Sentinel Provider Influenza-Like Illness (ILI)¹ Surveillance Summary (health.state.tn.us/TNflu_report_archive.htm) For the Week of Oct. 14-20, 2012 (Week 42)

			Total	Total		
	# Sites	Total	Regional	Regional		Compared
Summary for	reporting	Sites	ILI	Patients	% ILI	to State ²
Hamilton County (Chattanooga)	4	4	3	782	0.4%	
East Tennessee Region	7	9	28	3096	0.9%	higher
Jackson-Madison County	0	0	0	0	0.0%	
Knoxville-Knox County	4	4	13	1718	0.8%	
Mid-Cumberland Region	7	10	6	760	0.8%	
Shelby County (Memphis)	1	10	0	68	0.0%	
Nashville-Davidson County	5	6	5	1293	0.4%	
Northeast Region	2	3	1	217	0.5%	
South Central Region	3	3	2	248	0.8%	
Southeast Region	4	5	1	362	0.3%	
Sullivan County (Tri-Cities)	2	2	0	494	0.0%	
Upper Cumberland Region	4	5	0	500	0.0%	
West Tennessee Region	1	6	0	63	0.0%	
State of Tennessee	44	67	59	9601	0.61%	

Note to Sentinel Providers:

Sentinel Providers are reminded to submit specimens on all patients meeting the ILI case definition (up to 10 per week).

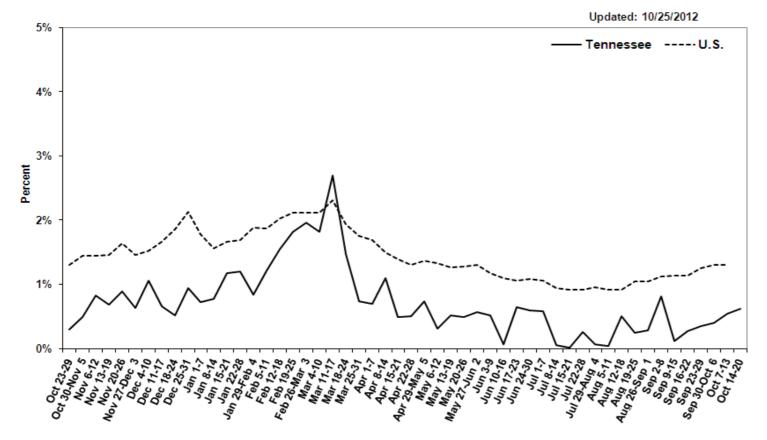
Please use the new TDH specimen submission form.

The percentage of patients with ILI reported in Week 42 was 0.61%, compared with 0.54% in Week 41. To date, 24 specimens from Week 42 have been tested; one was positive for influenza A(H3) and 3 others were positive for other respiratory viruses. No cases of novel influenza A(H3N2v) have been detected in Tennessee to date, and no new cases nationally have been diagnosed since September 7. Surveillance continues: a clinician with a patient with ILI and recent swine contact should collect an appropriate nasopharyngeal specimen for viral testing and contact public health.

State Public Health Laboratory Respiratory Viral Panel Number of Positive Specimens, by week

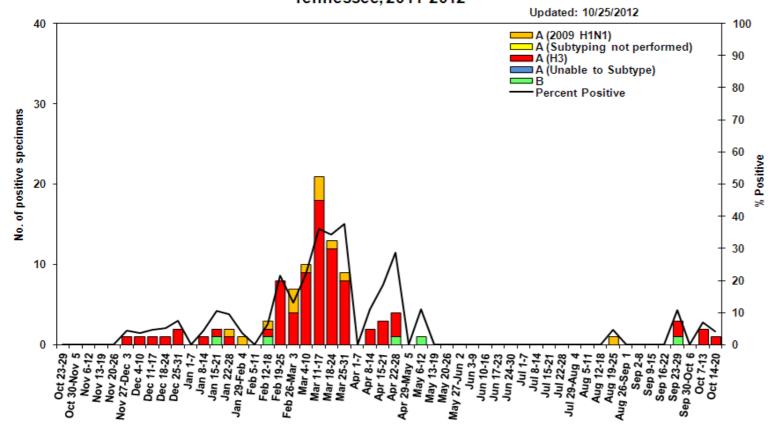
Month/Week	#	Flu A (H3)	Flu A(H1N1)	Flu B	Paraflu 2	Paraflu 3	Rhino
October							
Current	24	1	0	0	0	1	2
41	20	1	0	0	2	1	5
40	25	0	0	0	1	0	4
September							
39	28	2	0	1	0	0	2
38	24	0	0	0	0	0	1

