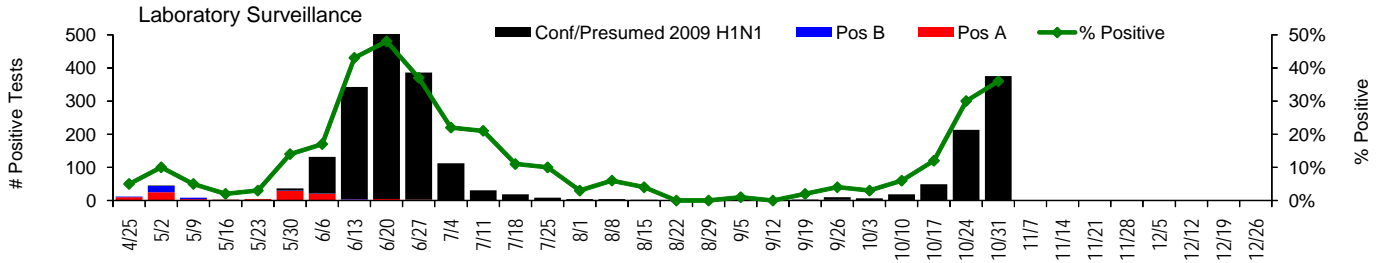
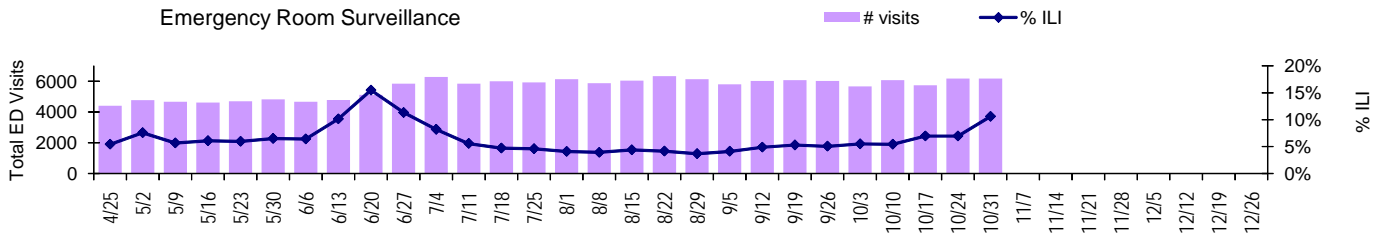


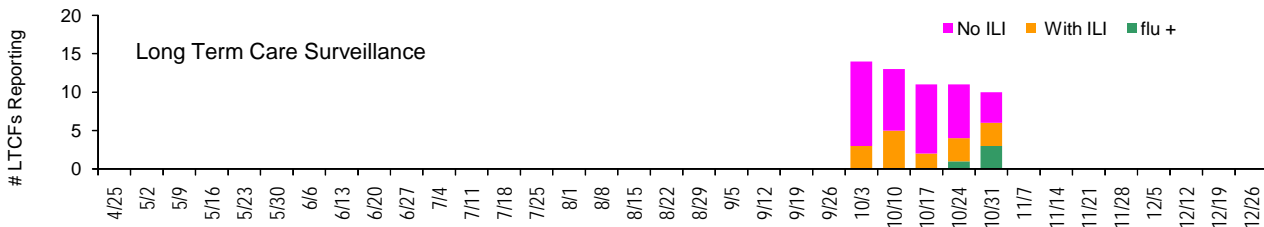
# Monroe County Influenza Surveillance: Week Ending October 31, 2009



**Laboratory Surveillance:** Positive influenza tests are reported on the NY State Health Information Network (HIN) by all diagnostic laboratories. The figure shows the number and type of positive tests from Monroe County residents, and the percent of all tests performed that were positive for flu.



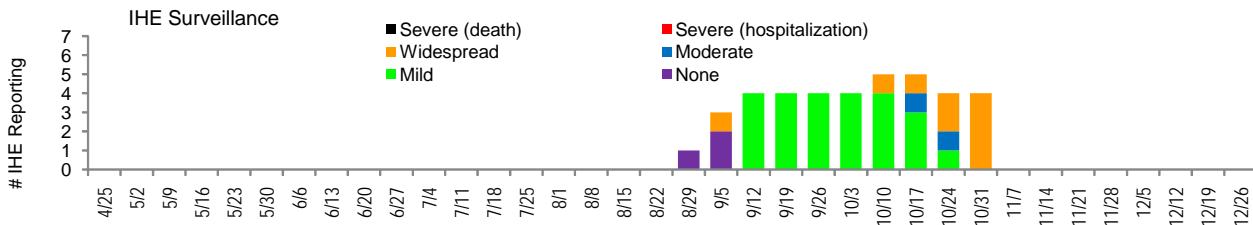
**Emergency Room Surveillance:** All 5 Monroe County Hospitals report to the HIN the total number of visits each day. ILI cases are those that have fever or fever and respiratory symptoms as chief complaint.



**Long Term Care Surveillance:** Beginning Oct. 1, 32 Monroe County LTCFs are asked to voluntarily report ILI and flu activity each week.

Age Group	Laboratory-confirmed influenza cases N (%)	Influenza-related hospitalizations N (%)
0 to 4	63 (9)	3 (6)
5 to 17	360 (53)	13 (28)
18 to 49	205 (30)	18 (38)
50 to 64	37 (6)	9 (38)
65 and Over	13 (2)	4 (31)
<b>Total</b>	<b>678</b>	<b>47</b>

**Age Distribution of Laboratory-confirmed influenza cases and hospitalizations: Sept 1 - Oct 31:** Each influenza case reported to the NYSDOH via the Health Information Network is investigated to determine if hospital admission is required.



**Institutes of Higher Education Surveillance (IHE):** Beginning the end of August, health offices at Monroe County colleges and universities are voluntarily reporting the severity of influenza activity each week.

\*Primary and secondary school absenteeism is not included at this time due to lack of data that can be generalized.