

### Flu Watch

MMWR Week 33: August 11 to August 17, 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**



No change



No change



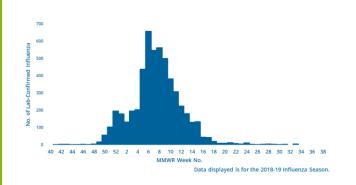
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#### **Virologic Surveillance**

This week 4 lab-confirmed tests were reported. In the current flu season, there have been 4740 lab-confirmed tests reported.



#### Influenza-Like Illness Surveillance

The percent of patient visits to sentinel providers for an influenza-like illness (ILI) was **0.5%**, which is **below** South Carolina's baseline **(3.53%)**. The ILI activity level overall was minimal

# 1% 0% 27-Jul 3-Aug 10-Aug 17-Aug Week Ending Data displayed is for the 2018-19 Influenza Seaso

#### **Influenza-Associated Hospitalizations**

This week **0** influenza-associated hospitalizations were reported by **33** hospitals. The cumulative hospitalization rate is **54.7 per 100,000**. In the current flu season, there have been **2751** influenza-associated hospitalizations.

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

This week *0* influenza-associated deaths were reported. The cumulative mortality rate is **2.0 per 100,000**. In the current flu season, there have been **99** influenza-associated deaths.

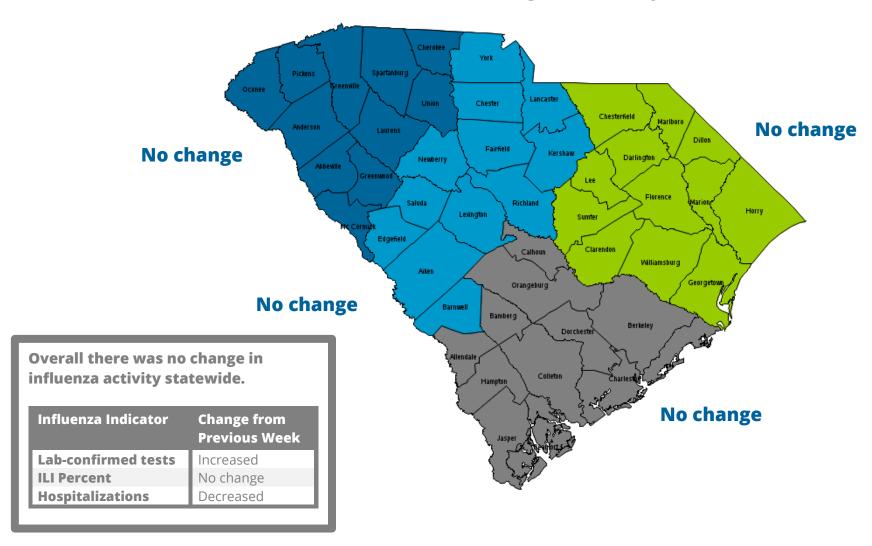
For a description of South Carolina's influenza surveillance components and definitions go to:

http://www.scdhec.gov/Health/DiseasesandConditions/InfectiousDiseases/Flu/FluData/

For national surveillance, please visit: https://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/

# Influenza Activity\*

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



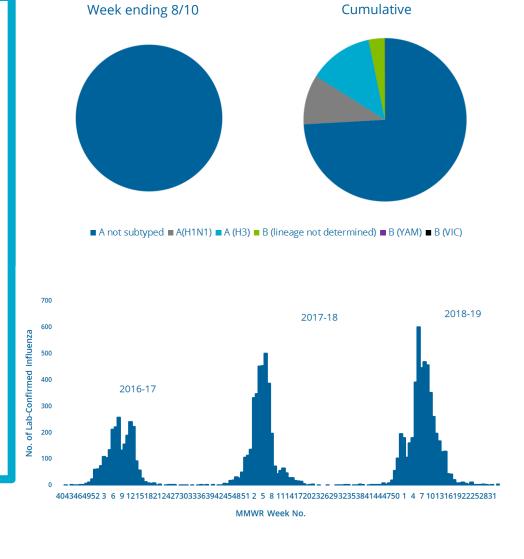
<sup>\*</sup>Indicators for assessing influenza activity include: lab-confirmed tests, ILI percent, and hospitalizations.

