



# 2016-2017 Influenza Report Week 50 Dec. 11 – Dec. 17, 2016

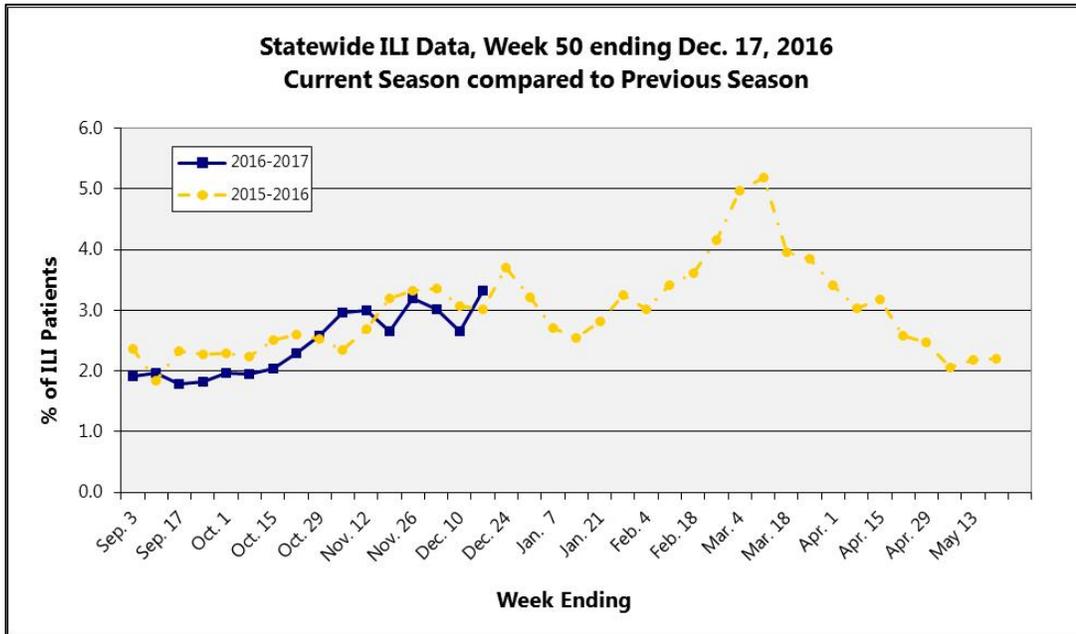
## About our flu activity reporting

MSDH relies upon selected sentinel health practitioners across the state to report the percentage of total patient visits consistent with an influenza-like illness (ILI: fever of 100°F or higher AND cough and/or sore throat). Also, providers are supplied with specimen collection kits. Samples are submitted to the Mississippi Public Health Laboratory for influenza PCR testing. Reports are used to estimate the state's ILI rate and the magnitude of the state's influenza activity. Reports represent only the distribution of flu in the state, not an actual count of all flu cases statewide. **Information is provisional only and may change depending on additional reporting from sentinel providers.**

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**State ILI Surveillance**



During week **50** (12/11/16 - 12/17/16), the state ILI rate (**3.3%**) **increased slightly** from the previous week (**2.7%**), but was comparable to this time last

year (**3.0%**). | [Figure 1](#)

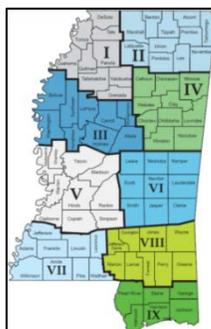
Total number of patients seen by sentinel providers in the last three weeks. | [Table 1](#)

2016-2017 Influenza Season					
CDC Week	Week Ending	Number of ILI Reports	Total patients	ILI symptoms	ILI Rate (%)
<b>50</b>	<b>Dec. 17</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>16439</b>	<b>548</b>	<b>3.3%</b>
49	Dec. 10	138	17457	463	2.7%
48	Dec. 03	140	18771	568	3.0%

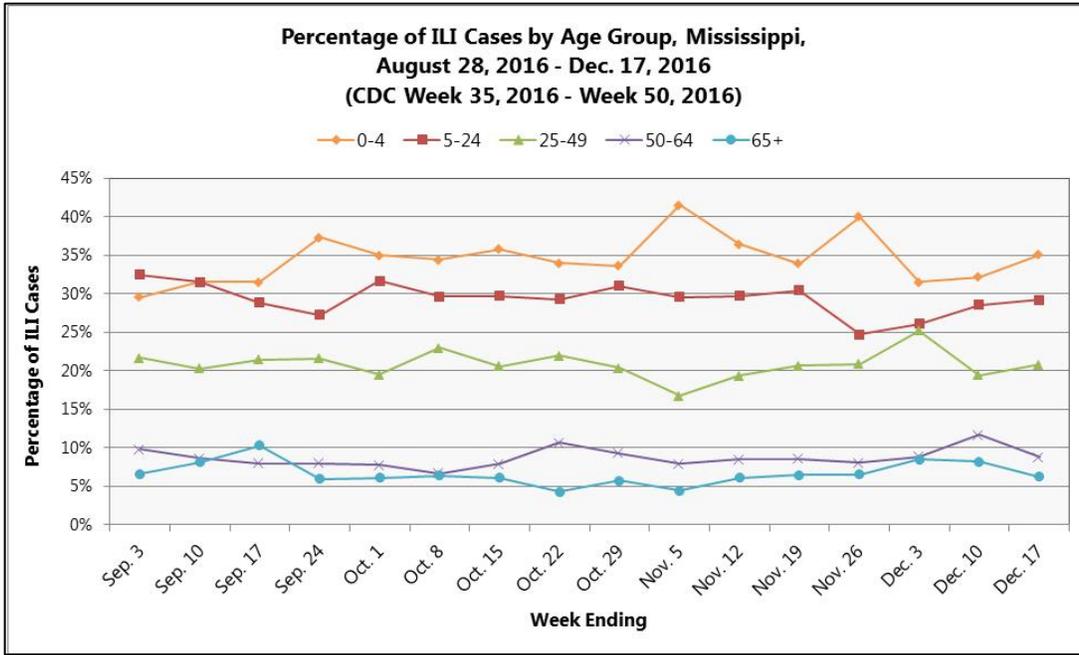
During week **50**, **five** districts (1, 2, 4, 6, and 9) had an increase in ILI activity, while **one** district (3) had a decrease.

