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Influenza Surveillance Report for MMWR Week 49

The flu activity level for the week ending December 10, 2005 is sporadic. Activity has remained low across the state.

Limited influenza activity was reported in 10 of the 11 Health Service Regions (HSR) for week 49. One HSR did not report. Four HSRs (1, 4/5N, 8 and 9/10) report an increased level of activity over the previous week. For a map of Health Service Regions, please visit the following website:

[Texas Health Service Regions Map](#)

During week 49, the DSHS lab confirmed (by culture) two cases of influenza A from Starr County. Texas Children's Hospital in Houston also reported a culture confirmed case of influenza A.

Data from the Sentinel Provider Surveillance Network (SPSN) indicates a steady rise in influenza-like illness (ILI). However, numbers will most likely change as reports for week 49 continue to come in.

PERCENTAGE OF VISITS FOR INFLUENZA-LIKE-ILLNESS REPORTED BY SENTINEL PROVIDERS IN TEXAS								
<i>as of 12/13/2005 6:08:01 PM</i>								
Week	# Reporting	Age 0-4	Age 5-24	Age 25-64	Age over 64	Total ILI	Total Patients	% ILI
2005-40	32	49	82	49	2	182	14185	1.28
2005-41	27	55	96	48	4	203	11750	1.72
2005-42	27	67	87	62	4	220	13843	1.58
2005-43	27	67	101	60	2	230	13785	1.66
2005-44	27	72	125	37	5	239	11601	2.06
2005-45	33	68	124	93	13	298	11436	2.60
2005-46	37	102	142	117	18	379	13824	2.74
2005-47	34	95	119	93	6	313	10483	2.98
2005-48	37	139	154	128	8	429	14747	2.90
2005-49	19	79	126	94	3	302	7950	3.79

No school closures or institutional outbreaks have been reported.

For more information on flu surveillance activities in the State of Texas, please visit the following website:

<http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/IDCU/disease/influenza/surveillance/Surveillance.aspx>

Statewide Influenza Activity For the Week Ending December 10, 2005 (MMWR Week 49)

 Statewide Influenza Activity

*Influenza activity level corresponds to current MMWR week only and does not reflect previous weeks' activity.

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