

Stark County's Influenza Weekly Report

Week 5 (1/29/17-2/4/17)



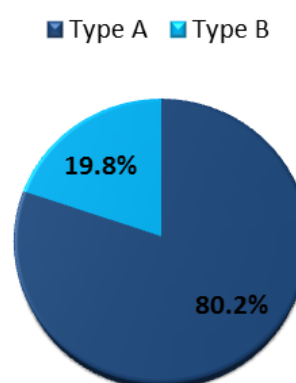
During Week 5:

- Stark County had 16 additional influenza-associated hospitalizations.
- Nationally, five influenza-associated pediatric deaths were reported, none from Stark County.

So Far this Year:

- There have been 133 influenza-associated hospitalizations in Stark County.
 - Those hospitalized for influenza have ranged from 8 months to 99 years of age.
 - The median age for those hospitalized has been 70 years.
- The national cumulative rate for influenza-associated hospitalizations was 24.3 per 100,000 population.
- Up to week 5, 14,606 specimens collected nationally from public health laboratories were typed influenza A. This was 92.6% of all specimens collected. Of these, 2.5% subtyped as the 2009 H1N1 virus, 95.7% subtyped as the H3 virus, and subtyping was not performed on the rest of them.
- Nationally, 20 influenza-associated pediatric deaths were reported so far this year.

% of Specimens by Type Among Stark County Reported Influenza Cases



Viruses Circulating vs. Viruses in this Year's Vaccine:

- Nationally since October 1, 2016, 341 specimens were characterized as Influenza A.
 - There were 267 influenza A (H3N2) viruses collected and 96.6% matched the influenza A (H3N2) component in this year's vaccine. There were 74 influenza A (H1N1) viruses collected and 100% matched the influenza A (H1N1) component in this year's vaccine.
- Nationally since October 1, 2016, 143 specimens were characterized as Influenza B.
 - Of these, 66 subtyped from the Yamagata Lineage and 77 subtyped from the Victorian Lineage. Of these specimens, 100% of the Yamagata Lineage matched the Influenza B component of the 2016-2017 vaccine and 90.9% of the Victorian Lineage matched.

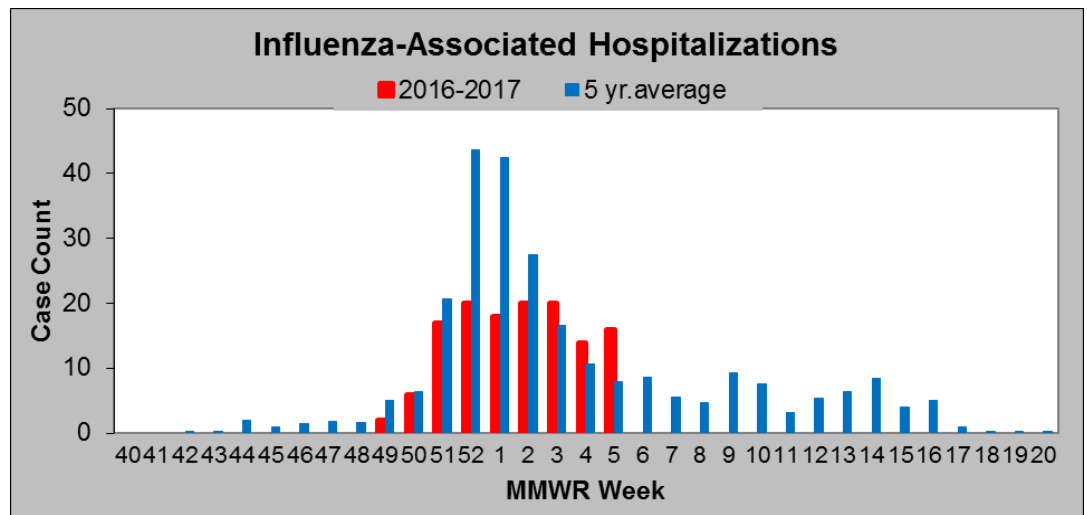
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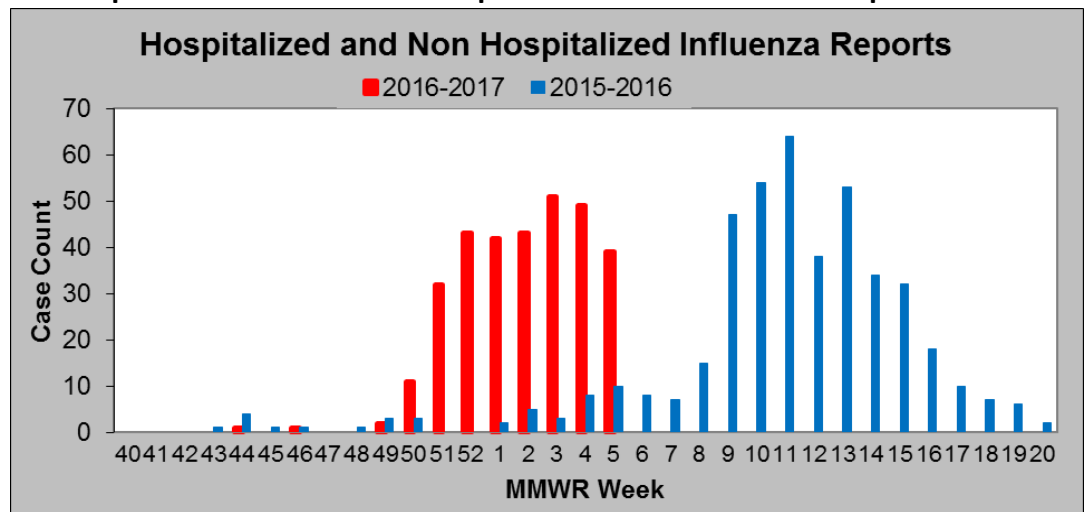
Graph 1: Hospitalized Influenza Cases Reported to the Local Health Department.

