

Note there is a shift in the type of influenza A that is circulating (see the DOH linked report). The season started out with 2009 H1N1 and is now shifting to H3N2. 2009 H1N1 is associated with more severe illness in younger ages, but less deaths.

The number of schools reporting >10% absenteeism due to influenza-like illness has more than doubled. The average number of reports for the 4 previous seasons was only 12 reports.

Thank you for all of your diligence during this influenza season.

Number of Reported* Cases in Snohomish County for the 2018-2019 Influenza Season through CDC Week 11 (ending 3/16/2019):

Total number of reported influenza hospitalizations – 242 (mean age 64; median age 65; Age range 1-96 yrs)

Total number of influenza related deaths** – 15 (1 pediatric)

Total number of schools reporting > 10% absenteeism with influenza-like illness (ILI) – 29

Total number of long term care facilities (LTC) reporting ILI outbreaks – 7

TOTAL NUMBER OF REPORTED* INFLUENZA RELATED DEATHS OF SNOHOMISH COUNTY RESIDENTS BY SEASON:**

| Season | Number of deaths | mean age | median age |
|-----------|------------------|----------|------------|
| 2009-2010 | 7 | 45 | 53 |
| 2010-2011 | 1 | 52 | 52 |
| 2011-2012 | 2 | 49 | 49 |
| 2012-2013 | 8 | 81 | 84 |
| 2013-2014 | 7 | 54 | 54 |
| 2014-2015 | 16 | 82 | 83 |
| 2015-2016 | 9 | 56 | 62 |
| 2016-2017 | 45 | 78 | 82 |
| 2017-2018 | 40 | 79 | 84 |
| 2018-2019 | 15 | 63 | 59 |

* Not all cases of influenza hospitalizations or deaths are reported to public health. Reported cases are just a representative proportion of actual cases of influenza in Snohomish County.

**Deaths are all reported influenza-related deaths at the time of the report

Please use the link below to see the Washington State Department of Health Influenza report.

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/5100/420-100-FluUpdate.pdf>

Snohomish County Influenza Hospitalization Surveillance through CDC Week 11 (ending 03/16/2019)