**Three** districts (5, 7, and 8) remained about the same.

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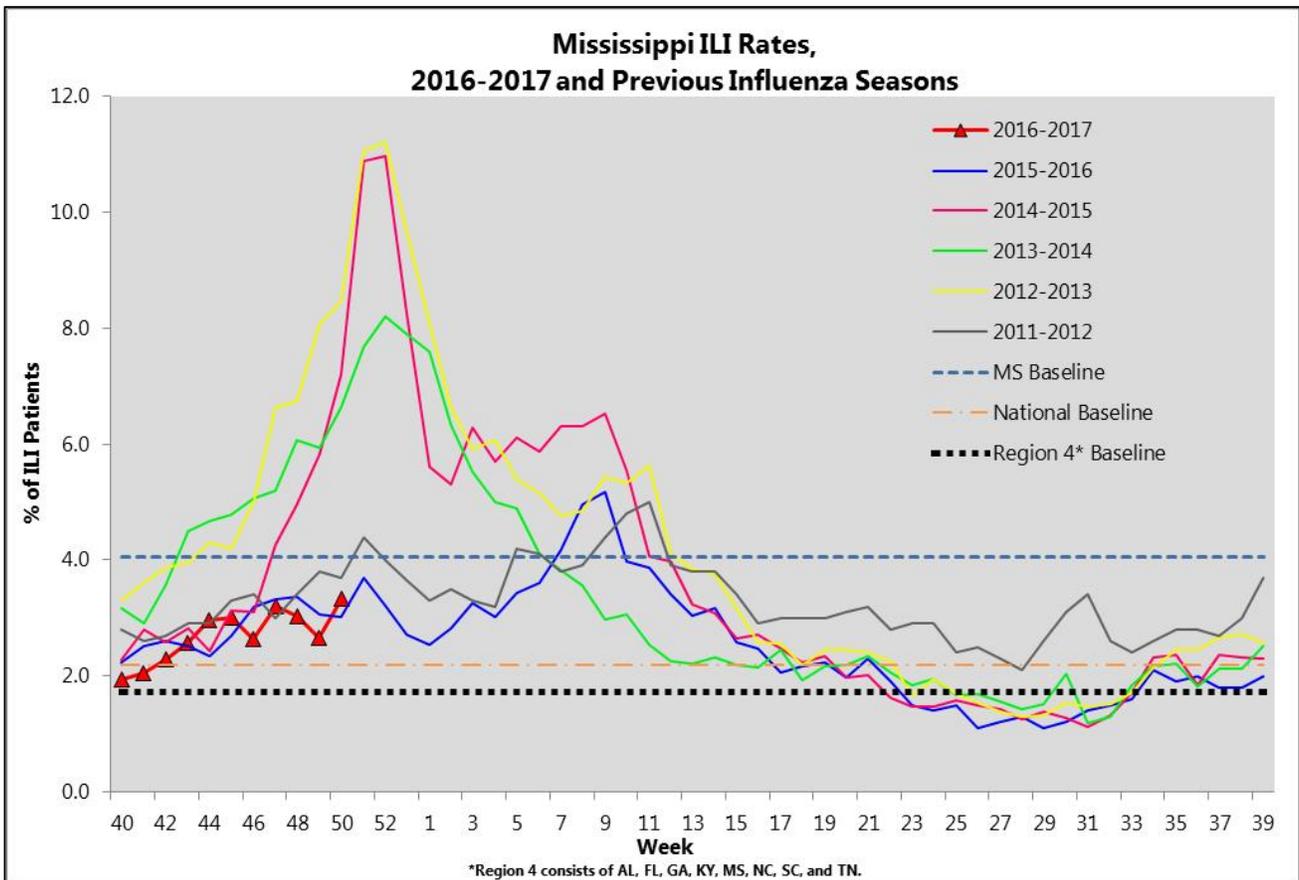


MSDH District ILI Rates (%) 2016-2017		
District	Week 49	Week 50
<i>State</i>	2.7	3.3
I	1.8	3.0
II	1.8	4.0
III	1.6	0.5
IV	2.6	6.0
V	2.2	2.1
VI	5.5	6.4
VII	2.7	3.0
VIII	1.8	1.7
IX	3.4	3.9

