

H1N1 Flu Virus (Human Swine Influenza)

Information Resources

(last updated May 27th, 2009, 5pm)

Overview

- Confirmed cases in Ontario as of **May 27, 3pm**: 495
- Confirmed cases in Canada as of **May 25, 3pm**: 921 (incl. 1 death in AB) As of 5pm on May 27, PHAC had not updated its surveillance webpage
- Confirmed cases worldwide as of **May 27, 6am GMT**: 13 398 (incl. 95 deaths)
 - WHO pandemic level: 5

MOHLTC Media lines

General Public: Info Line 1-866-532-3161

Media: Media line 416-314-6197 or 1-888-414-4774

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Nothing of interest.

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[MAY 17] *The Lancet* co-hosted a session on influenza A H1N1 at the European Congress on Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases (ECCMID) in Helsinki, Finland. Video highlights available at link below.
www.TheLancet.com/H1N1-flu.

[MAY 8] Friday May 8, 8pm EST: "The Agenda" on TVO
The science and politics of swine flu with guests Vivek Goel, Allison McGeer, Andrew Nikiforuk, and Peter Singer.



Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC)

[MAY 27] Dr. David Williams, Ontario's Acting Chief Medical Officer of Health, says there are 143 new confirmed cases of H1N1 flu virus since Monday, bringing the total number of cases in Ontario to **495**.

Almost all of the cases reported to date are considered mild. One person with a chronic pre-existing medical condition died on May 23. It's not yet clear what role the H1N1 virus played in the fatality which is under investigation by the Office of the Chief Coroner. Six people who have the H1N1 flu virus were in hospital as of May 26, 2009, a number of whom have underlying medical conditions.

The Ontario cases involve 246 males and 248 females (the gender of one case is unknown) with an age range of;1 to 80. The breakdown by health unit is as follows :

Health Unit	New Confirmed Cases	Total Confirmed Cases
Toronto	81	237
Peel Region	25	72
York Region	13	67
Halton	15	59
City of Ottawa	3	16
Durham Region	5	16
Simcoe Muskoka District	1	6
Windsor Essex	0	5
Hamilton	0	4
Sudbury and District	0	3
Waterloo Region	0	2
Wellington Dufferin Guelph	0	2
Oxford County	0	1
Leeds, Grenville & Lanark	0	1
Middlesex-London	0	1
Hastings and Prince Edward Counties	0	1

Out of province (*)	0	2
TOTAL	143	495

(*) – Visitors who were tested and confirmed in Ontario but do not reside in the province.

http://www.health.gov.on.ca/english/media/news_releases/archives/nr_09/may/nr_20090527.html

[ARCHIVE] Previous MOHLTC updates and news conference video footage available at:

http://www.health.gov.on.ca/english/public/updates/archives/hu_09/swine_flu.html

Important Health Notices

No new H1N1 notices since May 19.

Ontario Agency for Health Protection and Promotion (OAHPP)

[ARCHIVE] Swine Influenza Outbreak page (no new resources since May 3)

<http://www.oahpp.ca/SRI%20Bulletin.php>

Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC)

As of 5pm on Wednesday May 27, 2009, PHAC had not updated its surveillance web page and the case counts.

As of May 25 2009, a total of 805 laboratory-confirmed cases of H1N1 flu virus have been reported in 9 provinces and 1 territory in Canada

Summary of laboratory-confirmed cases of H1N1 flu virus (Human Swine Flu) reported to the Public Health Agency of Canada, by the provinces and territories:

Province / Territory	New Confirmed Cases	Total Confirmed Cases
British Columbia	0	115
Alberta	2	94
Saskatchewan	14	77
Manitoba	N/R	6
Ontario	58	294
Quebec	42	143
New Brunswick	0	2
Nova Scotia	0	70
Prince Edward Island	0	3
Newfoundland	0	0
Yukon	0	1
Northwest Territories	0	0

