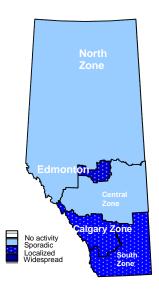
Week 51 December 16-22, 2012

Section 1: Summary

For week 51 all Zones report some level of influenza activity.

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



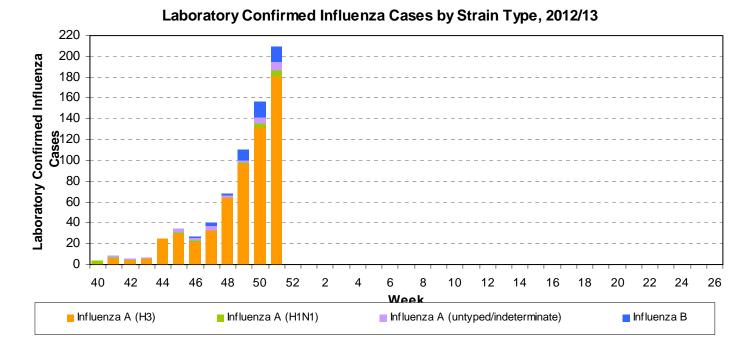
Section 2: Outbreaks

There are five new outbreaks to report this week. Including the outbreaks reported in week 51 there have been 28 influenza outbreaks this season.

Zone	Current Week	YTD	
South	2	2	
Calgary	2	5	
Central	0	1	
Capital	1	17	
North	0	3	
Alberta	5	28	

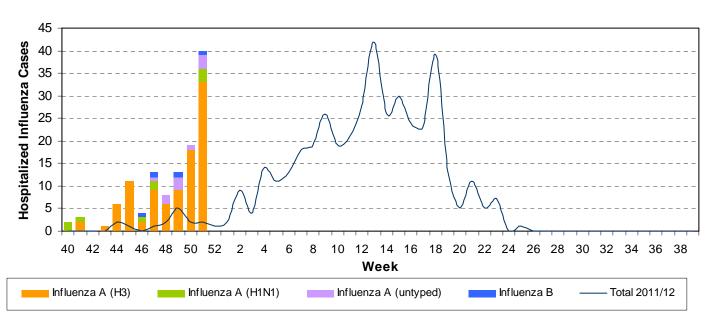
Section 3: Isolates

In the 2012/13 influenza season, the Provincial Laboratory for Public Health (PLPH) has reported 697 Influenza A cases and 46 Influenza B cases to Alberta Health. In week 51 there were 209 lab confirmed influenza cases.



Section 4: Hospitalizations

There are 40 new hospitalized cases of influenza reported in week 51, a significant increase from previous weeks. There are 120 hospitalized cases in total for this influenza season.



Hospitalized Influenza Cases by Influenza Strain Type, 2012/13

Section 5: Influenza-Like Illness - TARRANT-Week 50

Sentinel physicians report cases of ILI seen in their practices. 12 cases of influenza like illness (ILI) were seen in week 51.

Zone	Sentinal Doctors (#)	Sential Recorders this week (#)	Patients Seen (#)	ILI Cases (#)	Patients with ILI (%)
South	8	1	280	3	1.1%
Calgary	32	12	906	5	0.6%
Central	16	2	311	0	0.0%
Capital	10	6	502	4	0.8%
North	7	0	0	0	0.0%
Alberta	73	21	1999	12	0.6%

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

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 www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/fluwatch/index-eng.php

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

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