Denton County Public Health 2019 - 2020 Influenza Surveillance Program CDC Week 39, Week Ending September 28, 2019



Epidemiologic Overview

Denton County

- Minimal influenza activity was reported in Denton County for week 39.
- 10 positive influenza tests (2 Flu A and 8 Flu B) and 1 hospitalization was reported by Denton County sentinel providers for week 39.
- Syndromic surveillance for influenza-like illness (ILI) in Denton County decreased for week 39 when compared to the previous week.

Texas

- Influenza activity in the state of Texas remains low for week 39.
- The percentage of visits for ILI as reported by ILINet providers increased to 2.07% in week 39 compared to the previous week.
- The percentage of specimens testing positive for influenza in Texas increased to 1.67% in week 39 compared to the previous week.

US

- The proportion of outpatient visits for influenza-like illness (ILI) was 1.3%, which is below the national baseline of 2.2%.
- The proportion of deaths attributed to pneumonia and influenza (P&I) from the National Center for Health Statistics Mortality Surveillance System for week 38 was 5.0%. This percentage is below the epidemic threshold of 5.7% for week 38.

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

Week Ending	9/28/19	9/28/19 - Present
CDC Week	39	
Influenza Tests Performed Weekly	238	238
Total Positive Influenza Tests	10	10
Percent Positive Influenza Tests*	4.2%	
Positive A Influenza	2	2
Positive B Influenza	8	8
Non-differentiated Influenza	0	0
Influenza Hospitalizations	1	1
Influenza-associated Pediatric Deaths	0	0
Influenza-associated Adult Deaths	0	0

^{*} Percent positive tests only includes positive tests from providers reporting number of tests performed weekly

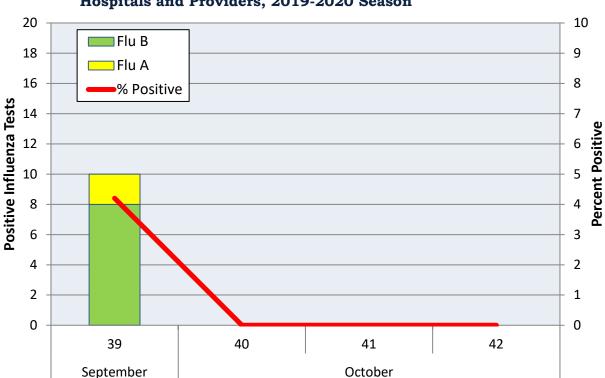


Figure 2. Influenza Positive Tests and Percent Positive, Denton County Hospitals and Providers, 2019-2020 Season

Figure 3. Influenza Positive Tests Reported to CDC by U.S. Public Health Laboratories, National Summary, 2018-2019 Season

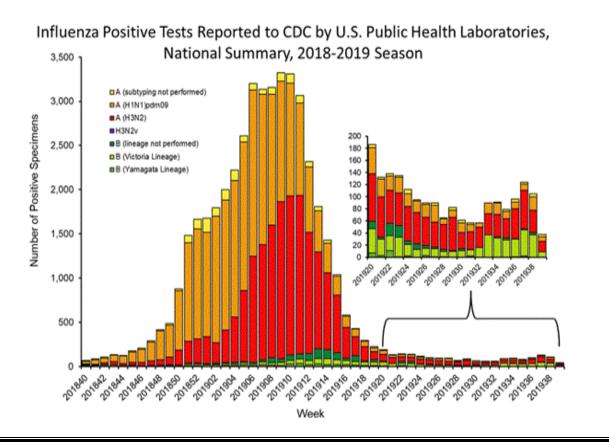


Figure 4. Influenza Positive Tests Reported to CDC by U.S. Clinical Laboratories, National Summary, 2018-2019 Season

Influenza Positive Tests Reported to CDC by U.S. Clinical Laboratories, National Summary, 2018-2019 Season % Positive Flu A · · · · % Positive Flu B Number of Positive Specimens -20180E 20,308

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Figure 5. U.S. Virologic Surveillance, Week 39

	Week 39	Data Cumulative since May 19, 2018 (week 29)
No. of specimens tested	11,855	200,654
No. of positive specimens (%)	399 (3.4%)	5,320 (2.7%)
Positive specimens by type		
Influenza A	110 (27.6%)	2,443 (45.9%)
Influenza B	289 (72.4%)	2,877 (54.1%)

Figure 6. ESSENCE Syndromic Surveillance for Influenza-like Illness: Denton County, August 1, 2019- September 28, 2019

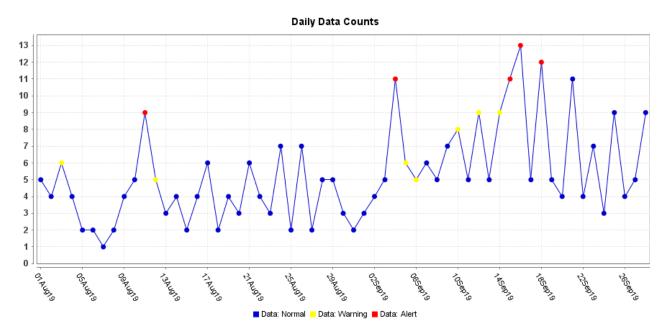
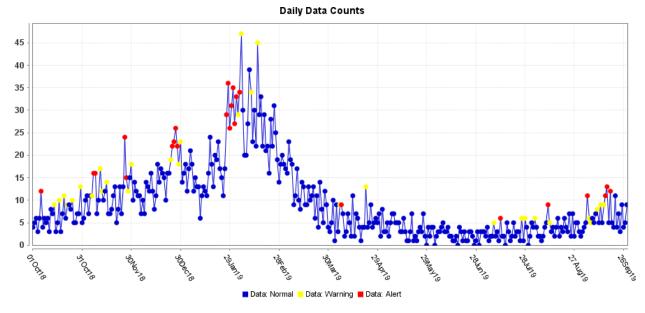


Figure 7. ESSENCE Syndromic Surveillance for Influenza-like Illness: Denton County, October 1, 2018 – September 28, 2019



Data obtained from hospitals participating in the Electronic Surveillance System for the Early Notification of Community-based Epidemics (ESSENCE) from October 2017 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 8. Pneumonia and Influenza Mortality from the National Center for Health Statistics Mortality Surveillance System:
Week ending September 21, 2019

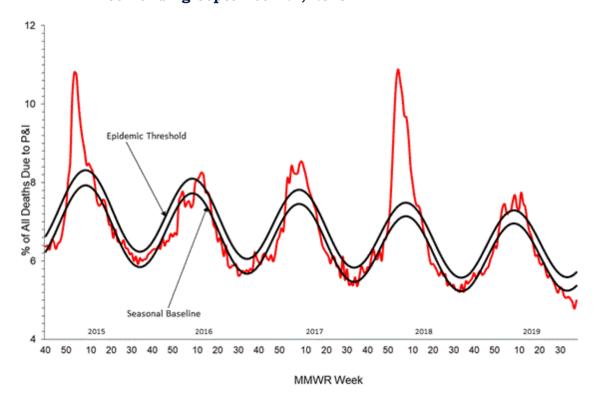


Figure 9. Percentage of Respiratory Specimens that tested Positive for Influenza: WHO, based on data up to September 27, 2019

