

2017-2018 Flu Season: Flu Burden and Flu Burden Averted by Vaccination

During the 2017-2018 flu season, CDC estimates flu caused:

49 million

flu illnesses

960,000

flu hospitalizations

79,000

flu deaths

This severe season could have been worse without flu vaccines.

Approximately 40% of the U.S. population chose to get a flu vaccine during the 2017-2018 flu season, and this prevented an estimated:

7 million

flu illnesses,



about the population of
New York City.

109,000

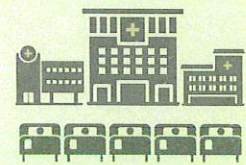
flu hospitalizations,



about the number of vehicles
crossing the Golden Gate Bridge
each day.

8,000

flu deaths,



twice the number of hospitals in
the United States.

**Imagine the impact if more Americans chose to get a flu vaccine.
Many more flu illnesses, flu hospitalizations and flu deaths could be prevented.**

<https://www.cdc.gov/flu/about/disease/burden-averted-vaccination.htm>



get vaccinated
www.cdc.gov/flu