



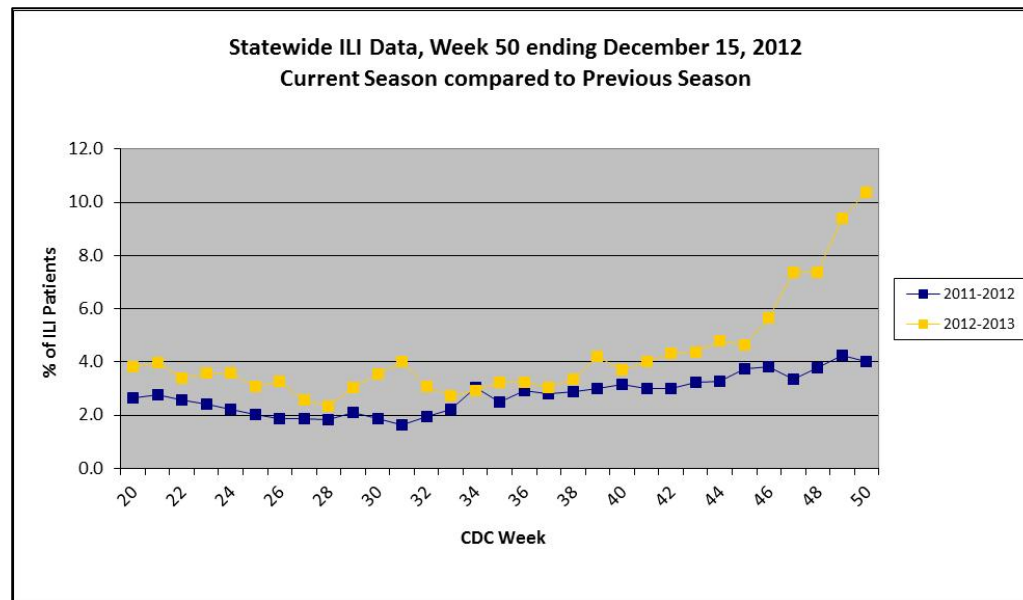
## 2012-2013 Influenza Report Week 50

December 9 – December 15, 2012

### About our flu activity reporting

MSDH relies upon selected sentinel health practitioners across the state to report the percentage of non-trauma 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.**

### State ILI Surveillance



For week **50** (12/9/2012-12/15/2012), the overall state ILI rate (**10.4%**) **increased** from last week (**9.4%**) and was **higher** than this time last year (**4.0%**). |

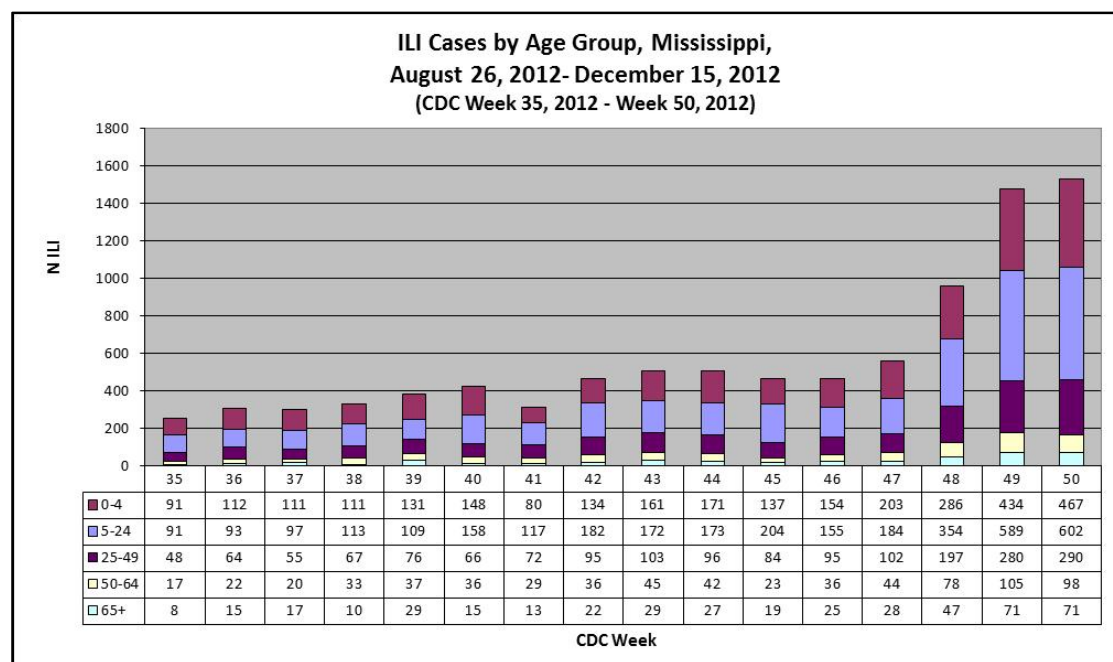
**Figure 1**

Total number of non-trauma patients treated by sentinel providers in the last three weeks. | **Table 1**

2012-2013 Influenza Season				
CDC Week	Week Ending	Non-trauma patients	ILI symptoms	ILI Rate (%)
<b>50</b>	<b>Dec. 15</b>	<b>14714</b>	<b>1528</b>	<b>10.4%</b>
49	Dec. 8	15468	1453	9.4%
48	Dec. 1	13867	1023	7.4%

During week **50**, **three** districts (2, 4, and 6) had an increase in ILI activity, while **two** districts (3 and 8) had a decrease. **Four** districts (1, 5, 7, and 9) remained about the same. *Information is provisional only and may change depending on additional reporting from sentinel providers.* | **Table 2**

