



Texas Department of State Health Services

# Public Health Region 8 Influenza Activity Report MMWR Week 46 & 47 Weeks Ending 11/17 and 11/24



This report covers flu surveillance activities for the 28 counties that comprise Health Service Region 8: Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Calhoun, Comal, De Witt, Dimmit, Edwards, Frio, Gillespie, Goliad, Gonzales, Guadalupe, Jackson, Karnes, Kendall, Kerr, Kinney, LaSalle, Lavaca, Maverick, Medina, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde, Victoria, Wilson, and Zavala.

## Flu Activity

For this two-week period, reports were received from 22 counties. Three counties reported no flu or ILI activity. Two counties reported ILI activity only. 17 counties reported flu by rapid test or PCR. In Region 8, flu activity for weeks 46 and 47 are about the same as week 45.

## Antiviral Resistance

No antiviral resistant flu reported in Region 8.

## Variant Influenza Viruses

No variant or novel influenza viruses have been detected in Texas.

## Pediatric Influenza Mortality

None this week.

## Institutional Outbreaks and School Closures

No new outbreaks reported.

## Summary

Influenza activity is low across the state of Texas. Compared to the previous week, the percentage of patient visits due to influenza-like illness (ILI) decreased. No influenza-associated pediatric deaths were reported. No ILI or influenza outbreaks were reported. In addition to flu, other respiratory viruses—especially rhinovirus/enterovirus—were detected in Texas during week 40.

## Reminder:

Please submit your reports weekly using the online survey.

