WEEKLY INFLUENZA EPIDEMIOLOGY REPORT

WEEK ENDING

07 MARCH 2026

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Influenza || Nationwide ILI Situation

Key Points

- Influenza-like illness (ILI) is experiencing decreases in ILI activity levels, characterized by lower moderate to high activity levels throughout multiple states in the mainland United States (**Figure 1**).

Figure 1. ILI activity map for MMWR weeks 06-08.[1]

Week **06** ending
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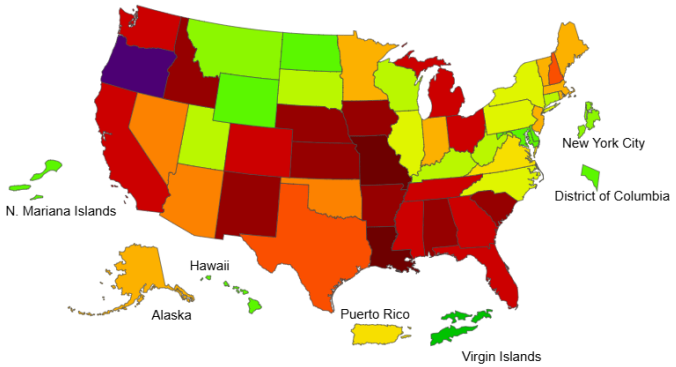

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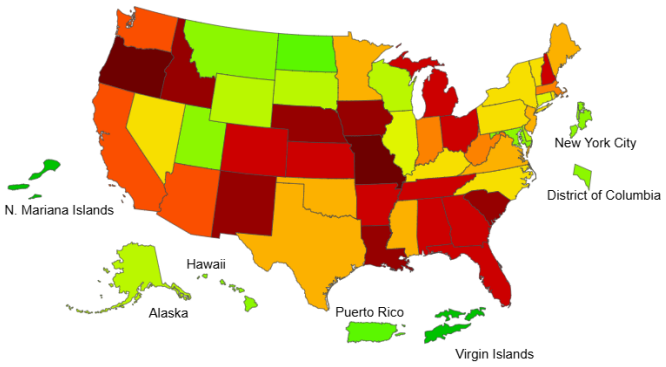

Week **08** ending
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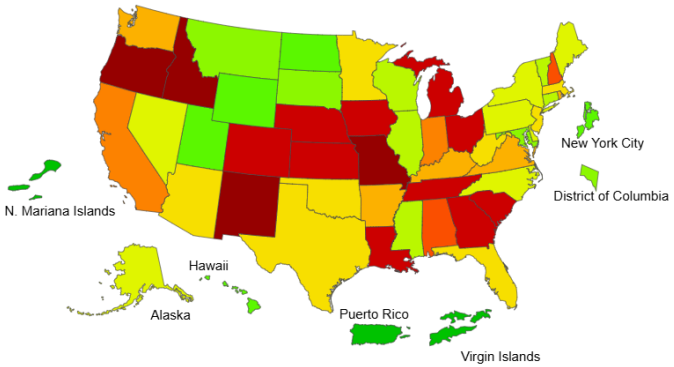


