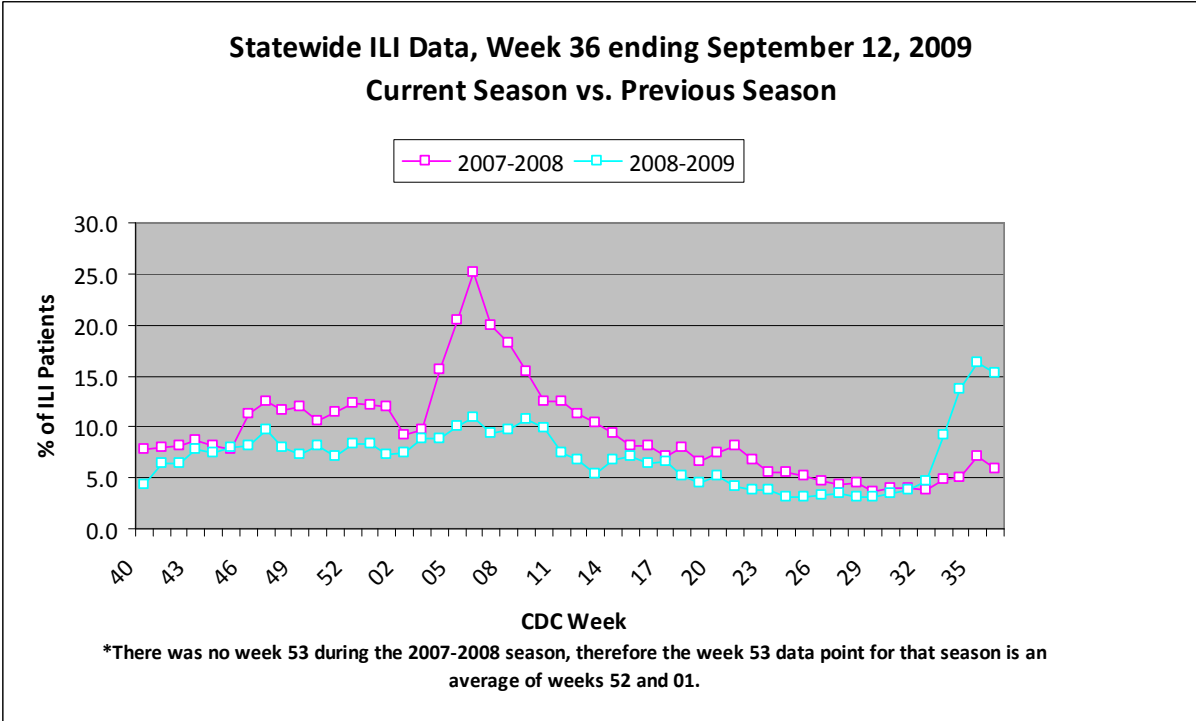


For week 36 (09/06/09- 09/12/09), the overall state ILI rate (15.3%) decreased from last week (16.3%), but was still higher than this time last year (5.8%).



