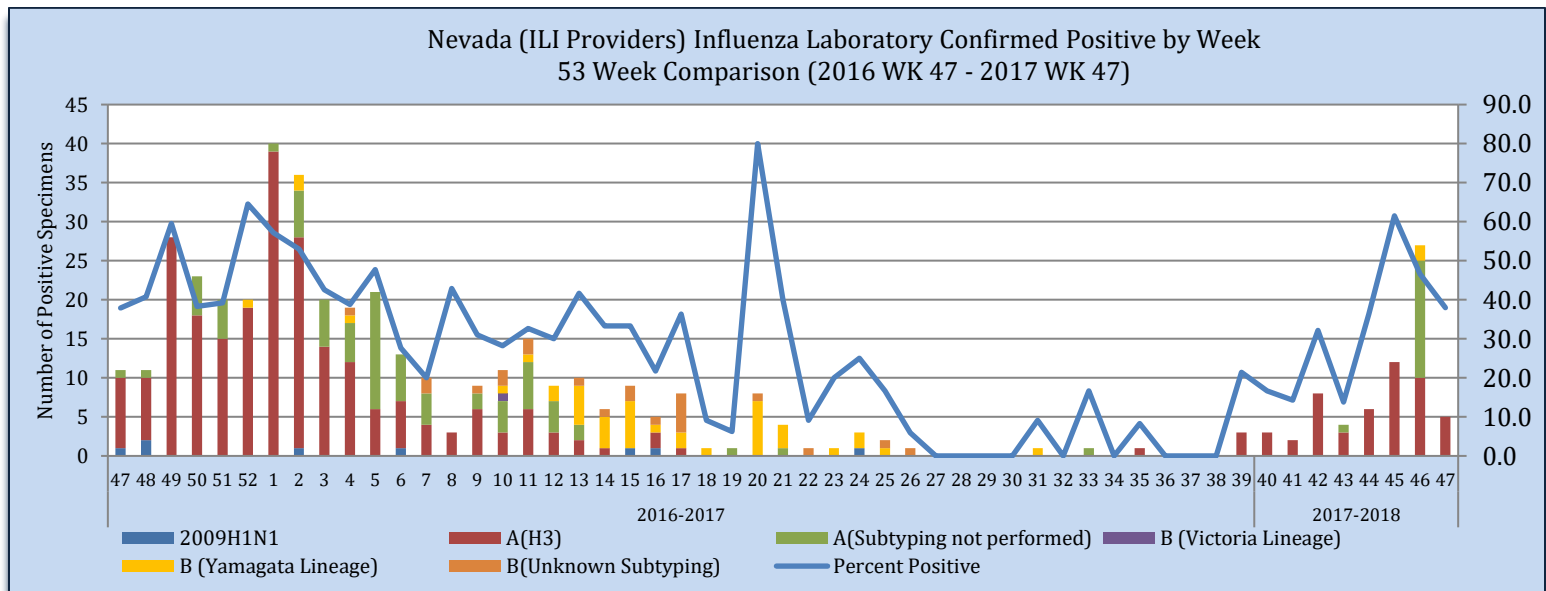
Figure 1



Source of Data: CDC: FluView Weekly Report.

The Nevada total includes laboratory tests for all Nevada residents tested by sentinel providers including out of state laboratories. Laboratory data is obtained from CDC’s ILINet system. During week 47, where there were 50 specimens collected, in which 19 were positive. There is a two-week delay for laboratory surveillance. Data are subject to change as we receive additional reports.

Figure 2



Source of Data: CDC: ILINet.

Nevada State Public Health Laboratory (NSPHL) has tested 58 specimens for influenza from sentinel providers, of which there have been 49 positive (84.5%). Southern Nevada Public Health Laboratory (SNPHL) has tested 3 specimens this season of which there have been 0 positive. Nationally, there have been 143,980 specimens sent to the WHO and NERVSS laboratories of which 7,039 have been positive (4.9%). The national numbers in Table 1 are reflected in Figure 1. The state of Nevada data in Table 1 is reflected in Figure 2. The Nevada total includes laboratory test for all Nevada residents tested by sentinel providers, including out of state laboratories.