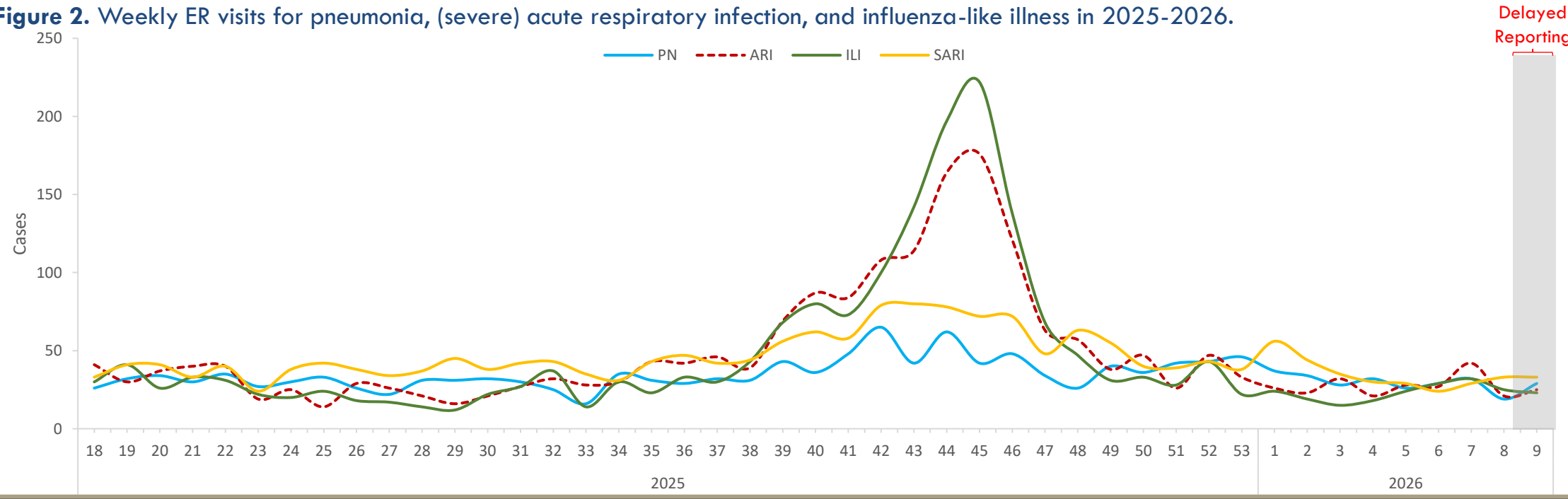
[1]Outpatient respiratory illness activity map determined by data reported to ILINet (CDC)

Influenza || Guam Syndromic Surveillance

KEY POINTS

- Pneumonia, severe-/acute respiratory infection, and influenza-like illness, encounters at the ER of GMHA and GRMC are represented in **Figure 2.**
- Weekly reports of PN, ARI, ILI, and SARI, continue to show a steady trend since late November 2025.

Figure 2. Weekly ER visits for pneumonia, (severe) acute respiratory infection, and influenza-like illness in 2025-2026.

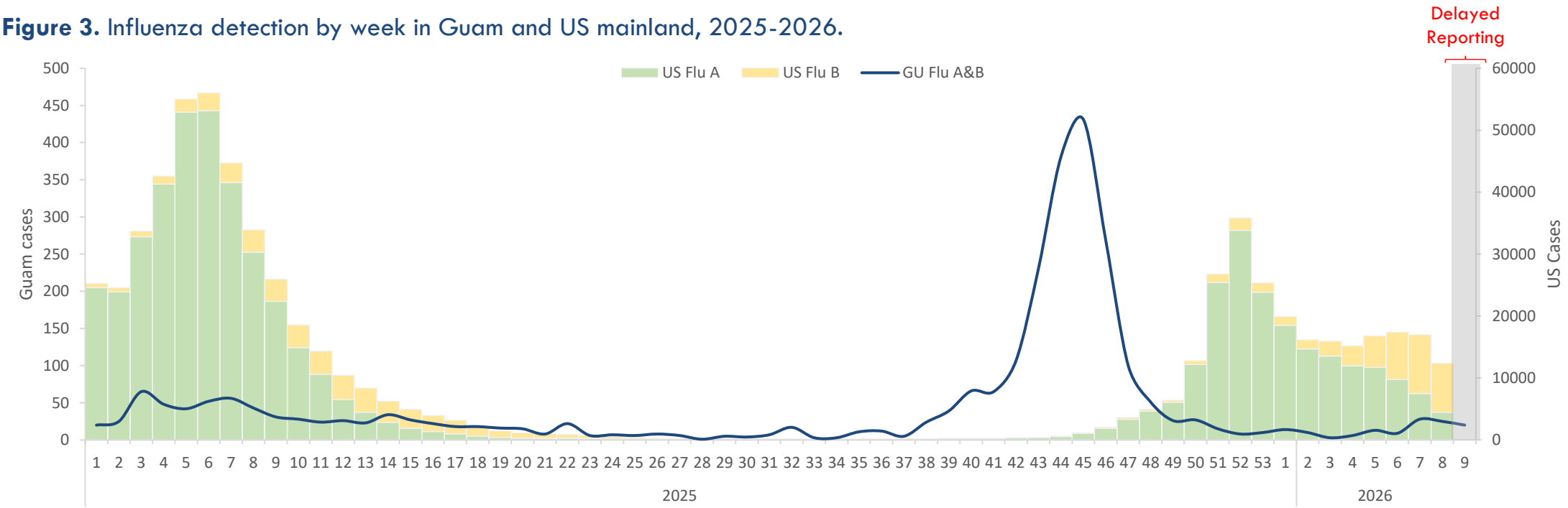


Influenza || Guam vs Nationwide comparison

KEY POINTS

- Influenza activity has been minimal in Guam since the end of November 2025, indicated by the blue line in **Figure 3**.
- The mainland continues to see high incidence of influenza, with increased reports of *Influenza B/Vic*
- *Influenza A/H3N2* continues to account for 88.0% of all influenza subtyping performed for the mainland's current influenza season (*not illustrated*).

