

# Missouri Weekly Influenza Surveillance Report 2019-2020 Influenza Season<sup>1</sup>

Week 2: January 5, 2020 – January 11, 2020

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

## **Summary:**

- The estimated influenza activity in Missouri is Widespread<sup>2</sup>.
- A total of 2,079 laboratory-positive<sup>3</sup> influenza cases (845 influenza A, 1,206 influenza B, and 28 untyped) were reported during Week 2. The season-to-date total of laboratory-positive influenza cases is 14,345 (35.9% influenza A, 63.0% influenza B, and 1.1% untyped). No laboratory-positive cases of influenza were reported by the Missouri State Public Health Laboratory (MSPHL) during Week 2. The percentage of respiratory specimens testing positive for influenza in Missouri laboratories reporting to the National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System (NREVSS) decreased during Week 2 (Figure 6).
- Influenza-like illness (ILI) activity was at baseline for the Missouri Outpatient ILI Surveillance Network (ILINet) and above baseline for the hospital emergency room visit chief complaint data reported through ESSENCE. The reported percentage of visits for ILI was 1.74% (Figure 5) and 3.63% (Figure 7) through ILINet and ESSENCE respectively. The ILI data from a small number of sites located in the Northwest Region of the state is currently unavailable in ESSENCE. Therefore, the ILI data for the Northwest Region should be interpreted with caution.
- A season-to-date total of 16 influenza-associated deaths have been reported in Missouri as of Week 2.5 During Week 1, 37 deaths involving Pneumonia and Influenza (P&I) were reported to the Bureau of Vital Records, resulting in a season-to-date total of 511 P&I associated deaths in Missouri.6
- No influenza or ILI-associated outbreaks or school closures have been reported in Missouri as of Week 2.
- Seasonal influenza activity in the United States remains high during Week 1. National influenza surveillance information is prepared by CDC and is included in the weekly FluView report, which is available online at <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivitysurv.htm">http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivitysurv.htm</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The 2019-2020 influenza season begins CDC Week 40 (week ending October 5, 2019) and ends CDC Week 39 (week ending September 26, 2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Widespread is defined as: Outbreaks of influenza or increases in ILI cases and recent laboratory-confirmed influenza in at least half the regions of the state with recent laboratory evidence of influenza in the state.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Laboratory-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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Influenza-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. ILI is defined by ESSENCE as Emergency Department chief complaints for Influenza or (FeverPlus and (Cough or SoreThroat) and not NonILIFevers).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>All influenza-associated deaths became reportable in Missouri in 2016. These reports are verified by local public health agencies and DHSS.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>The P&I data are obtained from vital statistics data using ICD-10 codes, which 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 jurisdiction-specific influenza data are provided though interactive maps available at <a href="http://bit.ly/moflu19">http://bit.ly/moflu19</a>. Click on the jurisdiction to view the influenza data specific to that jurisdiction.

- Reported Laboratory-positive Influenza Cases by Influenza Type by Jurisdiction, CDC Week 2
- Reported Week-specific Rate per 100,000 Population, CDC Week 2
- Reported Laboratory-positive Influenza Cases by Influenza Type by Jurisdiction, Season-to-Date
- Reported Rate per 100,000 Population, Season-to-Date

### **Data Figures**

Figure 1. Number of Laboratory-positive<sup>†</sup> Influenza Cases by Influenza Type, Missouri, CDC Week 2 (January 5, 2020 – January 11, 2020)\*

Influenza Type	Week 52	Week 1	Week 2	2019-2020* Season-to-Date
Influenza A	1,015	1,172	845	5,150
Influenza B	1,977	1,879	1,206	9,041
Influenza Unknown Or Untyped	33	29	28	154
Total	3,025	3,080	2,079	14,345

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Figure 2. Number of Laboratory-positive<sup>†</sup> Influenza Cases and Case Rates by Age Group, Missouri, CDC Week 2 (January 5, 2020 – January 11, 2020)\*<sup>‡</sup>

Age Group	Week 2 Cases	Week 2 Rate <sup>‡</sup>	2019-2020* Season-to-Date	2019-2020* Season-to-Date Rate <sup>‡</sup>
00-04	433	115.66	2,652	708.41
05-24	671	41.82	5,791	360.92
25-49	609	31.83	3,679	192.27
50-64	209	16.90	1,363	110.24
65+	157	16.44	860	90.06
Total	2,079	34.17	14,345	235.80