Nunavut	0	0
TOTAL	116	921

<http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/alert-alerte/swine-porcine/surveillance-eng.php>

[ARCHIVE] Previous PHAC documents and updates available from:
http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/alert-alerte/swine_200904-eng.php

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

NEW [MAY 27, 11am] Confirmed and probable cases in the US: 7927 (incl. 11 deaths)
 48 states affected. Updates are provided Mon, Wed, and Fri.
 Status: Public Health Emergency
<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/update.htm>

NEW [MAY 27] Questions and Answers – updated: H1N1 Flu (Swine Flu) and you
<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/qa.htm>

NEW [MAY 26] CDC Health Alert Network (HAN) Info Service Message: New and Updated CDC Guidance Related to Novel H1N1 Flu
<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/HAN/052609.htm>

[ARCHIVE] Previous CDC documents and updates available from:
<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/guidance/>

Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy

NEW [MAY 26] Companies receive HHS orders for novel flu vaccine
<http://www.cidrap.umn.edu/cidrap/content/influenza/swineflu/news/may2609vaccine-jw.html>

NEW [MAY 26] WHO may redefine pandemic alert phases
<http://www.cidrap.umn.edu/cidrap/content/influenza/swineflu/news/may2609phases-jw.html>

[ARCHIVE] Older updates from CIDRAP available at:
<http://www.cidrap.umn.edu/cidrap/content/influenza/swineflu/index.html>

Health Protection Agency (UK)

NEW [MAY 27] Confirmed swine flu cases in UK: 185
<http://www.hpa.org.uk/webw/HPAweb&Page&HPAwebAutoListName/Page/1240732817665?p=1240732817665>



[MAY 27] Swine-lineage Influenza A H1N1: UK update
http://www.hpa.org.uk/web/HPAwebFile/HPAweb_C/1243322117077

[ARCHIVE] Swine Influenza page:
<http://www.hpa.org.uk/webw/HPAweb&Page&HPAwebAutoListName/Pag e/1240732817665?p=1240732817665>

European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) and European Society for Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases



[MAY 27, 17:00] Situation report: **422** confirmed cases in EU/EFTA countries
Developments in the past 24 hours:

Two new confirmed cases in Greece with probable exposure in the UK;
First confirmed case reported from Romania in a traveller returning from New
York, USA;
New cases in returning travellers reported from Ireland, Finland, Poland, Belgium
and France (1 each);
Global increase of cases world-wide mainly in the Southern hemisphere;
First case reported in Singapore.

http://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en/files/pdf/Health_topics/Situation_Report_090527_1700hrs.pdf

[ARCHIVE] Maps, surveillance summaries and previous ECDC updates
available from:
<http://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en/Health%5Ftopics/novel%5Finfluenza%5Fvirus/2009%5FOutbreak/>

World Health Organization (WHO)



[MAY 27] WHO Update 40: 48 countries have officially reported **13 398**
cases of influenza A(H1N1) infection, including **95** deaths.
http://www.who.int/csr/don/h1n1_20090527_0800.jpg



[MAY 27] Today's WHO Outbreak Map
http://www.who.int/csr/don/GlobalSubnationalMaster_20090526_0800.jpg



[MAY 27] Characteristics of the emergent influenza A (H1N1) viruses and
recommendations for vaccine development
<http://www.who.int/csr/resources/publications/swineflu/H1N1Vaccinevirusr ecommendation26May2009.pdf>

[ARCHIVE] WHO H1N1 Guidance documents available at:
<http://www.who.int/csr/disease/swineflu/guidance/en/index.html>

[ARCHIVE] Older WHO updates available at:
<http://www.who.int/csr/disease/swineflu/en/index.html>

Pan-American Health Organization (PAHO)



[MAY 26] Influenza A(H1N1) Regional Report (Epidemiological)

Up to 26 May 2009, **12,536 confirmed cases** of the new virus influenza A (H1N1) infection, including **95 deaths**, have been notified in **15 countries** of the Americas: Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras Mexico, Panama, Peru and the United States.

http://new.paho.org/hq/index.php?option=com_docman&task=doc_download&qid=1727&Itemid=

[ARCHIVE] PAHO Influenza A(H1N1) Portal

http://new.paho.org/hq/index.php?option=com_content&task=blogcategory&id=805&Itemid=569&lang=en

Google News Search on Swine Flu

[MAY 22] Results are refreshed each time you click on the link.

