

# Public Health - Seattle & King County

## Summary of Influenza Syndromic and Laboratory Surveillance

# Influenza Update: October 17, 2020

### During the week ending October 17, 2020

- There were no new influenza-related deaths and no new outbreaks reported this week. No deaths and no outbreaks at long-term care facilities have been reported this season (since 9/27/2020).
- The percent of positive tests for seasonal respiratory viral pathogens at King County laboratories was below levels observed this time of year during previous seasons and below peak levels observed during the previous five seasons. This data does not include COVID-19.
- During the week ending October 17, the percent of emergency department (ED) visits for influenza-like illness (ILI) was below baseline levels among all ages combined, and among each individual age group.

### At a glance

	<u>Week ending</u> <u>10/17/2020</u>	<u>Since 9/27/2020</u>	<u>5-Year Average to Date</u>	
Confirmed cases as of week 42 (ending 10/17/2020)	0	0	0.4	
Respiratory disease outbreaks at long-term care facilities (LTCFs)	0	0	2.2	
Percentage positive influenza tests by PCR <sup>1</sup>	0.0%	Season Peak	0.0%	
Number of labs reporting	7	Weekly Average	8	
Number of specimens tested	233	Weekly Average	291	
Percentage of emergency department (ED) visits for ILI <sup>2</sup>	0.45%	Season Peak	0.56%	5-Year Average to Date 1.00%

<sup>1</sup>Based on King County hospital laboratory and sentinel provider submissions to CDC's National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System (NREVSS).

NREVSS data not available for all previous seasons due to change in reporting procedures. Changes in facilities reporting to NREVSS may impact counts.

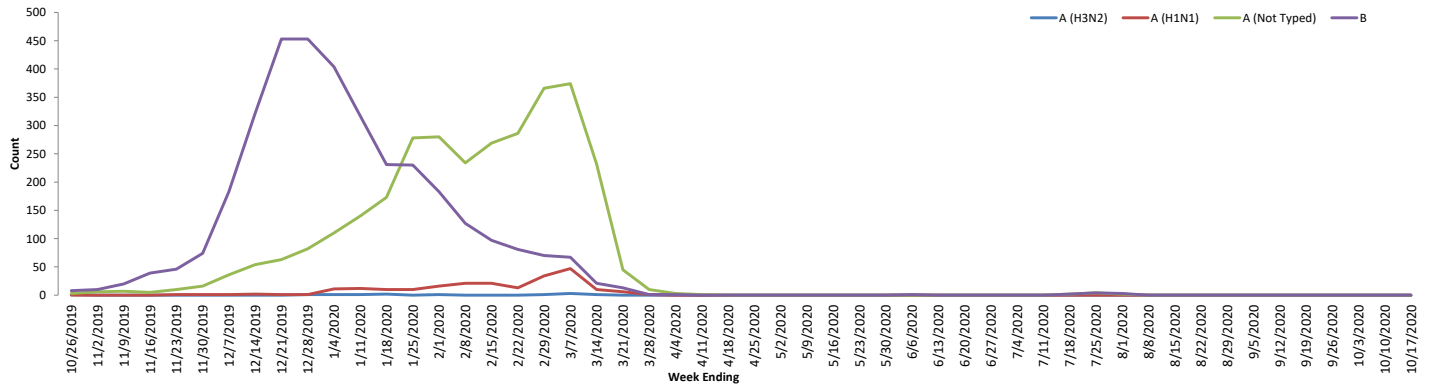
<sup>2</sup>Based on Public Health - Seattle & King County's syndromic surveillance data representing aggregate percent of visits to King County EDs.