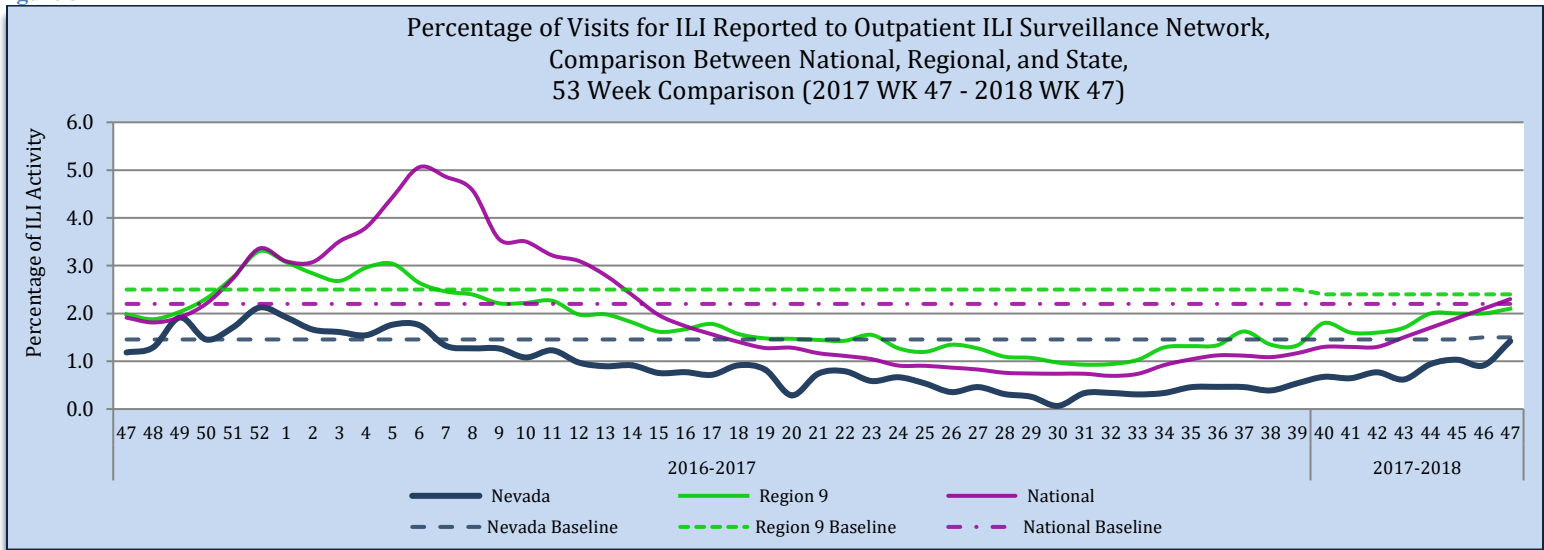
Table 1

Influenza Specimens Tested State and Nationally through Sentinel Providers											
	NSPHL	SNPHL	All Other Laboratories	State of Nevada (Week 47)		State of Nevada (Season)		National (Week 47)		National (Season)	
				#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Specimens Tested	58	3	208	50	-	269	-	15,268		143,980	
Influenza Positives	49	0	51	19	38.0	100	37.2	1,261	8.3	7,039	4.9
Influenza A:	47	0	51	19	100.0	98	98.0	981	77.8	5,437	77.2
A (2009 H1N1)	1	0	0	0	0.0	1	1.0%	18	1.8	169	3.1
A (H3)	46	0	3	5	26.3	49	50.0	168	17.1	1,527	28.1
A (Sub-typing not performed)	0	0	48	14	73.7	48	49.0	795	81.0	3,741	68.8
Influenza B:	2	0	0	0	0.0	2	2.0	280	22.2	1,602	22.8
B (Victoria Lineage)	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	11	0.7
B (Yamagata Lineage)	2	0	0	0	0.0	2	100.0	20	7.1	159	9.9
B (Sub-typing not performed)	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	260	92.9	1,432	89.4

Source of Data: CDC: FluView Report and CDC: ILINet.

