

# Denton County Public Health

## 2021 – 2022 Influenza Surveillance Program

### CDC Week 9, Week Ending March 05, 2022



## Epidemiologic Overview

### Denton County

- Moderate influenza activity was reported in Denton County for week 9.
- 42 positive influenza tests (41 Flu A and 1 Flu B) and 5 hospitalizations were reported by Denton County sentinel providers for week 9.
- Syndromic surveillance for influenza-like illness (ILI) in Denton County increased for week 9 when compared to the previous week.
- 0 influenza-associated deaths have been reported in Denton County for the 2021-2022 season.

### Texas

- Intensity of influenza-like illness in the state of Texas was low for week 9.
- The percentage of visits for ILI as reported by ILINet providers increased to 3.02% in week 9 compared to the previous week.
- The percentage of specimens testing positive for influenza by hospital laboratories in Texas increased to 16.27% in week 9 compared to the previous week.

### US

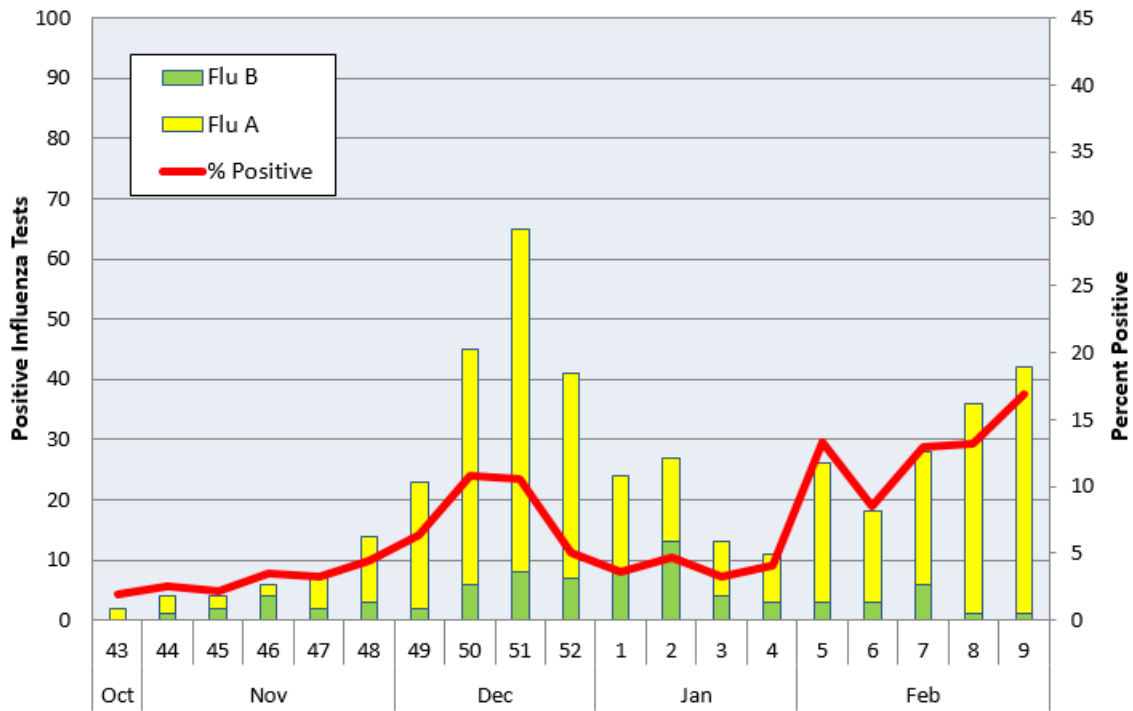
- Influenza activity is increasing in most of the country. The highest influenza percent positivity levels were seen in states in the central and south-central regions of the country.
- The majority of influenza viruses detected are A(H3N2).
- The proportion of outpatient visits for influenza-like illness (ILI) was 1.6%, which is below the national baseline of 2.5%.
- The percentage of specimens testing positive in clinical labs for influenza in the US was 5.8% for Week 9.
- The proportion of deaths attributed to pneumonia, influenza, or COVID-19 (PIC) from the National Center for Health Statistics Mortality Surveillance System for week 9 was 13.1%. This percentage is **above** the epidemic threshold of 7.2% for week 9.

