

Missouri Weekly Influenza Surveillance Report 2016-2017 Influenza Season¹

Week 18: April 30 – May 6, 2017

All data are preliminary and may change as more reports are received.

Summary:

- The estimated influenza activity in Missouri decreased to Sporadic².
- A season-to-date total of 71,293 laboratory-positive³ influenza cases (45,689 influenza A, 24,342 influenza B, and 1,262 untyped) have been reported in Missouri as of Week 18. The influenza type for reported cases season-to-date includes 64% influenza A, 34% influenza B, and 2% untyped. The highest season-to-date rates of reported laboratory-positive influenza cases are among children aged 0-4 years (2,781 cases per 100,000 population) and 5-14 years (2,514 cases per 100,000). One laboratory-confirmed case of influenza A (H3N2) was reported by the Missouri State Public Health Laboratory (MSPHL) during Week 18.
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has antigenically characterized 19 influenza isolates from Missouri, to date, this influenza season. Eleven viruses were antigenically similar to the A/Hong Kong/4801/2014-like (H3N2) virus, four viruses were antigenically similar to the B/Brisbane/60/2008-like virus, three viruses were antigenically similar to the B/Phuket/3073/2013-like virus, and one virus was antigenically similar to the A/California/07/2009-like (H1N1)pdm09 virus. An A/Hong Kong/4801/2014-like (H3N2) virus, a B/Brisbane/60/2008-like virus, and an A/California/07/2009-like (H1N1)pdm09 virus are included in the 2016-2017 Northern Hemisphere trivalent and quadrivalent vaccine formulations. A B/Phuket/3073/2013-like virus is included in the 2016-2017 Northern Hemisphere quadrivalent vaccine formulation.
- Influenza-like illness (ILI) activity is below baseline for both the Missouri Outpatient ILI Surveillance Network (ILINet) and the hospital emergency room visit chief complaint data reported through ESSENCE. The reported percentage of visits for ILI was 1.44% and 1.19% through ILINet and ESSENCE respectively. The percentage of respiratory specimens testing positive for influenza in clinical laboratories decreased during Week 18.
- Ninety-eight influenza-associated deaths have been reported in Missouri as of Week 18. During Week 17, 40 deaths involving Pneumonia and Influenza (P&I) were reported to the Bureau of Vital Records, resulting in a season-to-date total of 2.034 P&I associated deaths in Missouri.⁵
- Forty-six influenza or ILI-associated outbreaks have been reported in Missouri as of Week 18. Eleven influenza or ILI-associated school closures have been reported in Missouri as of Week 18.
- Influenza activity decreased in the U.S. during Week 17. National influenza surveillance information is prepared by CDC and is included in the weekly FluView report, which is available online at http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivitysurv.htm.

¹The 2016-2017 influenza season begins CDC Week 40 (week ending October 8, 2016) and ends CDC Week 39 (week ending September 30, 2017).

²Sporadic is defined as: 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 ILL.

³Laboratory-positive influenza includes the following test methods: rapid influenza diagnostic tests (antigen), reverse transcriptase polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) and other molecular assays, immunofluorescence antibody staining (Direct (DFA) or Indirect (IFA)), or viral culture.

⁴Influenza-like illness (ILI) is defined by ILINet as fever (temperature of 100°F [37.8°C] or greater) and a cough and/or a sore throat without a known cause other than influenza. Influenza-like illness (ILI) is defined by ESSENCE as Emergency Department chief complaints that contain keywords such as "flu", "flulike", "influenza" or "fever" plus "cough" or "fever" plus "sore throat".

⁵The P&I data are available one week later. The P&I data for the CDC Week provided is the most current data available.

Surveillance Data:

Interactive Maps

The county specific influenza data are provided though interactive maps available at http://arcg.is/2q6zBn2. Click on the county to view the influenza data specific to that county.

- Reported Laboratory-positive Influenza Cases by Influenza Type by County, CDC Week 18
- Reported Laboratory-positive Influenza Cases by Influenza Type by County, Season-to-Date
- Reported Rate per 100,000 Population, CDC Week 18

Data Figures

Figure 1. Number of Laboratory-positive[†] Influenza Cases by Influenza Type, Missouri, CDC Week 18 (April 30 – May 6, 2017)^{*}

Influenza Type	Week 16	Week 17	Week 18	2016-2017* Season-to-Date
Influenza A	99	39	17	45,689
Influenza B	349	123	54	24,342
Influenza Unknown Or Untyped	4	1	0	1,262
Total	452	163	71	71,293

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Figure 2. Number of Laboratory-positive[†] Influenza Cases and Case Rates by Age Group, Missouri, CDC Week 18 (April 30 – May 6, 2017)^{*‡}

