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#### Influenza Surveillance Report for MMWR Week 42

The flu activity level for CDC week 42 ending October 22, 2005 is sporadic. This is an increase from the previous week.

Influenza activity was reported in Health Service Regions (HSRs) 2, 3, 6/5S, 7, 8, 9/10, and 11. HSR 1 still reports no flu activity. One region did not report. Four HSRs (2, 3, 7, and 11) report an increased level of activity over the previous week. HSR 8 reports a decrease in activity. For a map of Health Service Regions, please visit the following website:

[Texas Health Service Regions Map](#)

There were no reports of culture confirmed influenza in the state for week 42. Currently, there has been only one culture confirmed case of influenza (A) this season. Several counties report positive rapid flu tests for both A and B. HSR 11 reports numerous positive rapid flu tests in several counties throughout the region and attempts are underway to obtain specimens for isolation at the DSHS lab.

Data from the Sentinel Provider Surveillance Network (SPSN) indicates a slight decrease in influenza-like illness (ILI) from the previous week (Week 41).

PERCENTAGE OF VISITS FOR INFLUENZA-LIKE-ILLNESS REPORTED BY SENTINEL PROVIDERS IN TEXAS								
<i>as of 11/3/2005 11:24:07 AM</i>								
Week	# Reporting	Age 0-4	Age 5-24	Age 25-64	Age over 64	Total ILI	Total Patients	% ILI
40-2005	30	49	82	49	2	182	12912	1.40
41-2005	25	55	96	48	4	203	10568	1.92
42-2005	25	67	87	62	4	220	12305	1.78

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>

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