2013-14 North Dakota Weekly Influenza Update

NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT of HEALTH

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Week: 201418

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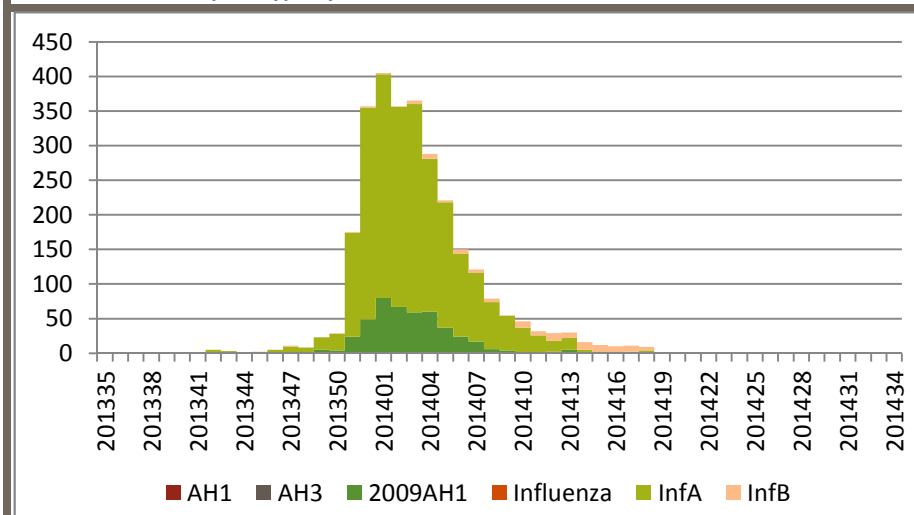
2855 Total Influenza Cases
142 Hospitalizations
3 LTC Outbreaks
6 Deaths

General Trends

Influenza indicators continue to persist at low levels, with influenza B making up a large majority of the sporadic cases repoted. A late-season outbreak of influnza A was reported this week in a long-term care facility in the southeast portion of the state.

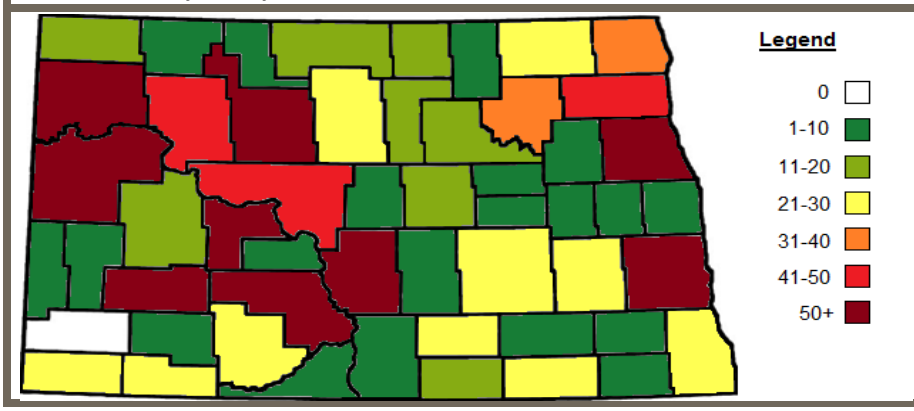
Cases of Influenza by Subtype by Week



Outbreaks

Three influenza-like illness outbreaks in long term care facilites have been reported this season, affecting both residents and health care workers. Positive flu results were reported for cases in two of the three outbreaks.

Influenza Cases by County



Cases by Gender

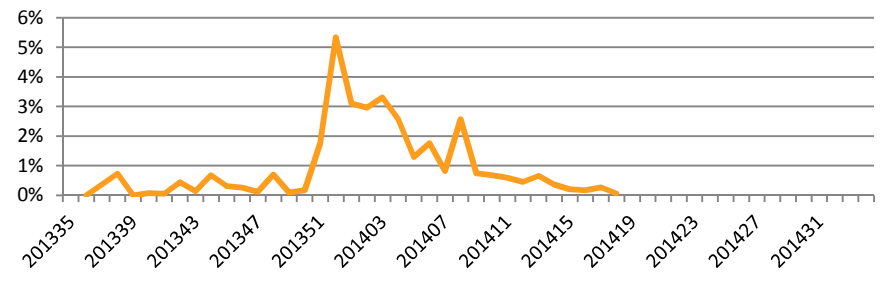
Female	1417
Male	1438

Cases by Age Group

<10	733
10-19	262
20-29	411
30-39	494
40-49	360
50-59	351
60+	243
TOTAL	2855

Outpatient Illness Surveillance--Influenza-like Illness (Regional baseline = 1.3)