Figure 3. Influenza detection by week in Guam and US mainland, 2025-2026.



[2]CDC Influenza Results by Clinical Laboratories, National Summary; [3]Guam Communicable Disease Dashboard

Influenza || Local trend

KEY POINTS

- **Figure 4**[3] represents all influenza cases by week in Guam from 2024-present, including the estimated projections.
- Influenza detection falls with expected range.

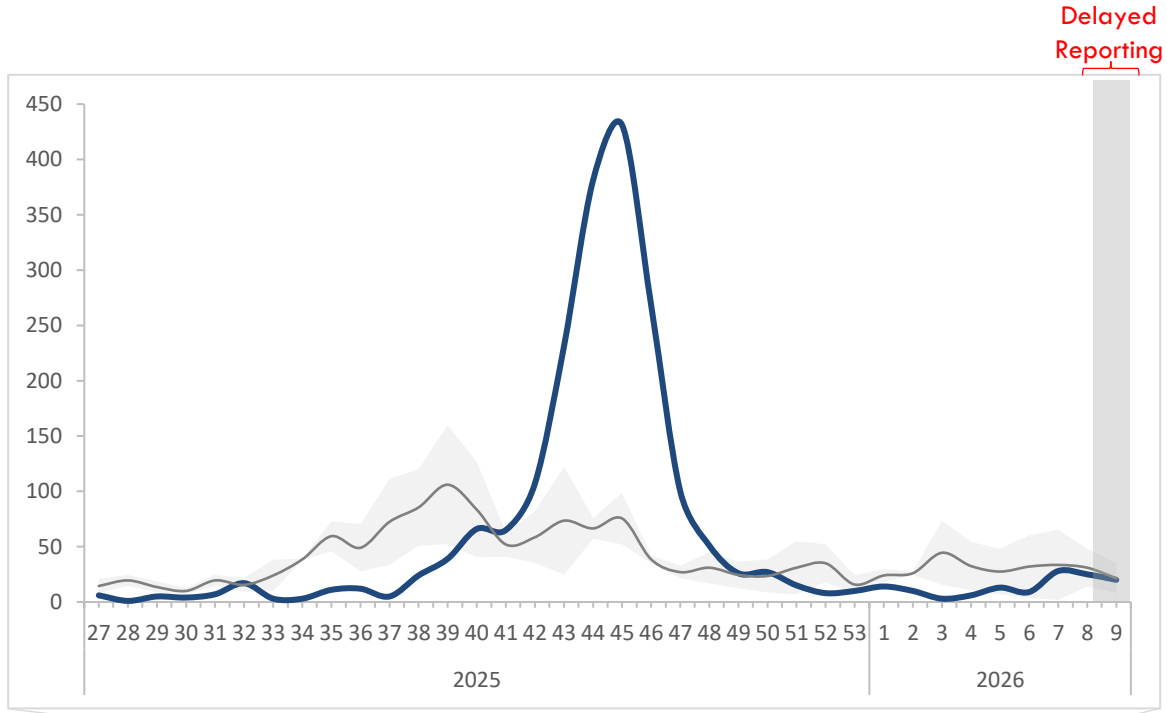
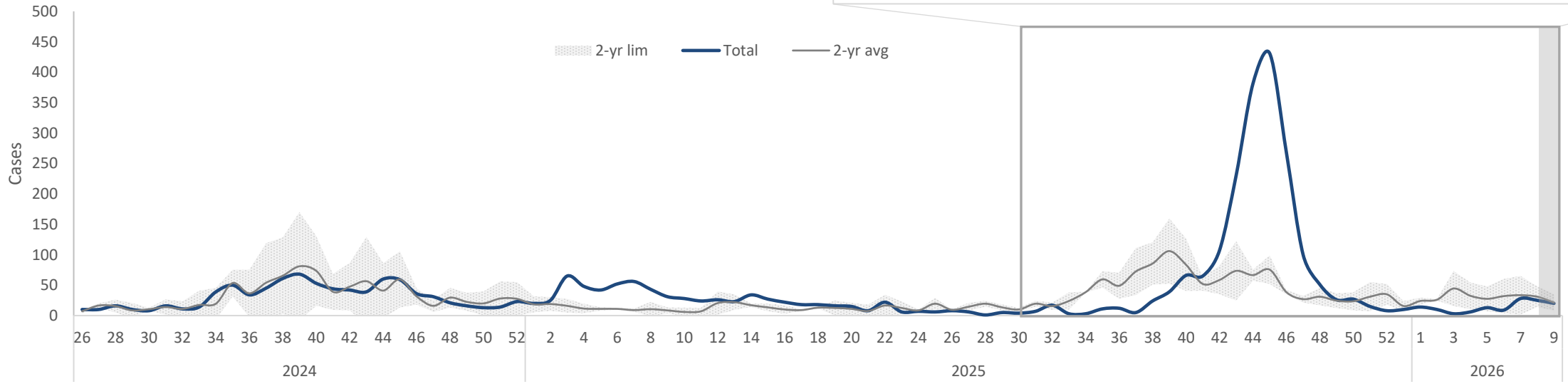


