

BI-WEEKLY INFLUENZA EPIDEMIOLOGY REPORT

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Influenza | Nationwide ILI Situation

KEY POINTS

Over 100% of United States jurisdictions are reporting very minimal influenza-like illness (ILI) activity as of 21 June 2025 (Figure 1).

Figure 1. ILI activity map for MMWR weeks 21-23.1



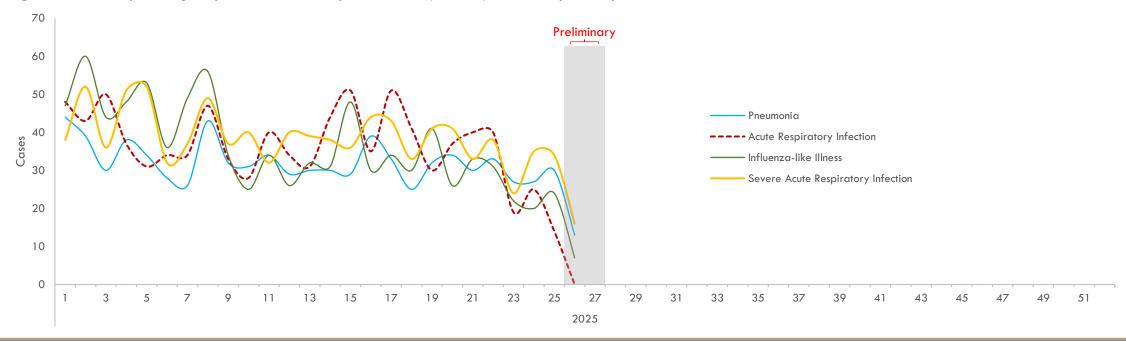




Influenza | Guam Syndromic Surveillance

- Pneumonia (PN), severe-/acute respiratory infection (S-/ARI), and influenza-like illness (ILI), are syndromic surveillance indicators that provide an early warning signal for potential viral respiratory illness epidemics (e.g., COVID-19, Influenza, RSV)
- **Figure 2** illustrates the number of PN, ARI, and ILI encounters by week at the emergency rooms of GMHA and GRMC.
- As seen in **Figure 2**, weekly reports of each indicator have remained consistent throughout 2025, with a clear indication of decreasing reports in recent weeks.

Figure 2. Weekly Emergency Room visits for pneumonia, (severe) acute respiratory infection, and influenza-like illness in 2025.

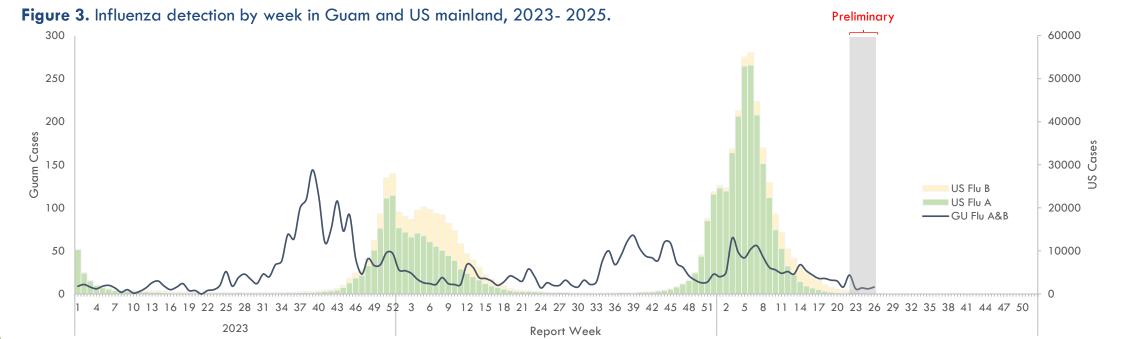






Influenza | Guam vs Nationwide comparison

- Guam's influenza season precedes the mainland US (**Figure 3**)²⁻³, however, early 2025 demonstrated a degree of agreement in trends.
- > The US mainland has demonstrably emerged from its influenza season.
- However, as seen in **Figure 3**, Guam continues to detect influenza cases, with a notable increase in the past 2 weeks.
- > Despite this increase, this trend aligns with what has been observed historically, falling well within the expected range (**Figure 4**).







Influenza | Local trend

- Figure 4³ represents all influenza cases by week in Guam from 2023-present, including the 2yr average and bounds.
- > Influenza case detection continues to align with the 2yr average.
- As previously mentioned, though there is a notable increase in Week 22, this was anticipated and falls within the range of expectations.
- From Week 24-26 (June 14-28), the number of influenza reports remained below expectations.

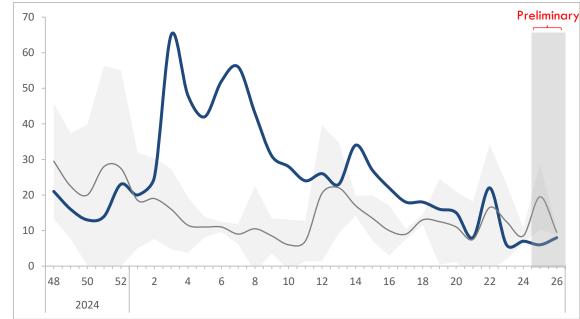
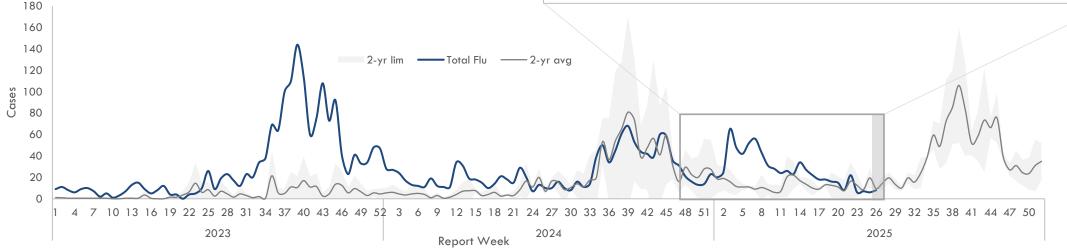