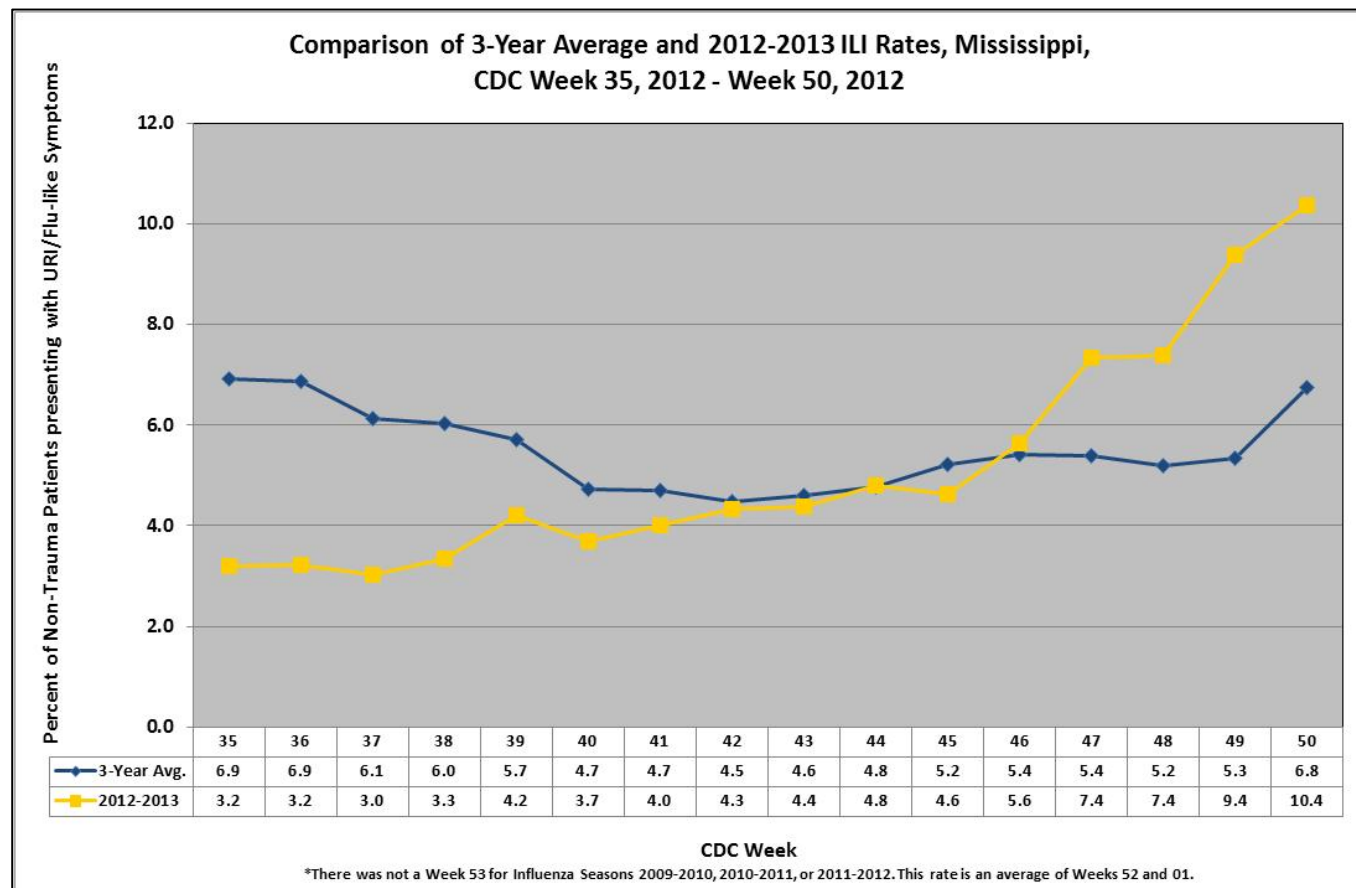
MSDH District ILI Rates (%) 2012-2013		
District	Week 49	Week 50
State	9.4	10.4
1	2.8	2.8
2	5.2	6.9
3	4.8	2.2
4	10.9	14.8
5	7.2	7.2
6	14.1	20.5
7	8.8	8.9
8	13.4	12.2
9	9.1	8.9



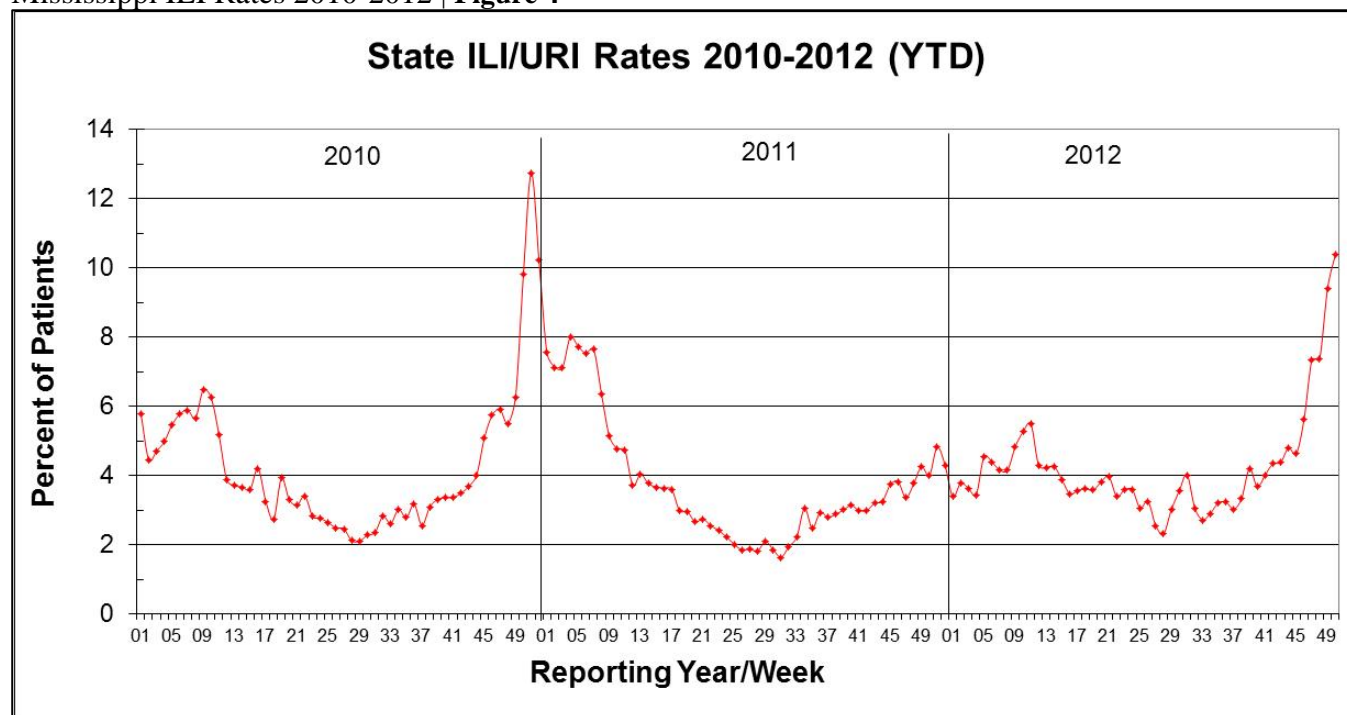
The number of reported ILI cases has been highest among people in the **5 to 24 years** of age group, followed by those in the **0 to 4 years** of age group.

