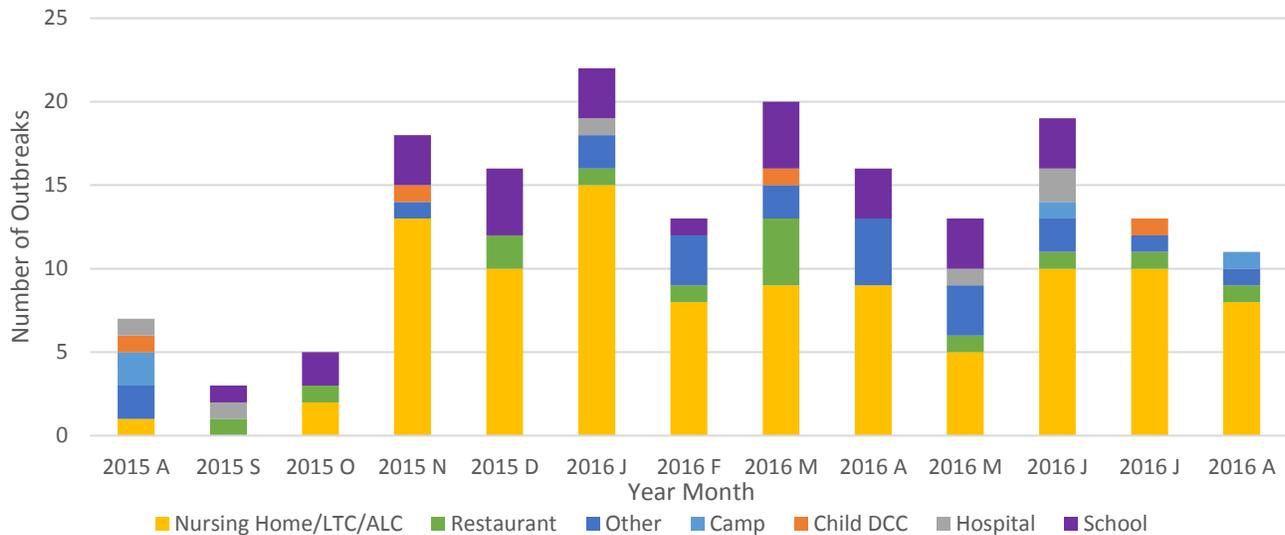


OREGON NOROVIRUS WATCH, AUGUST 2016. This issue of *Oregon Norovirus Watch* includes norovirus outbreak data from the 2015–2016 norovirus season. In the month of August 2016, 11 norovirus or norovirus-like outbreaks were reported, of which 8 (73%) were in nursing homes, 1 (9%) were in restaurants and 2 (18%) in other settings. Since August 2015, 100 (57%) of 176 lab-confirmed and norovirus-like outbreaks occurred in nursing homes or assisted-living facilities (Fig. 1). Over the last year, GII.4 Sydney was identified in 12 (16%) of 74 lab-confirmed outbreaks. The number of outbreaks with cases positive for norovirus GII.4 Sydney continues to decrease (Fig.2).

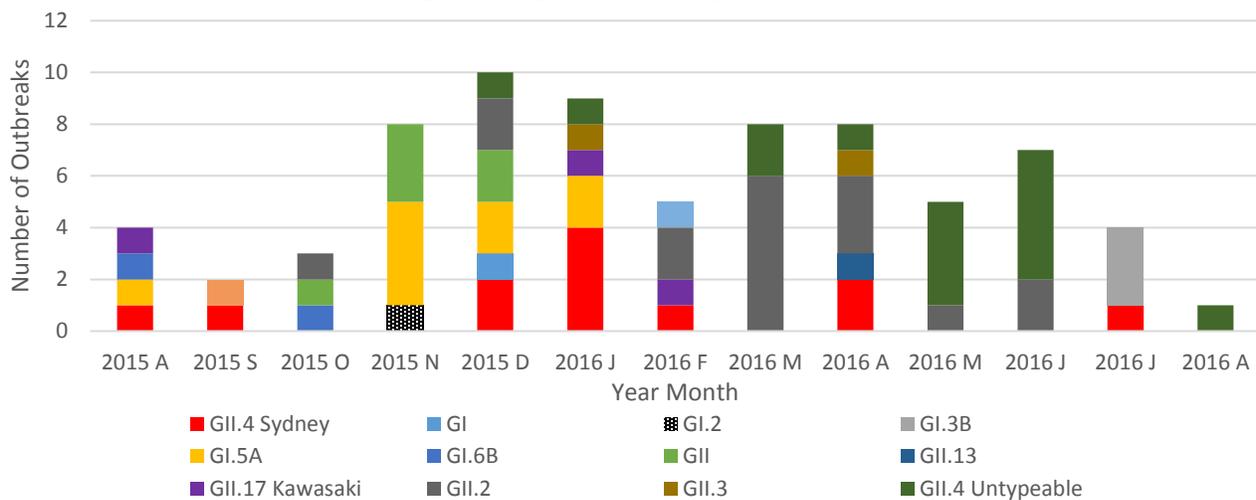


Figure 1. Laboratory-confirmed norovirus & norovirus-like outbreaks by setting type and month Oregon, Aug 2015 - Aug 2016 (n=176)



LTC: long term care ALC Assisted living facility *"Other" includes hotels, workplaces, private homes, caterers

Figure 2. Laboratory confirmed norovirus by genotypes and month in Oregon, Aug 2015 - Aug 2016 (n=74)



*74 (42%) of 176 suspected norovirus outbreaks have been confirmed by positive lab results from ≥2 patients.

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