<http://www.google.com/cse?cx=014077570761466621685%3As7g-vqi-dmo&cof=FORID%3A11&q=swine+flu&sa=search+influenza+sites>

Mapping Resources

World Health Organization interactive timeline map of cases: view the number of cases reported on any given day since April 26, 2009

http://www.who.int/csr/disease/swineflu/history_map/InfluenzaAH1N1_map.ps.html

Pan-American Health Organization: Atlas to Confirmed Cases of Influenza A(H1N1)

<http://ais.paho.org/flu/sm/en/atlas.html>

HealthMap: Swine flu global disease alert map

<http://www.healthmap.org/en>

Google: Swine flu map

<http://maps.google.com/maps/ms?ie=UTF8&hl=en&t=p&msa=0&msid=106484775090296685271.0004681a37b713f6b5950&z=2>

Twitter Feeds, Weblogs, RSS Feeds, etc

World Health Organization News on Twitter

<http://twitter.com/whonews>

Health Map on Twitter

<http://twitter.com/healthmap>

Avian/Pandemic Influenza Daily Digest on Twitter
<http://twitter.com/AIDigest>

CDC swine flu updates on Twitter
<http://twitter.com/cdcemergency>

Avian/Pandemic Influenza Daily Digest Blog
<http://aidailydigest.blogspot.com/>

Avian/Pandemic Influenza Daily Digest RSS Feed
http://twitter.com/statuses/user_timeline/32957440.rss

Business Resources

Harvard Health Publications

Business Preparedness for Pandemic: Executive briefing for corporate and governmental decision-makers
https://www.health.harvard.edu/special_health_reports/Business-Preparedness-for-Pandemic?utm_source=twitter&utm_medium=tweet&utm_campaign=0526_tw

Canadian Business

H1N1 virus: A plan for the worst
http://www.canadianbusiness.com/managing/strategy/article.jsp?content=20090615_10014_10014

Scientific Resources

American Journal of Epidemiology (AJE)

AJE H1N1 Collection (all articles freely available)
<http://aje.oxfordjournals.org/collections/>

American Society for Microbiology

Research Publications on Influenza A(H1N1)
<http://tinyurl.com/asmh1n1>.

BioMed Central

Influenza Gateway (all articles freely available)
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/gateways/influenza>

British Medical Journal

Podcast: Swine flu: planning
<http://podcasts.bmj.com/bmj/2009/05/26/swine-flu-planning/>

Centre for Agriculture and Biosciences International (CABI)

Global Health database: international coverage of all aspects of human health from the Centre for Agriculture and Biosciences International.

<http://217.154.120.6/GLOBALHEALTH/searchform-quicksearch.nsp>

↳ Related: Swine flu **dashboard from CABI.org**
<http://www.netvibes.com/cabialerts>

DynaMed

Clinical summaries on Swine Flu & H1N1: free access courtesy of EBSCO

<http://www.ebscohost.com/dynamed/swineflu/> and

<http://www.ebscohost.com/dynamed/h1n1/>

Epidemiologic Reviews

H1N1 Collection (all articles freely available)

<http://epirev.oxfordjournals.org/collections/>

Human/Swine A/H1N1 Influenza Origins and Evolution

<http://tree.bio.ed.ac.uk/groups/influenza/>

Lancet

H1N1 Flu Resource Centre (contains content from numerous Elsevier journals)

<http://www.TheLancet.com/H1N1-flu>

Medline

Medline literature search on H1N1 (current as of today). Click [here](#) to run a search.