Age Group	Week 18 Cases	Week 18 Rate [‡]	2016-2017* Season-to-Date	2016-2017* Season-to-Date Rate [‡]
00-04	7	2	10,409	2,781
05-14	8	1	19,647	2,514
15-64	40	1	31,860	801
65+	16	2	9,375	1,006
Total	71	1	71,293	1,176

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Incidence Rate per 100,000 population

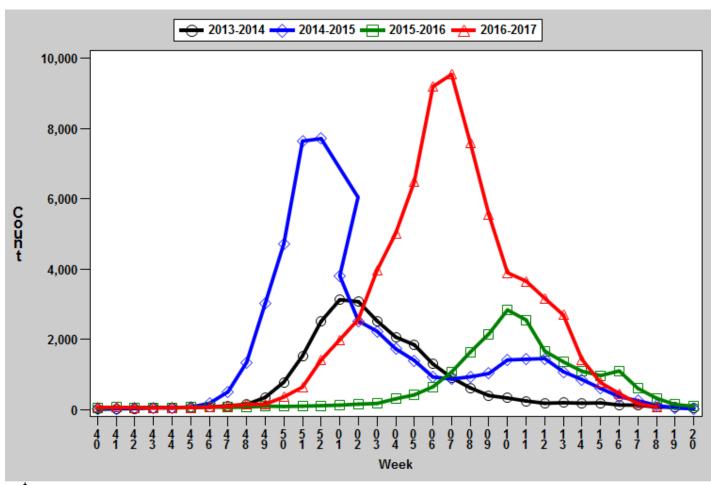
Figure 3. Number of Laboratory-positive[†] Influenza Cases and Case Rates by Region, Missouri, CDC Week 18 (April 30 – May 6, 2017)*[‡]

District	Week 18 Cases	Week 18 Rate [‡]	2016-2017* Season-to-Date	2016-2017* Season-to-Date Rate [‡]
CE	13	2	6,595	996
EA	38	2	22,315	988
NW	11	1	22,452	1,411
SE	3	1	9,921	2,084
SW	6	1	10,010	930
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Figure 4. Number of Laboratory-positive[†] Influenza Cases by CDC Week, Missouri, 2013-2017^{*}

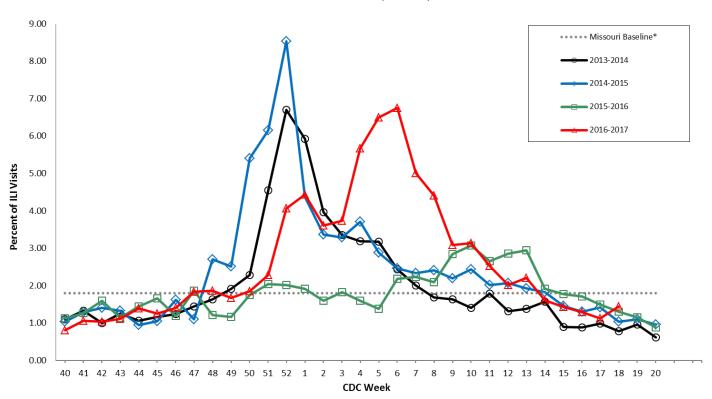


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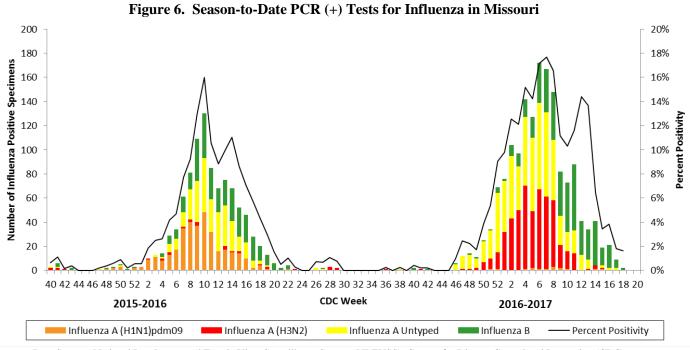
^{*2016-2017} season-to-date through the week ending May 20, 2017 (Week 20). The 2014-2015 season had 53 weeks rather than the usual 52. Week 53, 2014-2015 flu season has 3,082 reported confirmed cases. Data Source: Missouri Health Information Surveillance System (WebSurv).

Figure 5. Percentage of Outpatient Visits for Influenza-like Illness (ILI), Missouri Outpatient ILI Surveillance Network (ILINet) 2013-2017*†



^{*}The ILINet Region 7 (MO, IA, KS, NE) baseline is the mean percentage of patient visits for ILI during non-influenza weeks for the previous three seasons, plus two standard deviations. A non-influenza week is defined as periods of two or more consecutive weeks in which each week accounted for less than 2% of the season's total number of specimens that tested positive for influenza.

