

# H1N1 (Swine Flu) Update

## June 3, 2009

This daily report is designed to provide you with current information about the swine flu, the NPS role, and how it affects our jobs and lives. For your convenience, this document summarizes both **official** (NPS and other government sources) and **non-official** (media coverage) information. It includes four sections: (1) Overview of Current Situation, (2) NPS Monitoring and Response, (3) Information from Other Official Sources, and (4) Summaries of News (National and Global).

### 1. Current Situation

As H1N1 begins to spread globally to Australia, Britain, Chile, Japan and Spain, The World Health Organization is considering increasing its pandemic alert level from phase 5 to phase 6. Dr. Keiji Fukuda, WHO's Assistant Director General, stated to journalists that an increase in phase level does not reflect the severity of the disease, only how widely it has spread. Since last week, the number of countries reporting cases of influenza A(H1N1) infection have increased from 48 countries officially reporting 13,398, including 95 deaths to 66 countries having officially reported 19,273 cases, including 117 deaths. In the US, the number of cases and deaths have increased from 7,927 cases and 11 deaths last Wednesday to 10,053 cases and 17 deaths this Monday. Virginia and California reported its first deaths from H1N1 this week, all three had pre-existing conditions, increasing their risk of complications from influenza.

### 2. National Park Service – Monitoring and Response

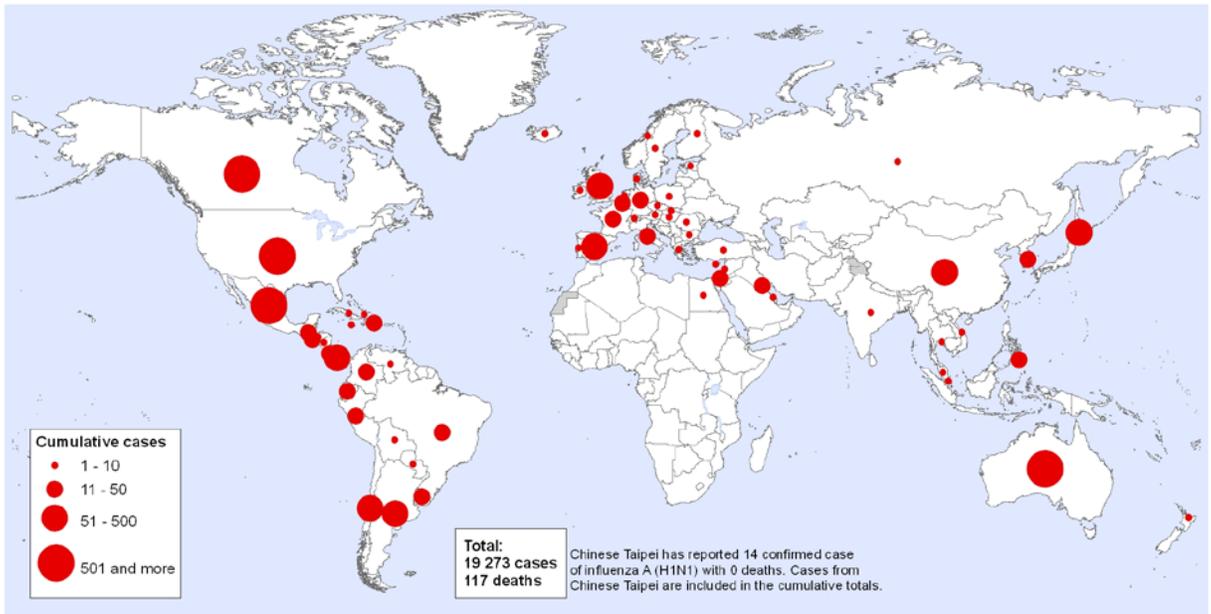
- Coordinating and communicating with federal health agencies and DOI
- Formed a Servicewide H1N1 Coordination and Response Team, led by the Emergency Services Branch and the Office of Public Health
- Providing weekly updates and briefings for NPS senior staff
- Participating in daily CDC briefings with state and county health officials
- Established two websites—[intranet](#) and [public use](#)—for improving dissemination of information and guidance materials
- Assisting NPS units and regional offices in:
  - developing and/or implementing pandemic flu preparedness or response measures
  - interpreting CDC guidance documents as applicable to NPS employees, visitors, and work settings

### 3. Information from Other Official Sources

- World Health Organization 3 June 2009 -- As of 06:00 GMT, 3 June 2009, 66 countries have officially reported 19,273 cases of influenza A(H1N1) infection, including 117 deaths.

