

Seasonal Influenza and Influenza-like Illness Surveillance

MMWR Week 33
August 16-22, 2009

Media Talking Points

Activity Level: **Sporadic Activity**

- Definition: Small numbers of laboratory-confirmed influenza cases or a single laboratory-confirmed influenza outbreak has been reported, but there is no increase in cases of ILI.

Summary: Public health surveillance data sources indicate seasonally low levels of influenza activity across the state, with no increase in one specific region.

Surveillance Data:

- Influenza-like Illness (ILI) Sentinel Providers reported 0.20% of patients had ILI signs and symptoms. Influenza-like Illness is defined as a fever ($\geq 100^{\circ}$ F), **and** cough and/or sore throat. Temperature can be measured in the physician's office or at home.
- Over-the-counter (OTC) sales experienced a statistically significant deviation from the expected in seven regions.
- Emergency department visits experienced a statistically significant deviation from the expected in three regions.
- ODH lab reported 149 positive isolates confirmed through traditional seasonal influenza testing methods (total through 8/24/09). Circulating Strains: (90) Influenza A/ (H1N1), (59) Influenza B/Malaysia-like.
- ODH lab reported results for those cases that are PCR positive for seasonal influenza. Positive results: (14) influenza A/(H1), (15) influenza A/(H3), (13) influenza B (total through 8/24/09).
- Results obtained from pandemic influenza A H1N1 testing conducted at the ODH laboratory are now included in the chart below (total through 8/24/09).
- Influenza-associated hospitalizations reported indicate 93 positive results by culture confirmation (total through 8/25/09). Results: (64) Influenza A, (29) Influenza B.
- Incidence of 2009 confirmed influenza-associated hospitalizations = 642 (total through 8/24/09).
- Five confirmed influenza-associated pediatric mortalities have been reported: two from Hamilton County (one influenza A, one influenza B), one from Summit County with influenza A, one from Licking County with influenza A, and one from Brown County with influenza B (through 8/25/09).
- Confirmed Pandemic Influenza A H1N1-related hospitalizations: 63 (total through 8/26/09)
- Confirmed Pandemic Influenza A H1N1-related deaths: 2 (total through 8/26/09)

Analysis Considerations:

- No significant or confirmed geographic clustering of any data was detected.
- Influenza-associated hospitalization became a reportable condition on 1/1/09. Therefore, only cases that were entered after 1/1/09 will be considered for analysis purposes.

National activity levels and more information can be found at the following CDC pages:

- <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/usmap.htm>
- <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/>

If you have any further questions or comments about surveillance for seasonal influenza for the State of Ohio, please contact Shannon Page at Shannon.Page@odh.ohio.gov or by telephone at (614) 466-0456.

2008-09 Season Cumulative Influenza Results reported by ODH Lab by County*

County	# Culture A/(H1N1)	# Culture B/Malaysia-like	# PCR Seasonal A/(H1)	# PCR Seasonal A/(H3)	# PCR B	# PCR Pandemic A/(H1)	# Culture No Virus Isolated/Recovered	# PCR Not Detected	# Test not Performed	Total
Adams								4		4
Allen						3		6		9
Ashtabula								4		4
Athens	2	1				1	1	5		10
Auglaize								2		2
Brown								1		1
Butler						3		2		5
Champaign						1				1
Clark	1		1			5		13		20
Clermont								4	3	7
Columbiana								6		6
Crawford								1		1
Cuyahoga	3	1	3	1	1	46	3	43	5	106
Defiance							1			1
Delaware								7	2	9
Erie						1				1
Fairfield						1		3	2	6
Franklin	46	32	1	3	7	47	13	130	11	290
Fulton						2		5		7
Gallia			1			5		4		10
Greene	7	3				2	3		1	16
Hamilton	4	6	2	1		10	8	20	10	61
Hancock						2		2		4
Harrison								1		1
Henry							1			1

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Hocking						3		1		4
Holmes		2		1		1		3		7
Huron						1		6		7
Jefferson						2		3		5
Knox	4					1		7	1	13
Lake						1		1		2
Lawrence								1		1
Licking						5	2	7		14
Logan						2			1	3
Lorain	2	1		1		2	5	13		24
Lucas				1		9	2	34		46
Mahoning						5		2		7
Marion								3		3
Medina								1		1
Meigs						1				1
Mercer						1		1		2
Miami								1		1
Montgomery	4	4	2	3		9	6	16	23	67
Muskingum								3		3
Ottawa						2				2
Pickaway								2		2
Pike								2		2
Portage			1	1		1		11		14
Putnam								1		1
Richland						2	1	2		5
Ross						4		3		7
Sandusky				1					1	2

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Scioto								5	3	8
Seneca								9		9
Shelby								1		1
Stark	14	6	3		5	3	1	10		42
Summit	3	3		1		10		10	1	28
Trumbull								1		1
Tuscarawas								1		1
Union								3		3
Van Wert								1		1
Warren						1				1
Washington				1		1		1		2
Wayne								3		3
Williams								4		4
Wood						1		1		2
Out of State						2				2
Unknown									1	1
										0
Season Totals	90	59	14	15	13	211	47	454	65	968

*Please note: The above results may not match official H1N1 results posted to the ODH website for the following reasons:

- Lab data is based on county of provider that submitted specimen.
- Data is from tests conducted at the ODH lab (commercial lab results are not included).
- Cases classified as 'Not a Case' may not have associated lab results.