### Submissions to NREVSS by King County labs, PCR testing only

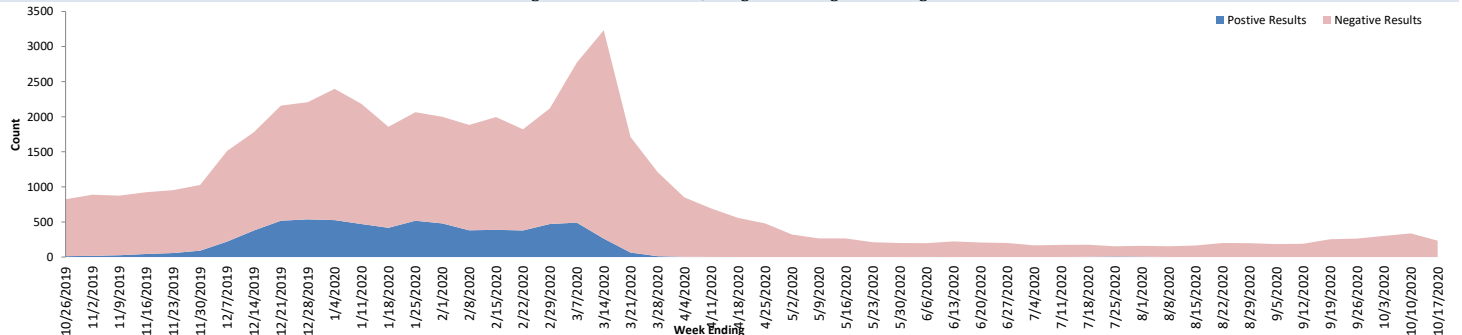
Week #	Week ending	# Labs reporting	A (H1N1)	A (H3N2)	A (Not typed)	B	# Tested	% Flu positive
39	9/26/2020	10	0	0	0	0	262	0%
40	10/3/2020	9	0	0	0	0	302	0%
41	10/10/2020	8	0	0	0	0	337	0%
42	10/17/2020	7	0	0	0	0	233	0%

### Influenza results by subtype, PCR testing only (NREVSS)

Positive Influenza Results by Subtype, Using PCR Testing Methodologies



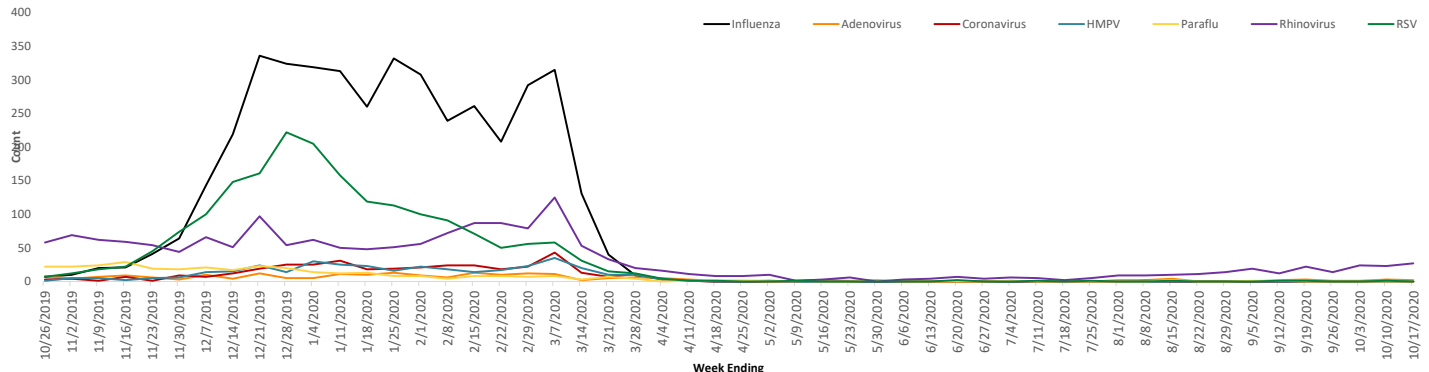
Positive and Negative Influenza Results, Using PCR Testing Methodologies



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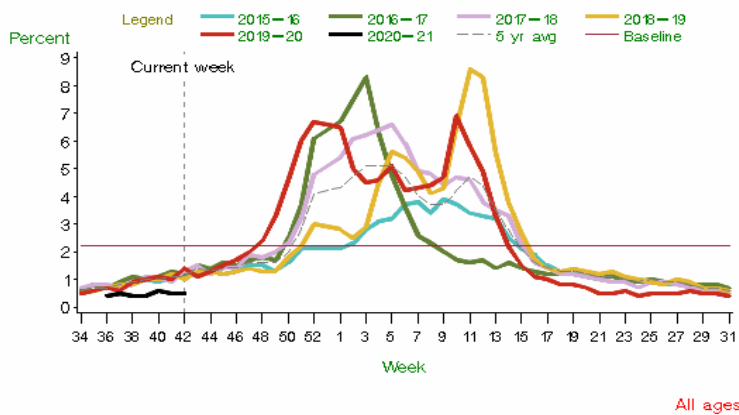
### Influenza and other respiratory pathogens, PCR testing only (NREVSS)



