US swine flu death toll nearly doubles from last week

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The U.S. death toll from the H1N1 swine flu now stands at 87, up from 45 a week ago; and the number of cases in Arizona is up to 645, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control reported Friday.

The CDC said there are more than 21,400 cases nationwide, up from 17,855 a week ago. There were 597 cases of H1N1 in Arizona a week ago.

Wisconsin has the most H1N1 flu cases in the U.S., with 3,008, followed by Illinois at 2,526, according to the CDC.

Seven people in Arizona have died from the flu strain, which originated in April in Mexico City but has spread to the U.S. and other countries.

New York has reported the most U.S. deaths from the flu: 24, according to the CDC.

For images: cdc.gov/h1n1flu/images.htm.

H1N1 flu totals:

Arizona: 645 cases, 7 deaths

California: 1,245 cases, 8 deaths

Illinois: 2,526 cases, 8 deaths

New York: 1,300 cases, 24 deaths

Texas: 2,519 cases, 10 deaths

Wisconsin: 3,008 cases, 1 death

U.S. TOTAL: 21,449 cases, 87 deaths

Source: CDC

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