Figure 4. Influenza detection by week in Guam, 2024-present.



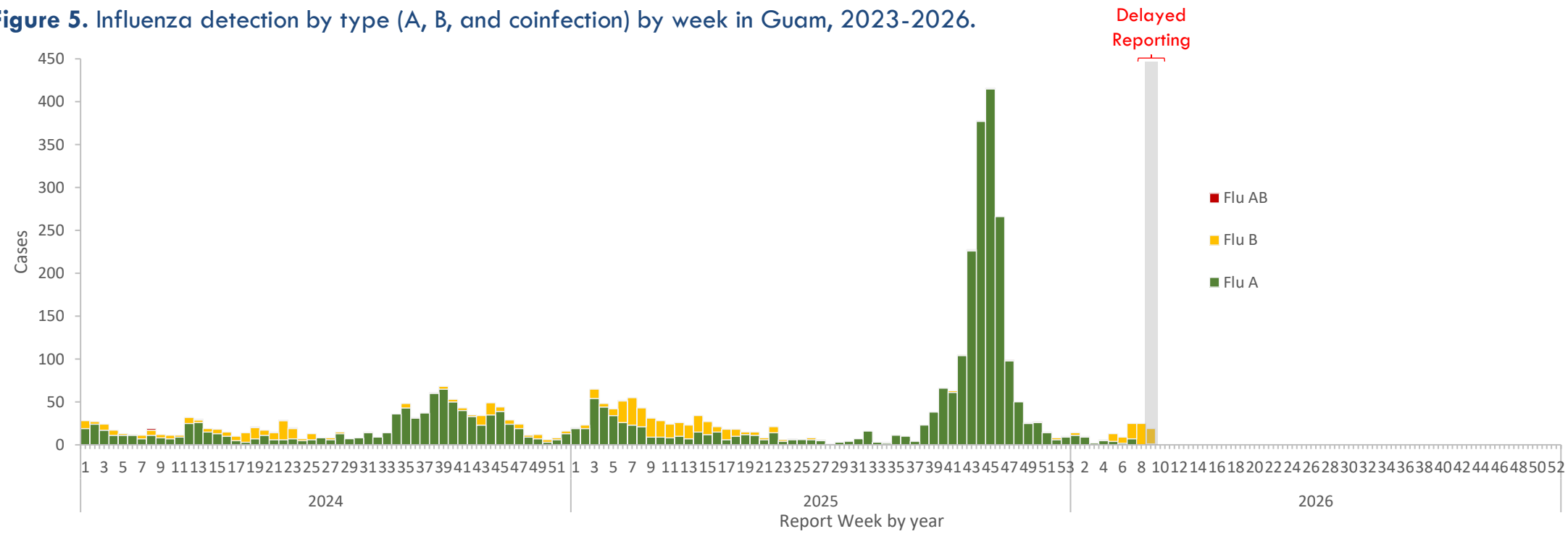
[3]Guam Communicable Disease Dashboard

Influenza || Local trend (continued)

KEY POINTS

- Influenza B is the dominant influenza type in circulation (**Figure 5**).[3]

Figure 5. Influenza detection by type (A, B, and coinfection) by week in Guam, 2023-2026.



