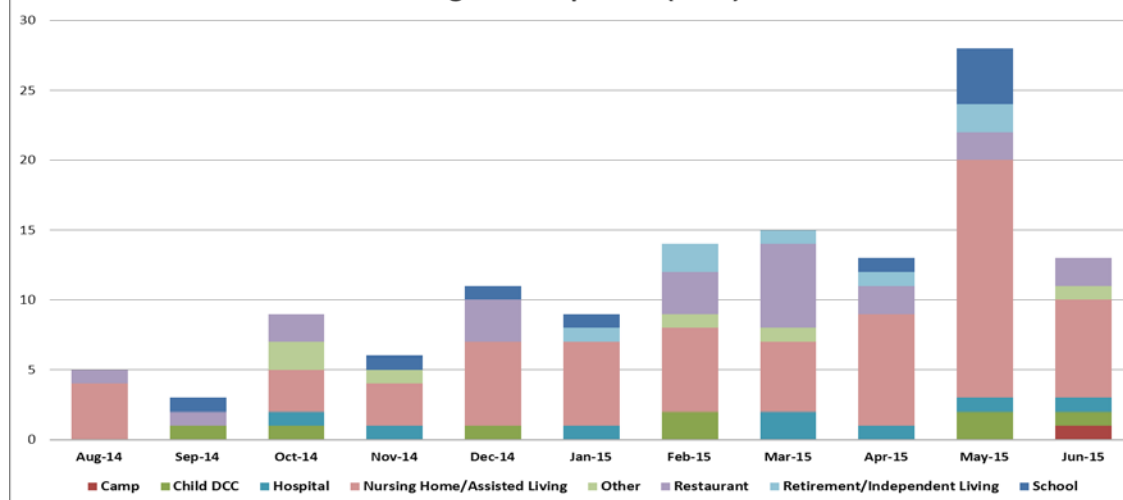


OREGON NOROVIRUS WATCH, JUNE 2015. This issue of *Oregon Norovirus Watch* includes norovirus outbreak data from the 2014–2015 norovirus season. In May and June 2015, 41 norovirus or norovirus-like outbreaks were reported, of which 24/41 (59%) were in Nursing homes or Assisted-living facilities and 4/41 (10%) were restaurant-associated 7/41 (17%) were in childcare (schools and daycare centers facilities. (see Fig. 1).



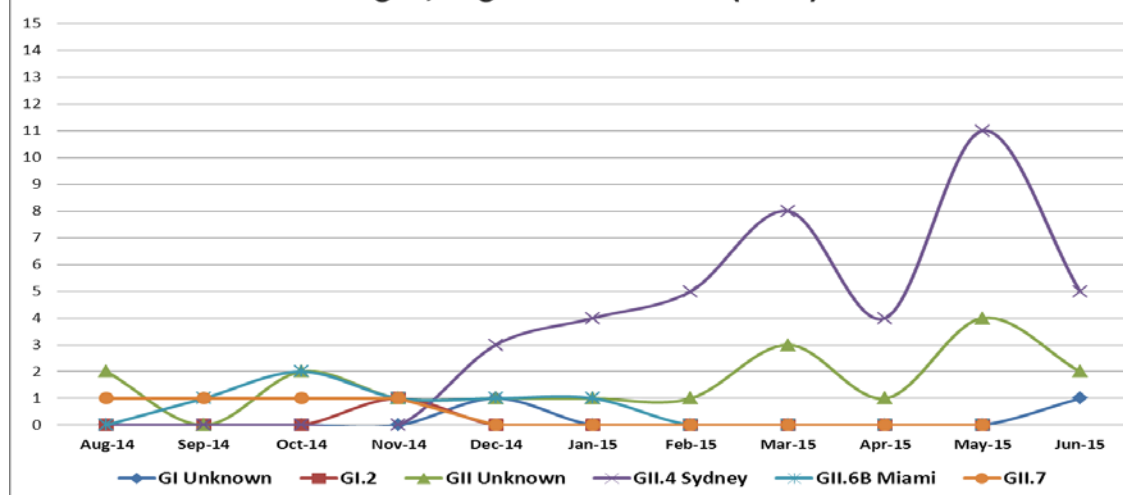
Since August 2014, 65/110 (60%) lab-confirmed and norovirus-like outbreaks occurred in Nursing homes or Assisted-living facilities. The most common norovirus genogroup subtype since August 2014 is GII.4 “Sydney” with 40/71 (56%) lab-confirmed outbreaks, followed by GII.4 “Miami,” which has been lab-confirmed in 6/71 (9%) outbreaks (see Fig. 2).

Figure 1. Laboratory-confirmed norovirus & norovirus-like outbreaks by setting, Oregon Aug 2014 – Apr 2015 (n=87)



*"Other" includes hotels, workplaces, private homes, caterers.

Figure 2. Laboratory-confirmed norovirus genotypes by month, Oregon, Aug 2014 – Jun 2015 (n=71)*



*71/110 (65%) suspect norovirus outbreaks have been lab-confirmed thus far.

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