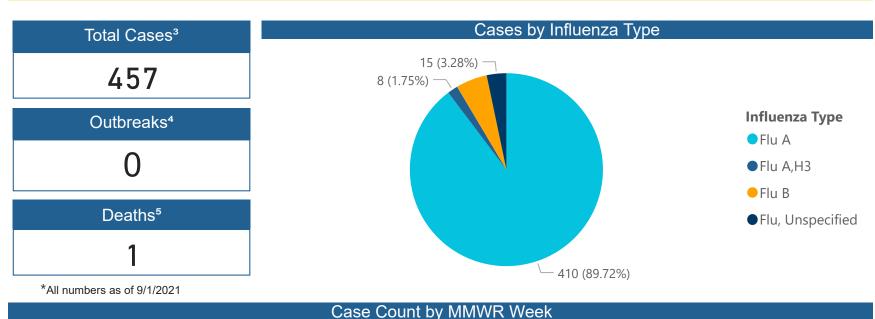
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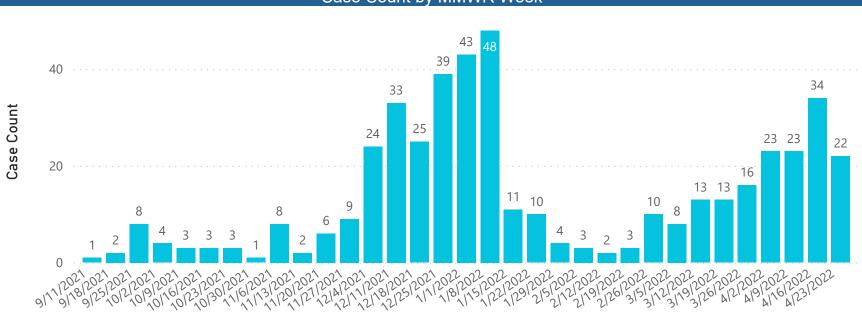
2021-2022 Highlights

Influenza (flu) activity has increased in California, with 6.2% of the laboratory specimens testing positive during Week 15 (4/10/22 - 4/16/22), compared to 4.7% the week before. In California, 0.0% of hospitalized cases were flu admissions, compared to 0.1% the week before.¹ Based on CDC information, influenza activity has varied by region, and is still highest in the northeast, south-central, and mountain regions of the United States. Public health laboratories have detected mostly Influenza A (H3N2) cases this season. Nationally, there has been an increase in hospital admissions for the past ten weeks.²

Based on CDC information, flu vaccination coverage is lower this season compared to last. Vaccines are the best way to prevent flu and complications, and there is still time to receive the vaccine. Everyone 6 months and older should receive an influenza vaccine each year.²

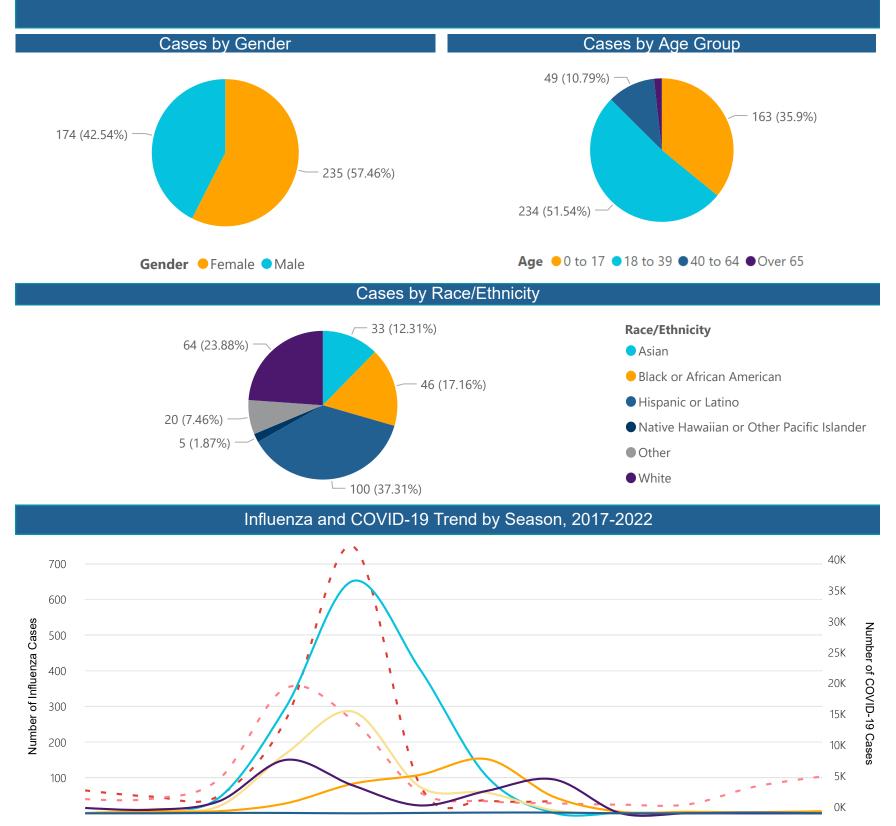
Cases have decreased this week in Long Beach. Although activity remain low, it is currently higher than pre-COVID seasons for this time of year which may indicate an extended flu season. Majority of the cases in Long Beach are Influenza A and affect individuals 18-39 years, followed by those 0-17 years. The first influenza death in Long Beach was reported during Week 1 (1/2/22-1/8/22).







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*Values are not below 0

September

1. Influenza and Other Respiratory Viruses Weekly Report. California Influenza Surveillance Program, CDPH, Week 15.

January

— 2019-2020* **——** 2020-2021 **—**

2. Weekly U.S. Influenza Surveillance Report, CDC. https://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/index.htm

November

- 3. Total case counts are based on those reported to public health, the true number of influenza cases are under-reported.
- 4. Outbreaks are defined as at least one case of laboratory confirmed influenza and at least two residents with onset of influenza-like-illness (ILI) within 72 hours.

March

— 2021-2022 **—**

May

July

5. Number of deaths is based on influenza-coded deaths from death certificates. They are not necessarily laboratory-confirmed and may be an underestimate of all influenza-associated deaths.