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CDC Week 10: Week Ending Saturday, March 9, 2024

Vaccination is the best way to protect against influenza infection. All Winnebago County residents aged six months and older should be vaccinated annually.

<u>Weekly Influenza Activity Summary</u>: This week's surveillance activities shows 165 cases of influenza in Winnebago County as detailed in this report. Influenza surveillance for the County involves the weekly collection of data from our partners including hospitals, physicians, clinics, long term care (LTC) facilities and laboratories.



Figure 1: \rightarrow Illustrates the percentage of emergency department visits with a complaint of ILI reported during the surveillance week compared to the expected percentage and the baseline percentage for ILI. ILI "Influenza like Illness" is defined as fever ≥ 100°F and cough and/or sore throat.



Influenza ICU Admissions, Long Term Care Outbreaks

Influenza-associated Intensive Care Unit (ICU) Admissions:



Influenza Outbreak Activity in Long Term Care (LTC) Facilities: The Health Department uses surveillance data to monitor influenza outbreaks in LTC facilities as part of the community's current activity with influenza. An outbreak is defined as two or more cases of ILI occurring within 72 hours among residents of a facility.

No LTC Influenza outbreaks was reported during week 10.



↑ Figure 3: Illustrates the total number of flu cases reported during the current influenza surveillance period. The four year historical average for the County is noted by the orange line on the graph.

*Note: All data in this report are provisional and may change as additional reports are received.

Influenza Like Illness¹ (ILI) Reported on a State Level and National Influenza Activity

Table 1 \downarrow : Illustrates the actual number of emergency department visits with a complaint of ILI reported during each surveillance week compared to the expected number of ILI complaints.

Actual Number of ILI Cases Reported in Winnebago County 2023-2024 Influenza Season

CDC Week	Actual Number	Expected Number
5	50	38
6	55	39
7	41	41
8	43	42
9	47	44
10	41	45
SEASON TOTAL	1220	663



↑ Figure 4: Illustrates the percentage <u>emergency department visits with a</u> complaint of ILI reported during the surveillance week across the State of Illinois.

ILI "Influenza like Illness" is defined as fever $\geq 100^{\circ}$ F and cough and/or sore throat.



Practice and promote the three C's in helping prevent the spread of influenza in our community:

CLEAN - Wash your hands

COVER - Cover your cough and sneeze

CONTAIN - Contain your germs, stay home if you are sick

Influenza Geographic Surveillance Data

<u>Geographic Breakdown of Positive Influenza Tests in the County:</u> The Health Department uses surveillance data to monitor positive influenza tests throughout the County by ZIP codes.

Influenza Cases for				
Code**	Α	В	A&B	
61073	5	5	0	
61088	1	4	0	
61101	4	8	0	
61102	2	6	0	
61103	5	8	0	
61104	4	9	0	
61107	5	9	0	
61108	10	10	0	
61109	5	7	0	
61111	3	9	0	
61114	2	6	0	
61115	11	12	0	
	7	8	0	
Totals for the	64	101	0	

Total Number of



**Due to confidentiality concerns, when the total case count is under 5 in a zip code, the count is not reported by zip code.



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