Influenza-like Illness (ILI) Surveillance Network has each sentinel provider report the number of patients seen that meet the ILI case definition and the total number of patients seen for any reason each week. The “percentage of visits for ILI” is the number of ILI patients divided by the total number of patients visit per week. Nevada’s percentage of ILI visits for week 47 is 1.4% which is below the state baseline of 1.5%. Region 9 ILI percentage for week 47 is 2.1% which is the below the region baseline 2.4%. Region 9 includes the following states/territory: Arizona, California, Guam, Hawaii, and Nevada. The national ILI percentage for week 47 is 2.3% which is above the national baseline 2.2%.

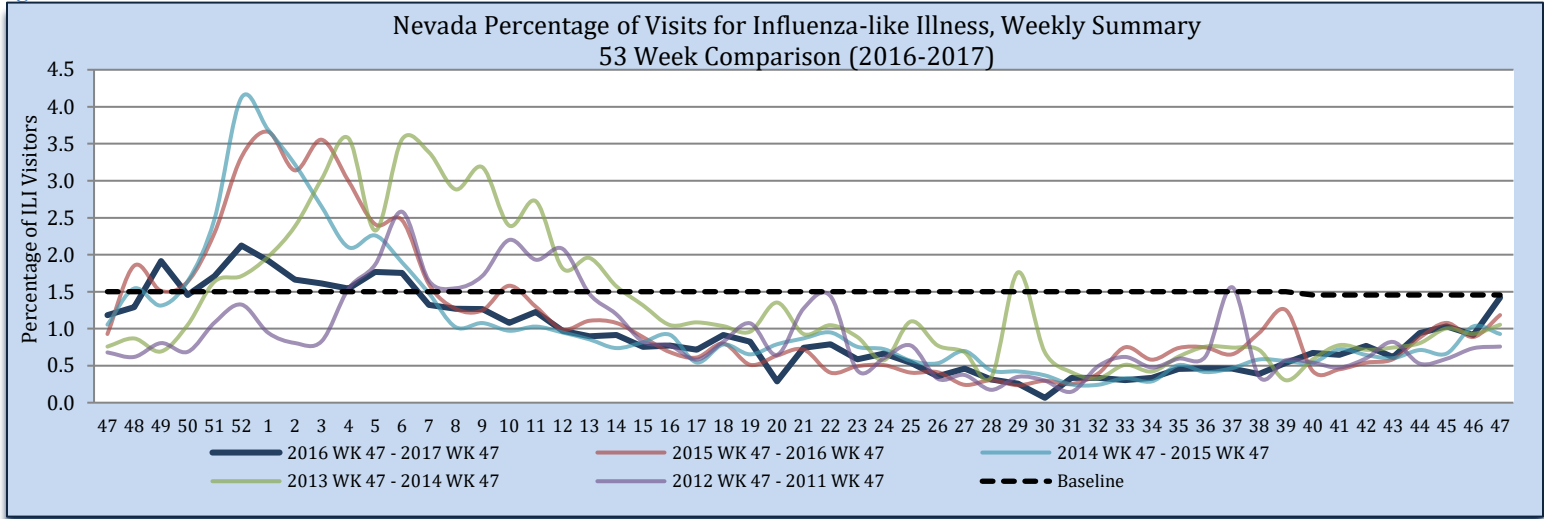
Figure 3



Source of Data: CDC: Flu View Report and CDC: ILINet.

