

Data Dictionary for Influenza Laboratory Confirmed Cases Reported to NYSDOH: Beginning 2009-2010 Season

Column Name	Description
CDC Week	CDC designates the weeks of the year as Week 1 (the first week in January), through Week 52 (the last week in December). CDC defines the influenza season as beginning with week 40 (the first week in October) and ending with week 20 of the following year (the third week in May). Each week begins on Sunday and ends on Saturday.
Week Ending Date	The last date of each CDC week. Week ending dates are always on a Saturday.
Season	First week in October through third week in May of the following calendar year.
Total Influenza Reported	Total weekly number of laboratory-confirmed influenza cases reported by clinical laboratories to NYSDOH (including cases in New York City).
Influenza A	Cases which tested positive for Influenza Type A
Influenza B	Cases which tested positive for Influenza Type B
Influenza Type Not Specified	Cases which tested positive for Influenza, but the laboratory test used did not distinguish between Type A or Type B