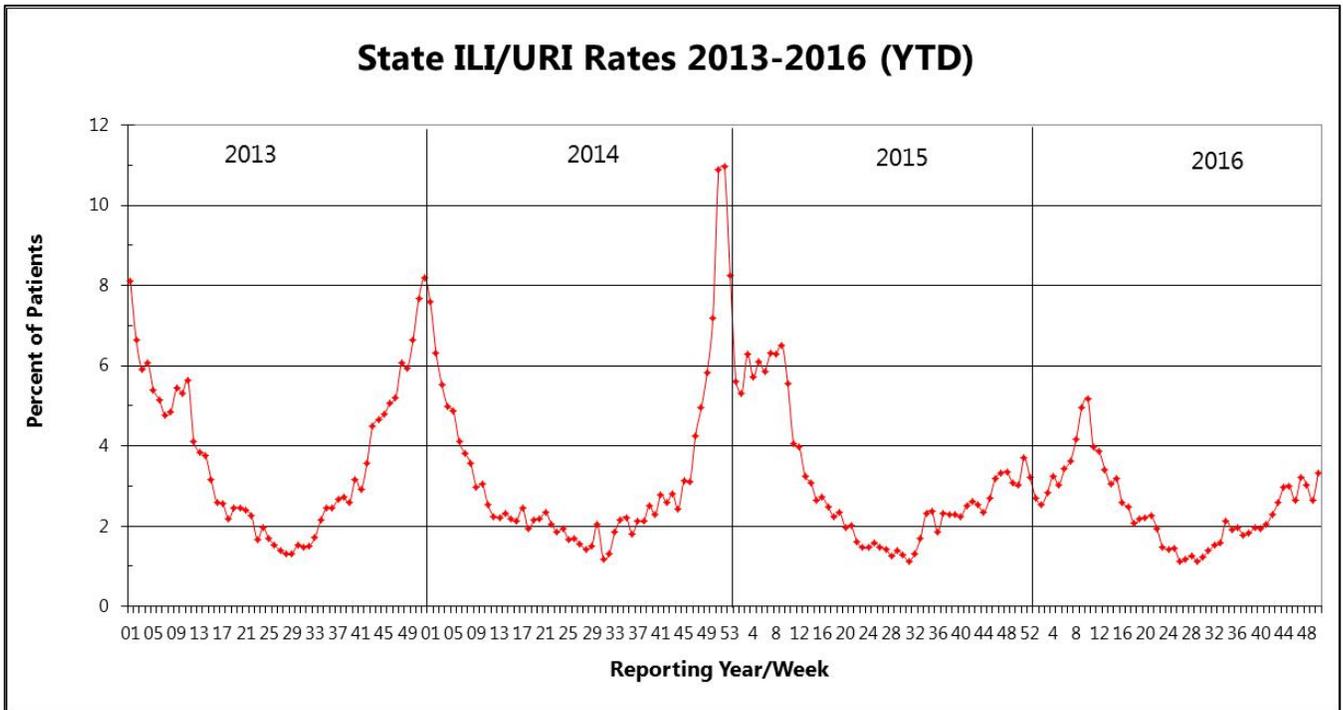


Overall, the percentage of reported ILI cases has been highest among those in the **0-4** and **5-24** years. This trend continued during week **50**. | [Figure 2](#)

The 2016-17 state ILI rate was **above** the national and Region 4 baselines, but was **below** the state baseline, for week **50**. | [Figure 3](#)

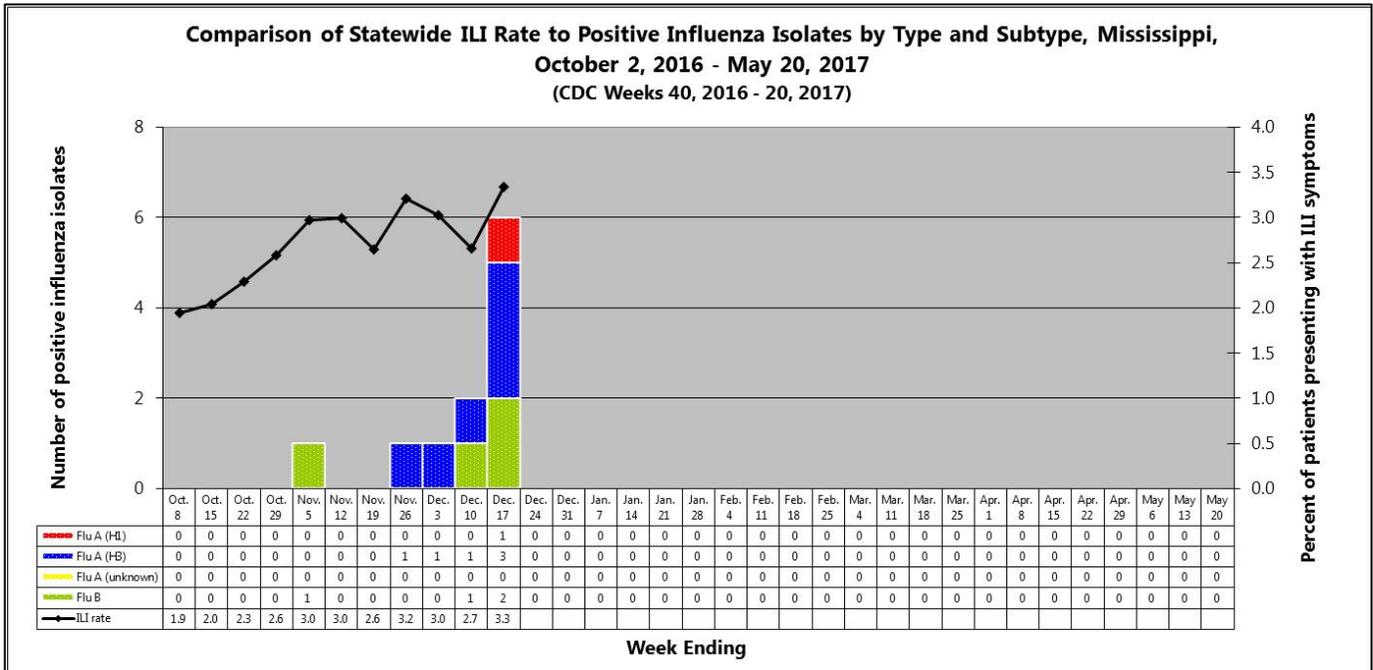


Mississippi ILI Rates 2013-2016 | [Figure 4](#)



### Flu Testing Reports

From week **40** (week ending Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>) through week **50** (week ending Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>), 11 laboratory confirmed influenza samples were identified by the MSDH Public Health Laboratory. Six (55%) samples were identified as influenza A (H3), four (36%) were identified as influenza B, and one (9%) was identified as influenza A (H1). | [Figure 5](#)



The influenza cases were identified from the following counties: Coahoma (1), DeSoto (1), Harrison (2), Hinds (2), Neshoba (1), Oktibbeha (3), and Rankin (1).