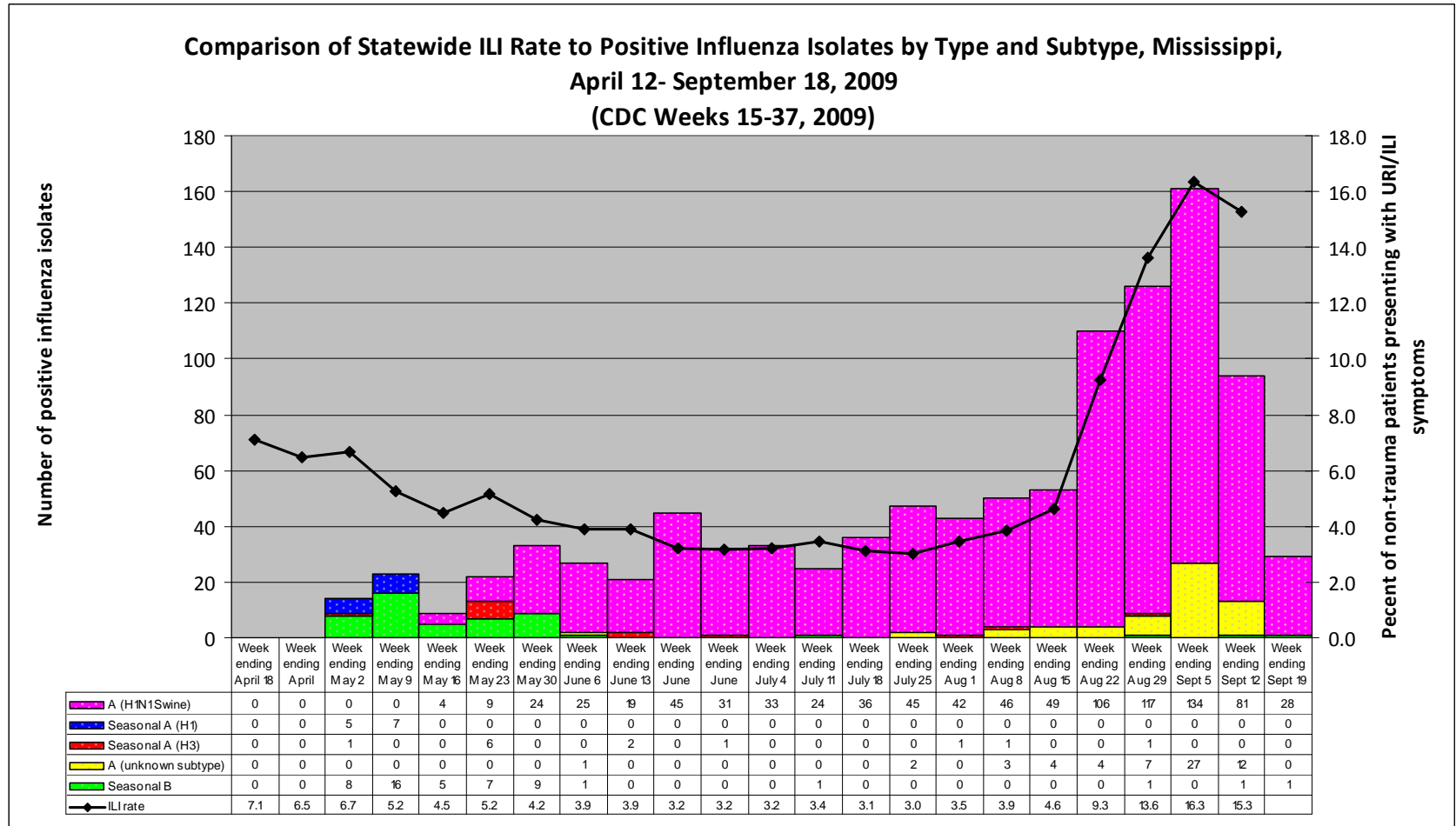
During week 36, five districts (2, 3, 4, 5, and 8) had a decrease in ILI activity, three districts (1, 6, and 7) had an increase, and one district (9) remained about the same.

**\*\*\*To date, 2357 flu specimens have been submitted for testing to the MSDH PHL since April 27<sup>th</sup>. 898 lab-confirmed novel H1N1 specimens have been reported to MSDH. This total includes 92 positives reported from outside labs. The positives were from the following counties:**

County	Total
<b>Total</b>	<b>898</b>
Adams	5
Alcorn	5
Amite	
Attala	2
Benton	
Bolivar	7
Calhoun	16
Carroll	3
Chickasaw	10
Choctaw	5
Claiborne	1
Clarke	20
Clay	5
Coahoma	61
Copiah	7
Covington	9
DeSoto	56
Forrest	20
Franklin	3
George	6
Greene	4
Grenada	29
Hancock	14
Harrison	88
Hinds	30
Holmes	4
Humphreys	2
Issaquena	
Itawamba	
Jackson	31
Jasper	10
Jefferson	1
Jefferson Davis	1
Jones	12
Kemper	1
Lafayette	9
Lamar	18
Lauderdale	13
Lawrence	2
Leake	17
Lee	7
Leflore	3

County	Total
Lincoln	9
Lowndes	10
Madison	24
Marion	13
Marshall	11
Monroe	18
Montgomery	8
Neshoba	16
Newton	6
Noxubee	3
Oktibbeha	22
Panola	21
Pearl River	5
Perry	2
Pike	10
Pontotoc	2
Prentiss	1
Quitman	8
Rankin	36
Scott	11
Sharkey	
Simpson	2
Smith	5
Stone	2
Sunflower	3
Tallahatchie	1
Tate	19
Tippah	1
Tishomingo	2
Tunica	1
Union	3
Walthall	11
Warren	6
Washington	9
Wayne	1
Webster	7
Wilkinson	1
Winston	36
Yalobusha	8
Yazoo	5
Unknown	2

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 September, the predominate flu type identified continues to be novel H1N1 (swine) flu. However, there were two seasonal flu identified (Flu B) in the last two weeks.



Mississippi reported “widespread” (Outbreaks of influenza or increases in ILI cases and recent laboratory-confirmed influenza in at least half the regions of the state with recent laboratory evidence of influenza in the state) activity for week 36. For more information on flu activity nationwide, please refer to the CDC’s website at: <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivity.htm>.