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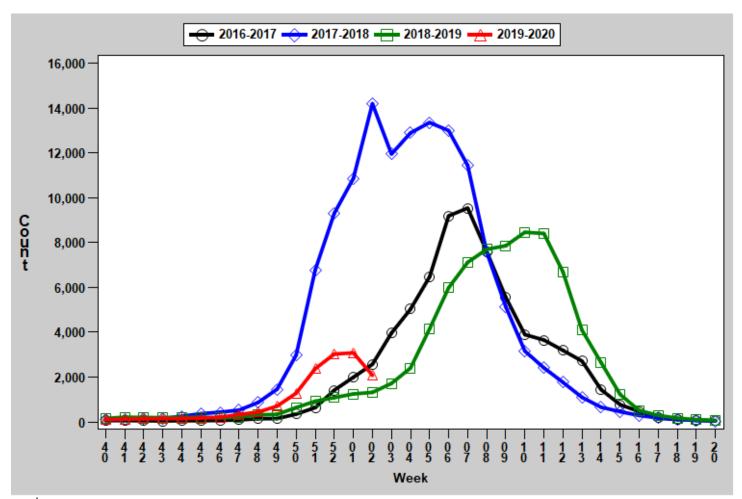
<sup>\*</sup>Incidence Rate per 100,000 population

Figure 3. Number of Laboratory-positive<sup>†</sup> Influenza Cases and Case Rates by Region, Missouri, CDC Week 2 (January 5, 2020 – January 11, 2020)\*<sup>‡</sup>

Region	Week 2 Cases	Week 2 Rate <sup>‡</sup>	2019-2020* Season-to-Date	2019-2020* Season-to-Date Rate <sup>‡</sup>
Central	198	29.25	1,926	284.49
Eastern	419	18.49	2,389	105.42
Northwest	1,012	63.35	7,009	438.74
Southeast	148	31.38	1,217	258.00
Southwest	302	28.19	1,804	168.39
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Figure 4. Number of Laboratory-positive<sup>†</sup> Influenza Cases by CDC Week, Missouri, 2016-2020\*

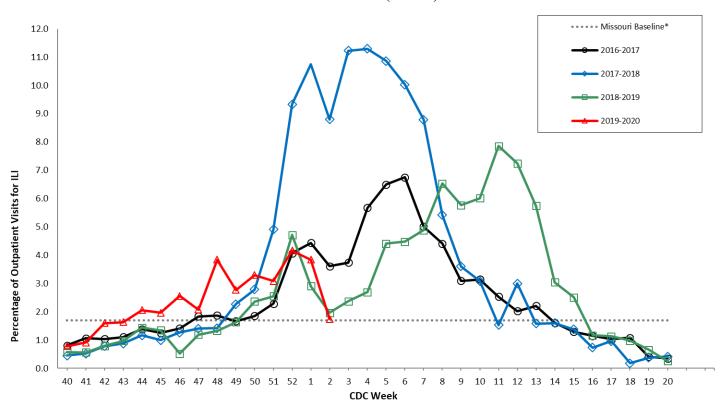


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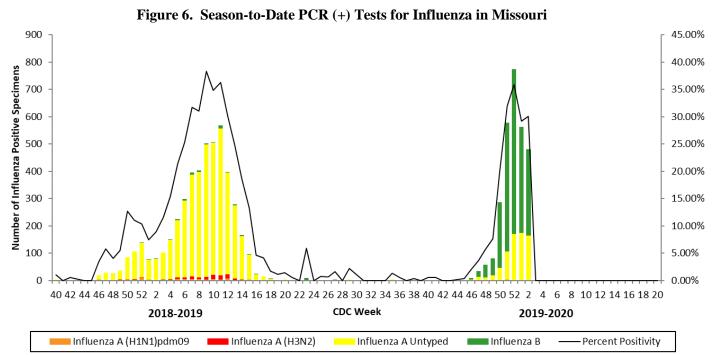
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Figure 5. Percentage of Outpatient Visits for Influenza-like Illness (ILI), Missouri Outpatient ILI Surveillance Network (ILINet) 2016-2020\*†



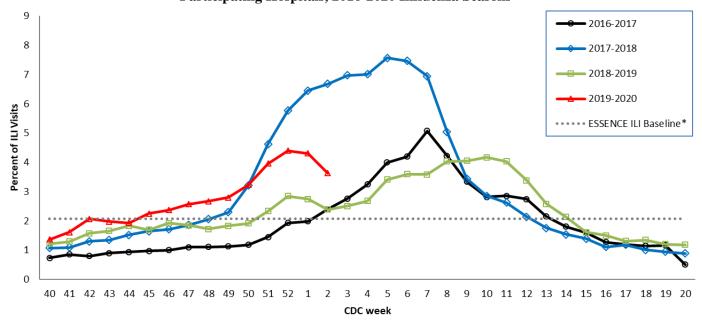
\*The ILINet Region 7 (MO, IA, KS, NE) baseline is the mean percentage of patient visits for ILI during non-influenza weeks for the previous three seasons, plus two standard deviations. A non-influenza week is defined as periods of two or more consecutive weeks in which each week accounted for less than 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).