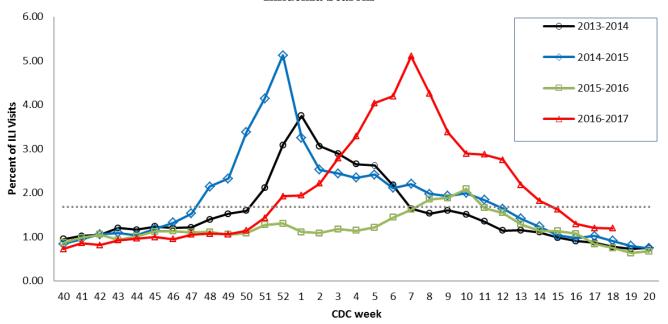
Data Source: U.S. Outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).



Data Source: National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System (NREVSS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). 2016-2017 season-to-date through the week ending May 20, 2017 (Week 20).

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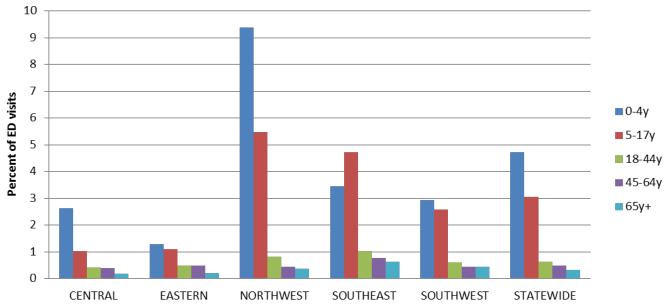
Figure 7. Weekly Percentage of Influenza-like Illness (ILI) in ESSENCE Participating Hospitals, for 2013-2017 Influenza Seasons*†



^{*}The ESSENCE ILI Baseline is the mean percent of ILI visits for each week during the previous three years (2013-15) when percentage of ILI visits were less than 2% of total visits, plus two standard deviations.

Data Source: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS), Bureau of Reportable Disease Informatics, ESSENCE.

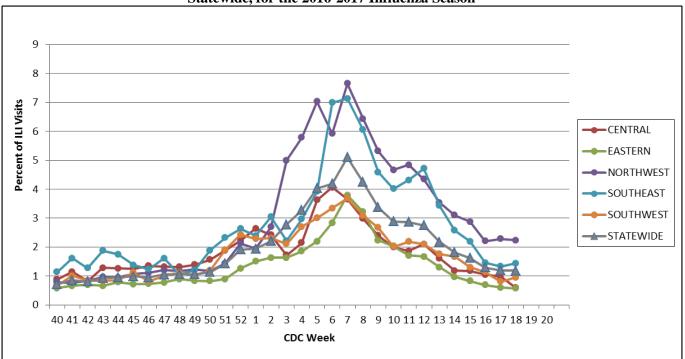
Figure 8. Percentage of Visits for Influenza-like Illness (ILI) in ESSENCE Participating Hospitals, by Age-group, District and Statewide, CDC Week 18, 2017



Data Source: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS), Bureau of Reportable Disease Informatics, ESSENCE.

[†]The 2014-2015 season had 53 weeks rather than the usual 52. The percentage of visits for ILI in ESSENCE participating hospitals during Week 53 was 4.3.

Figure 9. Percentage of Visits for Influenza-like Illness (ILI) in ESSENCE Participating Hospitals, by District and Statewide, for the 2016-2017 Influenza Season*†

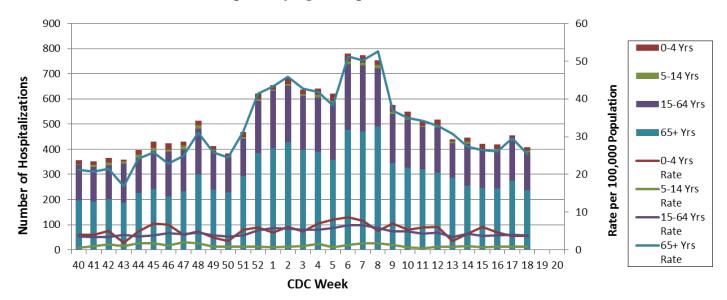


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^{*}Changes in ILI surveillance for the Northwest District were implemented on January 16, 2017.

[†]Not all data was available for the Northwest District during Week 6.

Figure 10. Patients Hospitalized with Influenza and/or Pneumonia Syndromes from Participating Missouri Hospitals, by Age Group, CDC Week 18, 2017



Data Source: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS), Bureau of Reportable Disease Informatics, ESSENCE. Population data from DHSS Population MICA 2014 (http://health.mo.gov/data/mica/population.php).

Additional Influenza Data Sources:

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: National Influenza Surveillance (FluView): http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivitysurv.htm

The National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System (NREVSS): https://www.cdc.gov/surveillance/nrevss/

World Health Organization: International Influenza Surveillance: http://www.who.int/influenza/surveillance_monitoring/en/