



# San Joaquin County Respiratory Illness Report

September 30, 2018 (Week 40) — March 2, 2019 (Week 9)

## OVERVIEW

- This season overall continues to be milder than the 2017-2018 season even though the % positive is currently higher (Table 1 & Figure 1).
- Nine confirmed deaths (all ages) this flu season compared to twenty-three during the same time period last flu season (Table 1).
- In Week 9, the majority of influenza positive specimens were A/H3N2 instead of A/H1N1 (Figure 2).

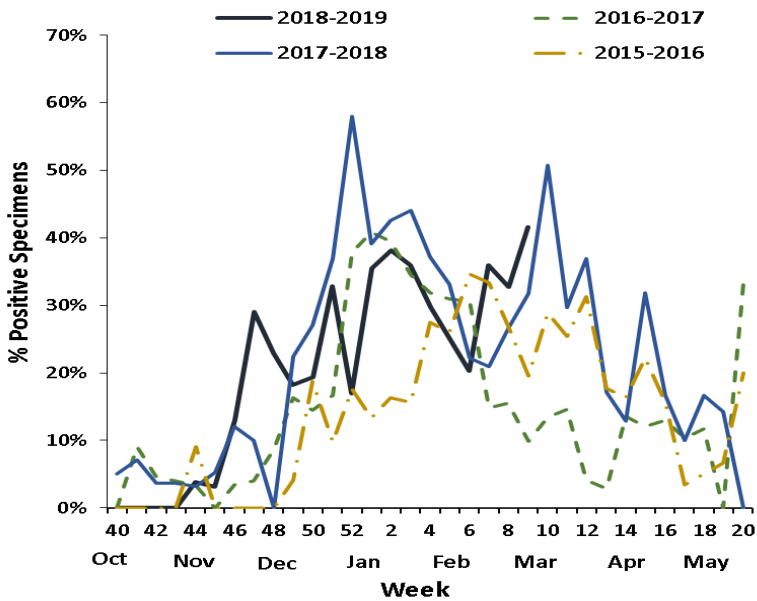
**Table 1. Deaths and Outbreaks, San Joaquin County**

Indicators	Current Season	Previous Season
	(Week 40-Week 9)	(Week 40-Week 9)
Deaths due to influenza (total) *	9	23
<18 years <sup>1</sup>	0	1
18-64 years	7	5
65+ years	2	17
Respiratory outbreaks	1	7

*NOTE: New changes in Title 17 reporting: influenza deaths (ages 18-64 years) are no longer reportable as of this season; \*All deaths are obtained from death certificates by date of death; therefore a significant delay in counting and will be updated in future reports; <sup>1</sup>pediatric deaths are still reportable.*

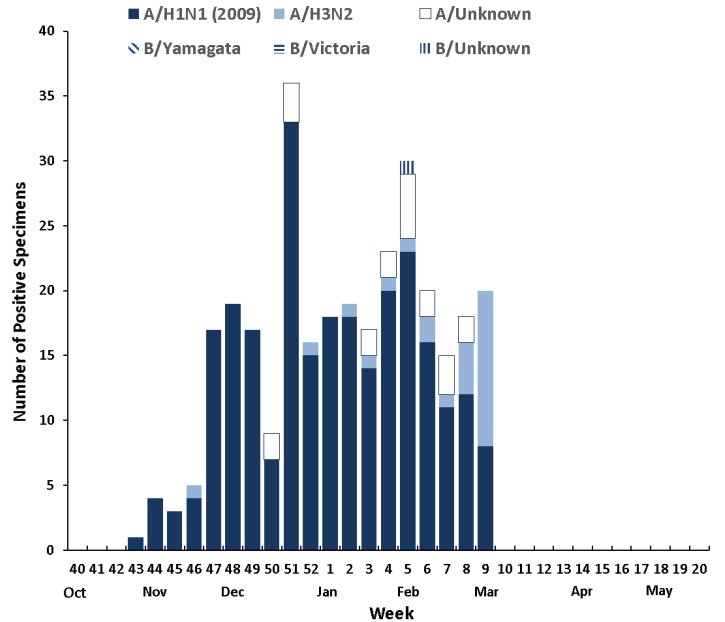
**Figure 1. Influenza Positive Tests**

San Joaquin County Sentinel Clinical Laboratories



**Figure 2. Influenza Positive Tests by Type and Subtype**

San Joaquin County Public Health Laboratory



For information on influenza in California:

<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Immunization/Influenza.aspx>

For information on influenza in the United States:

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/index.htm>

*Notes:* Because data are preliminary, the information may be updated in later reports as additional data are received.

*Sources:* Table 1. Outbreaks accessed through local CalREDIE system and deaths obtained from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Influenza Surveillance program, 03/06/2019. Figure 1. Influenza positive tests were obtained from the CDPH Influenza Surveillance program, 03/06/2019. Figure 2. Influenza type and subtype data received from San Joaquin County Public Health Laboratory (SJCPLH), 03/05/2019.