Coronavirus refers to coronavirus strains aside from SARS-CoV2. For COVID-19 data, please view the COVID-19 data dashboards: <https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/health/covid-19/data.aspx>

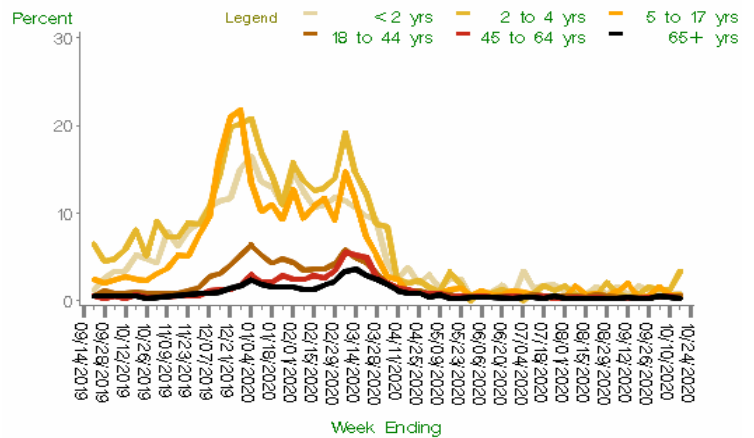
### King County syndromic surveillance

Weekly Percent of ED Visits for ILI by Year



All ages

Weekly Percent of ED Visits for Influenza-Like Illness By Age Group



Week Ending

ALLHOSPITALS, Last Updated Oct 21, 2020

Note: The change from ICD-9 to ICD-10 codes in October 2015 may impact trends.

Last updated Oct 18, 2020 ; 'current week' is week ending Oct 17, 2020

Baseline: Mean % ILI during non-flu weeks for previous three seasons, adding two standard deviations.

A non-flu week is a period of 2+ consecutive weeks where each one accounted for <2% of the season's total number of specimens that tested positive for influenza by PCR.

### National data from CDC



#### A Weekly Influenza Surveillance Report Prepared by the Influenza Division

Influenza-Like Illness (ILI) Activity Level Indicator Determined by Data Reported to ILINet

2020-21 Influenza Season Week 41 ending Oct 10, 2020

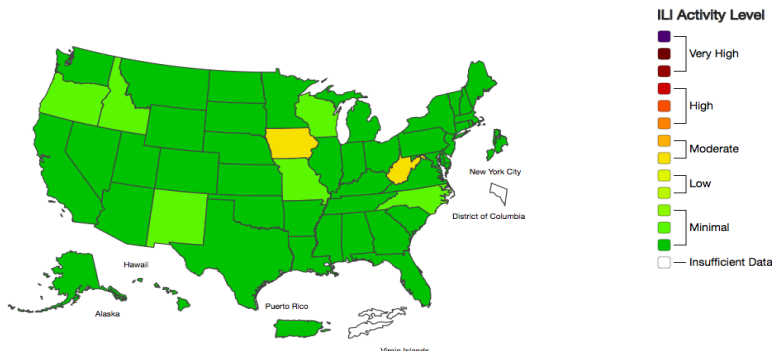


\*This map uses the proportion of outpatient visits to healthcare providers for influenza-like illness to measure the ILI activity level within a state. It does not, however, measure the extent of geographic spread of flu within a state. Therefore, outbreaks occurring in a single city could cause the state to display high activity levels.

\*Data collected in ILINet may disproportionately represent certain populations within a state, and therefore may not accurately depict the full picture of influenza activity for the whole state.

\*Data displayed in this map are based on data collected in ILINet, whereas the State and Territorial flu activity map are based on reports from state and territorial epidemiologists. The data presented in this map is preliminary and may change as more data is received.

\*Differences in the data presented by CDC and state health departments likely represent differing levels of data completeness with data presented by the state likely being the more complete.



