

Week 48 November 25 - December 1, 2012

Section 1: Summary

For week 48 all Zones report some level of influenza activity.

South	■Sporadic activity			
Calgary	■Sporadic activity			
Central	■Sporadic activity			
	Localized activity.			
Edmonton	There are laboratory confirmed influenza			
	cases and one outbreak.			
	Localized activity.			
North	There are laboratory confirmed influenza			
	cases and one outbreak.			



Section 2: Outbreaks

There are three new outbreaks to report this week. Including the outbreaks reported in week 48 there have been 15 influenza outbreaks this season.

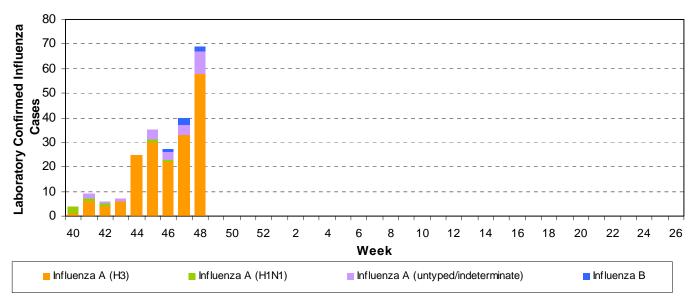
Reported Outbreaks of Influenza, 2012/13

Zone	Current Week	YTD	
South	0	0	
Calgary	0	1	
Central	0	0	
Capital	1	11	
North	2	3	
Alberta	3	15	

Section 3: Isolates

In the 2012/13 influenza season, the Provincial Laboratory for Public Health (PLPH) has reported 216 Influenza A isolates and 6 Influenza B isolates to Alberta Health.

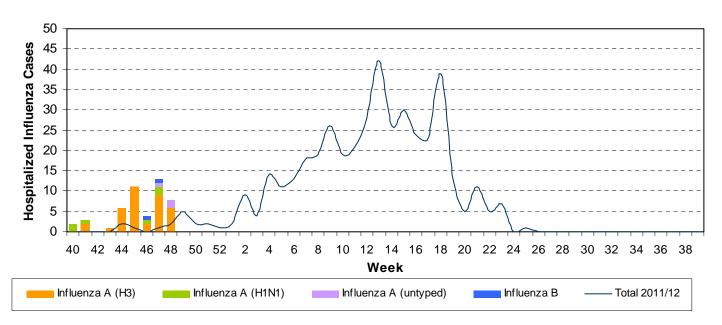
Laboratory Confirmed Influenza Cases by Strain Type, 2012/13



Section 4: Hospitalizations

There are 8 new hospitalized cases of influenza reported in week 48. There are 48 hospitalized cases in total for this influenza season.

Hospitalized Influenza Cases by Influenza Strain Type, 2012/13



Section 5: Influenza-Like Illness - TARRANT-Week 48

Sentinel physicians report cases of ILI seen in their practices. Thirteen cases of influenza like illness (ILI) were seen in week 48.

Zone	Sentinal Doctors (#)	Sential Recorders this week (#)	Patients Seen (#)	ILI Cases (#)	Patients with ILI (%)
South	8	5	575	0	0.0%
Calgary	32	18	1213	7	0.6%
Central	16	12	755	0	0.0%
Capital	10	8	715	3	0.4%
North	7	2	174	0	0.0%
Alberta	73	45	3432	10	0.3%

For more information, please go to the website: http://www.tarrantviralwatch.ca/

Section 7: Antiviral Resistance

- There have been no influenza isolates identified that are resistant to amantadine, zanamivir or oseltamivir in the 2012/13 influenza season.
- In the 2011/12 season there were 10 isolates that were resistant to amantadine and no isolates were resistant to zanamivir or oseltamivir.

Section 6: Canadian and International Influenza Activity

The following links provide access to other websites related to influenza and ILI.

Canada - FluWATCH <u>www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/fluwatch/index-eng.php</u>

World Health Organization www.who.int/topics/influenza/en/

USA - CDC <u>www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/</u>