



Influenza Watch

Los Angeles County

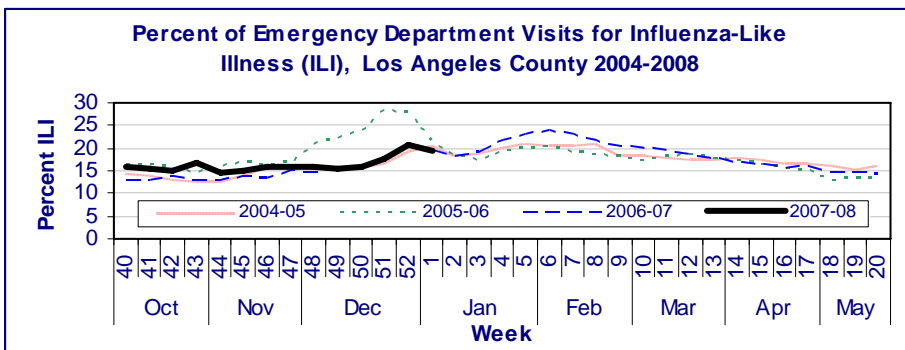
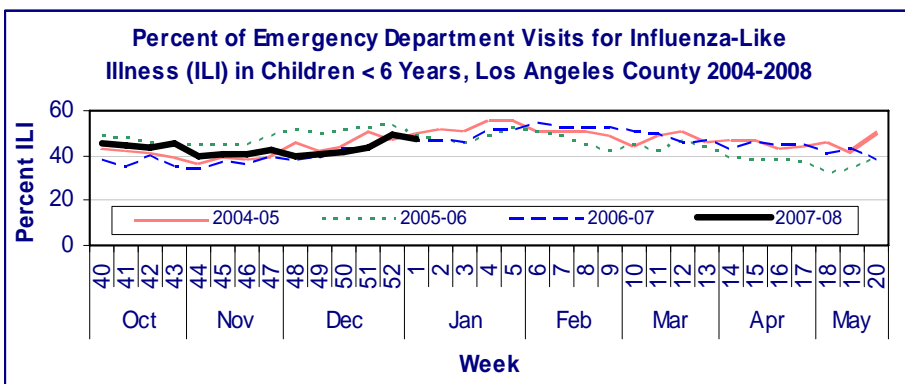
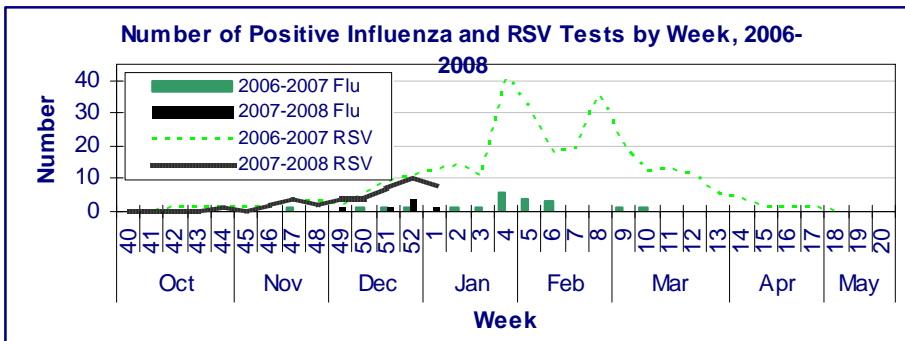
<http://lapublichealth.org/acd/flu.htm>

SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM*	Week 1	To Date
Positive Influenza Tests±	1	7
Positive RSV Tests±	8	42
Severe Pediatric Influenza Cases	3 (0)†	6 (0)†
Influenza Vaccines Administered by Public Health	--	94,467

*See <http://lapublichealth.org/acd/flu.htm> for a description of surveillance methods.

†The number of deaths is indicated by the parenthesis. Includes a case from week 2

±Sentinel sites (5-7 participating facilities).



Important Information

- A total of 6 cases of severe pediatric influenza have been reported through 1/11/08

- Most have been in children with underlying conditions

- Please vaccinate your high-risk populations

In the News

There have been two new reports of intra-familial transmission of avian influenza from China and Pakistan

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Influenza Activity: CA & USA

California: During week 52 (12/23-12/29/2007), influenza activity in California was **local**, with activity in Northern California higher than Southern California. For more information see the CA influenza report: www.dhs.ca.gov/ps/dc/dc/VRDL/html/FLU/Fluintro.htm

United States: The level of influenza activity increased throughout the US during week 52. The proportion of outpatient visits for ILI and acute respiratory illness (ARI) was above baseline levels.

For more information see the US influenza report: <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivity.htm>