



## **Influenza Surveillance Summary Week 43: October 23, 2011 – October 29, 2011\***

Influenza surveillance for Kane County Health Department includes the collection of data from hospital emergency rooms, laboratories and public schools. Our participants have reported the following aggregate measures:

- About 1.08% of participating hospital emergency room visits were for Influenza-Like-Illness (ILI).<sup>1</sup>
- A total of 1, or 0.8% of all specimens tested<sup>2</sup> for influenza was positive and determined to be influenza A.
- ILI absenteeism rate for Kane County was at an average of 0.24%. No school in the county had ILI absenteeism rate above the 5% threshold. No school was closed.
- To date, no cases of Influenza related ICU admissions and no deaths were reported to the health department. No Influenza-associated pediatric deaths were reported.
- To date, no outbreaks of Influenza were reported from Long Term Care/Assisted Living facilities.

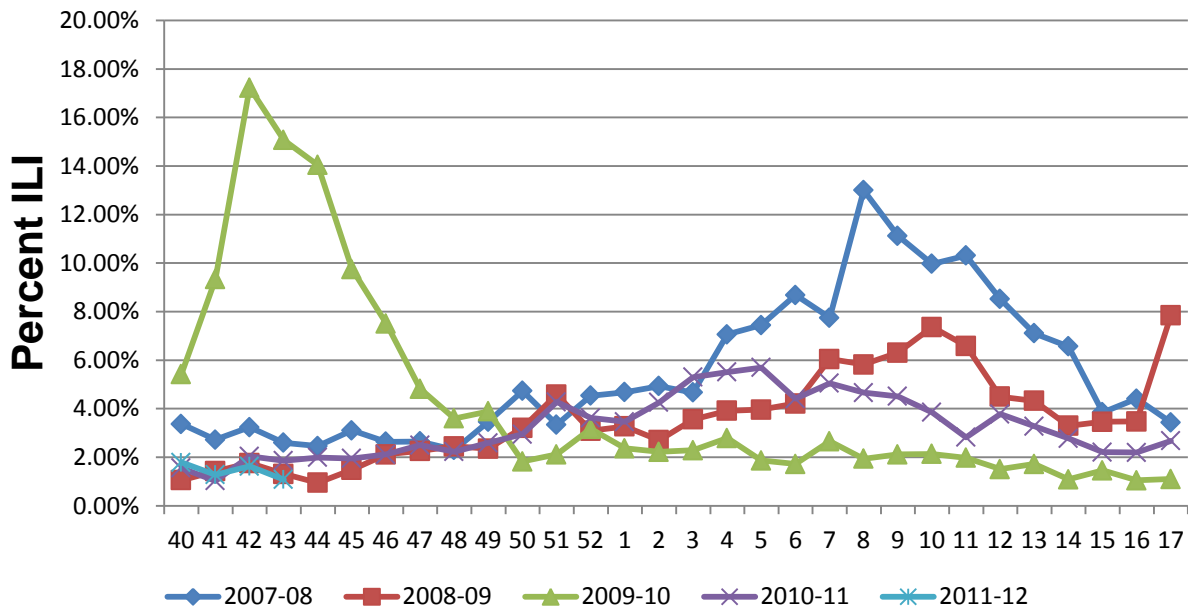
*The health department would like to thank the participating hospitals, laboratories, individual schools and school districts that provide the reports that make this monitoring possible.*

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## Kane County Health Department Influenza-Like-Illness Surveillance Emergency Room Visits