During week 47, 1.4% of visits to sentinel providers were due to ILI; this greater than the 2016-2017 influenza season (1.2%). There were 15,049 patients seen by sentinel providers during week 47, of which 214 patients presented with ILI; week 47 of 2016, there were 198 patients seen with ILI (16,725 total patients seen). Data availability depends on sentinel provider reporting.

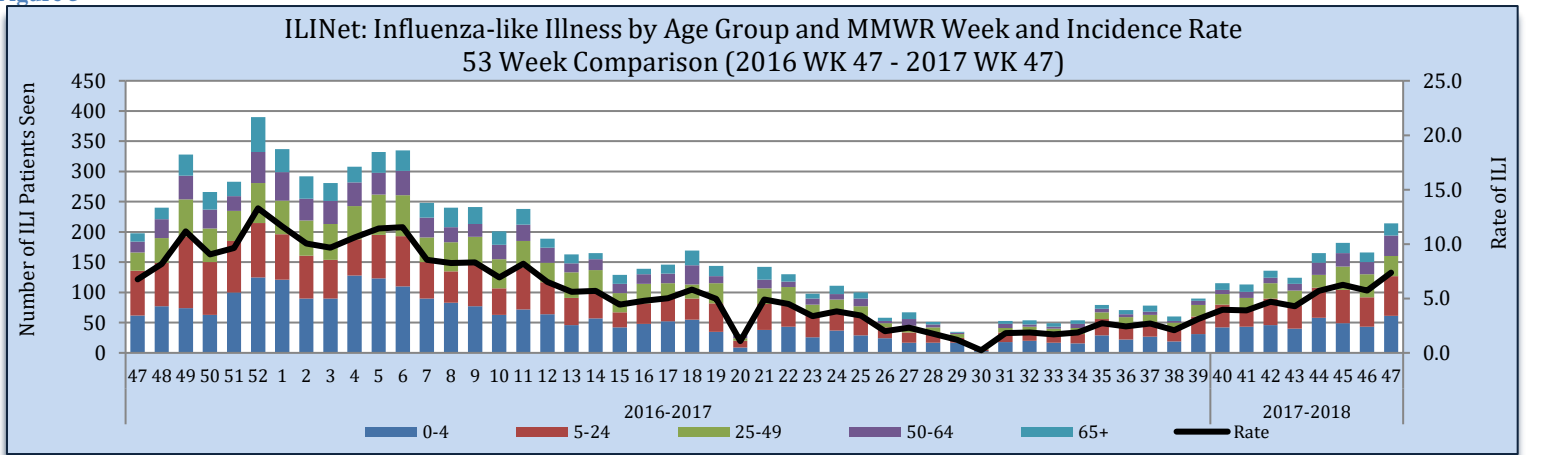
Figure 4



Source of Data: CDC: ILINet.

Influenza-like Illness is reported by age groups. During week 47, patients ages 5-24 were the greatest number of patients seen with ILI, at 66 patients seen. The rate for week 47 is 7.4 per 100,000 population. The rate is calculated by the number of patients presented with ILI, divided by the state population, multiplied by 100,000. The estimated state population for 2017 is 2,935,490.

Figure 5



Source of Data: CDC: ILINet.

Influenza Positive Surveillance (NBS and NETSS)

