

268 New Confirmed Cases of H1N1 Flu Virus in Ontario

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Dr. David Williams, Ontario's Acting Chief Medical Officer of Health, says there are 268 new confirmed cases of H1N1 flu virus since Friday, bringing the total number of cases in Ontario to 894.

Almost all of the cases reported to date are considered mild. The vast majority of these cases have recovered and public health officials estimate that about 150 people are currently sick.

Two people, who had the H1N1 virus and chronic medical conditions, have died. Six people who have the H1N1 flu virus were in hospital as of June 2, a number of whom have underlying medical conditions.

The Ontario cases involve 454 males and 436 females (the gender of four cases 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	123	436
Peel Region	54	152
York Region	44	126
Halton	10	72
City of Ottawa	18	37
Durham Region	9	25
Simcoe Muskoka District	1	10
Hamilton	2	7
Wellington Dufferin Guelph	2	6
Windsor Essex	0	5
Middlesex-London	3	4
Sudbury and District	0	3
Waterloo Region	0	3
Niagara Region	0	1
Oxford County	0	1
Leeds, Grenville & Lanark	0	1
Hastings and Prince Edward Counties	0	1
Grey Bruce	1	1
Northwestern	1	1
Out of province (*)	0	2
TOTAL	268	894

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

QUOTE

“It’s encouraging to see that most of the H1N1 flu cases have fully recovered. Ontarians should continue to protect themselves and those around them by washing hands frequently, coughing or sneezing into your sleeve, and staying at home if you’re sick.”

- Dr. David Williams, Ontario’s Acting Chief Medical Officer of Health.

QUICK FACTS

- Symptoms of the H1N1 flu virus are similar to seasonal influenza (flu) including, chills and cough followed by fever, loss of appetite, muscle aches and fatigue, runny nose, sneezing, watery eyes and throat irritation. Nausea, vomiting and diarrhea may occur in adults as well as in children. In more severe cases, or in people with chronic conditions, complications such as pneumonia may develop.
- People who have symptoms of respiratory illness should contact their health care provider or call Telehealth Ontario at 1-866-797-0000.
- For general information on the H1N1 flu virus, call the ServiceOntario INFOline at 1-800-476-9708 or visit the [Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care website](#).

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