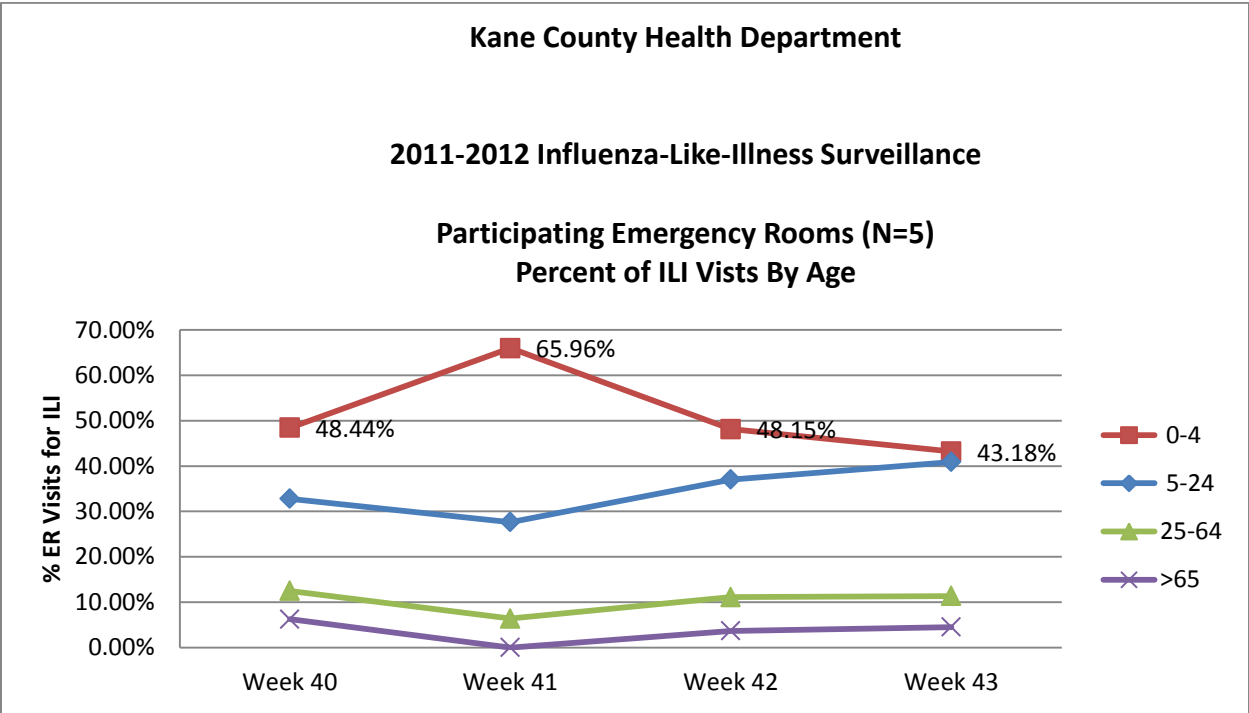
About 1.08%, of participating hospital emergency room visits was for Influenza-Like-Illness (ILI).<sup>1</sup> This is below all seasons from 2007-2011.

Each week, data for the 2011-2012 season will be presented with data from the previous four flu seasons to show the trend of ER visits for ILI over time.

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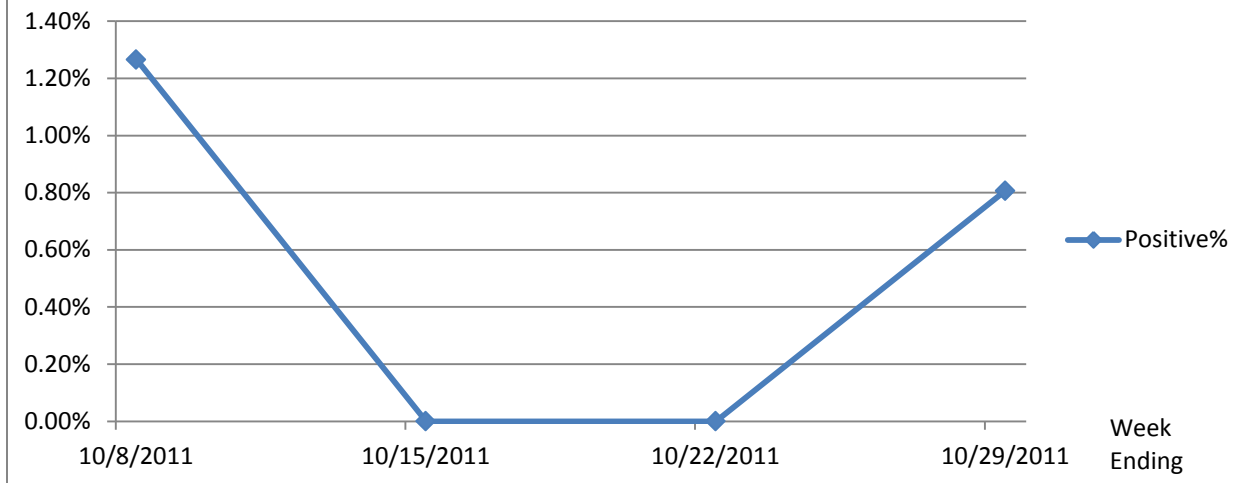
Of all visits for Influenza-like Illness to the participating Emergency Rooms during Week 43 (October 23-October 29), 43.18% were in the 0-4 year old age group. 40.91% of visits for ILI were in the 5-24 year old age group. Throughout the season, KCHD will provide updated information on the total number of people visiting the emergency room for ILI and what age groups make up those visits. This week, about 1.08% of all visits to participating Emergency Rooms were for ILI.

