



INFLUENZA BULLETIN 2017-18

Surveillance Week 46 (Nov 12th to Nov 18th, 2017)

Data presented are for Week 46 and was extracted on Nov 22th, 2017

Table 1. Assessment of Influenza activity in Windsor-Essex County for Week 46

Measure of activity	Assessment compared to previous week (Lower, Similar, Higher)	Reasoning behind assessment
Laboratory-confirmed influenza cases	Higher	Four laboratory-confirmed influenza outbreak cases reported
Influenza outbreaks	Lower	No new influenza outbreaks reported in Week 46
Influenza activity levels	Similar	One ongoing Influenza outbreak as of Nov 22nd
ILI & Respiratory ED Visits		6% of all ED visits in Week 46 were due to ILI & Resp. syndrome. This is a 5% decrease from the previous week.
OVERALL ASSESSMENT	Similar	

Table 2. Number of laboratory confirmed influenza cases reported in Windsor-Essex County: Week 46 & 2017-18 season [†]

Windsor-Essex County	Influenza A	Influenza B	ALL TYPES
	n (avg)	n (avg)	n (avg)
Week 46	4 (1)	0 (0)	4 (1)
SEASON-TO-DATE*	4 (4)	1 (0)	5 (4)

[†]Average of past-five seasons (2012-13 to 2016-17) reported in brackets

Table 3. Respiratory infection outbreaks in institutions reported in Week 46 and Total for the 2017-18 Influenza season

Aetiologic Agent/Organism	Week 46 outbreak count (%)	2017-18 season outbreak total (%)*
Influenza A ⁺	0	1 (11%)
Parainfluenza (all types)	0	1 (11%)
No organism identified/Unspecified	2 (100%)	7 (78%)
TOTAL	2 (100%)	9 (100%)

[†]Includes combined outbreaks of Influenza and other microorganisms

Figure 1. Syndromic surveillance emergency department visits by Windsor-Essex County residents for the 2017-18 season