◆ There were 16 influenza-associated hospitalizations during week 5. This exceeded the eight cases occurring on average during this week. The graph shows Stark County exceeding its five year annual average for the last three weeks. However, the average provides an estimated total count above 180 hospitalizations by week 5, which Stark County remains below this year with a total of 133 hospitalizations so far.



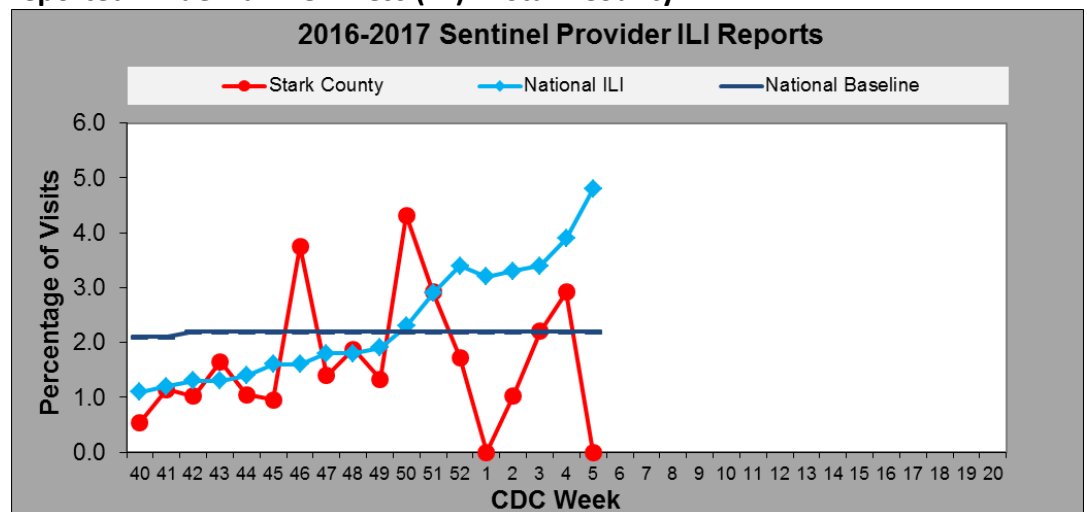
Graph 2: Hospitalized and Non-Hospitalized Influenza Cases Reported to the Local Health Department.

◆ There were 39 cases of hospitalized and non-hospitalized influenza reported for Week 5 in Stark County. Last year there were ten cases reported this week. Stark County increased to 314 cases reported so far this year compared to the 42 cases reported so far last year.



Graph 3: Sentinel Provider Reported Influenza Like Illness (ILI) in Stark County.

◆ During week 5 the Stark County Sentinel Providers did not provide any reports. The national reports overall increased to 4.8% of visits for ILI, above the national baseline of 2.2%.