**Figure 1. Influenza Surveillance Summary: Denton County Hospitals and Providers**

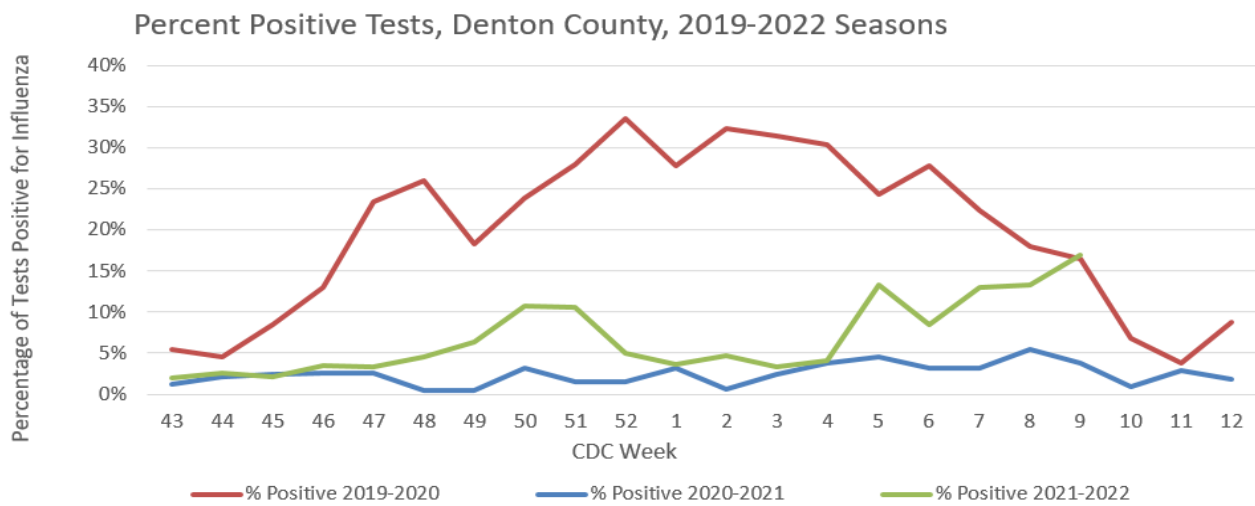
Week Ending	01/29/22	02/05/22	02/12/22	02/19/22	02/26/22	03/05/22	10/24/21 - 03/05/22
<b>CDC Week</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	
<b>Influenza Tests Performed Weekly</b>	269	195	212	216	272	249	6399
<b>Total Positive Influenza Tests</b>	11	26	18	28	36	42	436
<b>Percent Positive Influenza Tests*</b>	4.1%	13.3%	8.5%	13.0%	13.2%	16.9%	
<b>Positive A Influenza</b>	8	23	15	22	35	41	359
<b>Positive B Influenza</b>	3	3	3	6	1	1	77
<b>Non-differentiated Influenza</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Influenza Hospitalizations</b>	1	8	4	1	3	5	48
<b>Influenza-associated Pediatric Deaths</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Influenza-associated Adult Deaths</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

\* Percent positive tests only includes positive tests from providers reporting number of tests performed weekly

