

Flu Watch

MMWR Week 21: May 19 to May 25, 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



Increase



No change



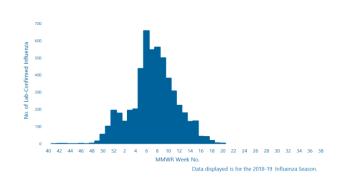
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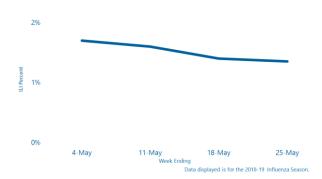
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Virologic Surveillance This week there were **3** lab-confirmed tests reported. Influenza A was most frequently

reported. In the current flu season, there have been **4675** lab-confirmed tests reported.



Influenza-Like Illness Surveillance The percent of patient visits to sentinel providers for an influenza-like illness (ILI) was 1.35%, which is below South Carolina's baseline (3.53%). The ILI activity level overall was minimal



Influenza-Associated Hospitalizations
This week 7 influenza-associated hospitalizations
were reported by 39 hospitals. The cumulative
hospitalization rate is 53.0 per 100,000. In the
current flu season, there have been 2661
influenza-associated hospitalizations.

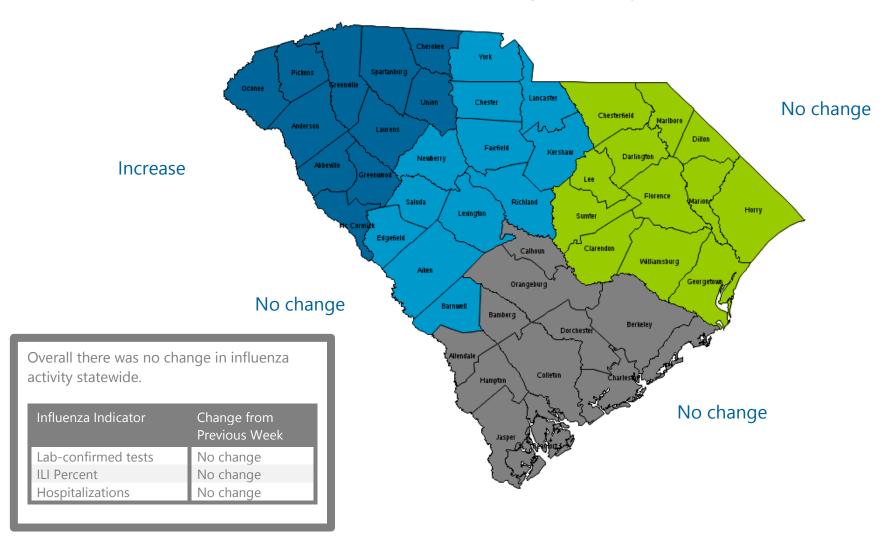
Influenza-Associated Deaths
This week 0 influenza-associated deaths were reported. The cumulative mortality rate is 1.9 per 100,000. In the current flu season, there have been 96 influenza-associated deaths.

For a description of South Carolina's influenza surveillance components and definitions go to: http://www.scdhec.gov/Health/DiseasesandConditions/Infectio

usDiseases/Flu/FluData/

Influenza Activity*

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



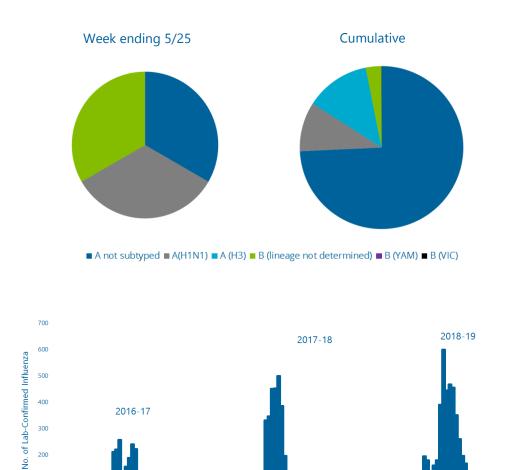
^{*}Indicators for assessing influenza activity include: lab-confirmed tests, ILI percent, and hospitalizations.

Virologic Surveillance

Influenza Type	Season Totals To Date							
No. (%)	This Week	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	5 season average			
Overall	3	4675	3579	2443	1775			
Influenza A	2(66.7)	4529(96.9)	2449(68.4)	1567(64.1)	1275(72.2)			
A(H3)		599(13.2)	533(21.8)	407(26.0)	274(21.4)			
A(H1N1)	1(33.3)	458(10.1)	212(8.7)	64(4.1)	298(23.3)			
A(NS)*	1(33.3)	3472(76.7)	1704(69.6)	1096(69.9)	709(55.3)			
Influenza B	1(33.3)	146(3.1)	1130(31.6)	876(35.9)	493.4(27.8)			
B (Victoria)		2(1.4)	2 (0.2)		0.4 (0.1)			
B (Yamagata)			55(4.9)		11 (2.2)			
B (LND)+	1(100)	144(98.6)	1073(95.0)	876(100)	482(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.



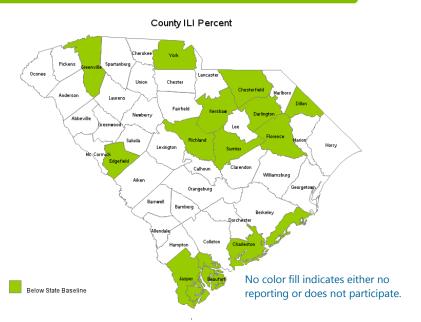
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Influenza-Like Illness Surveillance

This week, the ILI activity level was minimal and 1.35% 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 13 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 2018-19 Calendar

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OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP
40	44	48	1	5	9	14	18	22	27	31	
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		34	39
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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	7(0.1)			1(0.05)	3(0.3)	3(0.4)
2018-19	2661(53.0)	123(41.9)	125(15.4)	412(20.0)	661(66.2)	1363(157.6)
2017-18	4492(89.4)	159(54.1)	141(17.4)	584(28.4)	1052(105.4)	2556(295.6)
2016-17	2493(50.3)	114(39.1)	131(16.2)	336(16.5)	559(56.4)	1353(163.1)
5 season average	2714(55.2)	157(54.1)	119(14.9)	439(21.6)	637(64.9)	1360(167.8)

Deaths No. (Rate)	Overall	Ages 0-4	Ages 5-17	Ages 18-49	Ages 50-64	Ages 65+
This Week						
2018-19	96(1.9)	2(0.7)	1(0.1)	7(0.4)	25(2.3)	61(7.1)
2017-18	288(5.7)	3(1.0)		27(1.3)	51(5.1)	207(23.9)
2016-17	94(1.9)	1(0.3)	1(0.1)	9(0.4)	15(1.5)	68(8.2)
5 season average	127(2.6)	1 (0.3)	1 (0.1)	15(0.7)	23(2.4)	87(10.7)