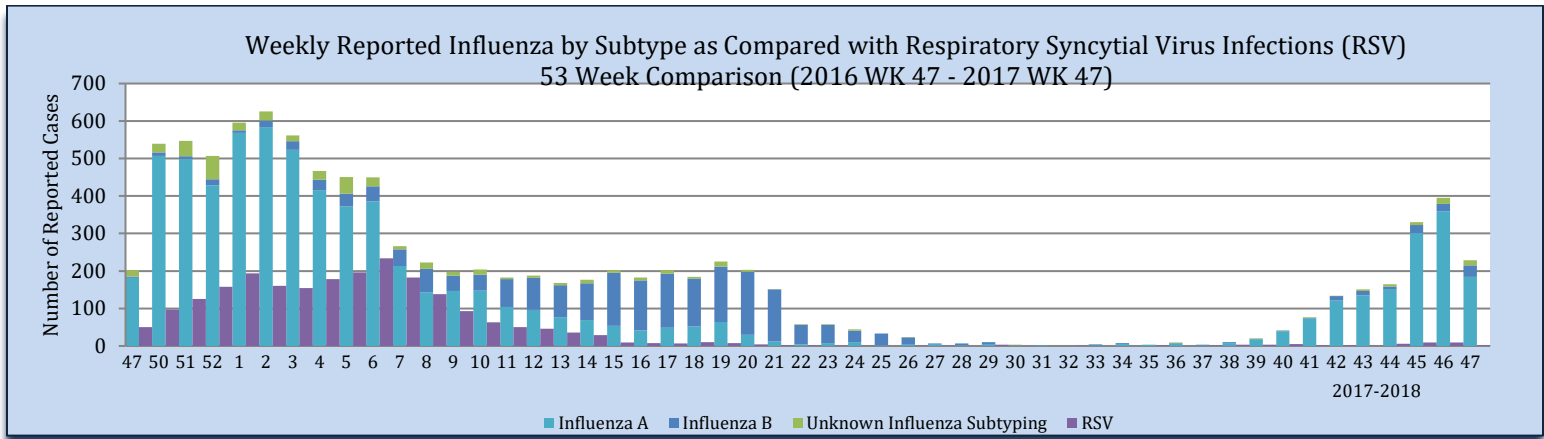
Positive cases of influenza are reported to the state health authority for surveillance purposes. Table 2 and Figure 6 reflect all positive influenza cases reported to the state. Types of influenza testing include commercial rapid diagnostic test (rapid), viral culture, fluorescent antibody, enzyme immunoassay, RT-PCR (PCR), and Immunohistochemistry. The two most common test types in Nevada are Rapid and PCR tests. During week 47, there were 214 influenza cases reported to the state, 184 influenza A, 16 influenza B and 14 unknown subtyping.

Table 2

Reporting Jurisdiction	Reported Influenza Cases by County Jurisdiction and Influenza Type							
	Current Week (Week 47)				Cumulative Influenza Season			
	A	B	Unknown	Total	A	B	Unknown	Total
Carson City Health and Human Services	36	3	0	39	243	8	0	251
Rural Community Health Services	22	0	0	22	77	3	0	80
Southern Nevada Health District	24	0	0	24	657	47	0	704
Washoe County Health District	102	13	14	129	387	64	51	502
State of Nevada	184	16	14	214	1,364	122	51	1,537

Source: OPHIE: NBS and SNHD: NETSS.

Figure 6



Source of Data: OPHIE: NBS and SNHD: NETSS.

Hospitalizations

There were 26 hospitalizations associated with influenza reported to the state health authority for week 47.