### National and Mississippi Pediatric Mortality Surveillance

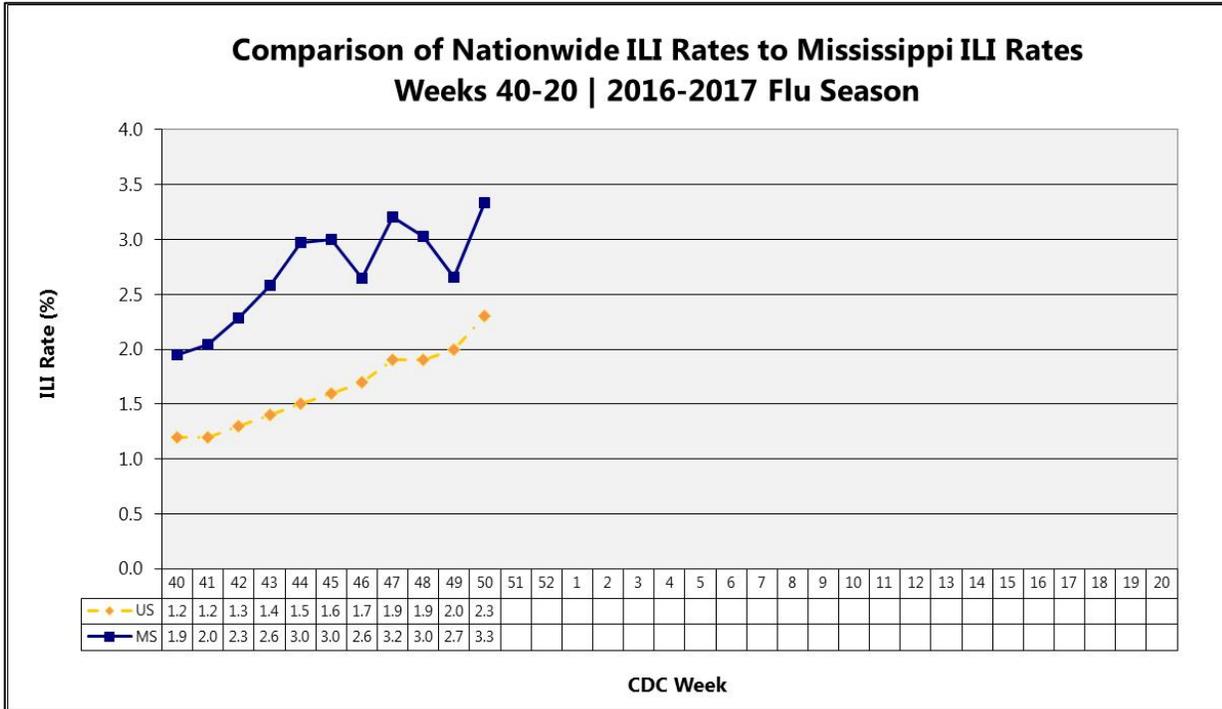
Nationally, two influenza-associated pediatric deaths were reported to CDC during week **50**. Both deaths occurred during the 2015-2016 season. One death was associated with an influenza A (H3) virus and one was associated with an influenza B virus. These deaths bring the total number of reported influenza-associated pediatric deaths occurring during that season to 89.

No influenza-associated pediatric deaths for the 2016-2017 season have been reported to CDC.

Mississippi has had no influenza-associated pediatric deaths reported during this influenza season. For additional information on influenza-associated pediatric deaths, please refer to the [CDC's FluView](#).

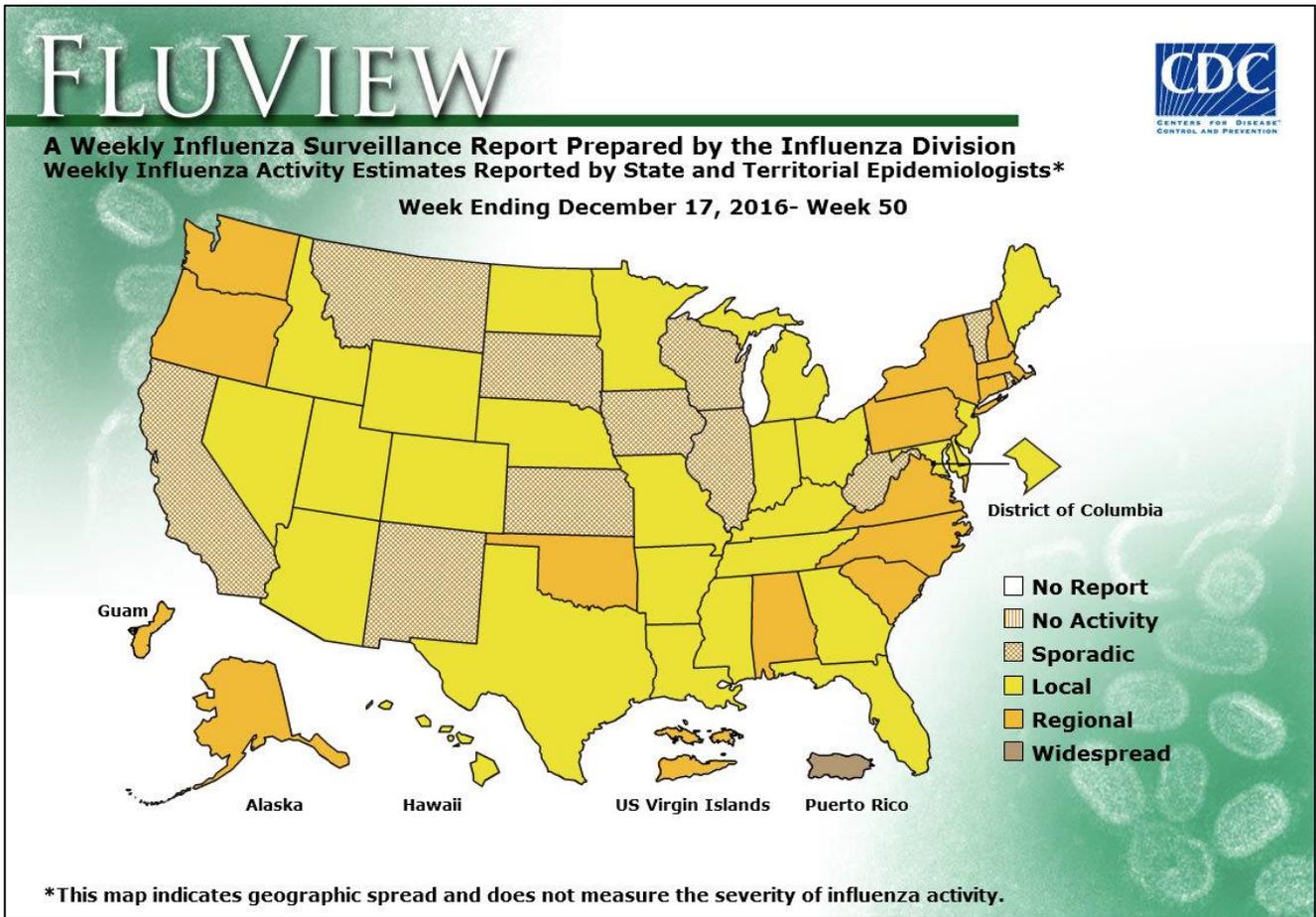
**National ILI Surveillance**

For week **50**, the MS ILI rate (3.3%) was **above** the national ILI rate (2.3%). | [Figure 6](#)



US ILI rates from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/>.