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The 2012-13 state ILI rate was **above** baseline for week 50. | **Figure 3**



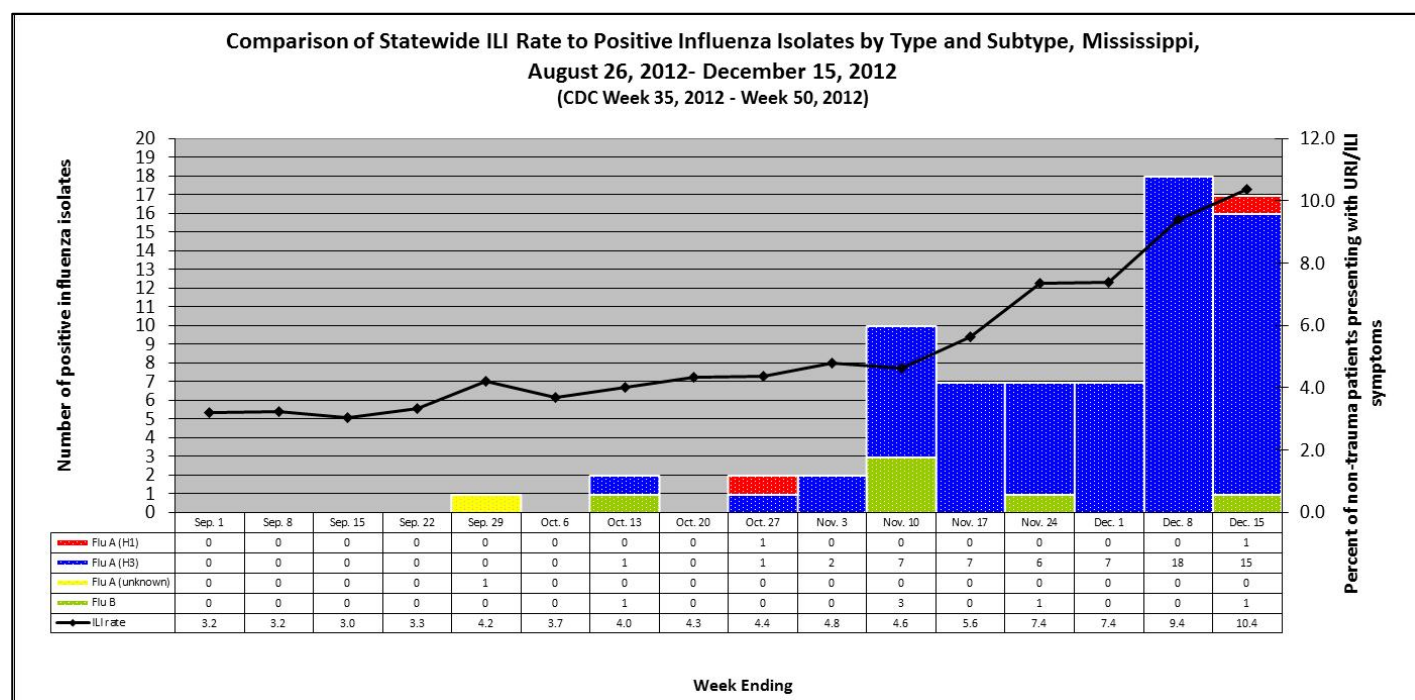
Mississippi ILI Rates 2010-2012 | **Figure 4**



## Flu testing Reports

From week **35** (week ending September 1<sup>st</sup>) through week **50** (week ending December 15<sup>th</sup>), seventy-three (**73**) positive influenza samples were identified by MSDH. Sixty-seven were influenza A and six were influenza B. Sixty-four were subtyped as influenza A (H3) and two were subtyped as influenza A (H1). One sample did not have subtyping performed.

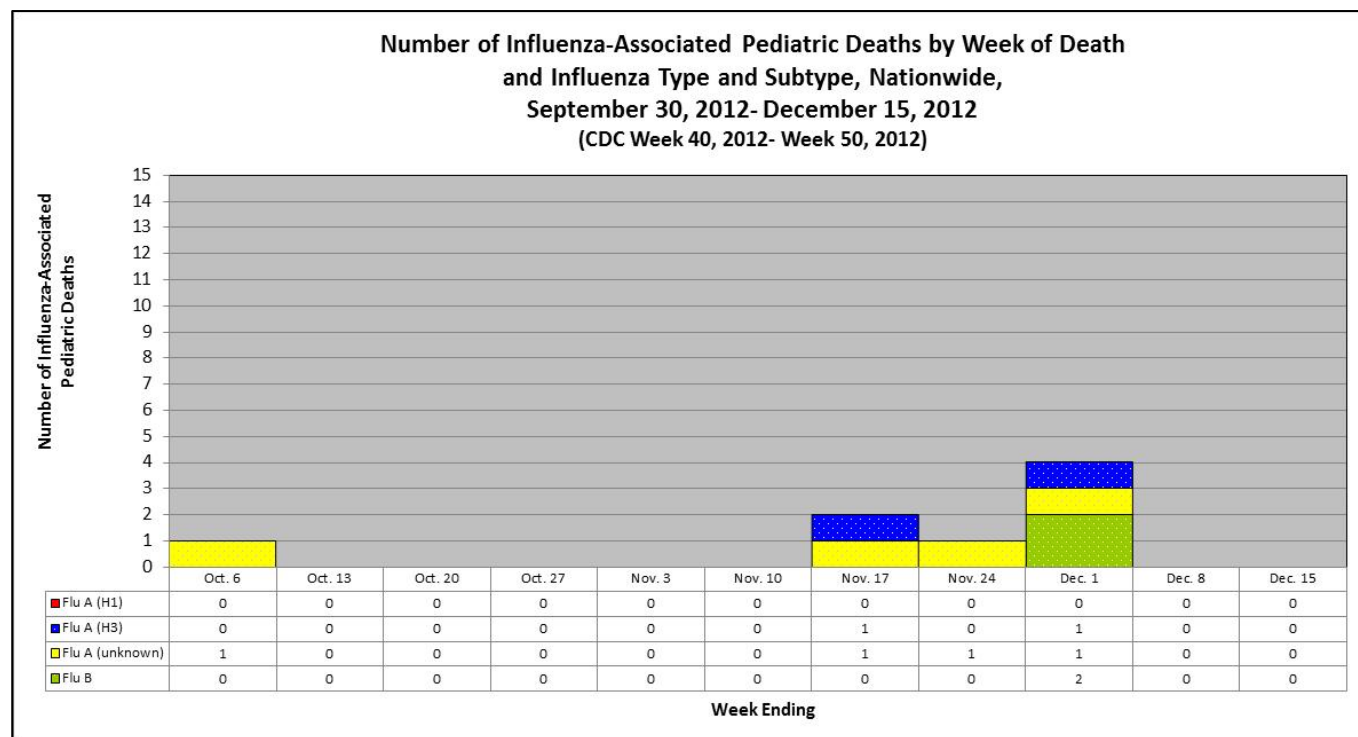
The influenza cases were identified from the following counties: Calhoun, Carroll, Chickasaw (2), Clarke (2), Copiah (2), Covington (2), Harrison (8), Hinds (6), Itawamba, Jefferson Davis (5), Kemper, Lamar (5), Lauderdale, Lawrence, Leflore (3), Marion (4), Marshall (5), Monroe (3), Neshoba (2), Oktibbeha (6), Rankin (3), Sharkey, Tate, and Washington (7). | **Figure 5**

