



SOURCE: MOHLTC [Provincial Influenza Activity Report (Appendix C) Database]

Influenza Activity levels are assigned by local public health units and reported to the MOHLTC every week. Activity levels are assigned based on laboratory confirmation, influenza like illness (ILI) reports from various sources, hospitals, institutional outbreaks, physicians' offices, and other local sources of ILI information

Activity level definitions for the 2006-07 influenza seasons are as follows:-

No Data: No activity report corresponding to the surveillance week was received by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care.

No Activity: No laboratory confirmed* influenza cases(s) or outbreak detected during the past four weeks within the health unit, however, sporadically occurring ILI may be reported. **Sporadic:** Sporadically occurring ILI and laboratory confirmed influenza* case(s) with NO outbreaks detected within the health unit. **Localized:** sporadically occurring ILI and laboratory confirmed influenza* case(s) together with outbreaks of ILI in schools and/or worksites or laboratory confirmed influenza in residential institutions occurring in less than 50% of the health unit. **Widespread:** sporadically occurring ILI and laboratory confirmed influenza* case(s) together with outbreaks of ILI in schools and/or worksites or laboratory confirmed influenza in residential institutions occurring in greater than or equal to 50% of the health unit.

* Confirmation of influenza within the health unit at any time within the prior four weeks

Note: Ontario Influenza Surveillance maps will be posted at this site bi-weekly, alternating with Ontario Influenza Bulletin (containing the Influenza Activity map), until the end of October, 2006. Starting on November 3, 2006, the Ontario Influenza Bulletin will be published every week.