Influenza | Nationwide ILI Situation

KEY POINTS

- Influenza-like Illness (ILI) detection is increasing in the contiguous US¹ (Figure 1)
- The progression is worsening in the eastern and southern states and appears to be moving westward
- The US Pacific Islands (CNMI, PR, USVI, HI), including Alaska (ie. non-contiguous jurisdictions) are demonstrating a different trend inconsistent with the rest of the mainland

Figure 1. ILI activity map for MMWR week 2, 4, and 6.1





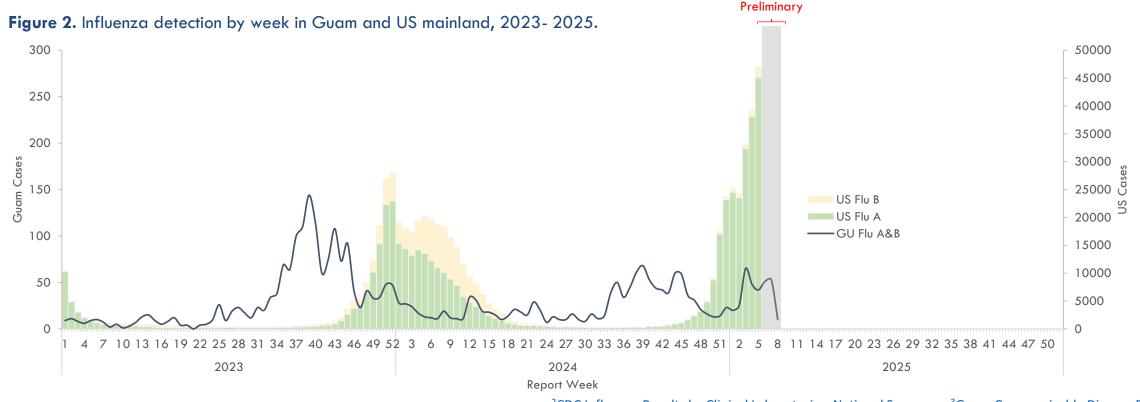
1 Outpatient respiratory illness activity map determined by data reported to ILINet (CDC)



Influenza | Guam vs Nationwide comparison

KEY POINTS

- Guam's influenza season generally precedes the mainland US (**Figure 2**)²⁻³ and starts approximately late August, early September, peaking in mid-fall.
- However, an uncharacteristic increase was observed in January 2025.
- The US continues to see higher than usual influenza case reports.





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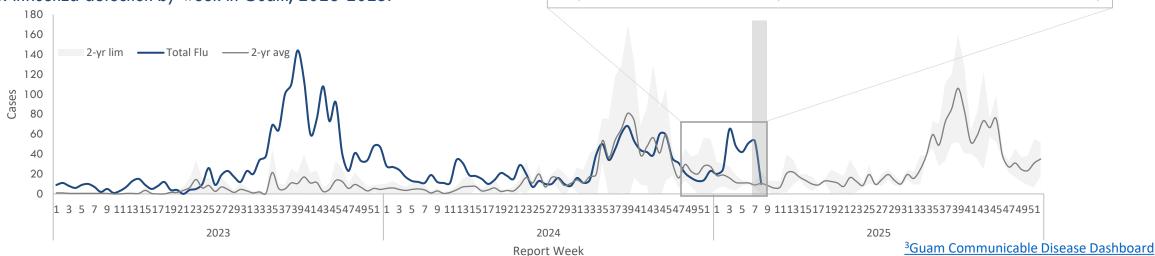
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Influenza | Local trend

KEY POINTS

- Figure 3³ represents all influenza cases by week in Guam from 2023-present, including the 2yr average and limits (threshold).
- Influenza case detection in early 2025 has exceeded Guam's 2-year average and threshold.
- In week 7, a total of 53 cases were reported, nearly 5x the reports compared to the same week for 2024 (11 cases reported).
- Although there was a slight decrease beginning week 4, the upward trend from week 5-7 requires continued monitoring.

Figure 3. Influenza detection by week in Guam, 2023-2025.



