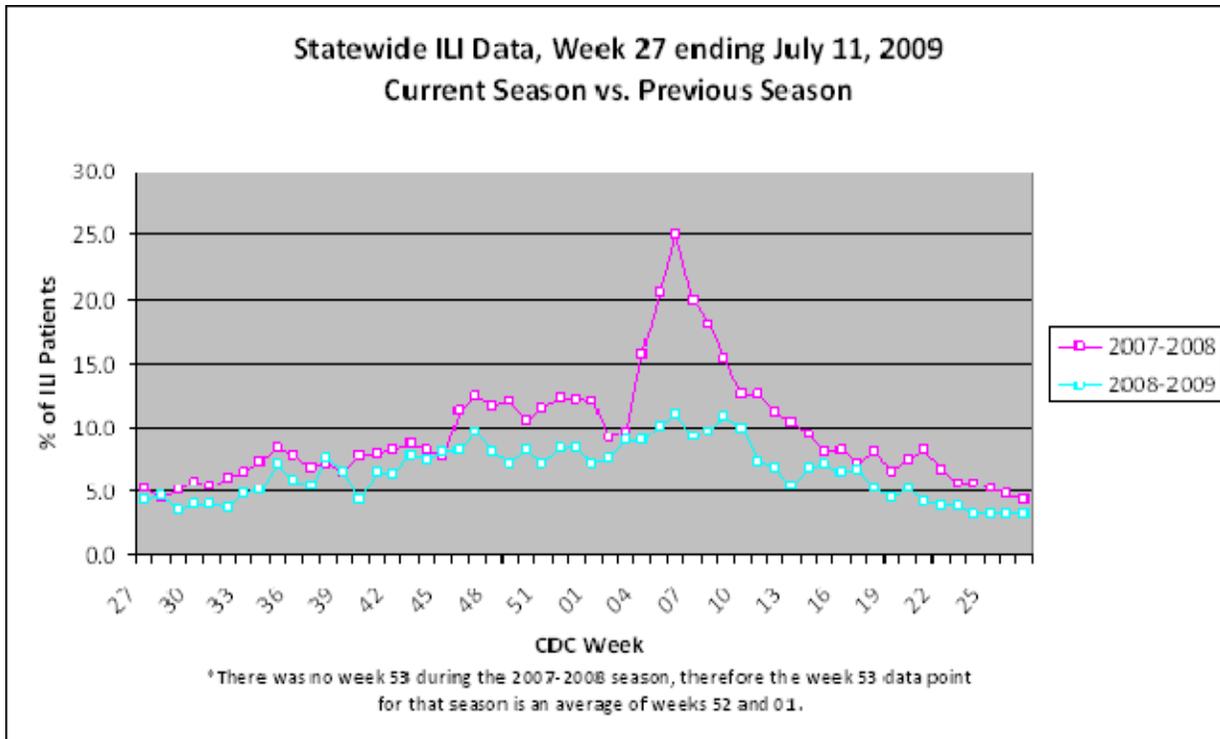


For week 27 (07/05/09- 07/11/09), the overall state ILI rate (3.2%) was comparable to last week (3.3%), but was lower than this time last year (4.3%). The state ILI rate appears to be leveling off as it did this time last year.



During week 27, two districts had a decrease in ILI activity (1 and 8), three districts had an increase (2, 3, and 6), and four districts remained about the same (4, 5, 7, and 9).

*****Due to the increased testing for the possibility of Novel H1N1 (swine) flu in MS, 1,298 flu specimens have been submitted for testing to the MSDH PHL since April 27th. 234 specimens have tested positive for novel H1N1 (swine) flu. The positives were from the following counties:**

County	Total
Total	234
Alcorn	2
Attala	1
Bolivar	1
Chickasaw	3
Choctaw	1
Coahoma	3
Copiah	1
Covington	3
DeSoto	3
Forrest	15

George	3
Greene	4
Hancock	1
Harrison	33
Hinds	9
Holmes	3
Jackson	22
Jones	4
Lafayette	2
Lamar	17
Lauderdale	3
Lee	2
Leflore	1
Lincoln	3
Lowndes	7
Madison	11
Marion	1
Monroe	4
Neshoba	3
Oktibbeha	3
Panola	3
Pearl River	1
Perry	2
Pike	1
Prentiss	1
Rankin	10
Scott	3
Simpson	1
Smith	1
Sunflower	1
Tishomingo	2
Union	1
Walthall	2
Warren	4
Webster	2
Winston	27
Yazoo	3

Below is a comparison of the state ILI rate to the number of positive influenza isolates since mid- April. Starting in late May and into July, the predominate flu type identified has been novel H1N1 (swine) flu.

**Comparison of Statewide ILI Rate to Positive Influenza Isolates by Type and Subtype, Mississippi,
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