Table 3

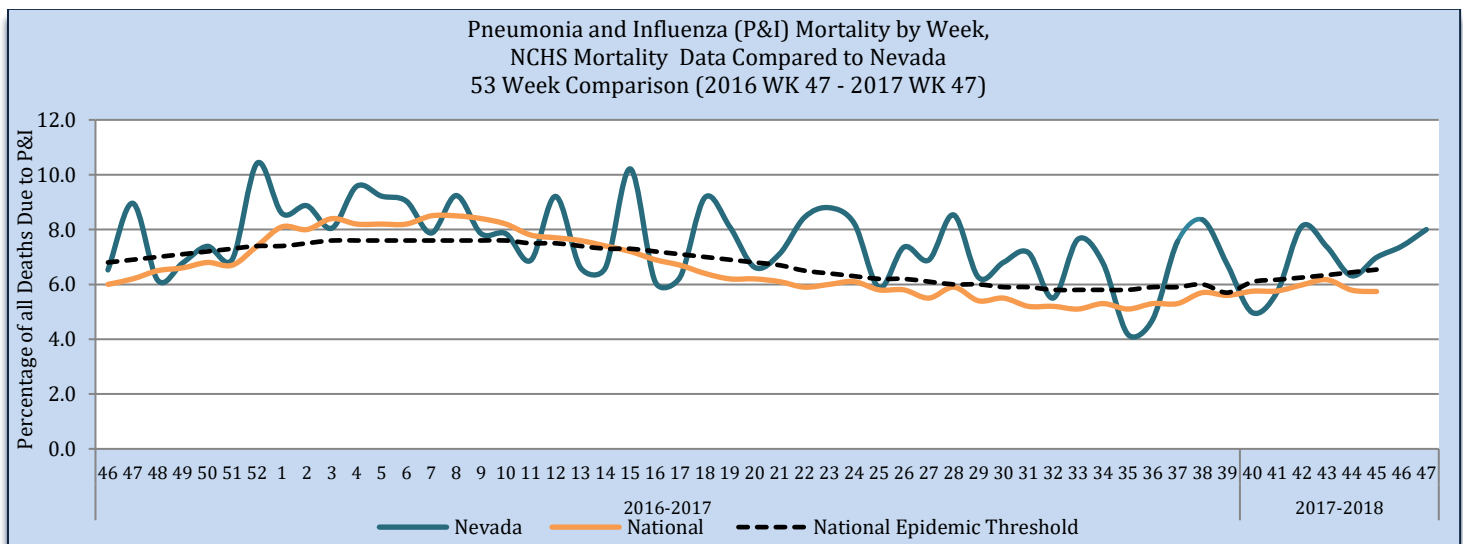
Reporting Jurisdiction	Influenza Hospitalizations		Cumulative Influenza Season	
	Current Week (Week 46)			
	#	%	#	%
Carson City Health and Human Services	2	7.7%	22	14.6%
Rural Community Health Services	0	0.0%	3	2.0%
Southern Nevada Health District	5	19.2%	72	47.7%
Washoe County Health District	19	73.1%	54	35.8%
State of Nevada	26	100.0%	151	100.0%

Source: Reported to Office of Public Health Informatics and Epidemiology from each Jurisdiction.

Pneumonia and Influenza (P&I) Mortality Surveillance

The Pneumonia and Influenza (P&I) mortality percentage is all deaths, where Pneumonia or Influenza is listed as the underlying or contributing cause of death, divided by the total deaths in Nevada for each week. As of December 9th, there were 28 P&I deaths and 350 total deaths for week 47 in Nevada. Please note that the CDC does not have updated P&I counts for week 46 or week 47.

Figure 7



Source: OVR: WEVRRS and CDC: FluView.

Technical Notes

- Data are subject to changes, additionally, there is a lag in reporting.
- Influenza surveillance procedures vary by jurisdiction.
- Influenza-like illness (ILI): a fever greater than or equal 100°F with cough and/or sore throat.
- Percent positive: The number of positive influenza laboratory tests divided by the total number of tests performed.
- Incidence rate is per 100,000 population as estimated by the state demographer.

This report contains information from national and state-level data sources. Influenza surveillance data is collected by a various systems, including:

- Influenza-like Illness Network (ILINet): a sentinel surveillance system in collaboration with the Centers for the Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) where outpatient providers report ILI information weekly.
- National Electronic Telecommunication System for Surveillance (NETSS): a system whereby data is transmits to CDC. Influenza data collected through NETSS does not provide influenza sub-typing information.
- National Electronic Disease Surveillance System (NEDSS): a system for collecting data and monitoring disease trends and outbreaks.
- NEDSS Based System (NBS): an implementation of the NEDSS standards. It provides a secure, accurate, and efficient means of collecting, transmitting, and analyzing public health data.

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