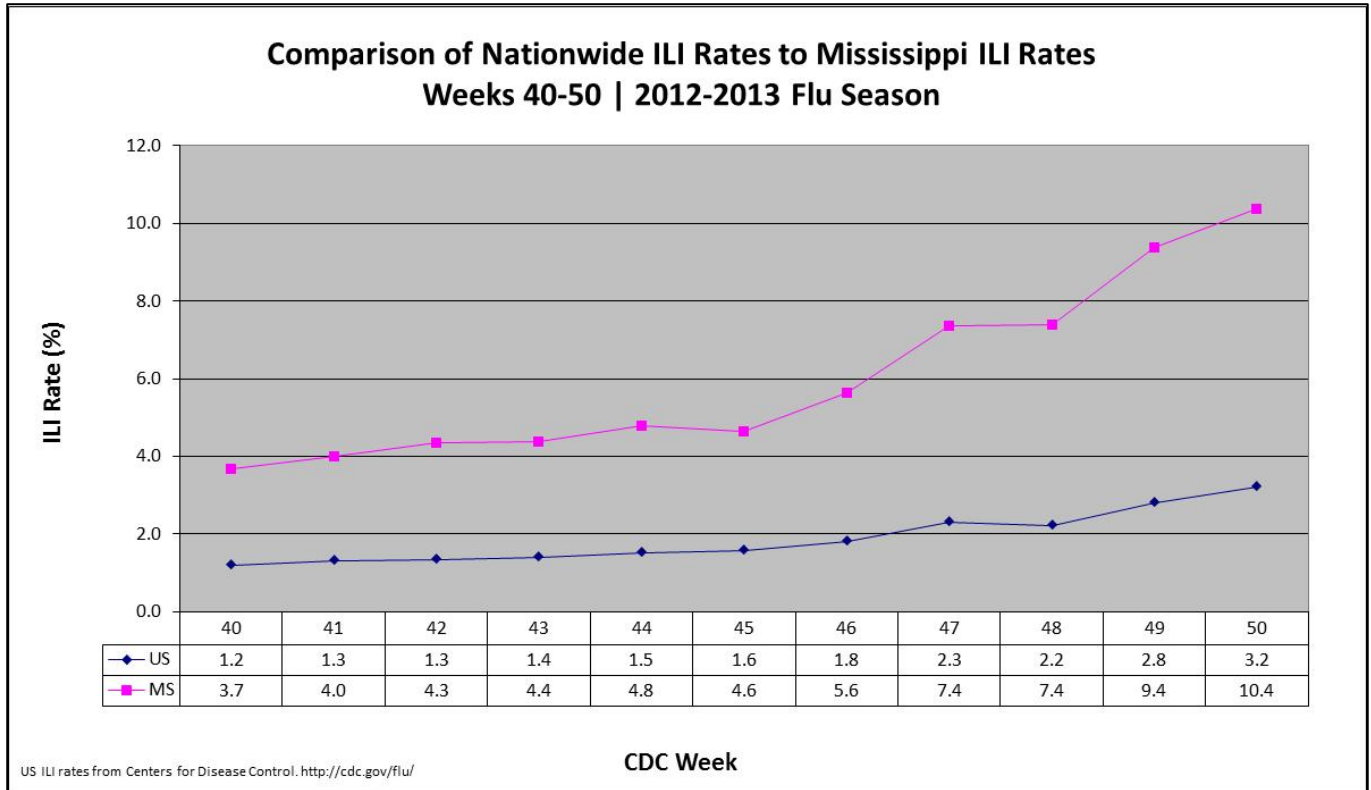


## National ILI Surveillance

**Nationally**, there were **two** influenza-associated pediatric deaths reported to CDC during week **50**. One death was associated with an influenza A virus for which the subtype was not determined and occurred during week 46 (week ending November 17<sup>th</sup>). The second death was associated with an influenza A (H3) virus and occurred during week 48 (week ending December 1<sup>st</sup>). The total number of influenza-associated pediatric deaths reported during the 2012-2013 season is **8**. Additional data can be found at: <http://gis.cdc.gov/GRASP/Fluview/PedFluDeath.html>. | **Figure 6**

**Mississippi has had no reported influenza-associated pediatric deaths during this influenza season.**

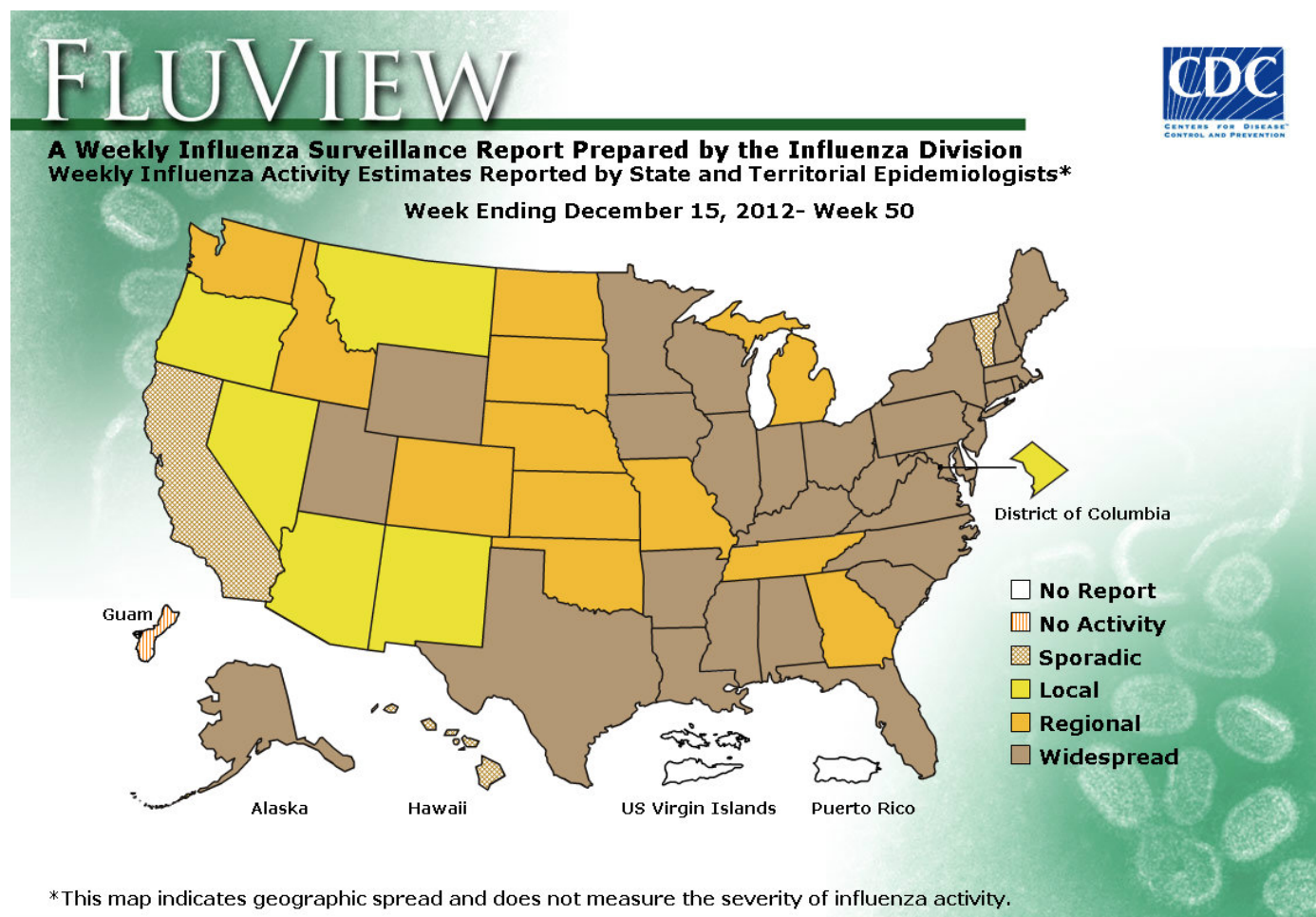




Mississippi reported “**Widespread**” for week **50**. | **Table 4**

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.