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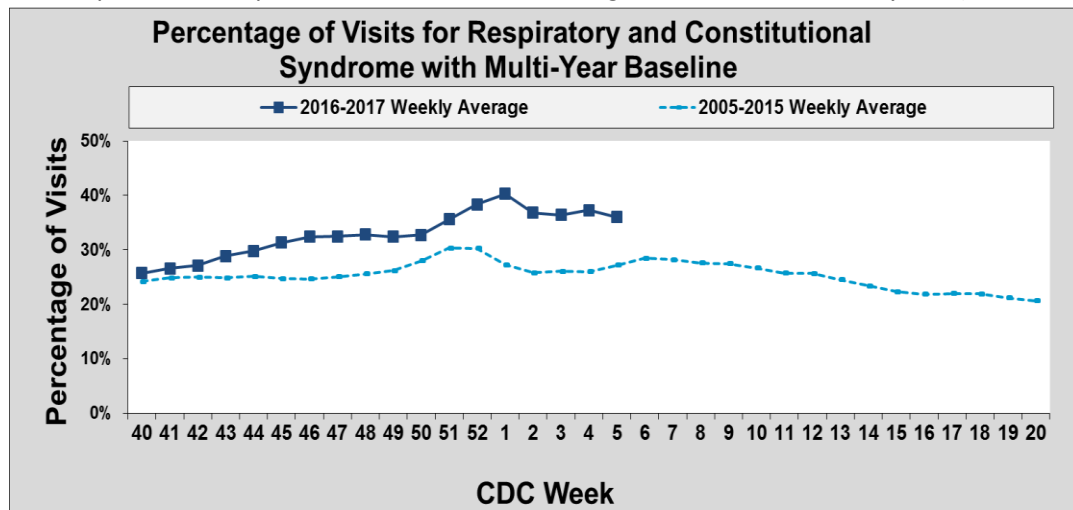
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Graph 4: Emergency Department Visits for Respiratory and Constitutional Syndromes.

(Source: Health Monitoring Systems, EpiCenter, Hospital and Stat Care Patient Registration Surveillance System)

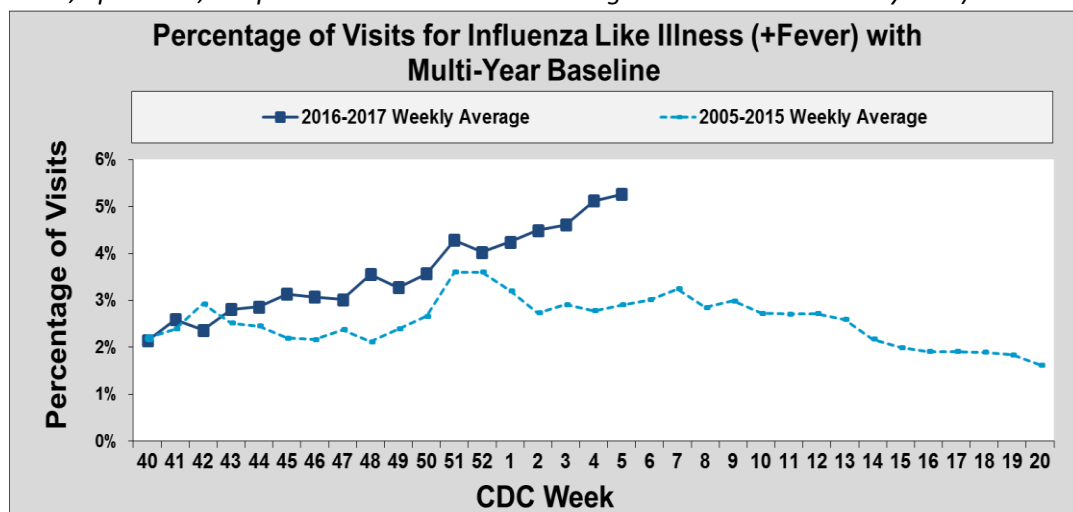
- ◆ ED and Stat Care visits for respiratory and constitutional syndrome decreased, but remained above the multi-year baseline average during week 5.



Graph 5: Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Influenza Like Illness (+Fever).

