

CDC Yearly Lab Work on Flu Viruses

More than 1 million patient specimens are tested in clinical labs participating in CDC domestic disease surveillance.*

About 100,000 specimens are tested in 93 state/local public health labs.

CDC conducts full genetic sequencing on about 7,000 flu viruses each year.

CDC tests about 2,000 flu viruses to determine their immune properties.

CDC prepares as many as 50 viruses for possible use in vaccine production.

*2017-2018 influenza data as reported by CDC's Influenza Division, National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases (NCIRD)