Percentage of Outpatient Visits Reported by the U.S. and Tennessee Outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet) as Influenza-like Illness, 2011-2012



Week (Oct. 23, 2011 - Oct. 20, 2012)

Influenza Positive Tests Submitted to TN Dept. of Health Laboratory Services, Tennessee, 2011-2012

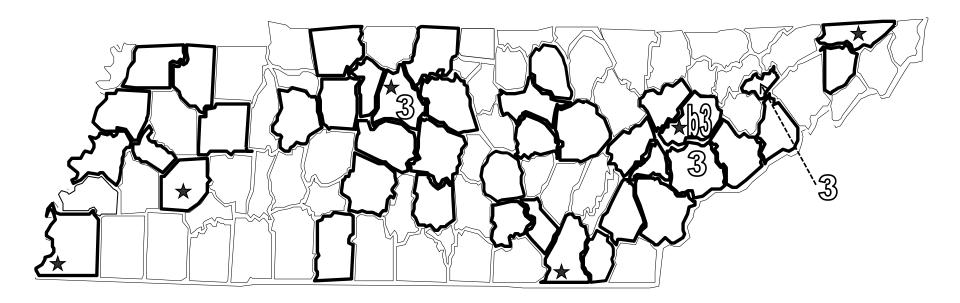


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Influenza confirmed by culture or PCR in Tennessee from specimens collected by any source within the past 6 weeks.

September 9, 2012 to October 20, 2012

- Strains are reported by county of case residence or, if unknown, county where the specimen was collected.
- Counties where influenza sentinel providers are located are identified with bold boundary lines.
- Stars mark counties with large metropolitan populations (Memphis, Jackson, Nashville, Chattanooga, Knoxville, and the Tri-Cities area)





Reference Information for Sentinel Provider Network

1 Influenza-like illness (ILI) is defined as fever > 100 °F (37.8 °C) plus cough and/or sore throat, in the absence of a known cause (other than influenza). Classification of ILI is based upon symptoms only and does not require any test.

2 The % of patients with ILI seen in each region is compared to the statewide average. Regions with % statistically-significantly different from the state average are noted as "higher" or "lower." The CDC reports that the percentage of patients visiting outpatient healthcare providers in the Sentinel Provider Network (SPN) with influenza-like-illness (ILI) when influenza viruses are not circulating is expected to fall at or below a specific SPN baseline [nationwide = 2.2%, East South Central region (AL, TN, MS, KY) = 2.3%]. When the percentage of patients with ILI exceeds this baseline, this suggests that influenza viruses may be circulating.

Important information for Sentinel Providers

Sentinel Providers report ILI by the end of Tuesday following the end of the reporting week (www2a.cdc.gov/ilinet) and collect and ship specimens from ILI cases Monday through Thursday (maximum 10/week per provider). All Sentinel Provider specimens MUST be accompanied by the Influenza and Respiratory Viral Panel Submission form or testing will not be done. The Respiratory Viral Panel is only validated for nasopharyngeal (NP) specimens. Specimens collected from other sites cannot be tested.

Additional laboratory supplies can be obtained by completing the lab order supply form. To ensure the order is filled, please include the CDC Provider ID Code.

Contact Information

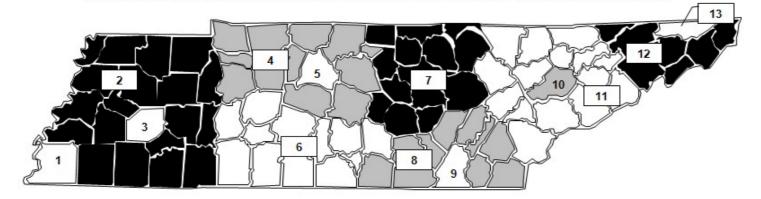
Submit weekly reports to: http://www2a.cdc.gov/ilinet/ OR Fax 888-232-1322

State Lab: Susan McCool 615-262-6351

SPN Questions:

State: Robb Garman 800-404-3006 OR 615-741-7247 County/Region: Regional SPN Coordinator (see map)

TENNESSEE SENTINEL PROVIDER NETWORK COORDINATORS



1	Shelby County	901-222-9239
2	West TN Region	731-421-6758
3	Jackson-Madison County	731-927-8540
4	Mid-Cumberland Region	615-650-7000
5	Nashville-Davidson County	615-340-0551
6	South Central Region	931-380-2532
7	Upper Cumberland Region	931-646-7505
8	Southeast Region	423-634-6065
9	Chattanooga-Hamilton County	423-209-8063
10	Knoxville-Knox County	865-215-5084
11	East TN Region	865-549-5287
12	Northeast Region	423-979-3200
13	Sullivan County	423-279-7545