70

50

30

20

10

2024

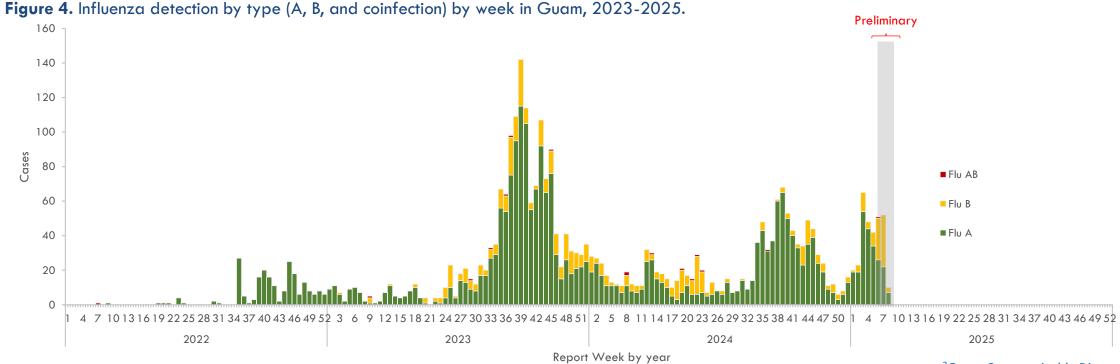




Influenza | Local trend (continued)

KEY POINTS

- > Guam is tracking a transition from influenza A to influenza B reporting (Figure 4).3
- While influenza B detection is not new, the movement from A to B this early in the year has not been seen since 2019.
 - Influenza B detection is typically observed in the later months.







Influenza | Local trend (continued)

KEY POINTS

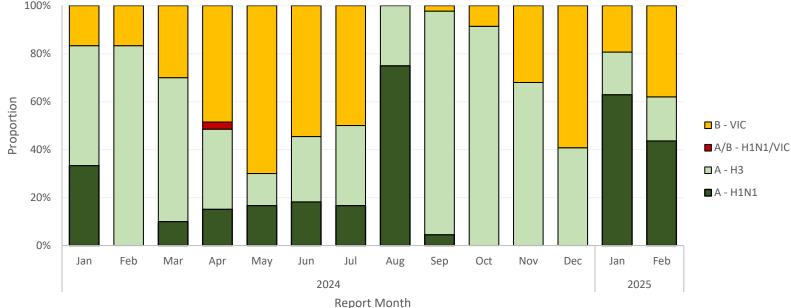
- While influenza B Guam becomes the majority influenza types reported, of those samples subtyped (Figure 5)⁴, there has been a sudden increase in influenza A/H1N1pdm09, followed by influenza B Victoria.
- This is in stark contrast to what has been detected last year, when the predominant subtype was A/H3.

Figure 5. Proportion of influenza subtype by month in Guam, 2024-2025.

Note, the figure below presents the date of subtype, not the date of sample collection.

80%

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



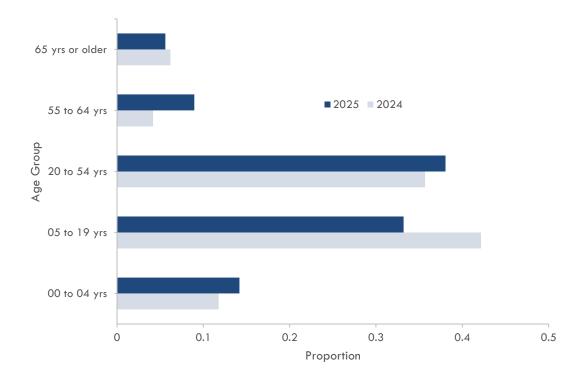


Influenza | Local trend (continued)

KEY POINTS

- Majority of those reported with influenza consist of the school-age children (05 to 19 years) and those ages 19 to 54 years) (**Figure 6**).³
- > The proportion of age groups remains relatively consistent between 2024 and 2025.
- > Hospitalizations associated with influenza continue to remain minimal to nonexistent.

Figure 6. Proportion of age groups diagnosed with influenza in Guam, 2024 and 2025.







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