

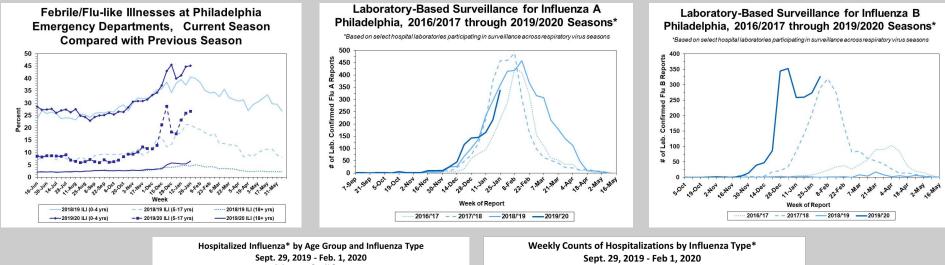
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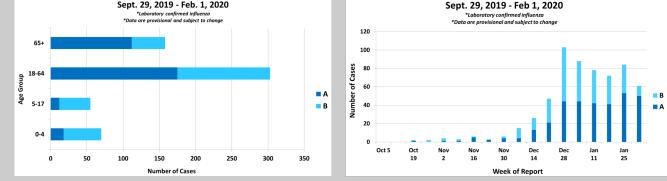
Philadelphia Department of Public Health Seasonal Influenza Surveillance Report MMWR Week 5: Jan 26 2020 — Feb 1, 2020

Philadelphia Influenza Activity

Please note these data are provisional and subject to change.

Febrile/flu-like illnesses increased among all age groups during week 5. 664 specimens were reported from our sentinel hospital laboratory surveillance for influenza A and B during the same time period among the 6 participating laboratories, a majority of which (338) was influenza A. 61 reports of severe influenza (Philadelphia resident, positive by rapid test, PCR or culture, and hospitalized for \geq 24 hrs) have been reported this week (season-to-date = 605), with 50 (82%) positive for influenza A. 1 influenza outbreaks (\geq 1 case of laboratory confirmed influenza reported in a long term care facility) was reported during Week 5. 9 influenza-associated deaths have been reported season-to-date.





Pennsylvania

The Pennsylvania Department of Health reports widespread activity, with a slight increase in outpatient ILI visits. Of the 59,926 season-to-date, lab-confirmed cases of influenza (positive by rapid test, PCR, or culture), 38,941 have been identified as influenza B. 1,311 flu-associated hospitalizations and 40 flu-associated deaths have been reported. For more information, please visit: https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/ disease/Flu/Pages/2019-20-Flu.aspx

United States

Flu activity has increased over the past three weeks. Percentage of positive specimen tested at clinical laboratories and the number of jurisdictions experiencing high ILI activity have increased. Hospitalization rates among children and young adults are higher at this time than in recent seasons. This week, from 1,365 positive specimens tested at public health laboratories, 898 (65.8%) were positive for influenza A, with 95.7% A(H1N1)pdm09 viruses. For more information, please visit: https://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/index.htm

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