



Influenza Watch

Los Angeles County

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

SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM*	Week 2	To Date
Positive Influenza Tests±	5	13
Positive RSV Tests±	11	55
Severe Pediatric Influenza Cases	3 (0) [†]	9 (0) [†]
Influenza Vaccines Administered by Public Health	--	95,184

*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 9 cases of severe pediatric influenza have been reported through 1/18/08
- 3 recent cases have been influenza B

•There are twice as many influenza isolates this year versus this time last year

In the News

Up to 25% of H5N1 cases have no known source according to a January 16th WHO report.

Free access to the report is at:

<http://content.nejm.org/cgi/content/full/358/3/261>

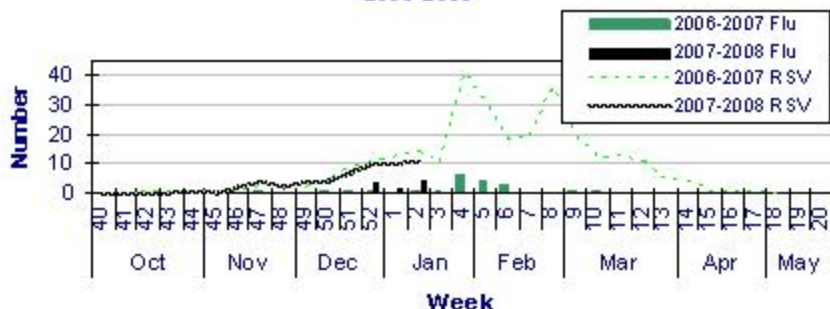
Influenza Activity: CA & USA

California: During week 1 (12/30/2007-1/5/2008), influenza activity in California was **Regional**, with increase in activity in both Northern California and Southern California. For more information see the CA influenza report: www.dhs.ca.gov/ps/dcdc/VRDL/html/FLU/Fluintro.htm

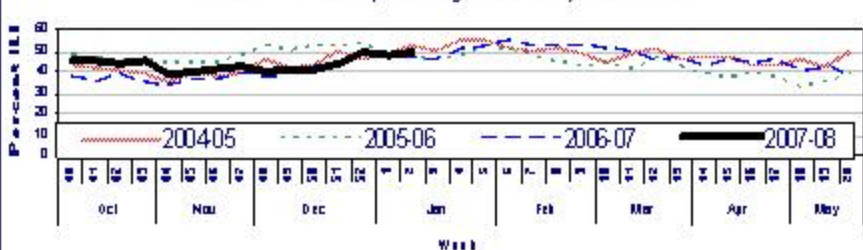
United States: The level of influenza activity increased throughout the US during week 2 (1/6/08-1/12/08). The proportion of outpatient visits for ILI and acute respiratory illness in the Pacific region was elevated above baseline levels.

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

Number of Positive Influenza and RSV Tests by Week
2006-2008



Percent of Emergency Department Visits for Influenza-Like Illness in Children < 6 Years, Los Angeles County 2004-2008



Percent of Emergency Department Visits for Influenza-Like Illness (ILI), Los Angeles County 2004-2008