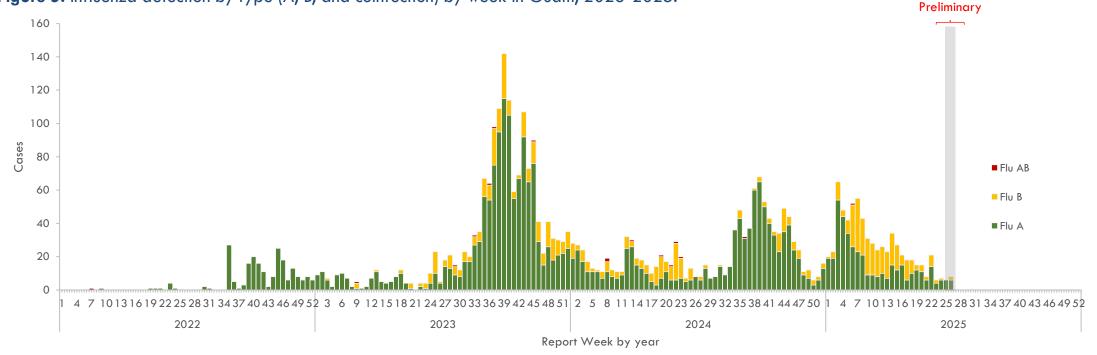
Figure 4. Influenza detection by week in Guam, 2023-2025.





- Influenza A continues to make up the majority influenza type in circulation (Figure 5).3
- > Preliminary wastewater surveillance data for Guam also provides supporting evidence that influenza A is the dominant type observed in the community.
- > Because Influenza B detection is typically observed around this time; it is anticipated that there would be a shift from Influenza A to B in the coming weeks.

Figure 5. Influenza detection by type (A, B, and coinfection) by week in Guam, 2023-2025.





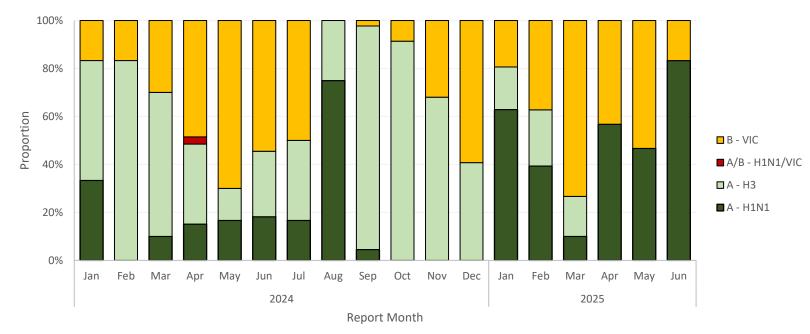


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- ▶ In June 2025, Influenza A/H1N1 remained the dominant subtype detected in Guam.
- \triangleright This is in contrast to what has been detected in Juen of 2024, when the predominant subtype was B/Victoria.
- > Note, the figure below presents the date of subtype, not the date of sample collection.

Figure 6. Proportion of influenza subtype by month in Guam, 2024-2025.

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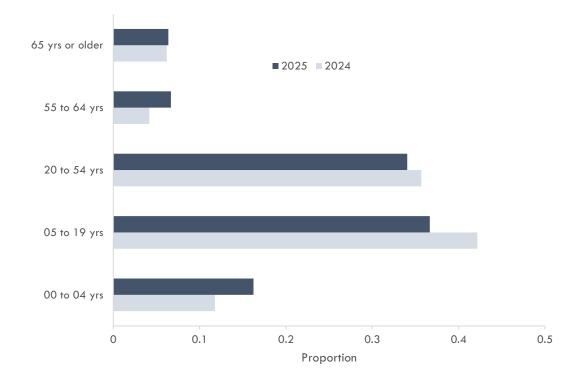
- Providers are encouraged to submit influenza samples for subtyping by Guam Public Health Laboratory (GPHL).
- > GPHL continues to receive antigen characteristic results from the CDC, which determine whether circulating influenza strains in Guam are captured by the virus component used in the influenza vaccine formulations.
- > To date, for 2025, GPHL received confirmation of **3** local influenza isolates antigenically characterized and confirmed for being antigenically related to A/WISCONSIN/67/2022-LIKE (H1N1)pdm09 virus.
 - > This reference virus component is used in the 2024-2025 northern hemisphere and 2025 southern hemisphere cell-based influenza-vaccine formulations.⁵





- Majority of those reported with influenza consist of the school-age children (05 to 19 years) and those ages 19 to 54 years) (**Figure 7**).³
- > The proportion of age groups remains relatively consistent between 2024 and 2025.
- Hospitalizations associated with influenza continue to remain minimal based off on NHSN hospital respiratory data reporting.

Figure 7. Proportion of age groups diagnosed with influenza in Guam, 2024 and 2025.







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