Influenza activity returned to seasonal levels in most regions following several weeks of above expected rates.

Influenza positivity at the BCCDC Public Health Laboratory continued to decline, falling to below 30% in week 7 from a peak of more than 50% in week 52.

This trend was driven by declining A(H3N2) activity.

Influenza B has predominated among influenza detections (63%) this week with activity levels for type B remaining stable around 20%.

Note: Week 40 corresponds to the first week of October. Data Source: BCCDC Public Health Laboratory; current to February 21, 2018.