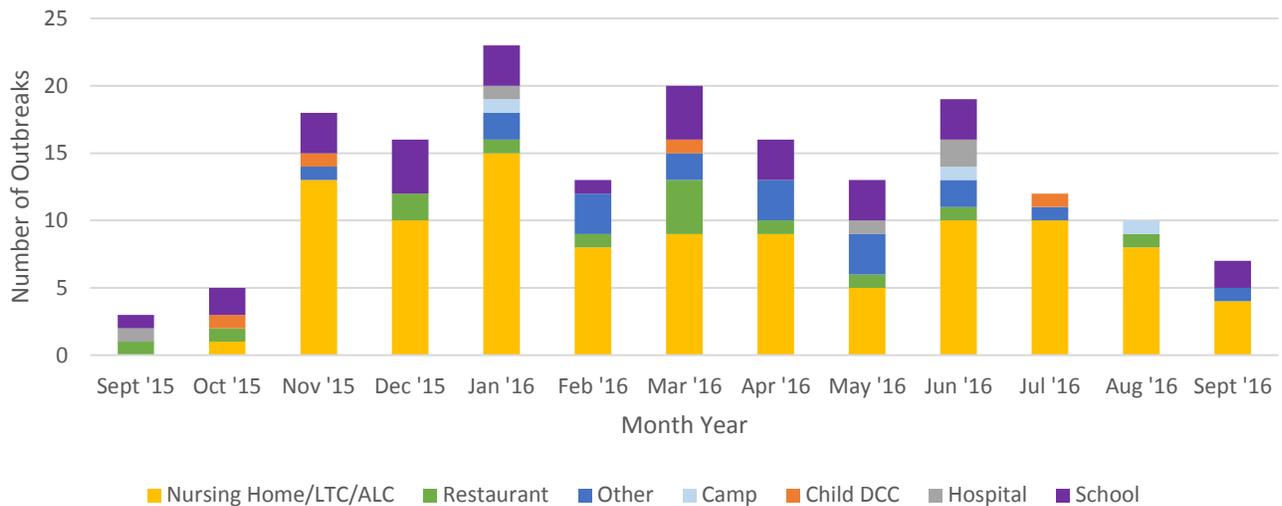


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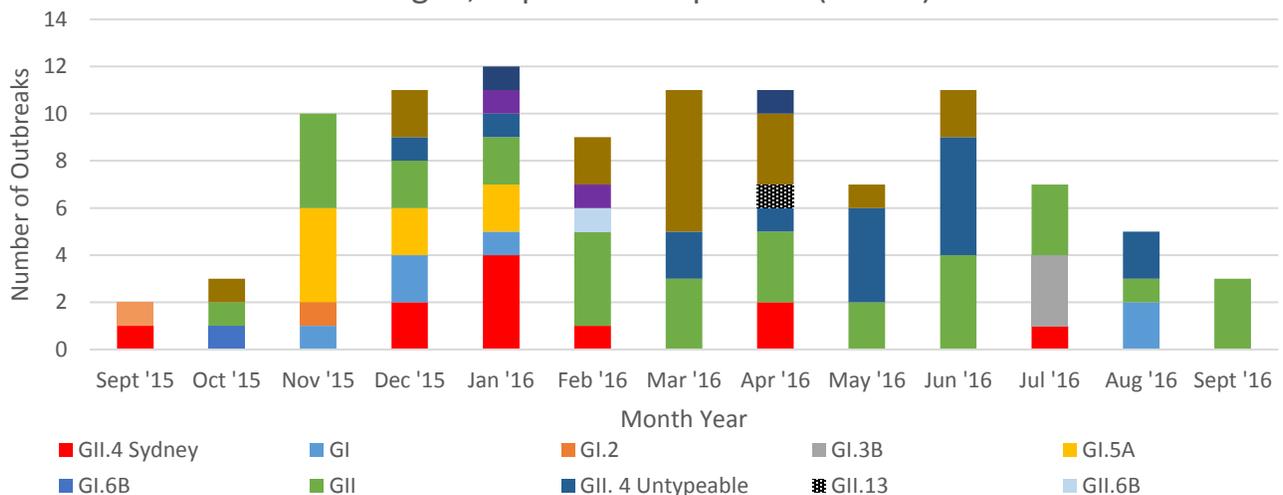
Norovirus Watch includes norovirus outbreak data from the 2015–2016 norovirus season. In the month of September 2016, 7 norovirus or norovirus-like outbreaks were reported, of which 4 (57%) were in nursing homes, 2 (29%) were in schools and 1 (14%) in other settings. Since September 2015, 103 (59%) of 174 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 11 (11%) of 102 lab-confirmed outbreaks. We continue to see the number of GII.4 Sydney norovirus outbreaks decrease and the number of other GII strains outbreaks increase (Fig.2).

Figure 1. Laboratory-confirmed norovirus & norovirus-like outbreaks by setting type and month Oregon, Sept 2015- Sept 2016 (n=174)



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, Sept 2015- Sept 2016 (n=102)



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

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Oregon Norovirus Watch monthly reports are also found on our calicivirus web site: <http://public.health.oregon.gov/DiseasesConditions/DiseasesAZ/Pages/disease.aspx?did=110>.