During week **50**, influenza activity **increased slightly** in the United States.<sup>1</sup> | [Figure 7](#)



Mississippi reported “**Local**” for the influenza activity during week **50**. | [Table 3](#)

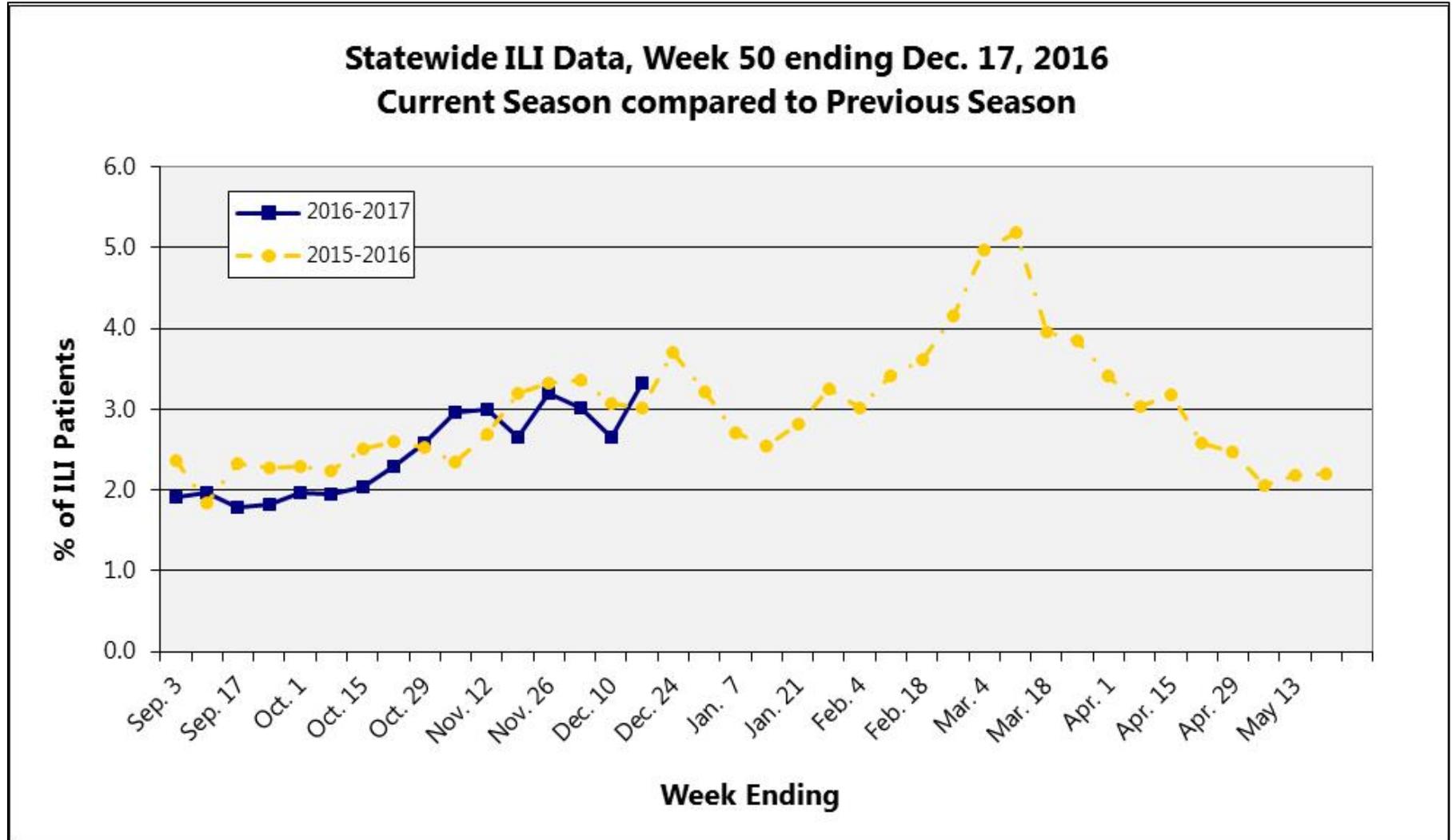
Level of Flu Activity	Definition
<b>No Activity</b>	Overall clinical activity remains low and there are no lab confirmed cases.
<b>Sporadic</b>	Isolated cases of lab confirmed influenza in the state; ILI activity is not increased <u>OR</u> A lab-confirmed outbreak in a single institution in the state; ILI activity is not increased.
<b>Local</b>	Increased ILI within a single region <b>AND</b> recent (within the past 3 weeks) laboratory evidence of influenza in that region. ILI activity in other regions is not increased <u>OR</u> two of more institutional outbreaks (ILI or lab confirmed) within a single region <b>AND</b> recent (within the past 3 weeks) lab confirmed influenza in that region. Other regions do not have increased ILI and virus activity is no greater than sporadic in those regions
<b>Regional</b>	Increased ILI in at least 2 regions but fewer than half of the regions <b>AND</b> recent (within the past 3 weeks) lab confirmed influenza in the affected regions <u>OR</u> Institutional outbreaks (ILI or lab confirmed) in at least 2 regions but fewer than half of the regions <b>AND</b> recent lab confirmed influenza in the affected regions.
<b>Widespread</b>	Increased ILI and/or institutional outbreaks (ILI or lab confirmed) in at least half of the regions <b>AND</b> recent (within the past 3 weeks) lab confirmed influenza in the state.

**Additional influenza information:**

<b>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention</b>	<a href="http://cdc.gov/flu/">http://cdc.gov/flu/</a>
<b>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention FluView</b>	<a href="http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/">http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/</a>
<b>Flu.gov</b>	<a href="http://www.flu.gov/">http://www.flu.gov/</a>
<b>MSDH Flu and Pneumonia</b>	<a href="http://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/ static/14,0,199.html">http://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/ static/14,0,199.html</a>
<b>World Health Organization FluNet</b>	<a href="http://www.who.int/influenza/gisrs_laboratory/flunet/en/">http://www.who.int/influenza/gisrs_laboratory/flunet/en/</a>