[3]Guam Communicable Disease Dashboard

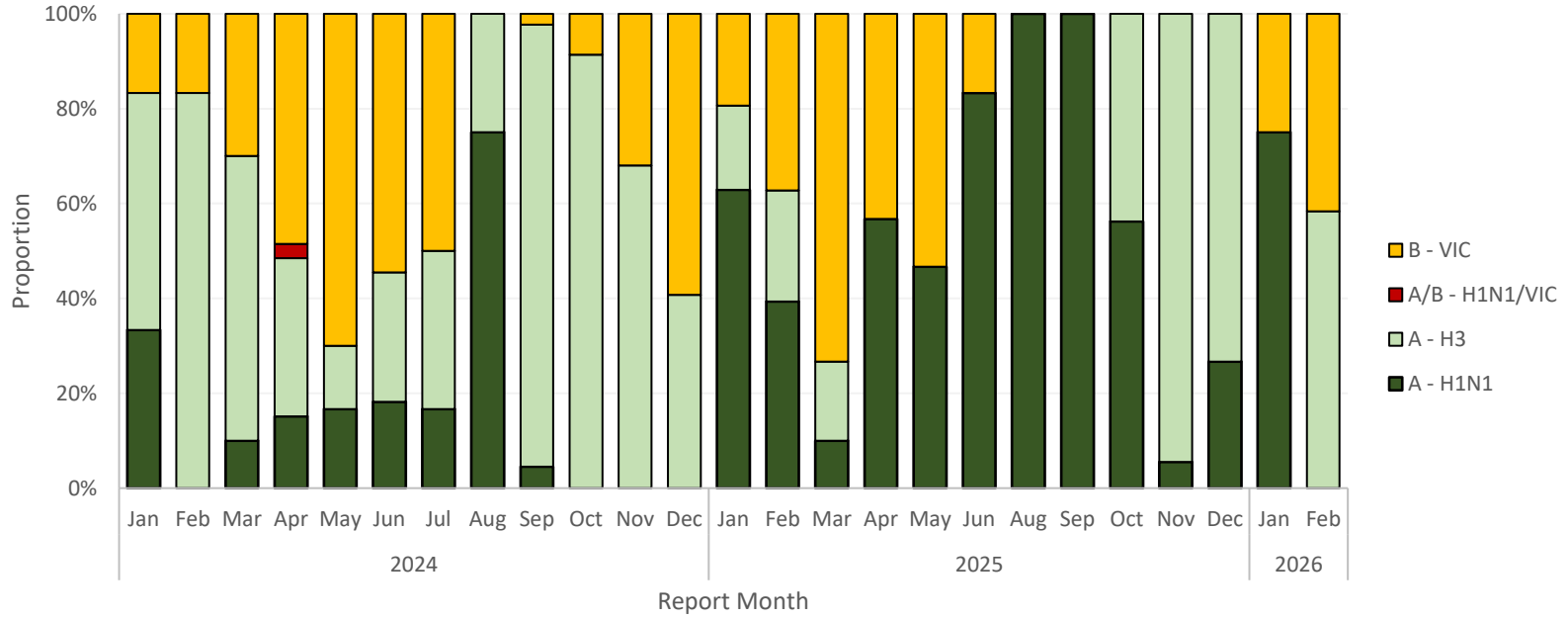
Influenza || Local trend (continued)

KEY POINTS

- Subtyping data for the month of February is signaled a shift to H3 with increased detection of B/Vic.
- *Note, the figure below presents the date of subtype, not the date of sample collection. The number of samples subtyped for September 2024 are also small.*

Providers are encouraged to submit influenza samples for further subtyping to Guam Public Health Laboratory

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



[4]Data provided by the Guam Public Health Laboratory

Influenza || Local trend (continued)

KEY POINTS

- 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 **4** 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]

[5]Recommended composition of influenza virus vaccines, WHO

Influenza || Local trend (continued)

KEY POINTS

- Majority of those reported with influenza consist of the school-age children (05 to 19 years) and those ages 20 to 54 years (**Figure 7**).[3]
- **Figure 8** further stratifies school-age children by class, highlighting the Kindergarten to elementary age children as most susceptible.
- New hospital admissions have been low in the past several weeks.

Figure 7. Proportion of age groups diagnosed with influenza in Guam, 2024-2026.

