



2018-2019 HIGHLIGHTS

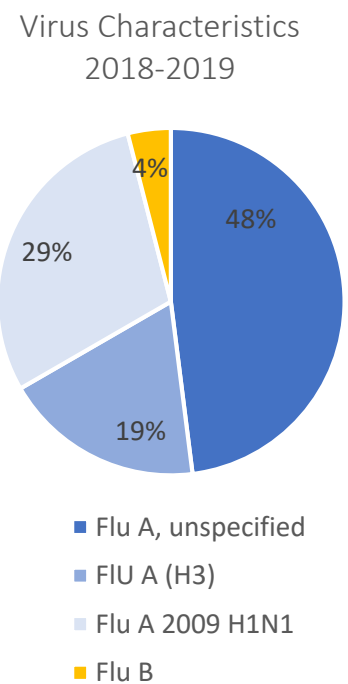
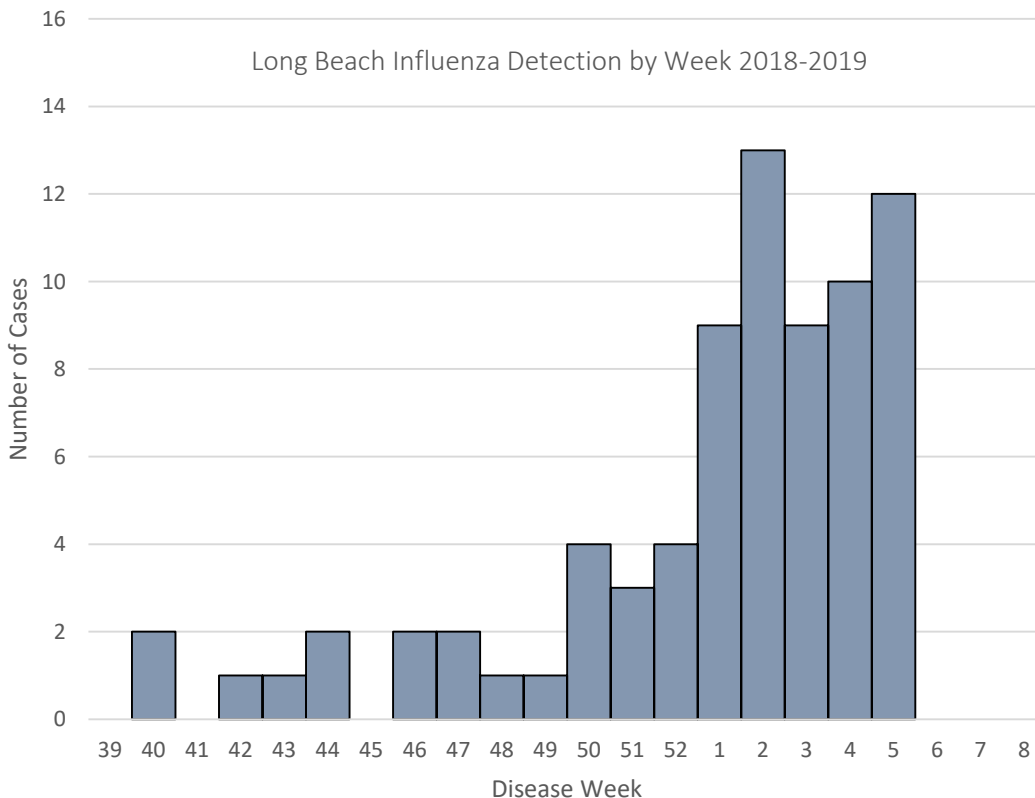
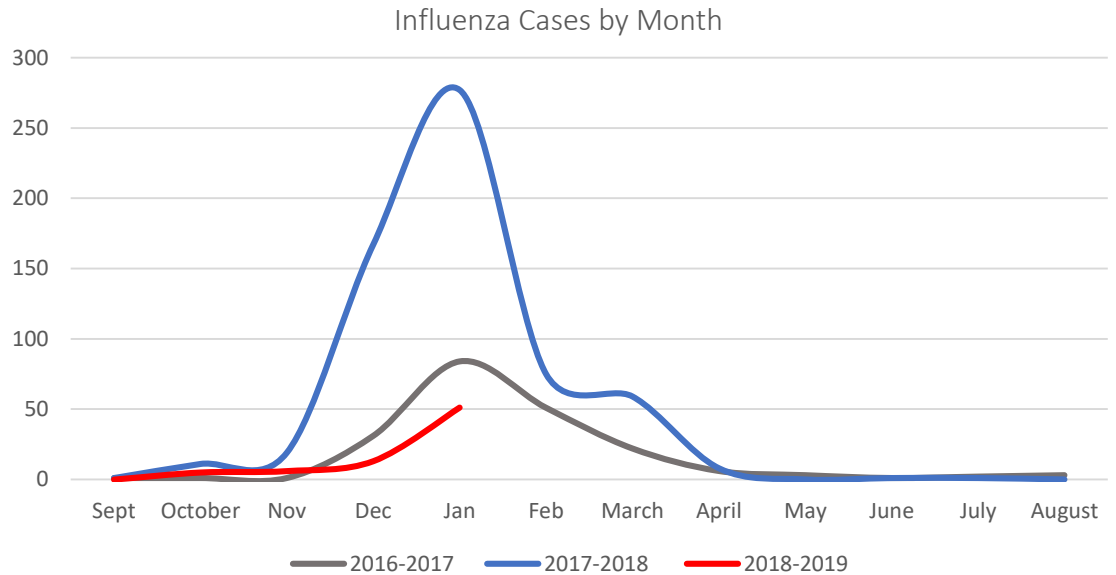
Statewide, influenza is widespread, and Influenza A 2009 (H1N1) remains the most commonly identified flu virus this season. Among sentinel laboratories in LA County, 12.3% of specimens tested positive.³ In Long Beach, activity remains lower to date than the previous two influenza seasons. The median age among Long Beach cases was 46 (0-104) years. During Week 2, the first influenza death was reported in a person > 60 years of age. There have been no pediatric influenza-associated deaths reported.

LONG BEACH SEASON SUMMARY

Total Cases¹
75

Deaths²
2

Outbreaks
0



1. Influenza is voluntarily reported to the health department. The total number of cases may not reflect the true number of influenza cases in Long Beach. Numbers are not final and there are delays in reporting are expected each week
 2. 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.
 3. *Influenza Watch*. LA County Public Health, Acute Communicable Disease Control