## Appendix

Figure 1



**Figure 2**

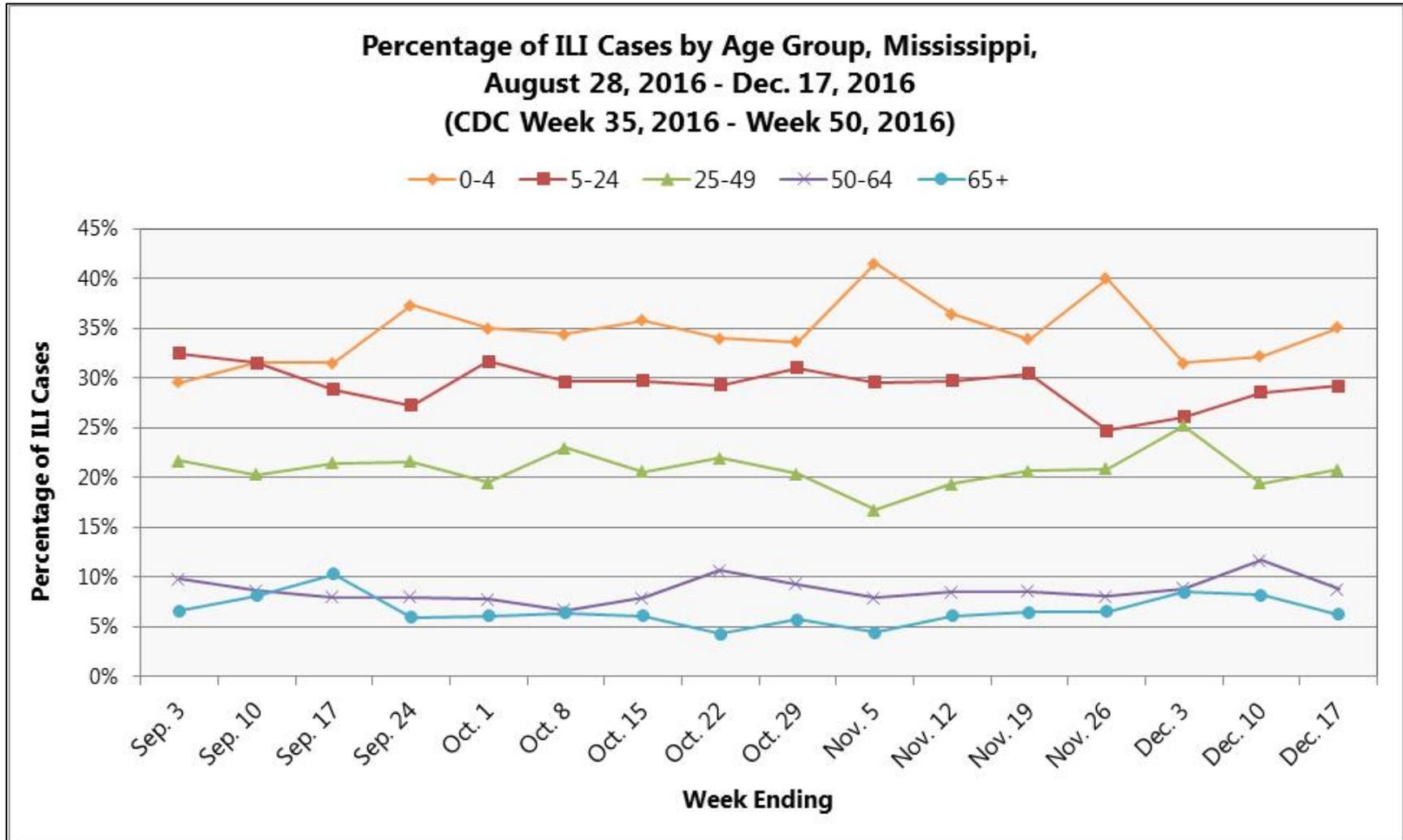


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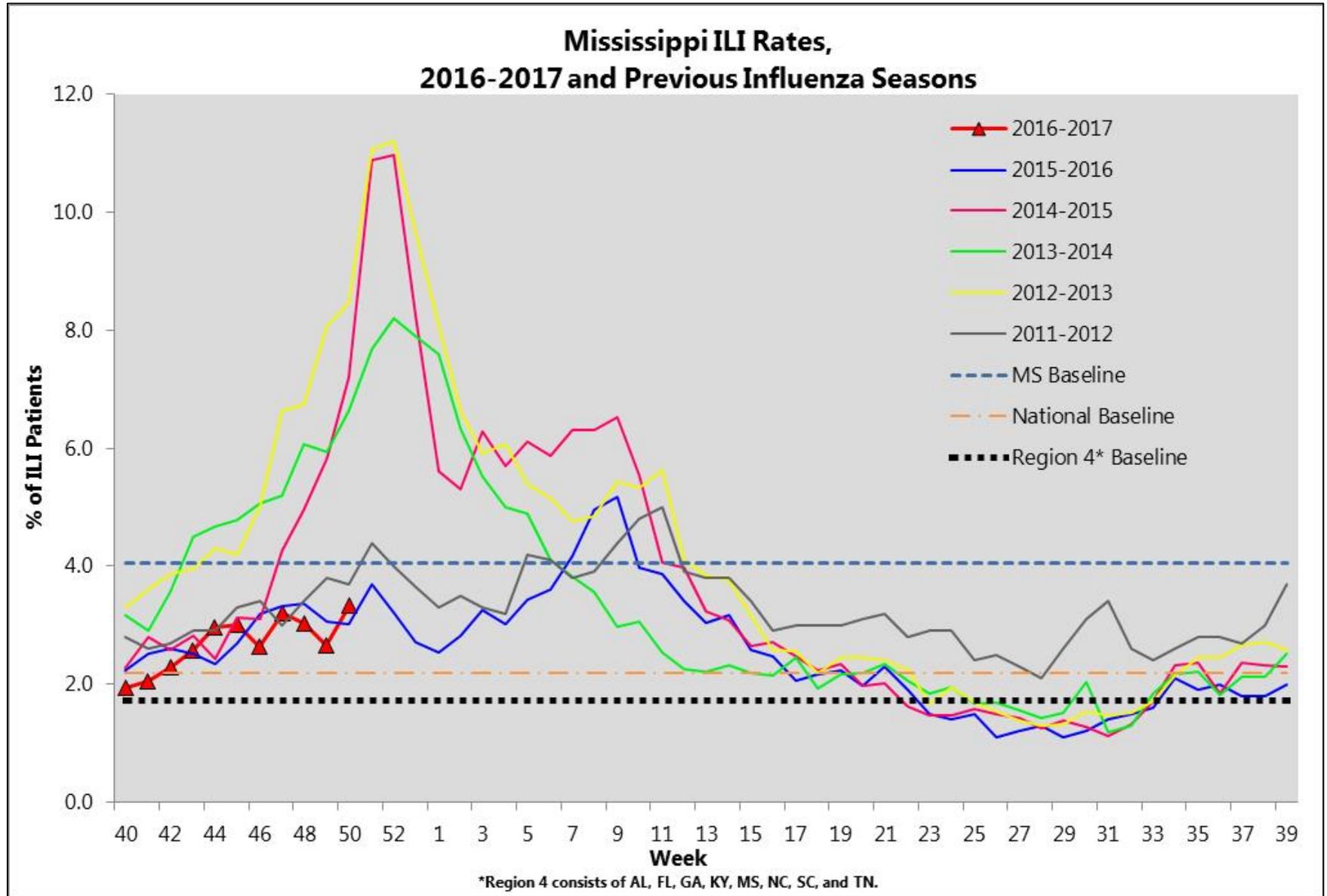


