

## **Flu Watch**

### MMWR Week 41: October 6 to October 12, 2019

All data are provisional and subject to change as more reports are received.

### Geographic Spread

South Carolina reported **sporadic activity** this week.

### **Influenza Activity**



Overall, there was no change in influenza activity this week.

### **Regional Influenza Activity**



Influenza-Like Illness Surveillance The percent of patient visits to sentinel providers for an influenza-like illness (ILI) was **1.62%**, which is **below** South Carolina's baseline (**3.53%**). The ILI activity level overall was **minimal**.



This week **5** lab-confirmed tests were reported. In the current flu season, there have been **12** lab-confirmed tests reported.





Influenza-Associated Hospitalizations

This week **10** influenza-associated hospitalizations were reported by **41** hospitals. The cumulative hospitalization rate is **0.3 per 100,000**. In the current flu season, there have been **14** influenza-associated hospitalizations.

#### **Influenza-Associated Deaths**

This week **0** influenza-associated deaths were reported. In the current flu season, there have been **0** influenza-associated deaths.

For a description of South Carolina's influenza surveillance components and definitions go to: <u>http://www.scdhec.gov/Health/DiseasesandConditions/Infe</u> ctiousDiseases/Flu/FluData/

# Influenza Activity\*

In the 4 Public Health Regions, activity showed...



\*Indicators for assessing influenza activity include: lab-confirmed tests, ILI percent, and hospitalizations.

# Virologic Surveillance

Influenza Type	Season Totals To Date								
No. (%)	This Week	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	5 season average				
Overall	5	12	1	2	4				
Influenza A	3(60.0)	8(66.7)	1(100.0)	1(50.0)	3(75.0)				
A(H3)				1(100.0)					
A(H1N1)		1(12.5)	1(100.0)		1(33.3)				
A(NS)*	3(100.0)	7(87.5)			2(66.7)				
Influenza B	2(40.0)	4(33.3)	0	1(50.0)	1(25.0)				
B (Victoria)									
B(Yamagata)				1(100.0)					
B (LND) <sup>+</sup>	2(100.0)	4(100.0)			1(100.0)				

#### \*NS – not subtyped

\*LND – lineage not determined

Nationally, the influenza season begins with MMWR week 40 and ends with MMWR week 39. The 2019-20 influenza season began on September 29, 2019 and will end on September 26, 2020.



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## Influenza-Like Illness Surveillance

This week, the ILI activity level was **minimal** and **1.62%** of patient visits to SC ILINet providers was attributed to an influenza-like illness. This is **below** the state baseline, **3.53%**.

Reports were received from providers in **12** counties, representing all DHEC Public Health regions.

\*\*ILI percentage is dependent upon the number of reporting providers and/or can vary by disease activity or the number of providers submitting reports.\*\*



**MMWR Week** 



State ILI Activity Level 2019-20 Calendar											
by Week of the Year											
ΟCΤ	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP
40	44	48	1	5	9	14	18	22	27	31	36
41	45	49	2	6	10	15	19	23	28	32	37
42	46	50	3	7	11	16	20	24	29	33	38
43	47	51	4	8	12	17	21	25	30	34	39
		52			13			26		35	

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#### ILI ACTIVITY LEVELS: MINIMAL LOW MODERATE HIGH

## Influenza-Associated Hospitalizations And Deaths

Hospitalizations		Ages	Ages		Ages	Ages
No. (Rate)	Overall	0-4	5-17	Ages 18-49	50-64	65+
This Week	10(0.2)			1(0.1)	1(0.1)	8(0.5)
2019-20	14(0.3)			1(0.1)	1(0.1)	12(1.4)
2018-19	7(0.1)		2(0.2)	3(0.1)		2(0.3)
2017-18	18(0.4)	1(0.3)	1(0.1)	2(0.1)	5(0.5)	9(1.4)
5 season average	13(0.3)	1(0.1)	1(0.1)	3(0.1)	2(0.2)	7(1.1)

Deaths No. (Rate)	Overall	Ages 0-4	Ages 5-17	Ages 18-49	Ages 50-64	Ages 65+
This Week						
2019-20						
2018-19						
2017-18						
5 season average	1(0.0)					1(0.1)



-Overall Age 0-4 Age 5-17 Age 18-49 Age 50-64 Age 65 and older





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