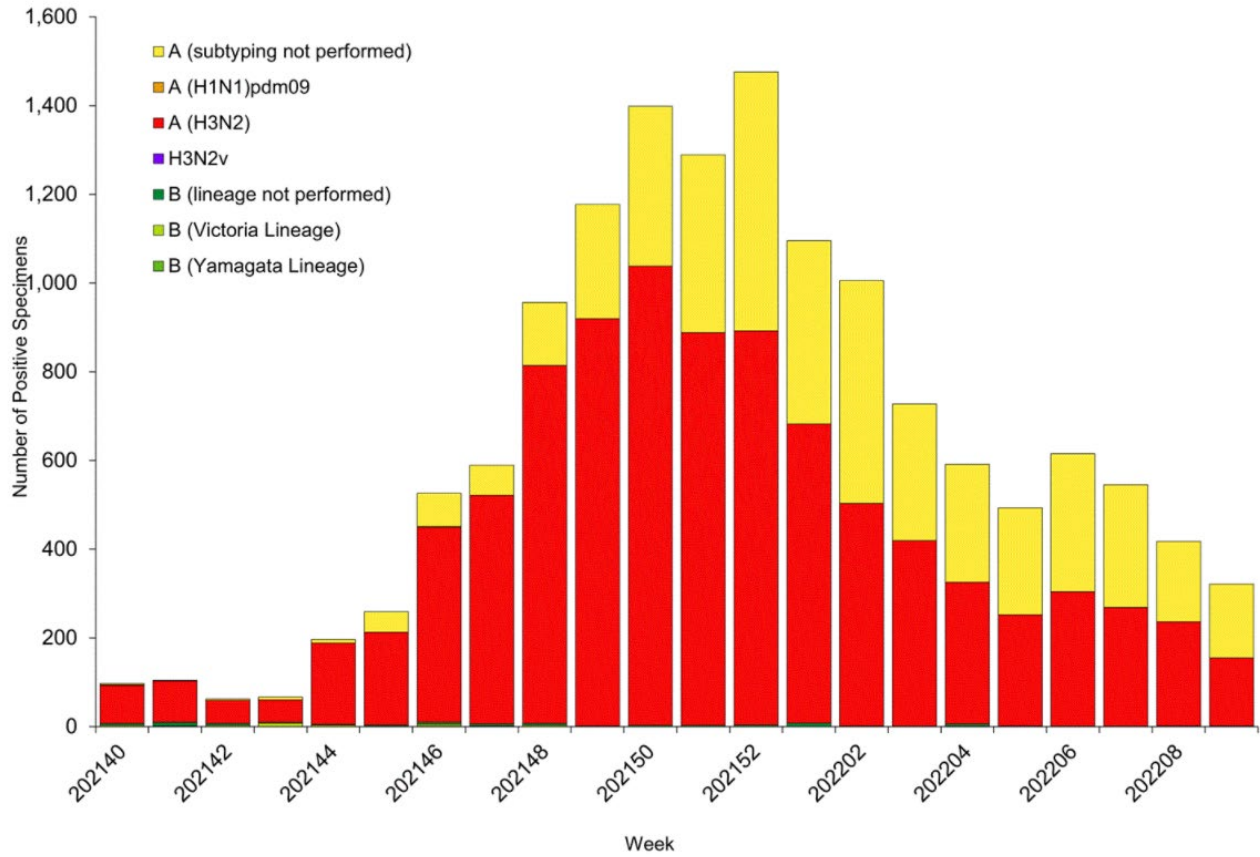
**Figure 2. Influenza Positive Tests and Percent Positive, Denton County Hospitals and Providers, 2021-2022 Season**