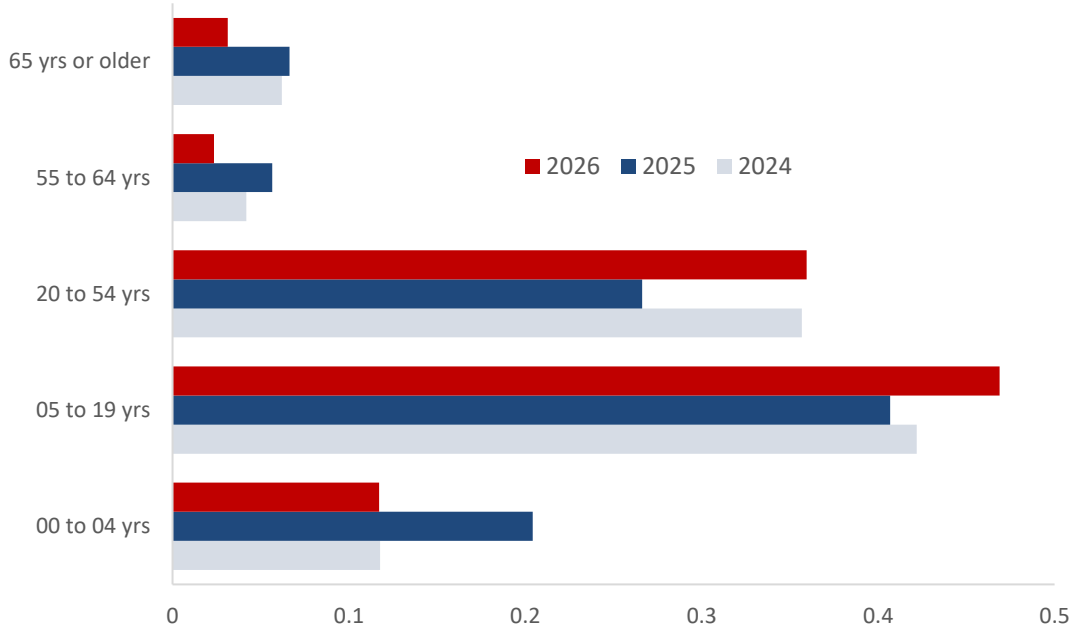
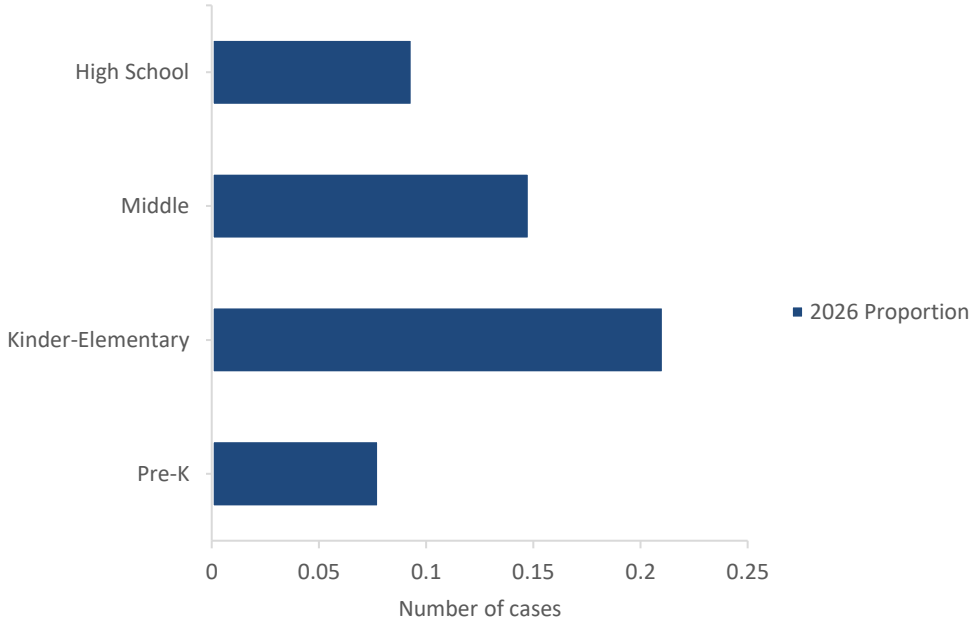


Figure 8. Proportion of school-age children diagnosed with influenza in Guam, by class, 2026.



[3]Guam Communicable Disease Dashboard

Additional Information

Scan the QR Code to visit
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