Figure 4

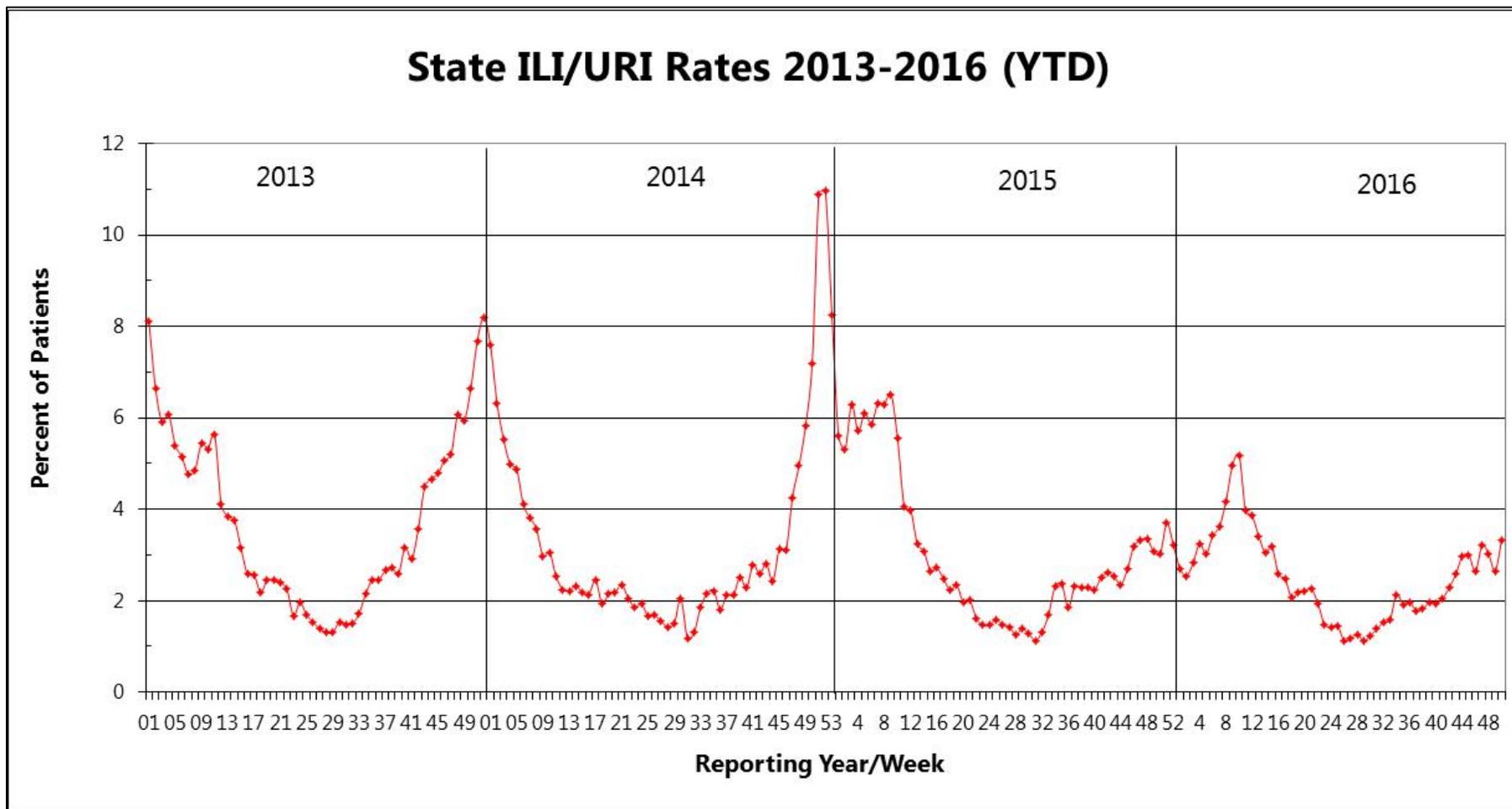
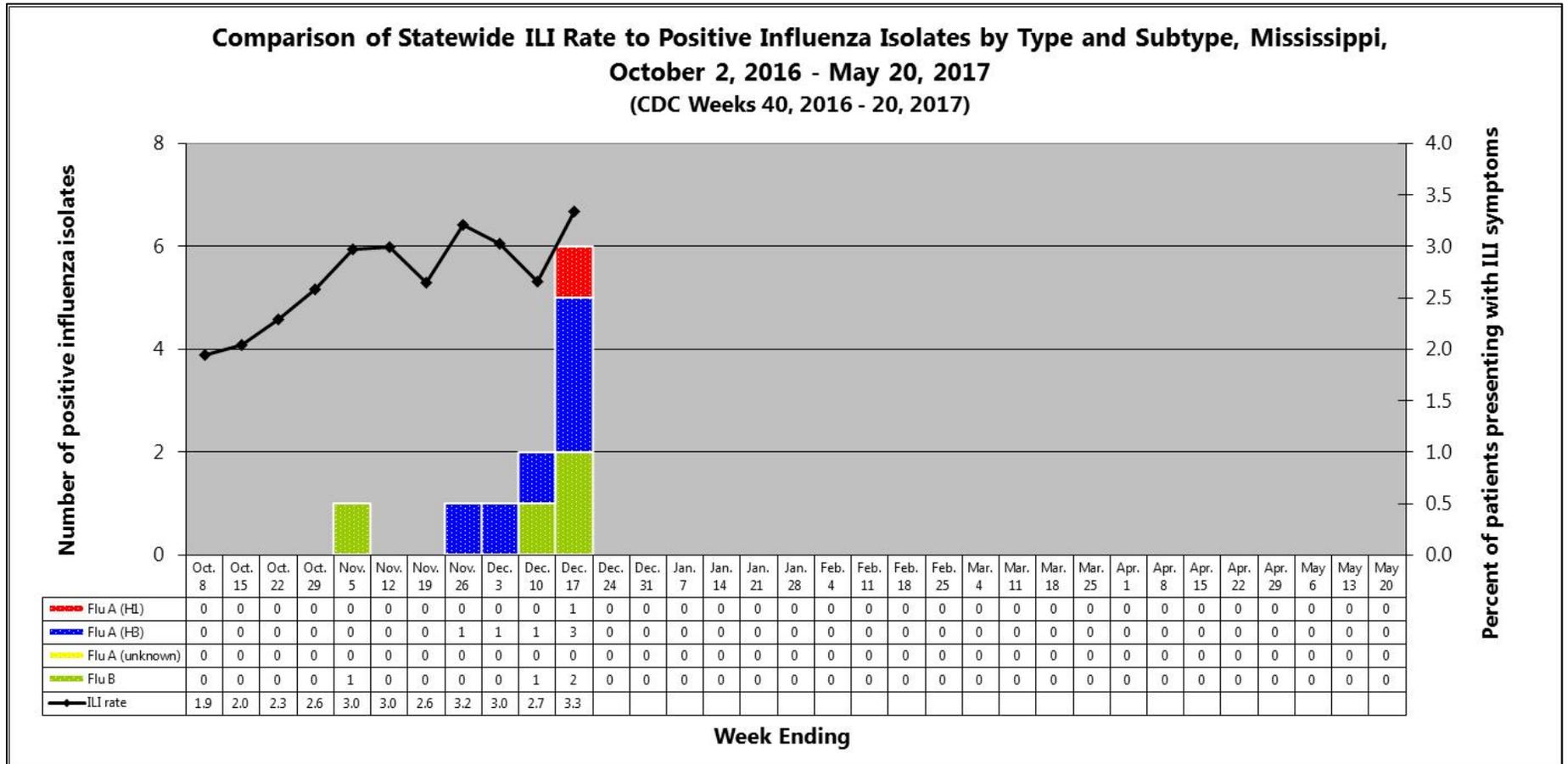