**Figure 3. Seasonal Comparison of Influenza Percent Positive, Denton County, 2019 – 2022**

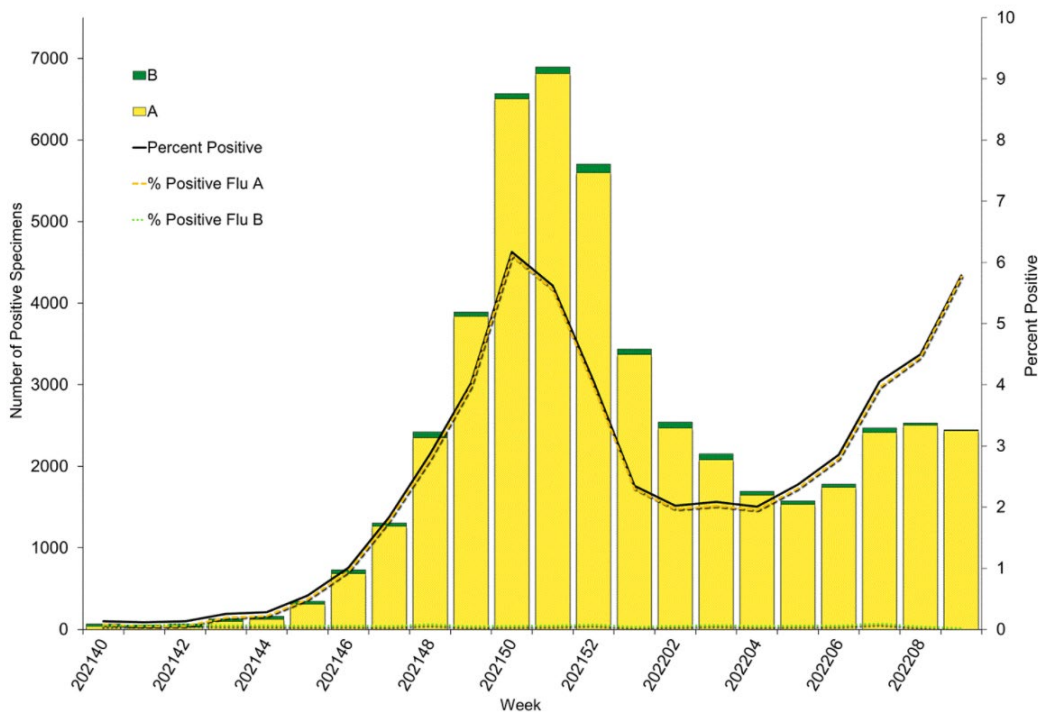


**Figure 4. Influenza Positive Tests Reported to CDC by U.S. Public Health Laboratories, National Summary, October 3, 2021- March 5, 2022**



Source: <https://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/index.htm>

**Figure 5. Influenza Positive Tests Reported to CDC by U.S. Clinical Laboratories, National Summary, October 3, 2021- March 5, 2022**



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**Figure 6. 2021-2022 Influenza Vaccine Composition, Northern Hemisphere:**

Egg-based vaccine composition recommendations:

- an A/Victoria/2570/2019 (H1N1) pdm09-like virus;
- an A/Cambodia/e0826360/2020 (H3N2)-like virus;
- a B/Washington/02/2019- like virus (B/Victoria lineage);
- a B/Phuket/3073/2013-like virus (B/Yamagata lineage).

Cell- or recombinant-based vaccine composition recommendations:

