

Waikato Respiratory Virus Report

Week 27 2017

Week to 10 July 2017

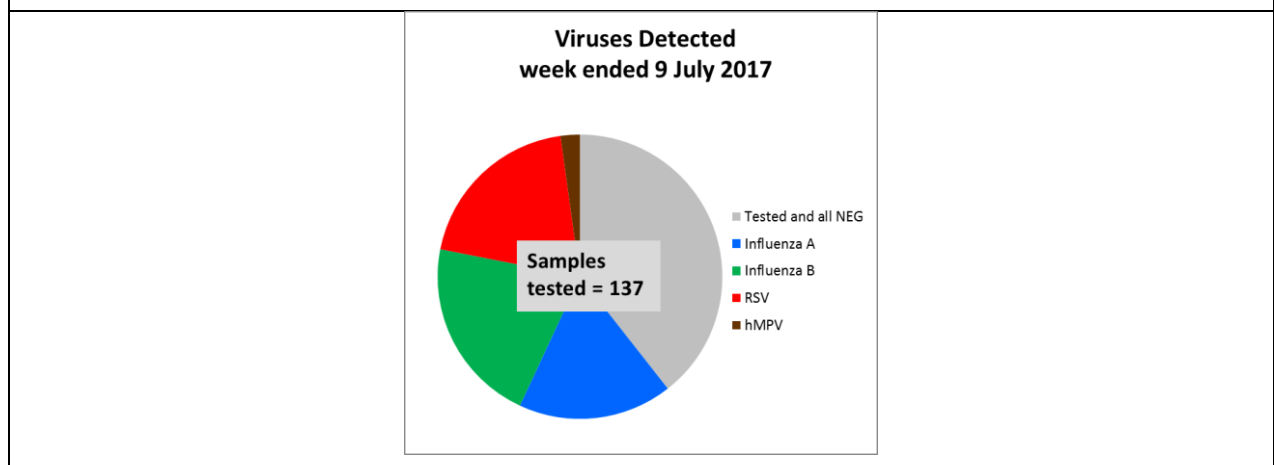
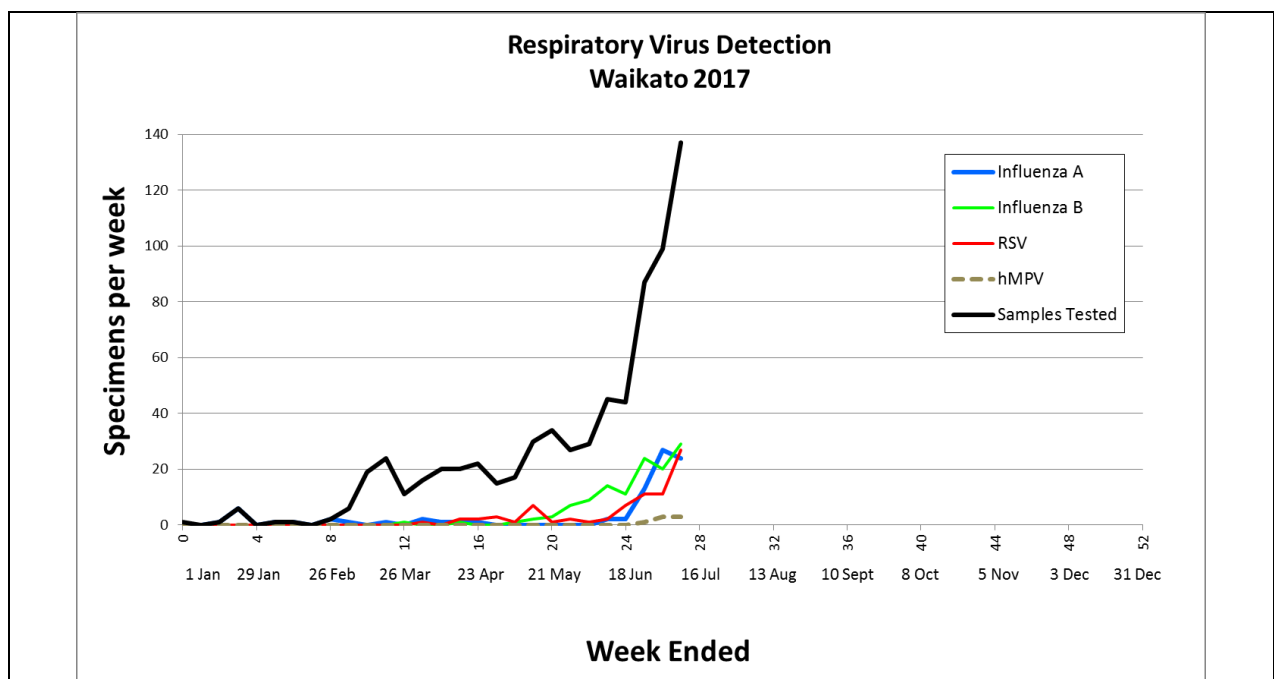
Influenza A and B and RSV are all circulating at high levels. 38% of samples are positive for Influenza virus. Oseltamivir needs to be started within 48 hr of onset of symptoms.

We have had a case in ICU with Influenza A in the nasopharyngeal swab and Haemophilus influenzae (a common bacterial superinfection with influenza virus) in blood culture. The Haemophilus was susceptible to amoxicillin.

Specimen numbers have increased sharply but quality continues to improve.

Please send Nasopharyngeal swabs. Label both swab and form "NPS".

<http://lab.waikatodhb.health.nz/assets/NewsItems/Viral-Resp-Swabs-flyer-2017.pdf>



Waikato Hospital laboratory web site: <http://lab.waikatodhb.health.nz/>

NZ Influenza Surveillance: https://surv.esr.cri.nz/virology/influenza_weekly_update.php