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Influenza -Like-Illness Surveillance  
Participating Laboratories (N=6)  
% of Rapid Influenza Tests that were positive for  
Influenza**

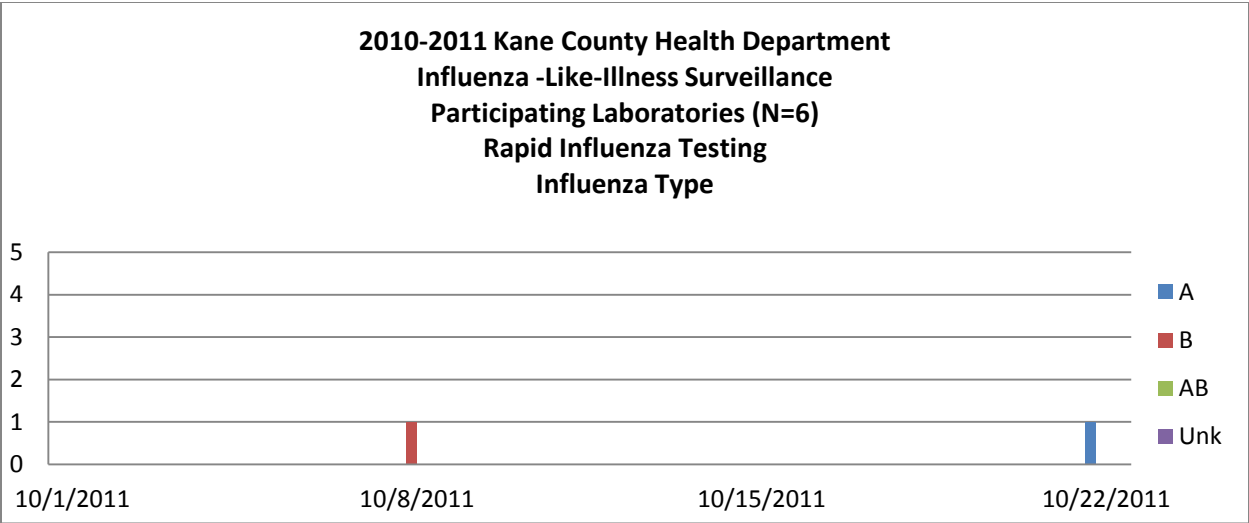


A total of 1 specimen tested<sup>2</sup> for influenza was positive during the week ending 10/29/11.

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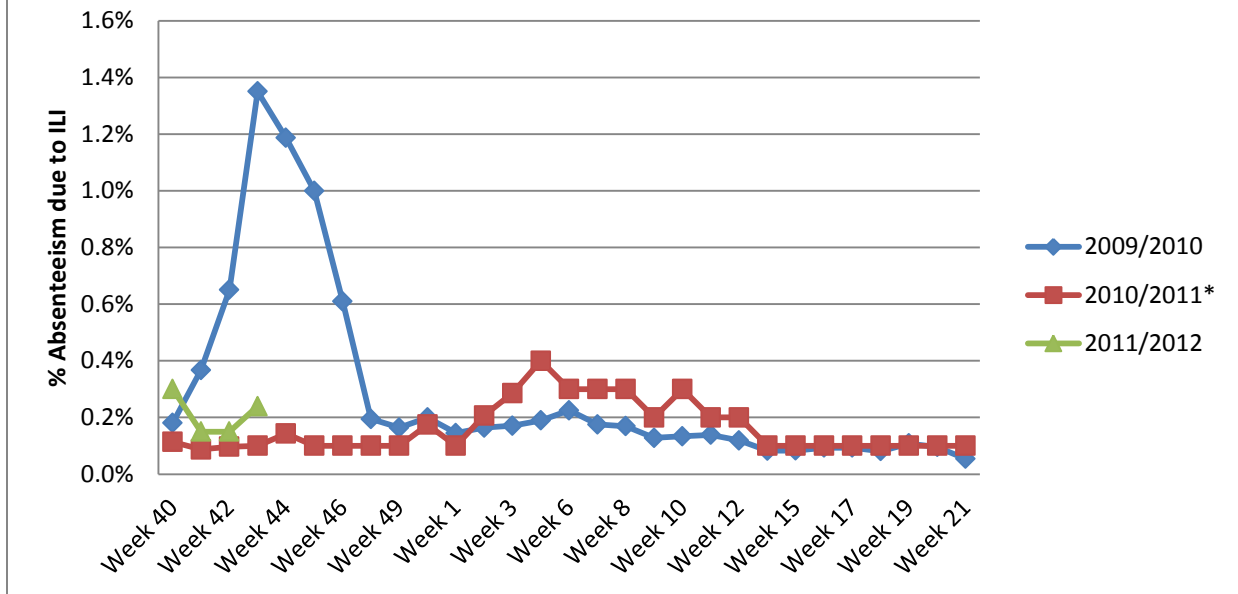
Kane County Labs (6)	Week 43
Number of specimens tested	124
Number of positive specimens (%)	1 (0.8%)
Positive specimens by type (%)	
Influenza A	1 (100%)
Influenza B	0 (0%)
Influenza AB	0 (0%)
Influenza Unknown	0 (0%)