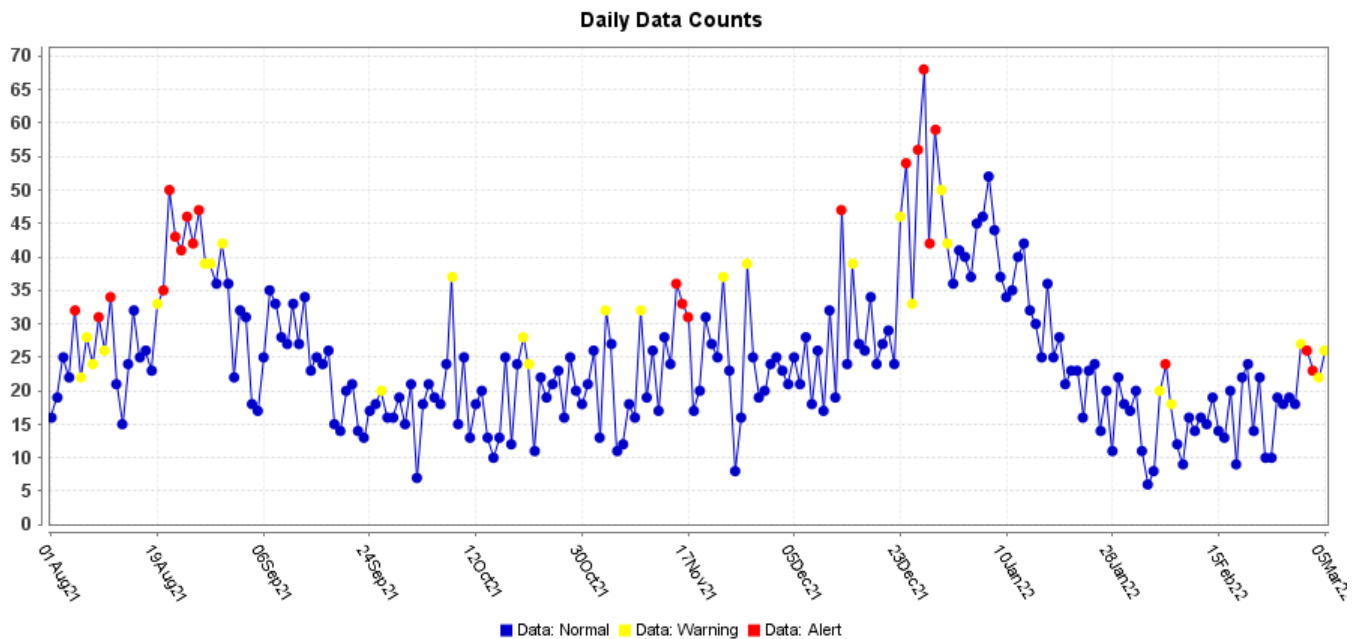
- an A/Wisconsin/588/2019 (H1N1) pdm09-like virus;
- an A/Cambodia/e0826360/2020 (H3N2)-like virus;
- a B/Washington/02/2019- like virus (B/Victoria lineage);
- a B/Phuket/3073/2013-like virus (B/Yamagata lineage).

**Figure 7. U.S. Virologic Surveillance, Week 9**

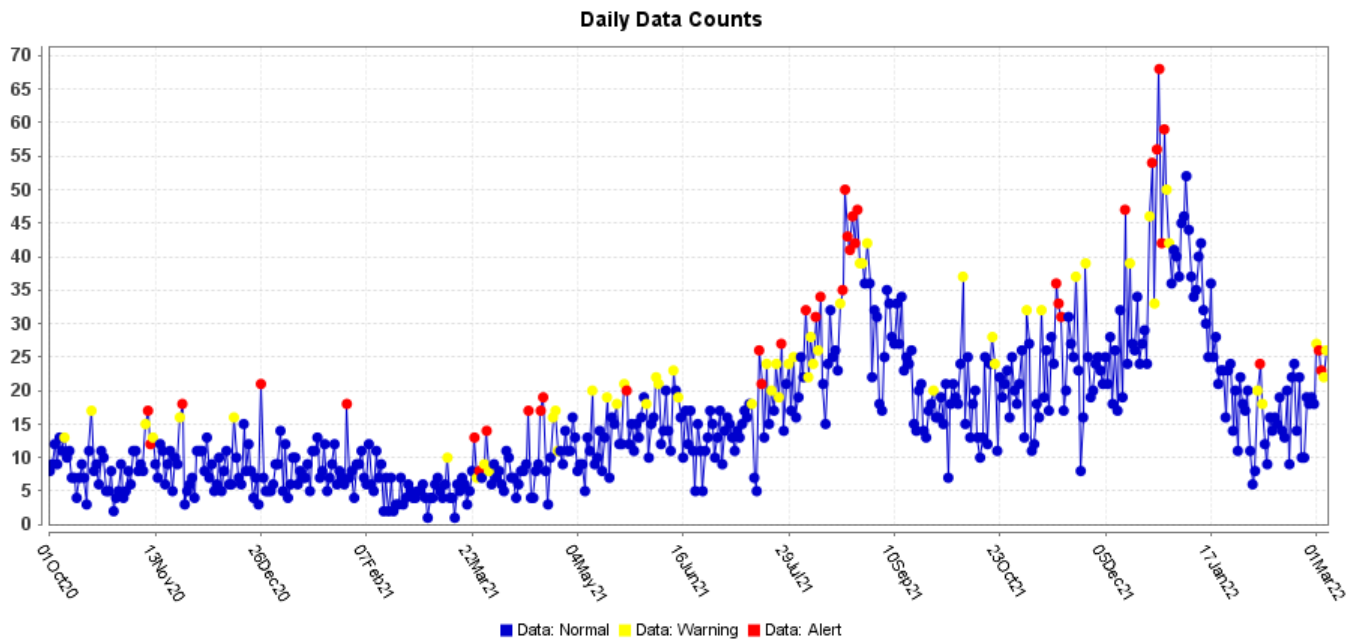
	Week 9	Data Cumulative since October 3, 2021 (Week 40)
No. of specimens tested	420,274	1,755,040
No. of positive specimens (%)	2,446 (5.8%)	48,942 (2.8%)
<i>Positive specimens by type</i>		
Influenza A	2,438 (99.7%)	47,875 (97.8%)
Influenza B	8 (0.3%)	1,067 (2.2%)