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**Figure 6**

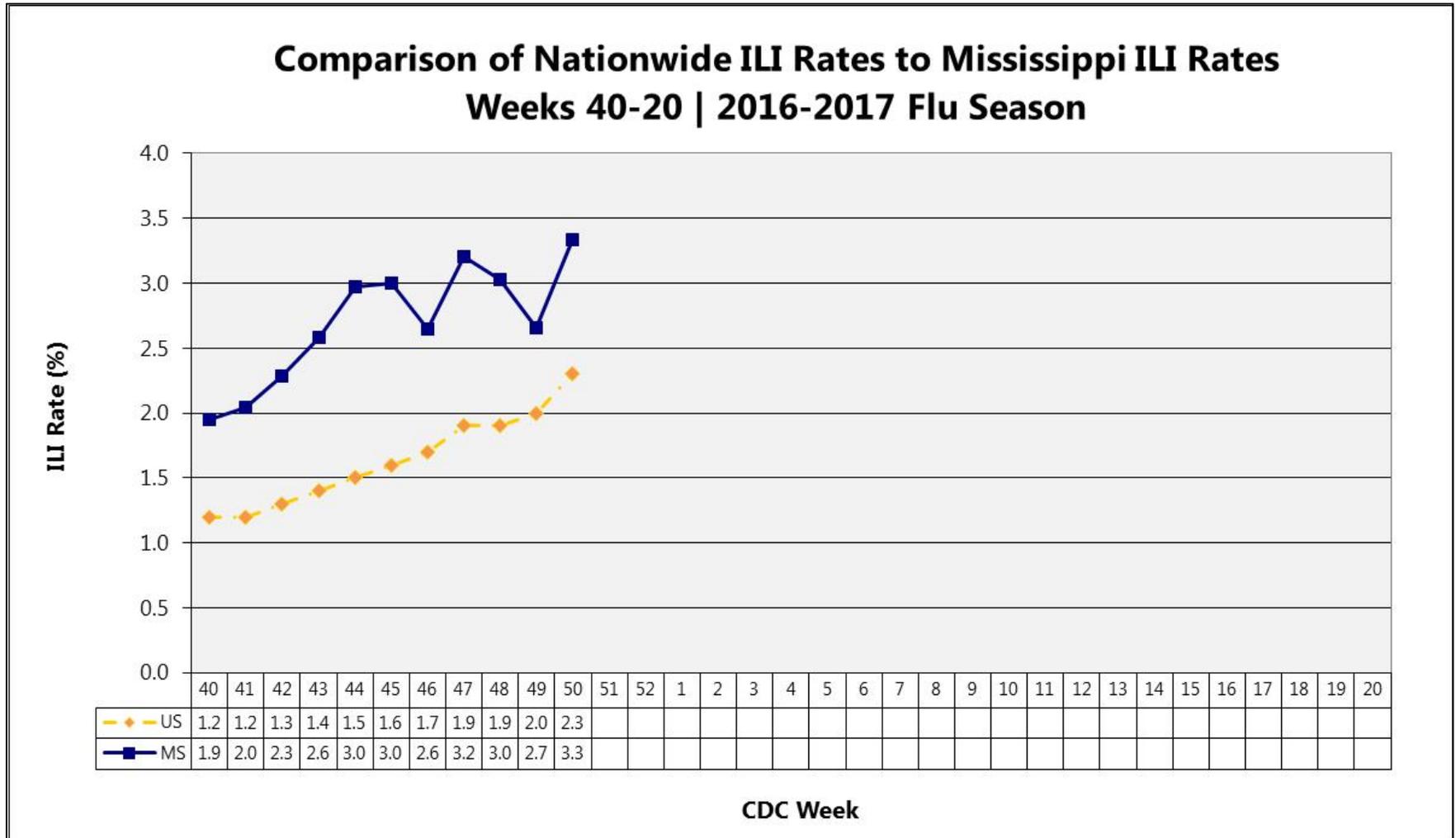


Figure 7