\*This map indicates geographic spread and does not measure the severity of influenza activity.

<sup>1</sup>For up-to-date information on flu activity nationwide, please refer to the CDC’s website:  
<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivitysurv.htm>.

#### Additional information:

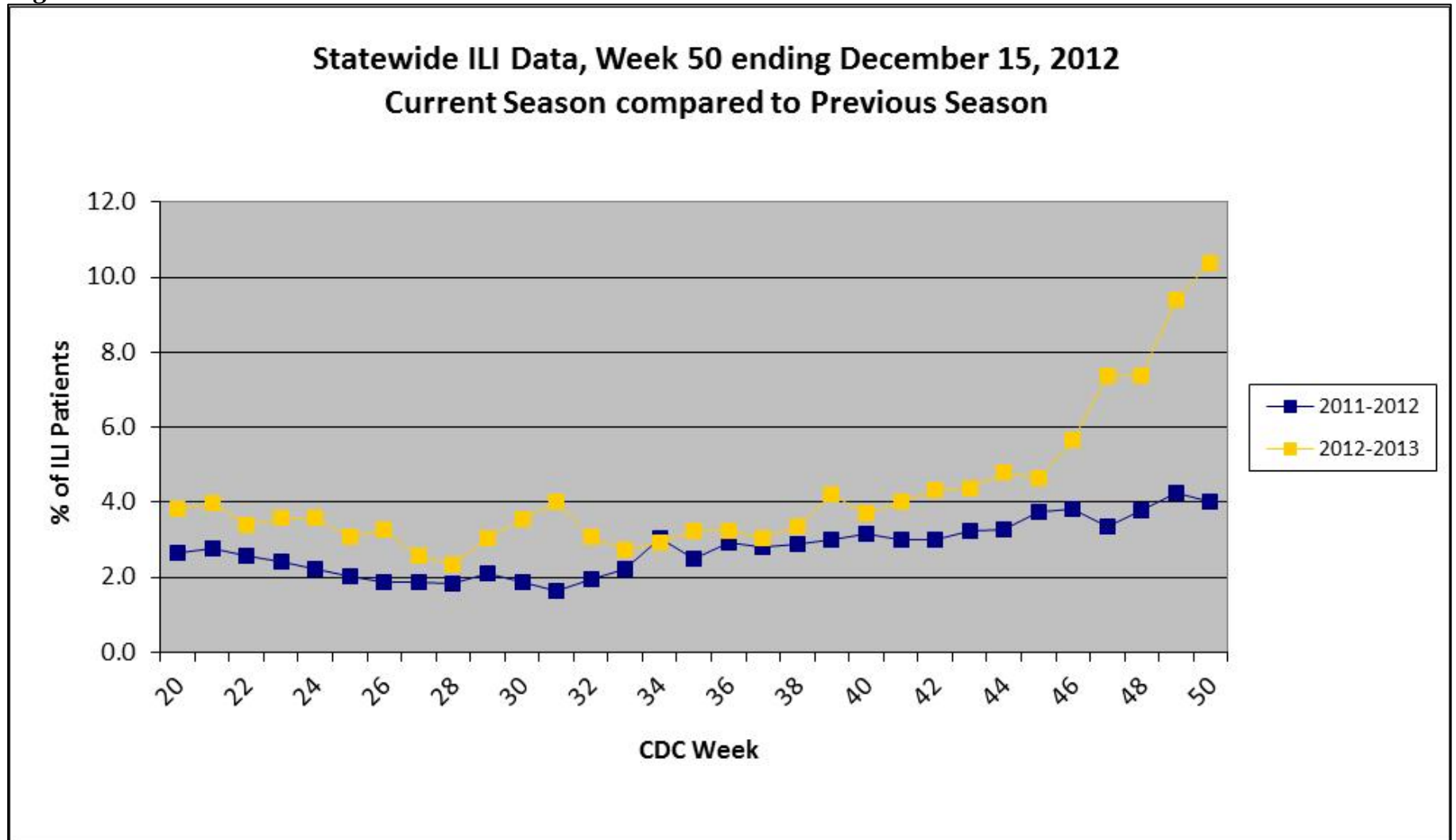
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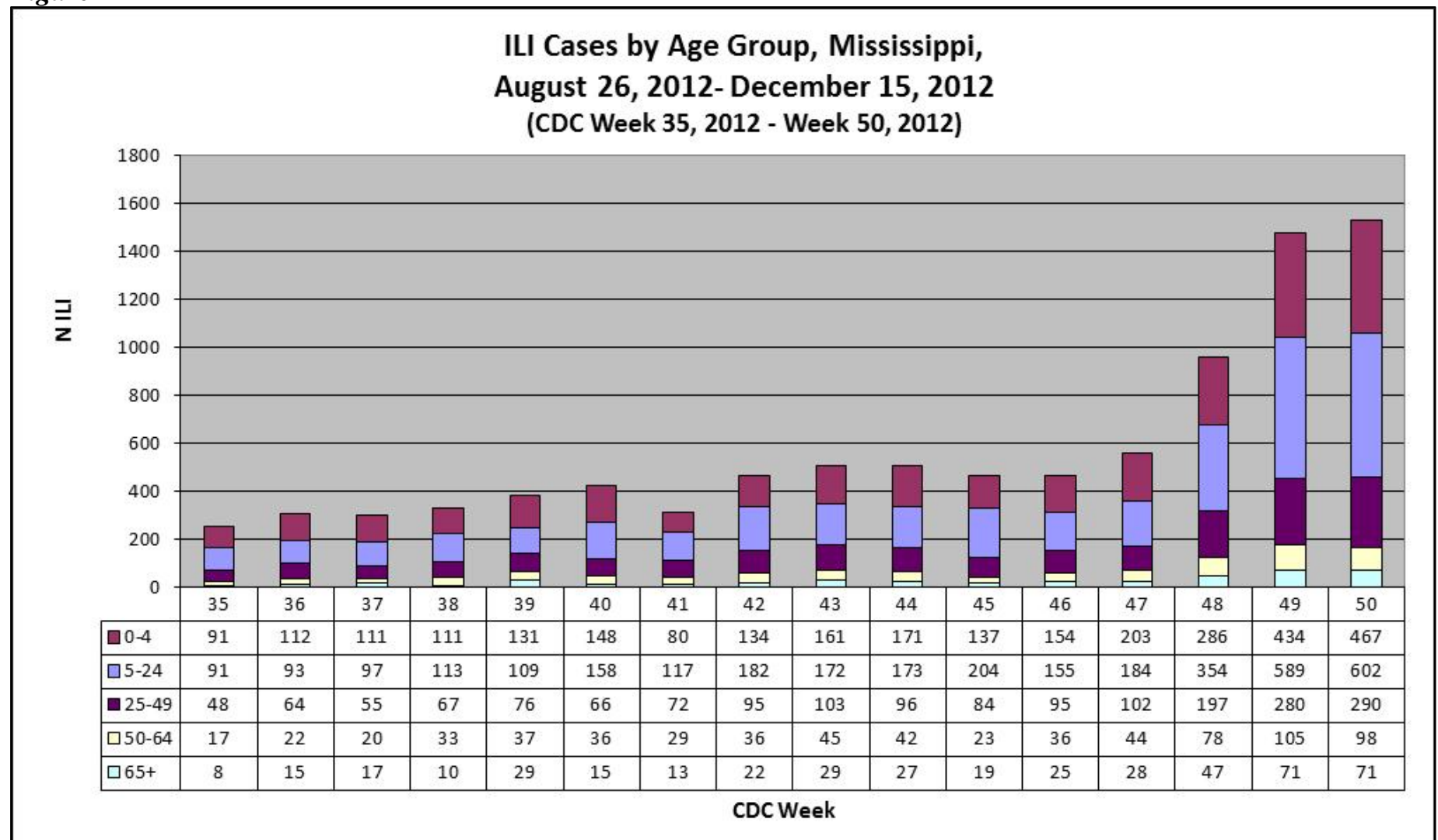