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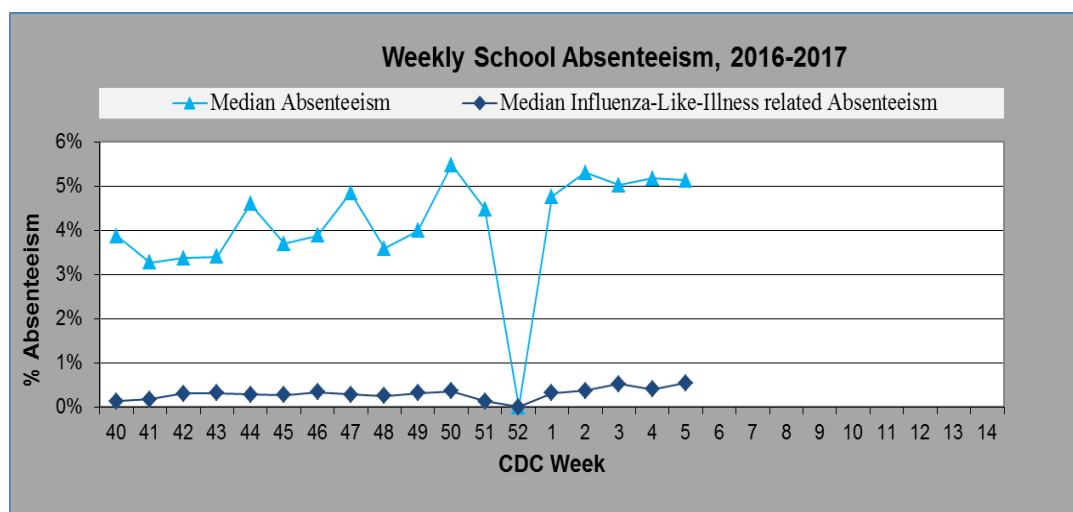
- ◆ ED and Stat Care visits for ILI + Fever for MMWR week 5 increased again, and remained above the multi-year average.



Graph 6: Stark County School Absenteeism.

(Source: Voluntary reporting by multiple school districts throughout the county)

- ◆ During week 5 schools there were 59 reports submitted. The median absenteeism rate slightly decreased, but the median absenteeism specifically for ILI increased during this week.



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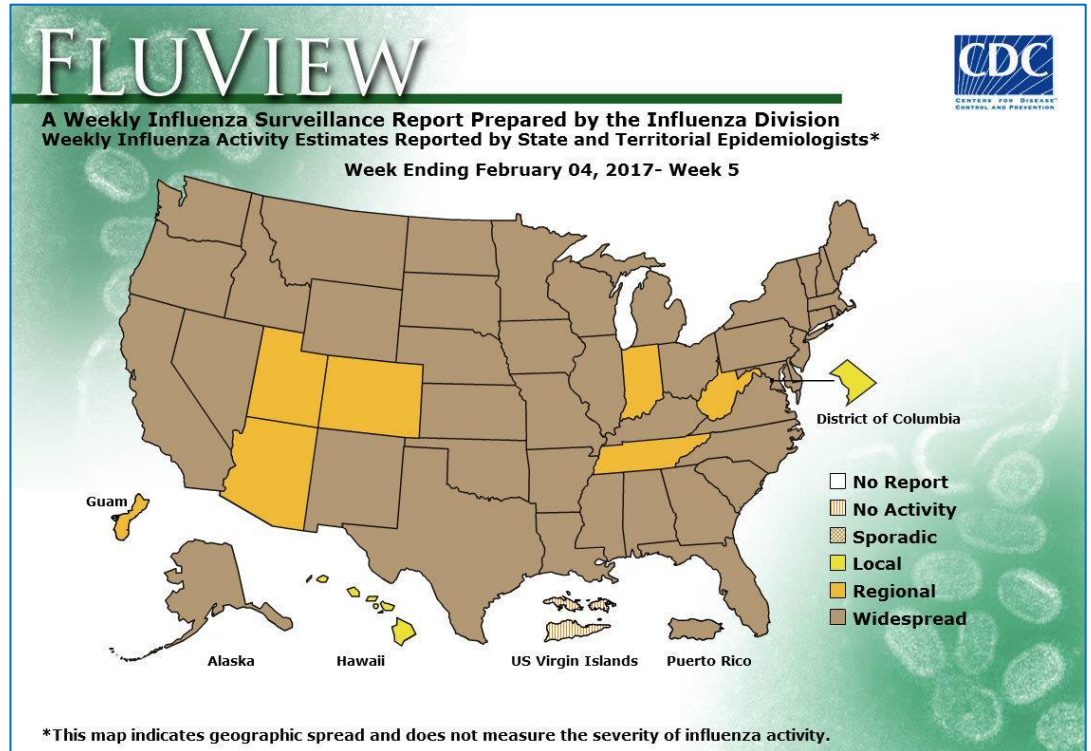
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Map: Weekly Geographic Influenza Activity Estimates Reported by State and Territorial Epidemiologists Syndromes.

(Source: Health Monitoring Systems, EpiCenter, hospital and stat care patient registration surveillance system)

- ◆ During week 5, Ohio remained at widespread influenza activity. There were 42 other states also reporting widespread influenza.



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