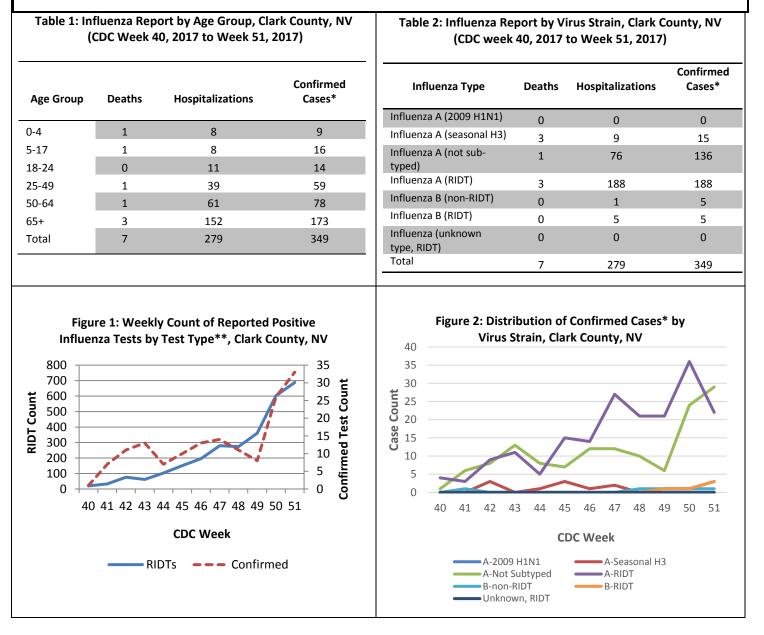


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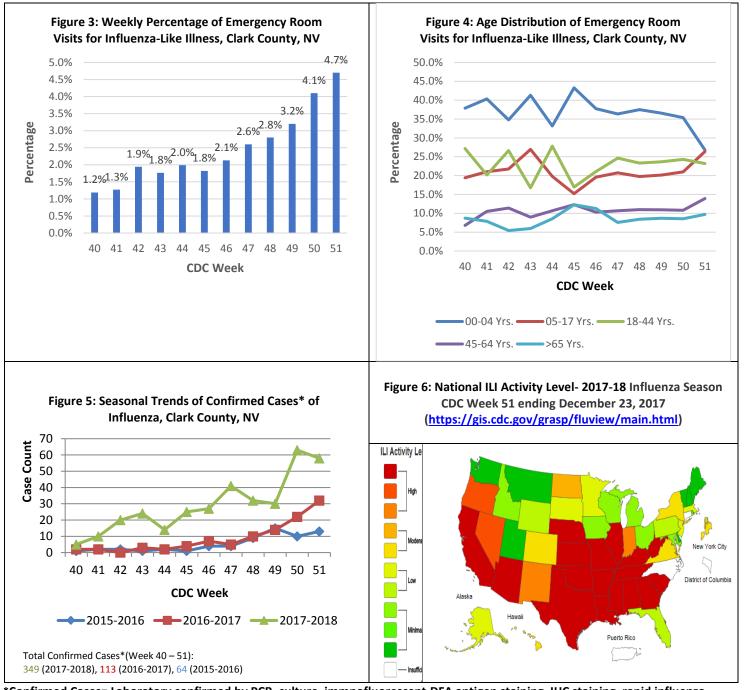
Summary: Influenza surveillance for Clark County, Nevada includes data collected from local hospital emergency rooms, healthcare providers and laboratories. During week 51, the influenza activity increased sharply in the United States and Nevada was one of twenty-one states experienced high influenza-like illness (ILI) activity. In Clark County, as of 12/23/2017, the total number of confirmed cases of influenza during the season was 349 and the percentage of emergency room (ER) visits for Influenza-like Illness (ILI) increased from 4.1% in week 50 to 4.7% in week 51. Approximately 53% of area ER visits for ILI were children under 18 years of age. Influenza A was the dominant type circulating. Seven influenza-associated deaths occurred this season in Clark County. Southern Nevada Health District will continue to update the public on the progression of the season and encourage the population to get vaccinated.



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*Confirmed Cases= Laboratory confirmed by PCR, culture, immnofluorescent DFA antigen staining, IHC staining, rapid influenza diagnostic tests (RIDTs) with hospitalizations for 24 hours or longer, or RIDTs with death.

**Test Type-RIDT: Rapid Influenza Diagnostic Test

Test Type- Confirmed: PCR, Culture, Immunofluorescent DFA Staining

For additional information regarding SNHD influenza surveillance, please visit us at

http://southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/stats-reports/influenza-surveillance.php.

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