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**Figure 8. ESSENCE Syndromic Surveillance for Influenza-like Illness: Denton County, August 01, 2021- March 5, 2022**

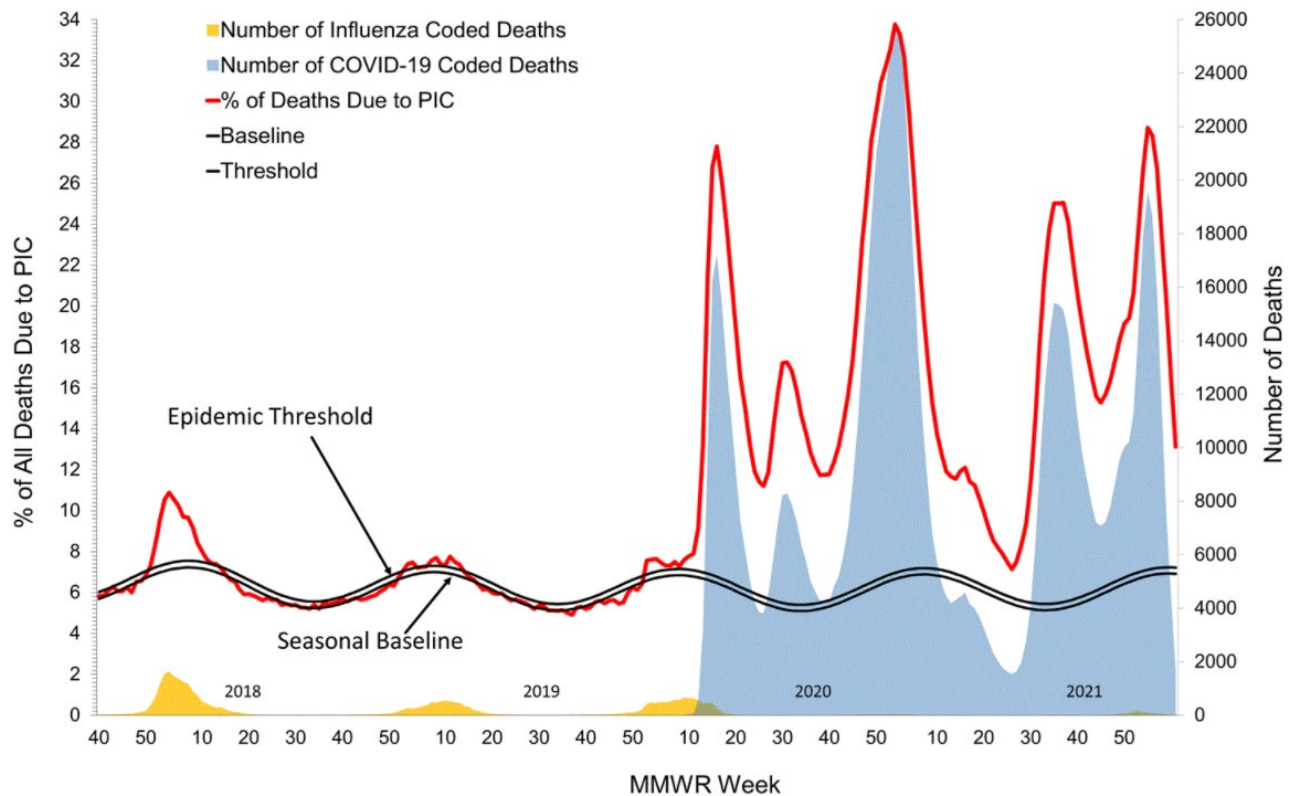


**Figure 9. ESSENCE Syndromic Surveillance for Influenza-like Illness: Denton County, October 01, 2020 – March 5, 2022**



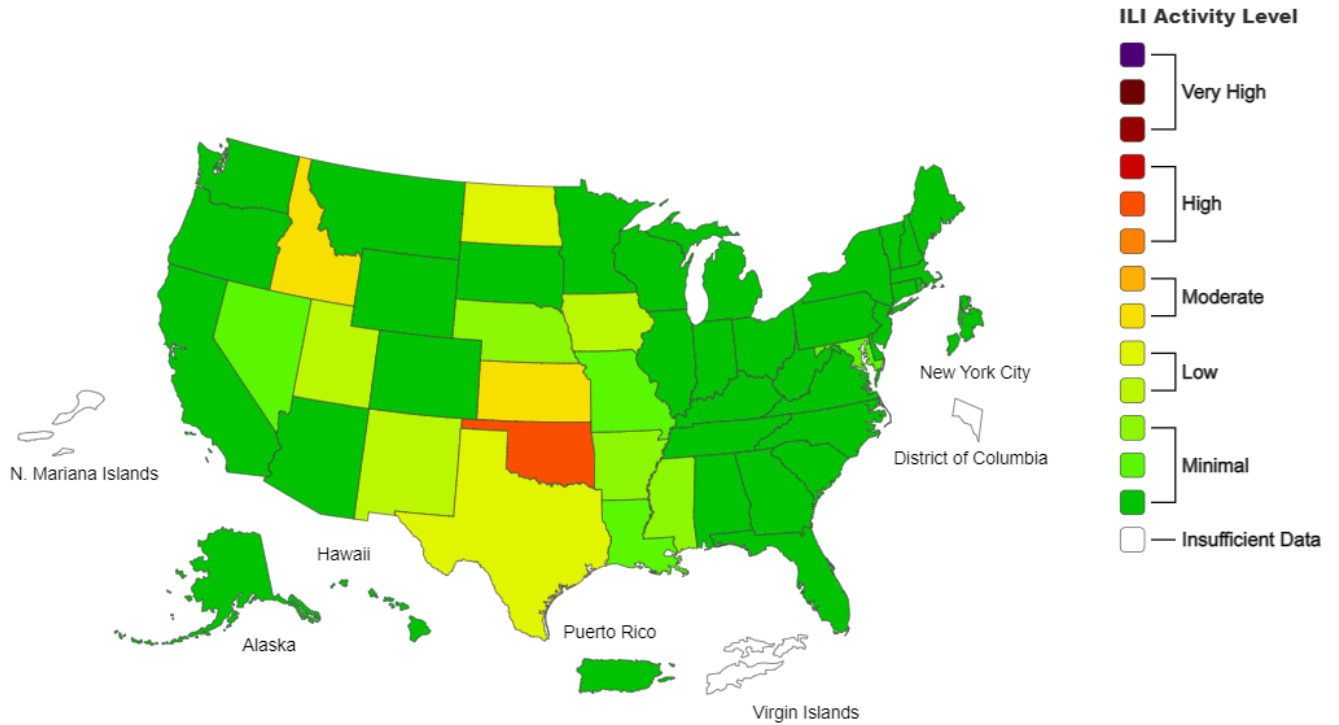
Data obtained from hospitals participating in the Electronic Surveillance System for the Early Notification of Community-based Epidemics (ESSENCE) from October 2020 through the present. Depicted are the numbers of persons presenting to Emergency Departments according to patient location (Denton region) with self-reported chief complaints of influenza-like illness.

