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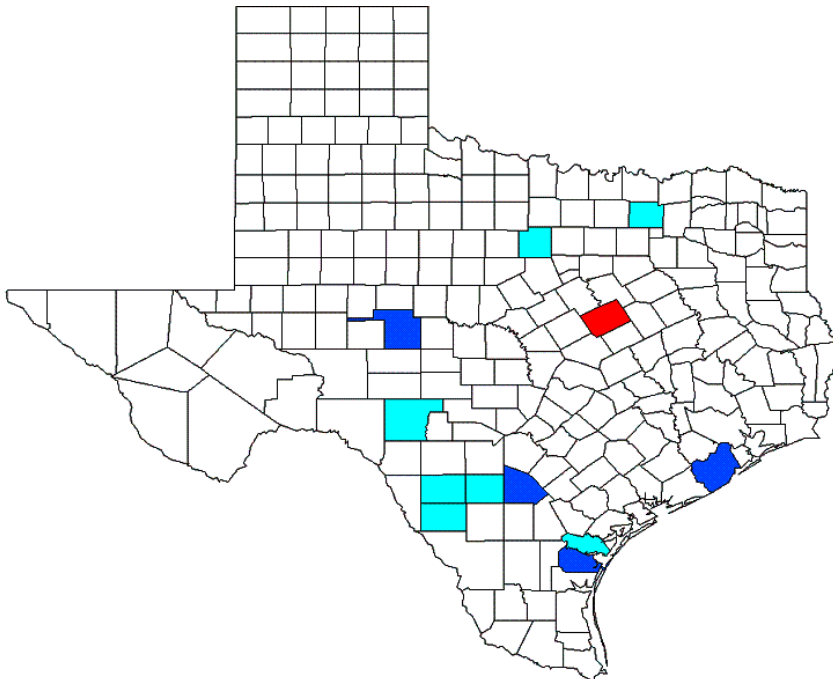
The flu activity code for CDC week 41 ending October 15, 2005 is 1, indicating sporadic activity.

Influenza-like activity was reported in Health Service Regions (HSRs) 3, 6/5S, 7, 8, 9/10, and 11. HSRs 1 and 2 reported no flu activity. One region did not report. Three HSRs reported increased activity since the previous report.

[Texas Health Service Regions Map](#)

The first culture confirmed influenza A has been identified in a 76 year-old woman from Waco by Scott and White laboratories. Several counties report positive rapid flu tests for both A and B. Data from the Sentinel Provider Surveillance Network (SPSN) indicates a marked increase in influenza-like illness (ILI) from the previous week (Week 40); however, a variety of factors can cause these spikes; including new reporters and the circulation of other bacterial and viral diseases. A small number of reports being submitted, which is often the case at the beginning of the season, can also skew the data.

Statewide Influenza Activity for the Week Ending October 15, 2005 (MMWR Week 41)



| Color | Activity Type |
|--------|--|
| White | No activity reported (none reported or no reports) |
| Red | Flu A (culture confirmed) AND ILI reported |
| Yellow | Flu B (culture confirmed) AND ILI reported |
| Green | Both Flu A and B (culture confirmed) AND ILI reported |
| Blue | Flu (not differentiated or + rapid flu tests) AND ILI reported |
| Cyan | Influenza-Like Illnesses (ILI) reported only (no culture data) |

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