

## Influenza Surveillance Update for Summit County

Off-season Report # 11

Week ending on August 7, 2010 (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Week 31)

On August 10, the World Health Organization declared the end of the influenza (H1N1) pandemic. However, in the post-pandemic period, it is likely that cases and outbreaks due to the 2009 pandemic A (H1N1) virus will continue to occur. For more information, go to <http://www.euro.who.int/en/what-we-do/health-topics/diseases-and-conditions/influenza/news2/news/2010/08/who-director-general-declares-h1n1-pandemic-over>.

The EpiCenter average for adult emergency room visits in Summit County for respiratory and constitutional complaints was 15.58% which was an increase from the previous week's average of 13.86%. Eight pneumonia deaths and no influenza deaths were reported this period. During the previous period, there were 7 pneumonia deaths and no influenza deaths.

Full influenza surveillance for Summit County will resume in October.

The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) published the final Ohio Seasonal Influenza and Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Report for the 2009-2010 season during the week ending on May 15, 2010. If the influenza activity level rises above 'no activity' before the start of the next influenza season, then the Weekly Surveillance Reports would resume. ODH will continue to analyze weekly influenza data sources during the summer.

This influenza brief was updated on August 13, 2010. Numbers are subject to change as reports are received. Please address questions to Courtney Hudson at the Akron Health Department Office of Epidemiology at 330.375.2988 ext. 3122 or [CHudson@akronohio.gov](mailto:CHudson@akronohio.gov).