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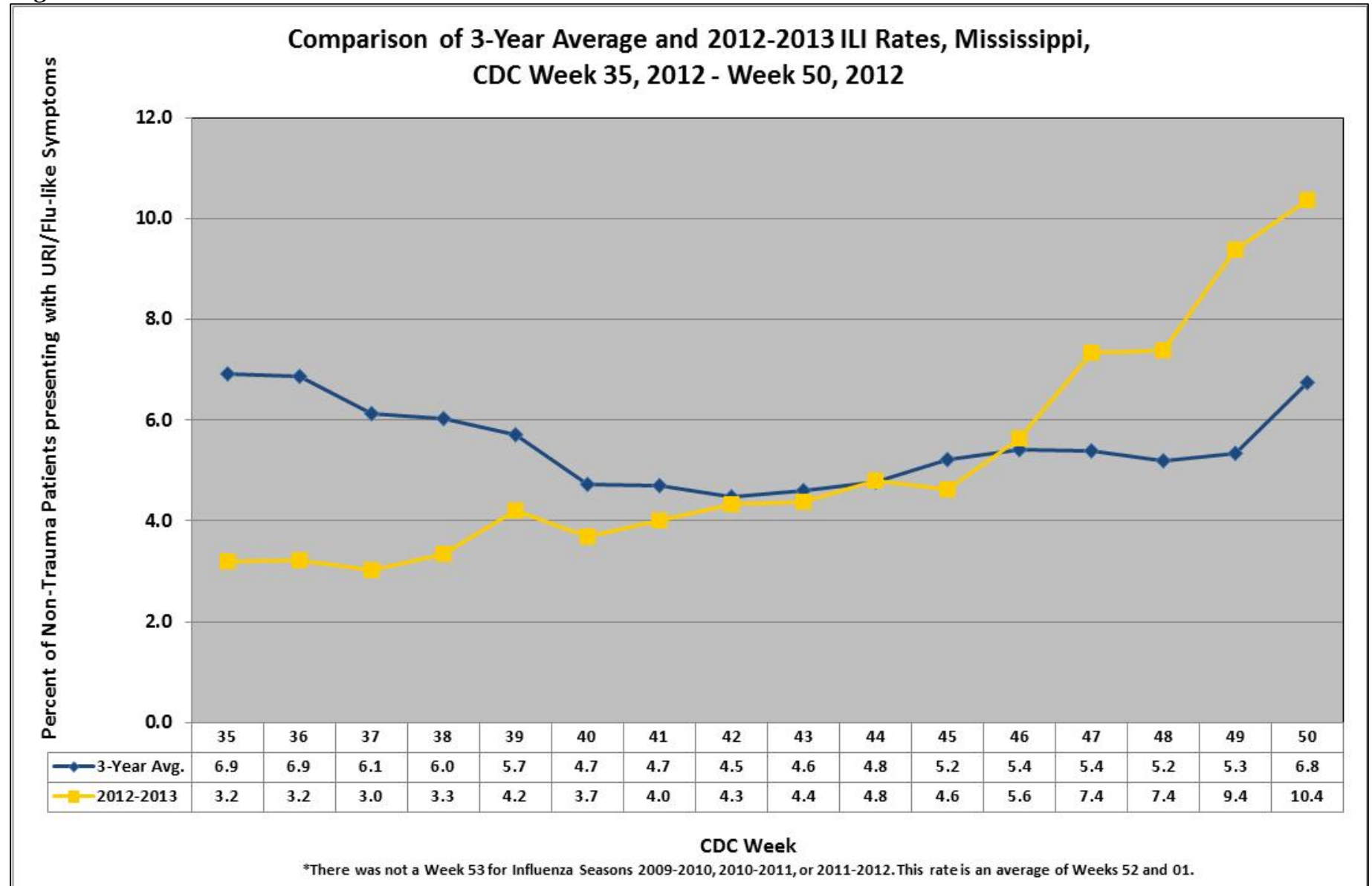
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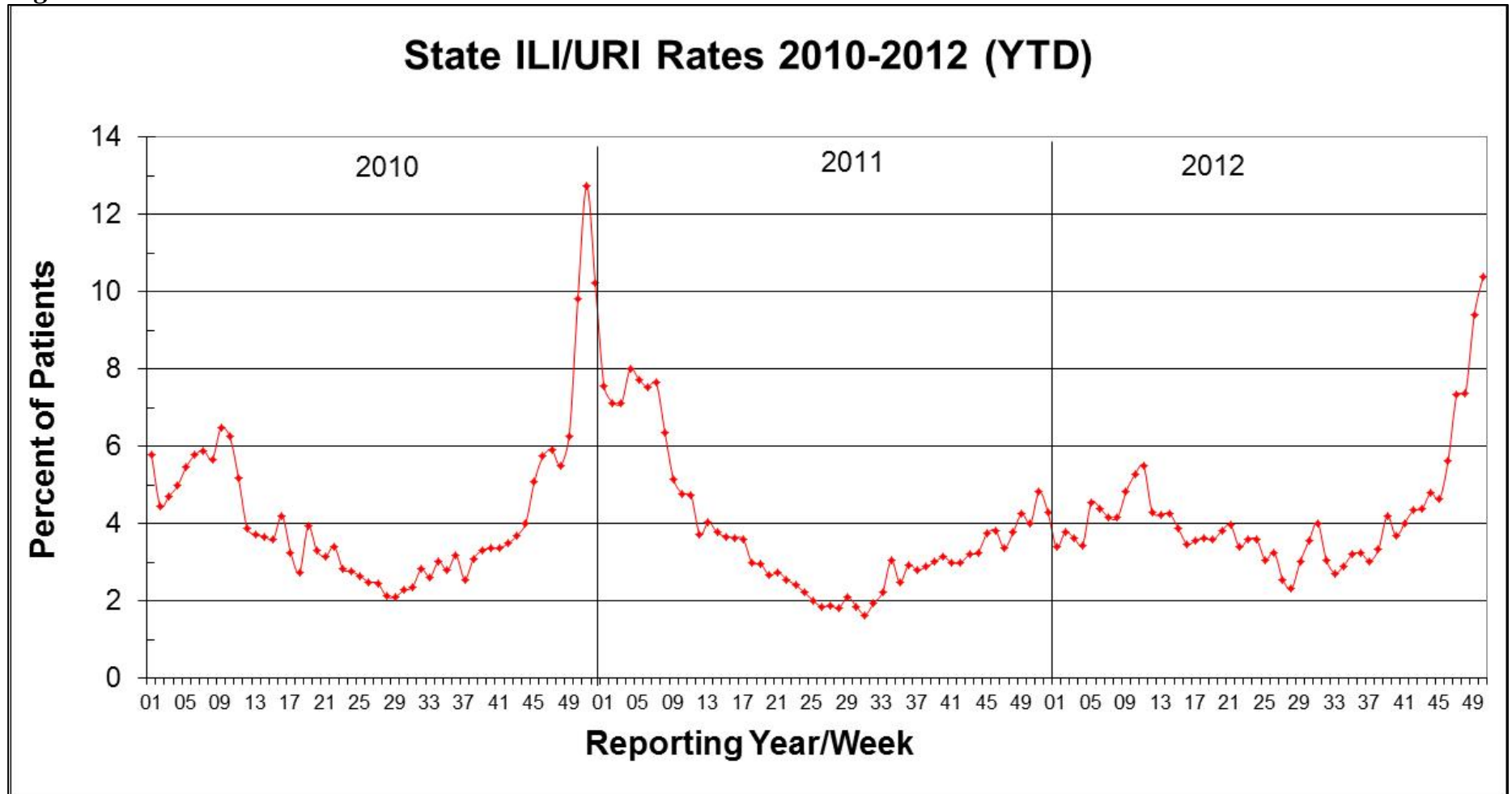