Week	% ILI	0-4	5-24	25-49	50-64	65+
201416	0.17%	1	1	0	0	0
201417	0.27%	0	3	1	0	1
201418	0.06%	0	1	0	0	0



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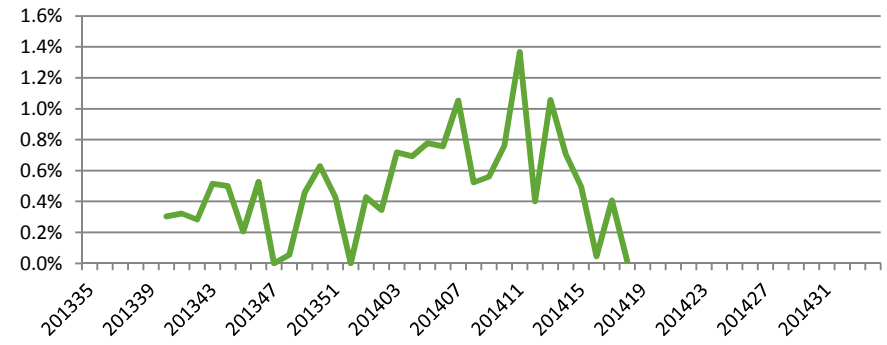
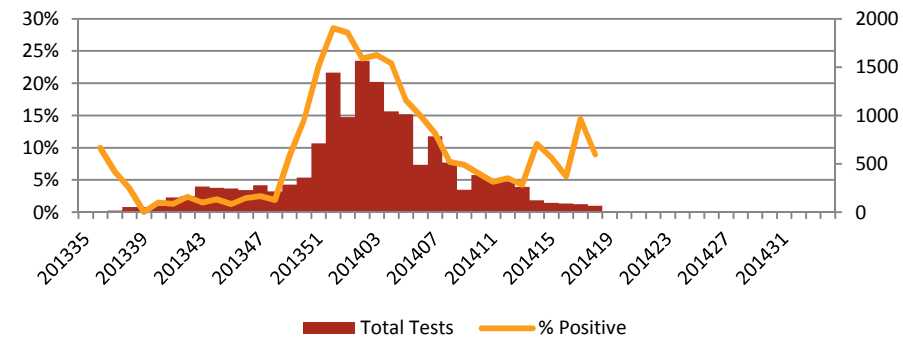


North Dakota School Surveillance

School absentieeism was reported at 0.01% .

We will be piloting an exciting, new school absenteeism program this year! If your school would be willing to participate in our absenteeism surveillance, please contact Jill Baber at jbaber@nd.gov.

Sentinel Laboratories*--Influenza

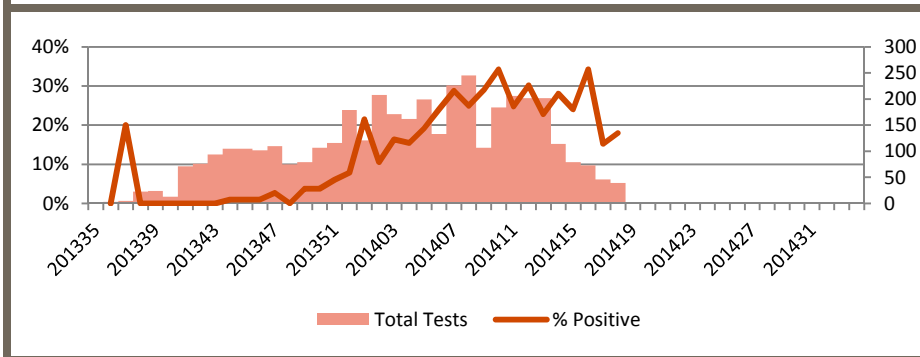


Sentinal Laboratory Surviellance

Percent positivity of influenza testing at sentinel laboratories decreased this week to 8.96%.

*These data do not represent all laboratory results for influenza.

Sentinel Laboratories--RSV



Percent positivity for RSV increased slightly this week, reported at 17.95%.

National Statistics:
National influenza activity and surveillance information is available from the CDC FluView website at: http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/, and is updated every Friday.