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## Influenza-Like Illness Absenteeism Surveillance All Kane County School Districts



0.24% of all student absenteeism reported in participating Kane County public schools was due to Influenza-like Illness.

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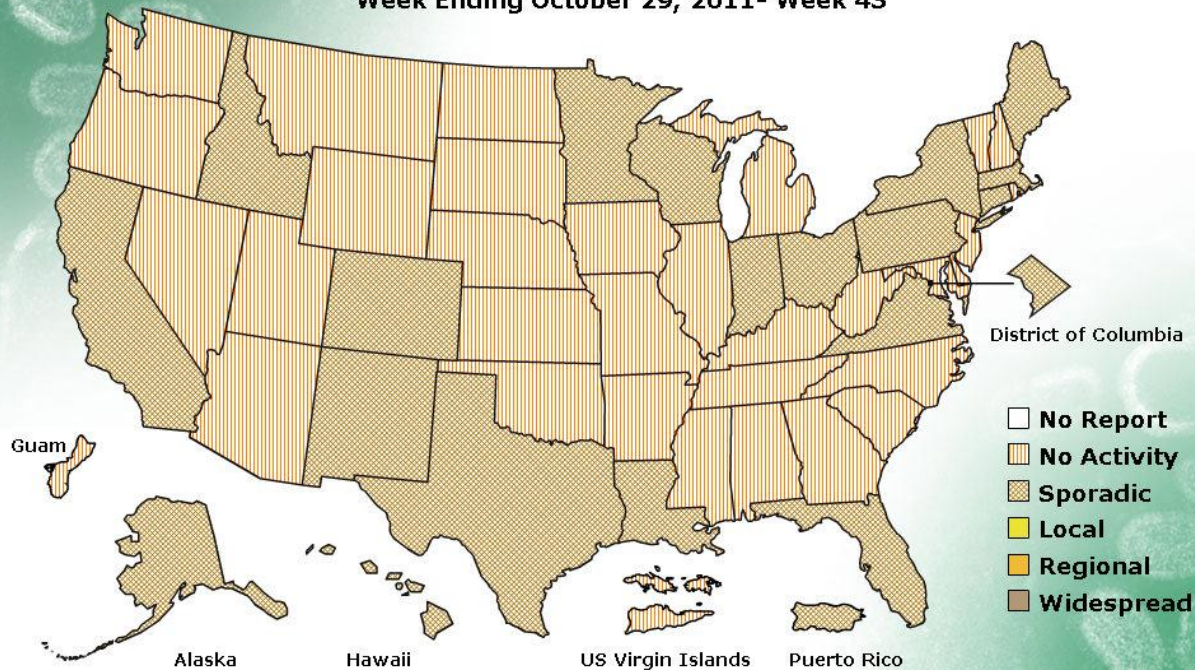
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# FLUVIEW



**A Weekly Influenza Surveillance Report Prepared by the Influenza Division**  
**Weekly Influenza Activity Estimates Reported by State and Territorial Epidemiologists\***

**Week Ending October 29, 2011- Week 43**



\*This map indicates geographic spread and does not measure the severity of influenza activity.

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