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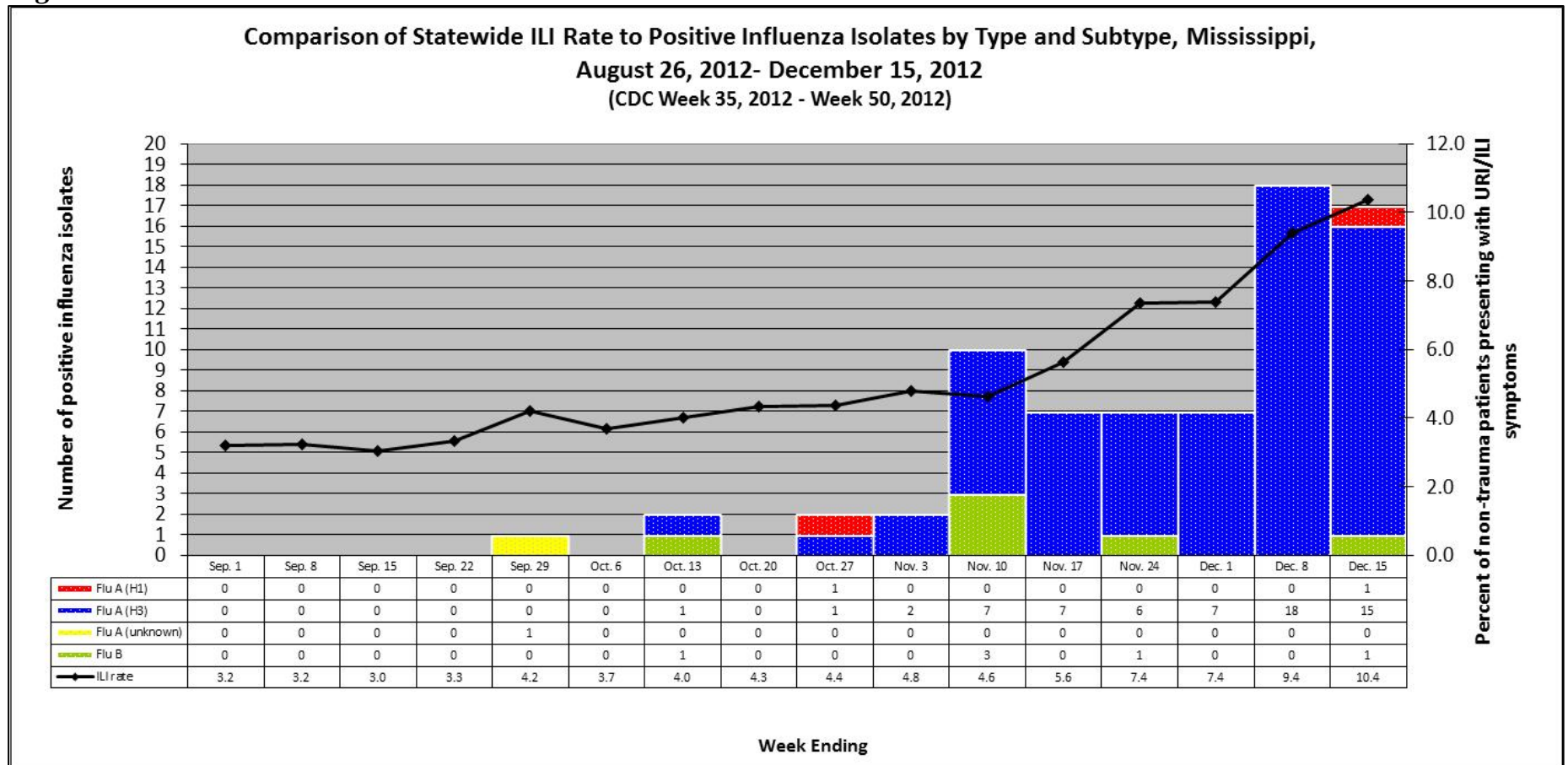
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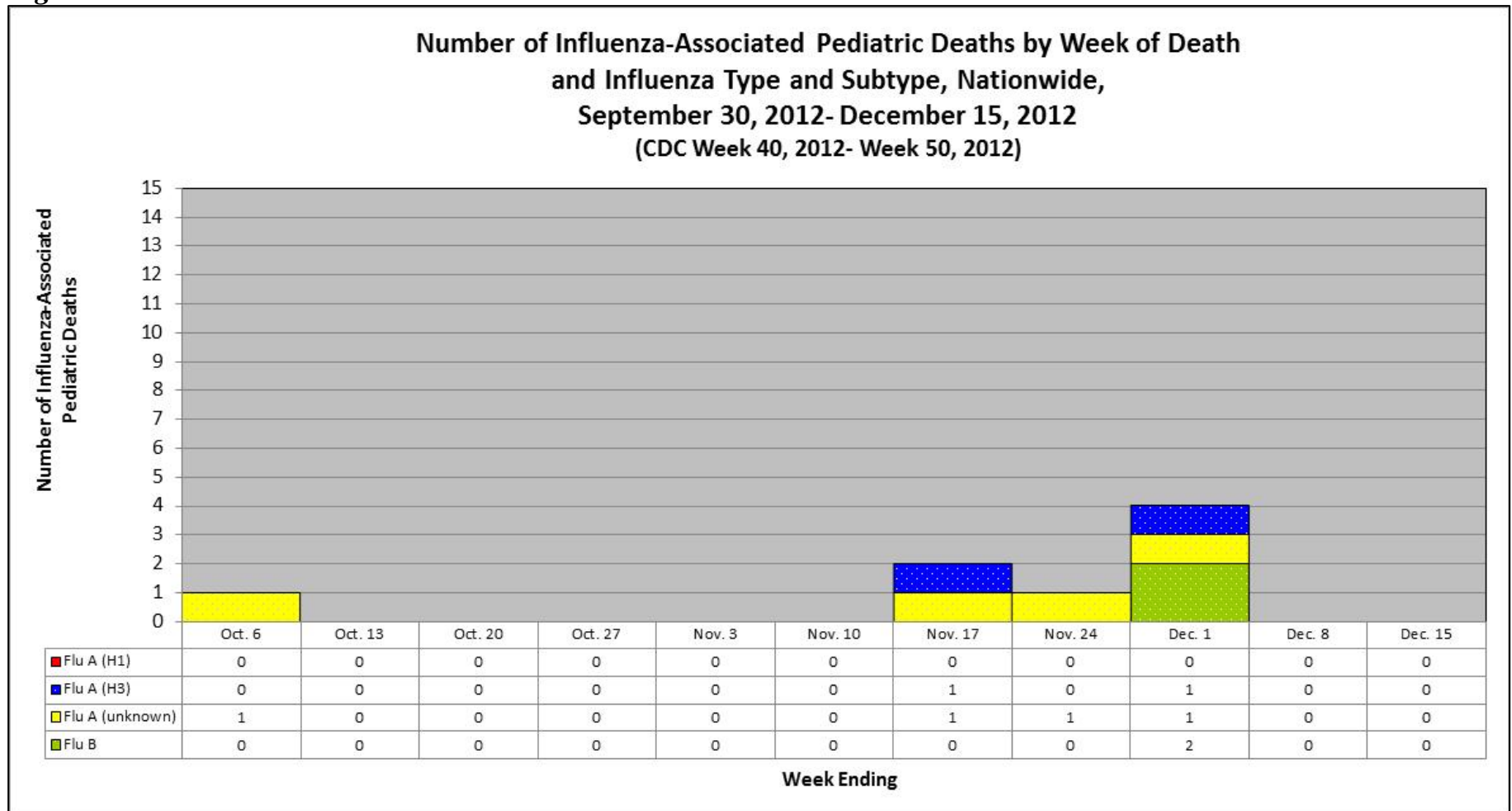
