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Chinese Weekly Influenza Surveillance Report

July 15 to 21, 2024 (Week 29)

(All data are preliminary and may change as more reports are received)

Summary

- Influenza detections were decreasing in the southern provinces and northern provinces, A(H1N1)pdm09 was predominated, followed by A(H3N2) and B/Victoria. There was no ILI outbreak reported in week 29.
- Among influenza viruses antigenically characterized by CNIC since April 1, 2024, 587(97.2%) influenza A(H1N1)pdm09 viruses were characterized as A/Victoria/4897/2022-like; 340(57.8%) influenza A(H3N2) viruses were characterized as A/Thailand/8/2022(egg)-like, 375(63.8%) influenza A(H3N2) viruses were characterized as A/Thailand/8/2022(cell)-like; 903(99.0%) influenza B/Victoria viruses were characterized as B/Austria/1359417/2021-like.
- Among the influenza viruses tested by CNIC for antiviral resistance analysis since April 1, 2024, all but 4 influenza A(H1N1)pdm09 were sensitive to neuraminidase inhibitors, all A(H3N2) and B viruses were sensitive to neuraminidase inhibitors; all A(H1N1)pdm09, A(H3N2) and B viruses were sensitive to endonuclease inhibitors.

Surveillance of outpatient or emergency visits for Influenza-like Illness (ILI)

During week 29, the percentage of outpatient or emergency visits for ILI (ILI%) at national sentinel hospitals in southern provinces was 4.7%, lower than the last week (4.8%), higher than the same week of 2021~2023(3.4%, 4.4% and 4.3%). (Figure 1)

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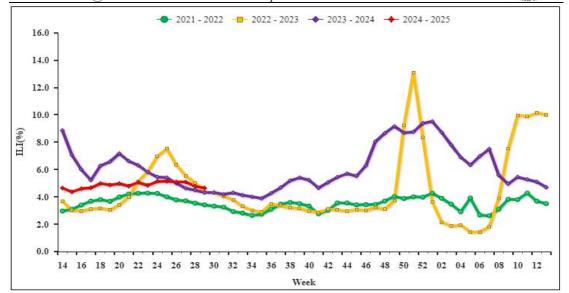


Figure 1. Percentage of Visits for ILI at Sentinel Hospitals in Southern Provinces

Note: Analysis in this part was based on data from sentinel hospitals belong to national influenza surveillance network.

During week 29, ILI% at national sentinel hospitals in northern provinces was 3.8%, lower than the last week (3.9%), higher than the same week of 2021~2023(2.4%, 2.1% and 2.7%). (Figure 2)

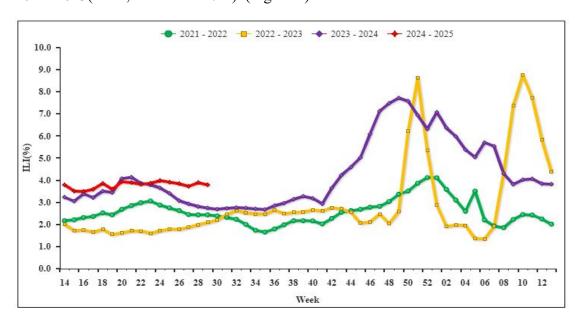


Figure 2. Percentage of Visits for ILI at Sentinel Hospitals in Northern Provinces

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Virologic Surveillance

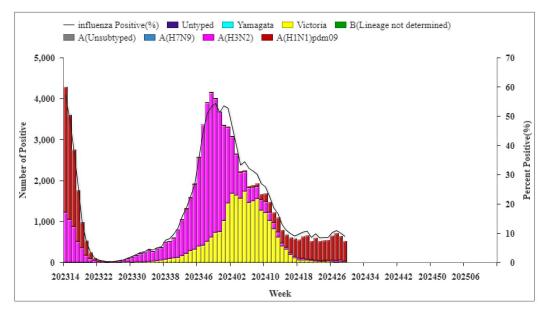
During week 29, influenza network laboratories tested 7869 specimens, there were 545 positive detections for influenza. The number and proportion of influenza types and subtypes detected in southern and northern provinces were shown in Table 1.

Table 1 Laboratory Detections of ILI Specimens (Week 29, 2024)

	Week 29		
	Southern provinces	Northern provinces	Total
No. of specimens tested	5838	2031	7869
No. of positive specimens (%)	526(9.0%)	19(0.9%)	545(6.9%)
Influenza A	509(96.8%)	17(89.5%)	526(96.5%)
A(H1N1)pdm09	493(96.9%)	16(94.1%)	509(96.8%)
A(H3N2)	16(3.1%)	1(5.9%)	17(3.2%)
A (subtype not determined)	0	0	0
Influenza B	17(3.2%)	2(10.5%)	19(3.5%)
B (lineage not determined)	2(11.8%)	1(50.0%)	3(15.8%)
Victoria	15(88.2%)	1(50.0%)	16(84.2%)
Yamagata	0	0	0

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Figure 3. Influenza Positive Tests Reported by Southern Network Laboratories (Week 14, 2023–Week 13, 2025)

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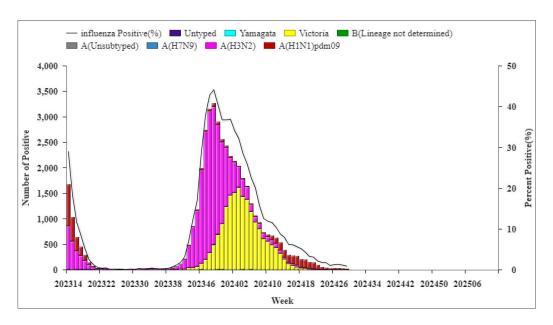


Figure 4. Influenza Positive Tests Reported by Northern Network Laboratories (Week 14, 2023–Week 13, 2025)

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Antiviral Resistance

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resistance, all but 4 influenza A(H1N1)pdm09 were sensitive to neuraminidase

inhibitors, all A(H3N2) and B viruses were sensitive to neuraminidase inhibitors; all

A(H1N1)pdm09, A(H3N2) and B viruses were sensitive to endonuclease inhibitors.

Outbreak Surveillance

During week 29, there was no ILI outbreak reported nationwide.

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