# Virologic Surveillance

Influenza Type		Season Totals To Date								
No. (%)	This Week	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	5 season average					
Overall	4	4740	3590	2459	1790					
Influenza A	0	4585(96.7)	2455(68.4)	1574(64)	1288(72)					
A(H3)		606(13.2)	535(21.8)	411(26.1)	279(21.6)					
A(H1N1)		466(10.2)	212(8.6)	64(4.1)	299(23.2)					
A(NS)*	4	3513(76.6)	1708(69.6)	1099(69.8)	711(55.2)					
Influenza B	0	155(3.3)	1135(31.6)	885(36)	502(28)					
B (Victoria)		2(1.3)	2(0.2)		0.4(0.1)					
B(Yamagata)			55(4.8)		11(2.2)					
B (LND) <sup>+</sup>		153(98.7)	1078(95)	885(100)	490(97.7)					

\*NS - not subtyped \*LND - lineage not determined

Nationally, the influenza season begins with MMWR week 40 and ends with MMWR week 39. The 2018-19 influenza season began on September 30, 2018 and will end on September 28, 2019.

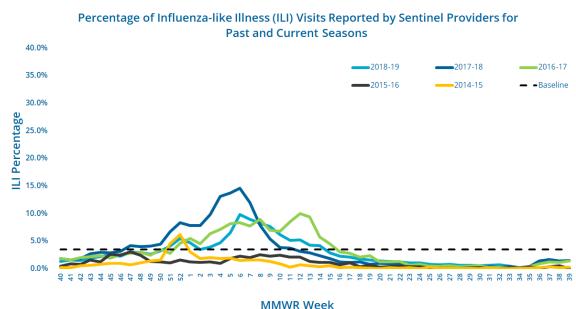


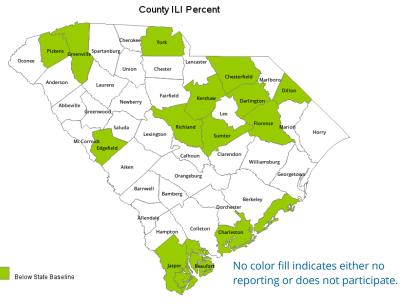
## Influenza-Like Illness Surveillance

This week, the ILI activity level was **minimal** and **0.5%** 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 **14** 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.\*\*





# State ILI Activity Level 2018-19 Calendar by Week of the Year

OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP
40	44	48	1	5	9	14	18	22	<b>27</b>	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	<b>51</b>	4	8	12	17	21	25	30	34	39
		<b>52</b>			13			26		35	

ILI ACTIVITY LEVELS: MINIMAL LOW MODERATE HIGH

# Influenza-Associated Hospitalizations And Deaths

Hospitalizations No. (Rate)	Overall	Ages 0-4	Ages 5-17	Ages 18-49	Ages 50-64	Ages 65+
This Week						
2018-19	2751(54.7)	129(43.9)	127(15.7)	423(20.6)	676(67.7)	1396(161.5)
2017-18	4524(90.0)	159(54.1)	141(17.4)	592(28.8)	1056(105.8)	2576(297.9)
2016-17	2542(51.3)	117(40.1)	133(16.5)	344(16.9)	573(57.8)	1375(165.8)
5 season average	2741(55.7)	159(54.5)	120(14.9)	445(21.9)	644(65.6)	1373(169.3)

Deaths No. (Rate)	Overall	Ages 0-4	Ages 5-17	Ages 18-49	Ages 50-64	Ages 65+
This Week						
2018-19	99(2.0)	2(0.7)	1(0.1)	7(0.4)	26(2.4)	62(7.3)
2017-18	291(5.8)	3(1.0)		27(1.3)	52(5.2)	209(24.2)
2016-17	97(2.0)	1(0.3)	1(0.1)	9(0.4)	16(1.6)	70(8.4)
5 season average	130(2.6)	1 (0.3)	1 (0.1)	15(0.7)	24(2.5)	88(10.8)