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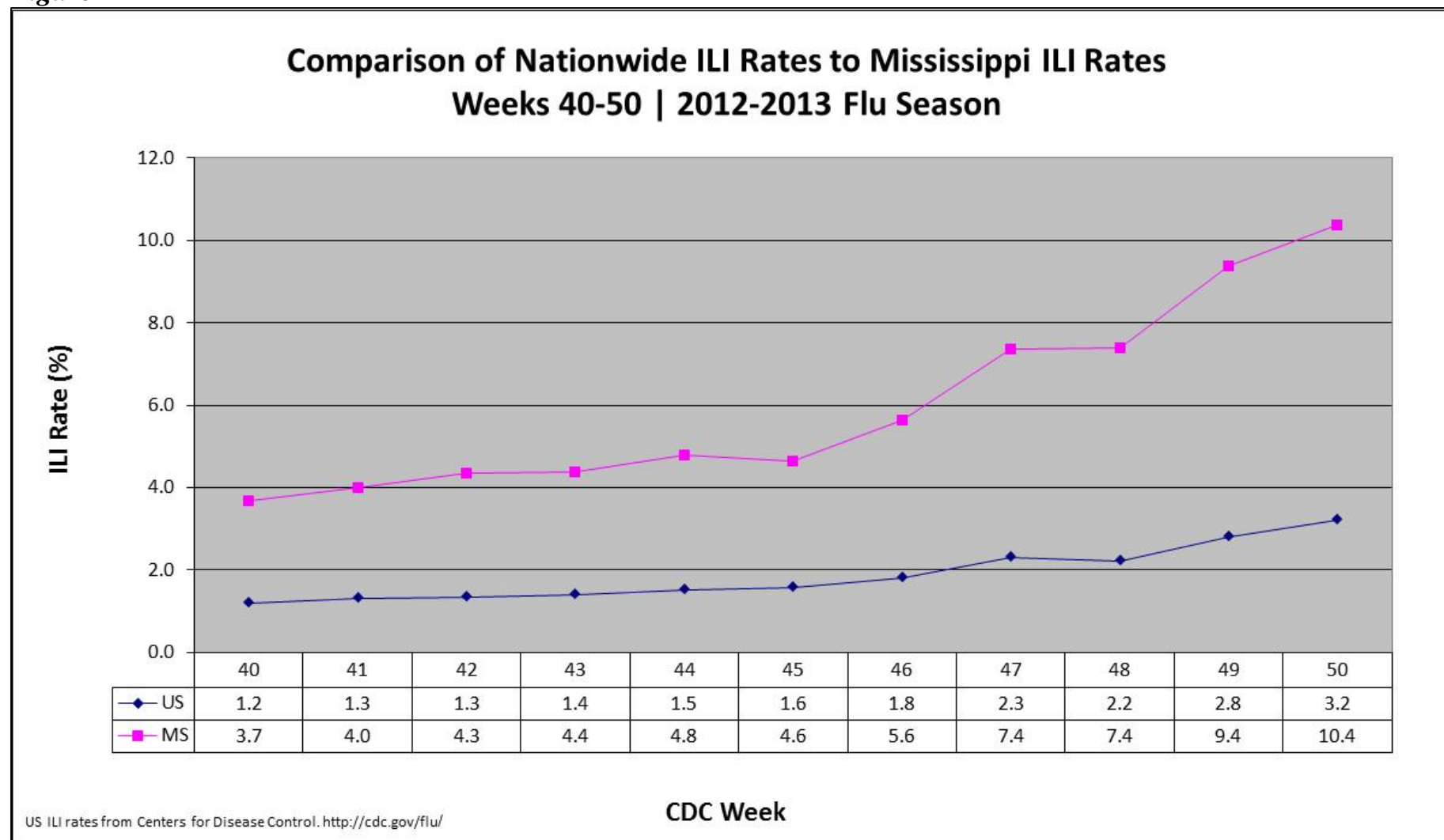
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**Figure 8**