Nature



Swine Flu attention turns to the tropics

<http://www.nature.com/news/2009/090527/full/459490a.html>

Swine Flu Tracker

<http://www.nature.com/news/specials/swineflu/index.html>

New England Journal of Medicine (NEJM)

NEJM H1N1 Influenza Center

<http://h1n1.nejm.org/>

Science

Science Insider Swine Flu Archives

<http://blogs.sciencemag.org/scienceinsider/swine-flu/>

Thomson Reuters

Free H1N1 briefing (updated daily) from *Proux Science Integrity*® portal

<http://science.thomsonreuters.com/pharma/h1n1/>

New & Notable Research Articles

Garten Rj et al. Antigenic and Genetic Characteristics of Swine-Origin 2009 A(H1N1) Influenza Viruses Circulating in Humans. Published Online May 22, 2009 *Science* DOI: 10.1126/science.1176225. Abstract only.

<http://www.sciencemag.org/cgi/content/abstract/1176225>

Hobday RA, Cason. The Open-Air Treatment of Pandemic Influenza. *Am J Public Health*. 2009 May 21. [Epub ahead of print]

<http://www.ajph.org/cgi/content/abstract/AJPH.2008.134627v1>

Serum Cross-Reactive Antibody Response to a Novel Influenza A (H1N1) Virus After Vaccination with Seasonal Influenza Vaccine. 2009 May 22;58(19):521-524.

<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm5819a1.htm>

J.A. Belser et al. Past, Present, and Possible Future Human Infection with Influenza Virus A Subtype H7. *Emerging Infectious Diseases*. 2009 June;15(6):859-865.

<http://www.cdc.gov/eid/content/15/6/pdfs/859.pdf>

R. Proff et al. Case-based Surveillance of Influenza Hospitalizations during 2004–2008, Colorado, USA. 2009 June;15(6):892-898.

<http://www.cdc.gov/eid/content/15/6/pdfs/892.pdf>

P.K.C. Cheng et al. Oseltamivir- and Amantadine-Resistant Influenza Viruses A (H1N1). 2009 June;15(6):966-968.

<http://www.cdc.gov/eid/content/15/6/pdfs/966.pdf>

L.J. Radonovich et al. Stockpiling Supplies for the Next Influenza Pandemic. 2009 June;15(6): online only.

<http://www.cdc.gov/eid/content/15/6/e1.htm>

Shetty P. Preparation for a pandemic: influenza A H1N1. *Lancet Infectious Diseases*. 2009 June;9(6):339-340. Abstract only.

[http://www.lancet.com/journals/laninf/article/PIIS1473-3099\(09\)70130-6/fulltext](http://www.lancet.com/journals/laninf/article/PIIS1473-3099(09)70130-6/fulltext)

Putting influenza A H1N1 in its place [editorial]. The Lancet Infectious Diseases. 2009 June;9(6):331. Abstract only.
[http://www.thelancet.com/journals/laninf/article/PIIS1473-3099\(09\)70134-3/fulltext](http://www.thelancet.com/journals/laninf/article/PIIS1473-3099(09)70134-3/fulltext).

Cohen J. Past Pandemics Provide Mixed Clues to H1N1's Next Moves. Science. 2009 May 22;324:996-997. Abstract only.
<http://tinyurl.com/scienceh1n1>

Historical Resources

The Swine Flu Affair: Decision-Making on a Slippery Disease [1978]
http://www.nap.edu/catalog.php?record_id=12660&utm_medium=email&utm_source=National%20Academies%20Press&utm_campaign=Swine%20Flu%203&utm_content=Downloader&utm_term

Travel Advisories

Public Health Agency of Canada no longer recommends Canadians postpone elective or non-essential travel to Mexico [May 19]
<http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/tmp-pmv/2009/h1n1-mexico-090518-eng.php>