<sup>†</sup>2019-2020 season-to-date through the week ending May 16, 2020 (Week 20).



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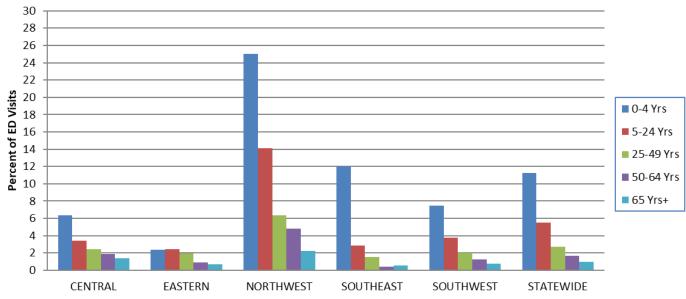
Figure 7. Percentage of Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Influenza-like Illness (ILI) in ESSENCE Participating Hospitals, 2016-2020 Influenza Seasons\*<sup>‡</sup>



\*The ESSENCE ILI Baseline is the mean percent of ILI visits for each week during the previous three years (2016-18) 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 version 1.20.

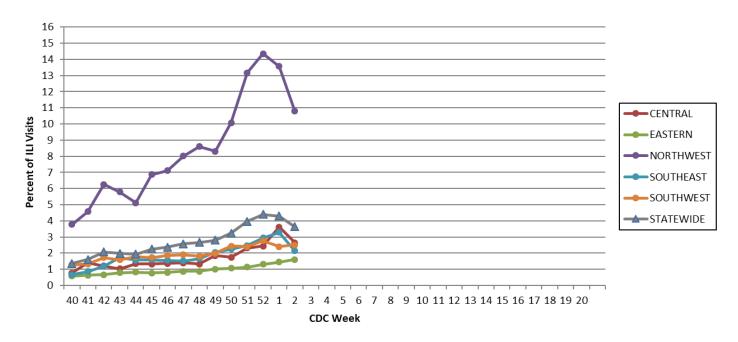
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Figure 8. Percentage of Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Influenza-like Illness (ILI) in ESSENCE Participating Hospitals, by Age Group, Region and Statewide, Week 2, 2020\*



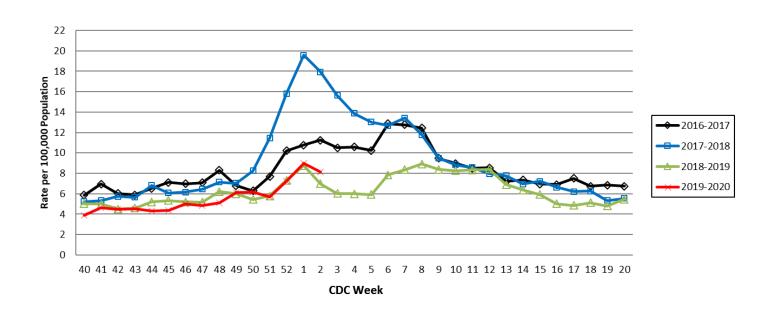
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Figure 9. Percentage of Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Influenza-like Illness (ILI) in ESSENCE Participating Hospitals, by Region and Statewide, 2019-2020 Influenza Season\*



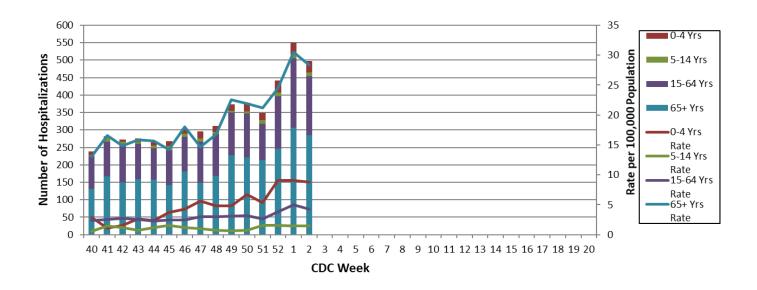
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Figure 10. Weekly Rate of Patients Hospitalized with Influenza and/or Pneumonia Syndromes in Missouri Hospitals, 2016-2020 Influenza Seasons



Data Source: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS), Bureau of Reportable Disease Informatics, HL7 Messaging Portal. Population data from Missouri Census Data Center 2017 (https://census.missouri.edu).

Figure 11. Number of Patients Hospitalized with Influenza and/or Pneumonia Syndromes in Participating Missouri Hospitals, by Age Group, Week 2, 2019-2020 Influenza Season



Data Source: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS), Bureau of Reportable Disease Informatics, HL7 Messaging Portal.

#### **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): <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/surveillance/nrevss/">https://www.cdc.gov/surveillance/nrevss/</a>

World Health Organization: International Influenza Surveillance: http://www.who.int/influenza/surveillance\_monitoring/en/