**New Influenza A (H1N1),  
Number of laboratory confirmed cases as reported to WHO**

**Status as of 03 June 2009  
06:00 GMT**



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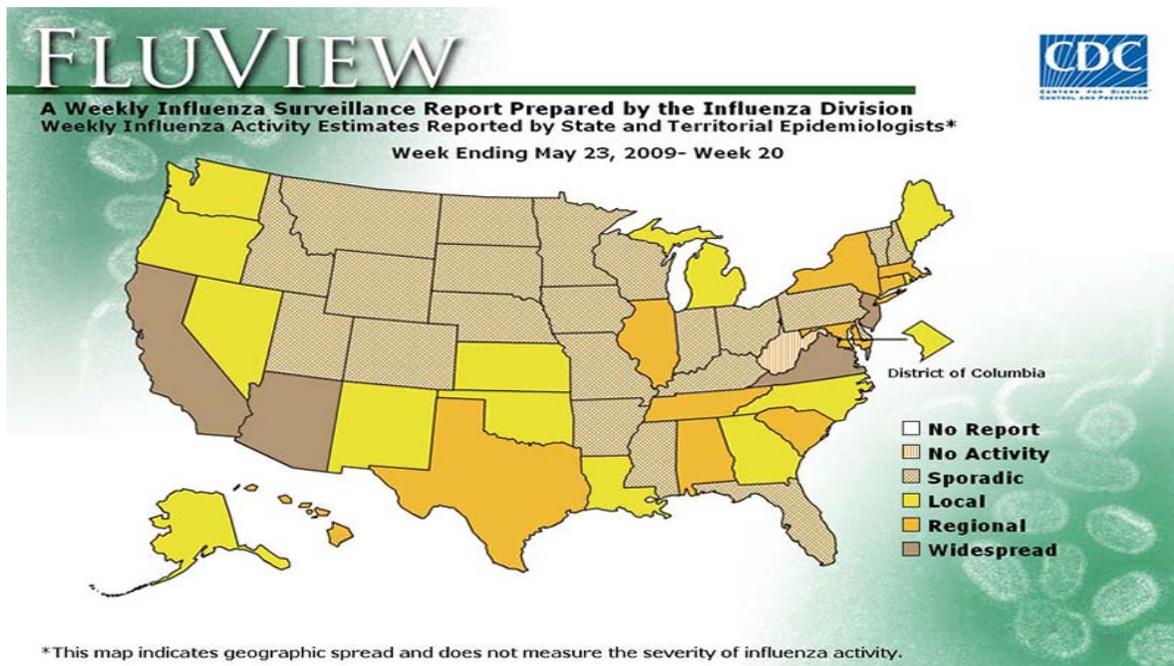
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- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



**Table. U.S. Human Cases of H1N1 Flu Infection**

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11:00 AM ET

Data reported to CDC by May 28, 2009, 12:00 AM (midnight) ET

(Updated Mon, Wed, and Fri)

<b>States*</b>	<b><u>Confirmed and Probable Cases</u></b>	<b>Deaths</b>
Alabama	84	
Alaska	1	
Arkansas	7	
Arizona	547	4
California	804	
Colorado	61	
Connecticut	196	
Delaware	121	
Florida	166	
Georgia	29	
Hawaii	73	
Idaho	13	
Illinois	1103	3
Indiana	146	
Iowa	71	
Kansas	79	
Kentucky	77	
Louisiana	122	
Maine	11	
Maryland	48	
Massachusetts	470	
Michigan	234	
Minnesota	60	
Mississippi	16	
Missouri	36	1

Montana	14	
Nebraska	43	
Nevada	102	
New Hampshire	40	
New Jersey	74	
New Mexico	108	
New York	605	4
North Carolina	14	
North Dakota	6	
Ohio	23	
Oklahoma	82	
Oregon	148	
Pennsylvania	123	
Rhode Island	14	
South Carolina	46	
South Dakota	7	
Tennessee	104	
Texas	1403	3
Utah	247	1
Vermont	3	
Virginia	31	
Washington	575	1
Washington, D.C.	20	
West Virginia	3	
Wisconsin	1641	
Wyoming	2	
<b>TOTAL*(51)</b>	<b>10,053 cases</b>	<b>17 deaths</b>
<b>May 27 Total:</b>		