#### Please report any of the following:

- Laboratory-Confirmed influenza-associated deaths
- Patients with novel or unsubtypeable influenza viruses
- Outbreaks of influenza-like illness in a long-term care facility

#### Reporting Timeframe

Within 3 business days  
Immediately  
Immediately

#### Contact Information

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#### Additional Resources:

[Additional King County Flu Information, Resources, and Surveillance](#)  
[UW Virology Laboratory Respiratory Virus Surveillance](#)  
[Washington State Influenza Surveillance Update](#)

[National Influenza Update](#)  
[Global Influenza Update](#)

Report updated on 10/21/2020

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## Summary of Influenza Deaths and Long-Term Care Facility (LTCF) Influenza Outbreaks

Confirmed cases as of week 41 (ending 10/10/2020)														
	2020-2021		2019-2020		2018-2019		2017-2018		2016-2017		2015-2016		5-year avg	
Influenza Deaths in Week 42	0		0		0		0		0		0		0.0	
Influenza deaths, season to date (since 9/27/2020)	0		1		0		0		1		0		0.4	
LTCF Outbreaks in Week 42	0		1		0		2		0		0		0.6	
LTCF Outbreaks, season to date (since 9/27/2020)	0		3		1		6		1		0		2.2	
	2020-2021		2019-2020		2018-2019		2017-2018		2016-2017		2015-2016		5-year avg	
Total Seasonal LTCF Outbreaks	0		27		43		68		92		18		49.6	
Flu type:														
A	0	0%	12	44%	37	86%	15	22%	62	67%	7	39%	26.6	54%
B	0	0%	4	15%	0	0%	6	9%	3	3%	7	39%	4	8%
A and B	0	0%	2	7%	1	2%	5	7%	4	4%	0	0%	2.4	5%
Info not available	0	0%	9	33%	5	12%	42	62%	23	25%	4	22%	16.6	33%
	2020-2021		2019-2020		2018-2019		2017-2018		2016-2017		2015-2016		5-year avg	
Total Seasonal Influenza Deaths	0		39		52		50		84		16		48.2	
Flu type:														
A	0	0%	23	59%	48	92%	33	66%	75	89%	10	63%	37.8	78%
H1/H1N1	0	0%	8	21%	11	21%	1	2%	1	1%	6	38%	5.4	11%
H3	0	0%	1	3%	5	10%	6	12%	18	21%	1	6%	6.2	13%
A (not typed)	0	0%	14	36%	32	62%	26	52%	56	67%	3	19%	26.2	54%
B	0	0%	16	41%	2	4%	11	22%	7	8%	6	38%	8.4	17%
Not typed	0	0%	0	0%	2	4%	6	12%	1	1%	0	0%	1.8	4%
Sex:														
Male	0	0%	20	51%	27	52%	17	34%	41	49%	7	44%	22.4	46%
Female	0	0%	19	49%	25	48%	33	66%	43	51%	9	56%	25.8	54%
Age:														
Under 5 years	0	0%	1	3%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0.2	0%
5 - 17	0	0%	1	3%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0.2	0%
18 - 44	0	0%	4	10%	1	2%	0	0%	1	1%	3	19%	1.8	4%
45 - 64	0	0%	5	13%	13	25%	7	14%	5	6%	5	31%	7	15%
65+ years	0	0%	28	72%	38	73%	43	86%	78	93%	8	50%	39	81%
Average	N/A		67.9		73.6		81.1		81.9		64.9		73.9	
Race:														
White	0	0%	25	64%	35	67%	33	66%	54	64%	12	75%	31.8	66%
Asian	0	0%	2	5%	5	10%	2	4%	13	15%	2	13%	4.8	10%
Black	0	0%	1	3%	1	2%	3	6%	4	5%	2	13%	2.2	5%
Amer Indian	0	0%	1	3%	1	2%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0.4	1%
Hispanic/Latino	0	0%	3	8%	2	4%	2	4%	3	4%	0	0%	2	4%
Other	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	1	2%	1	1%	0	0%	0.4	1%
Unknown	0	0%	7	18%	8	15%	9	18%	9	11%	0	0%	6.6	14%
Flu vaccine status														
Up to date	0	0%	14	36%	16	31%	26	52%	39	46%	6	38%	20.2	42%
Not up to date	0	0%	15	38%	19	37%	10	20%	20	24%	8	50%	14.4	30%
Unknown	0	0%	10	26%	17	33%	14	28%	25	30%	2	13%	13.6	28%
Report updated on 10/21/2020														