**Figure 10. Pneumonia and Influenza Mortality from the National Center for Health Statistics Mortality Surveillance System: Data as of March 10, 2022**

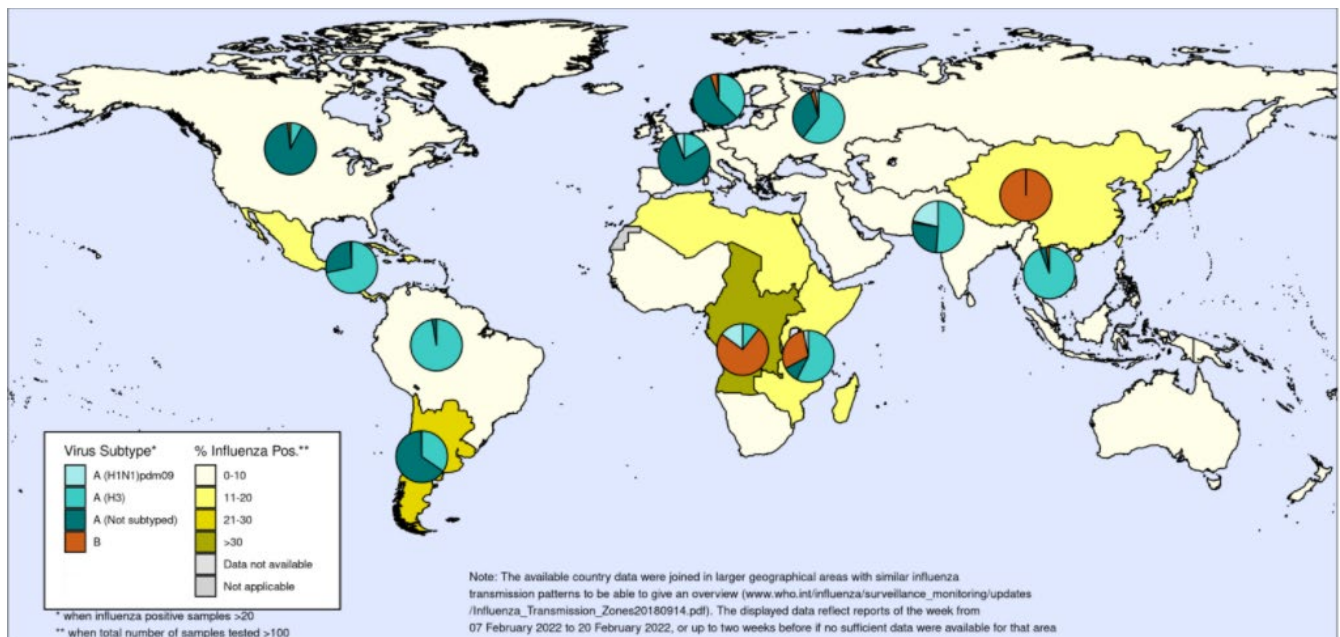




**Figure 11. 2021-22 Influenza Season Week 9 ending March 5, 2022**



**Figure 12. Percentage of Respiratory Specimens that tested Positive for Influenza: WHO, Status as of March 4, 2022**



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Data source: Global Influenza Surveillance and Response System (GISRS), FluNet (www.who.int/fluinet)  
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