TOTAL*(48)	7,927 cases	11 deaths
<p>*includes the District of Columbia</p> <p>This table will be updated Monday, Wednesday and Friday at around 11 AM ET</p> <p>International Human Cases of Swine Flu Infection See: <a href="#">World Health Organization</a>.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Because of daily reporting deadlines, the state totals reported by CDC may not always be consistent with those reported by <a href="#">state health departments</a>. If there is a discrepancy between these two counts, data from the state health departments should be used as the most accurate number.</p>		

#### 4. Media Coverage

##### Worldwide Update:

- The World Health Organization announced Tuesday it is still considering increasing its pandemic alert level to phase 6 because of growing worldwide cases of the H1N1 virus, or swine flu. Globally, we are at phase 5, but we are nearing phase 6," said Dr. Keiji Fukuda, WHO's Assistant Director General. "As this continues to spread internationally, some countries are moving from isolated to sustained community spread". Fukuda was quick to remind journalists that the designation does not reflect the severity of the disease, but how widespread it is (CNN, 6/2/2009). The spread of H1N1 flu in Australia, [Britain](#), Chile, [Japan](#) and Spain has nudged the world closer to a pandemic, the World Health Organization said on Tuesday (Washington Post, 6/2/2009).
- Egypt's health ministry, in a statement today on its state news service, announced the country's first novel flu case, involving a 12-year-old American girl who arrived in Cairo yesterday on a flight from Europe, according to Voice of America. Other media outlets reported that her illness was detected at the airport with a thermal scanner. Egypt is the first African country to report a novel H1N1 case (VOA News, 6/2/2009).
- Three more countries--Luxembourg, Ukraine, and Bulgaria--reported their first novel flu cases, according to media reports. Luxembourg officials said the patient there was recently treated for moderate flu symptoms after returning from New York, Reuters reported today. The patients from Ukraine and Bulgaria had also traveled recently to New York (Reuters, 6/2/2009).

- Swine flu cases in Australia, doubling about every two days, may convince the World Health Organization to declare the first influenza pandemic in 41 years, said Raina MacIntyre, head of public health at the University of New South Wales. Australia has 401 confirmed cases of the new H1N1 influenza strain, the Department of Health and Ageing in Canberra said in a statement (Bloomberg, 6/1/2009).
- Chilean health authorities confirmed 26 new cases of swine flu, raising the number of patients with A(H1N1) virus in the country to 276, the highest number on the continent. The sometimes-deadly disease continued its rise across Latin America meanwhile with Argentina, Brazil, Bolivia, Peru and the Dominican Republic all reporting new cases. Officials here said that most of the victims were in the capital, and that most cases were mild and being treated at home. Three people remain in serious condition in hospital, however (AFP, 5/31/2009).

## US Update:

- Virginia's first death associated with the swine flu was announced by State Health Commissioner Dr. Karen Remley Tuesday. A woman from Chesapeake who had swine flu, among other illnesses, died Tuesday, state officials said. The cause of death has not been confirmed, but officials say swine flu appears to have been a factor. "The impact of this death is not lessened by the fact that the patient had preexisting medical conditions that increased the risk of complications from influenza," said Karen Remley, state health commissioner (Washington Post, 6/2/2009).
- California's Department of Public Health yesterday (CDPH) announced the state's first deaths from the novel H1N1 virus, in a middle-aged man and woman. San Bernardino County officials said the man had heart disease, pneumonia, and obesity. Los Angeles County officials said the middle-aged woman died in late May and had a preexisting condition. If the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) adds five recently reported deaths to its total, the nation's official death toll will rise to 22 (CDPH, 6/1/2009).
- Health officials in Texas are reporting that a pregnant woman and man who died earlier this month both had swine flu. State health officials said Friday the deaths bring the number of swine flu victims in Texas to five, more than any other state. The El Paso Department of Public Health says laboratory tests confirmed the virus in a 24-year-old woman and 42-year-old man. Joanne Bates, a spokeswoman for the agency, says the woman's baby was delivered at 31 weeks and was doing OK (AP, 5/31/2009).