



Chinese Weekly Influenza Surveillance Report

July 13 to 19, 2026 (Week 29)

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

Summary

- The positive rate of influenza virus testing was increased in southern provinces, while decreased in northern provinces. Influenza B predominated. There were 4 ILI outbreaks reported in this week.
- Among influenza viruses antigenically characterized by CNIC since March 30, 2026, 31(96.9%) influenza A(H1N1)pdm09 viruses were characterized as A/Missouri/11/2025-like; 179(77.8%) influenza A(H3N2) viruses were characterized as A/Darwin/1454/2025(egg)-like, 201(87.4%) influenza A(H3N2) viruses were characterized as A/Darwin/1415/2025(cell)-like; 379(92.9%) influenza B/Victoria viruses were characterized as B/Tokyo/EIS13-175/2025-like.
- Among the influenza viruses tested by CNIC for antiviral resistance analysis since March 30, 2026, all A(H1N1)pdm09, A(H3N2) and B viruses were sensitive to neuraminidase inhibitors; all A(H1N1)pdm09, A(H3N2) and B viruses were sensitive to influenza polymerase 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 5.9%, higher than the last week (5.8%), higher than the same week of 2023, 2024 and 2025(4.4%, 5.1% and 3.8%). (Figure 1)

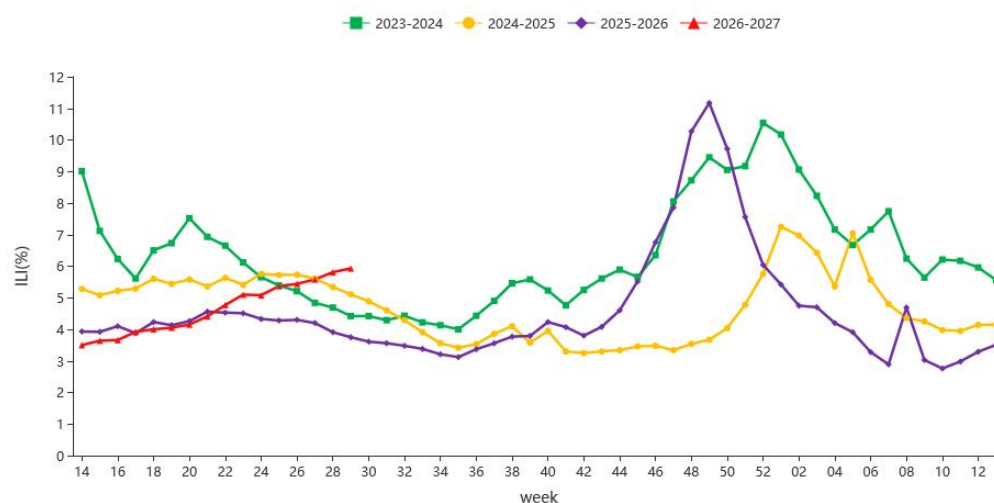


Figure 1. Percentage of Visits for ILI at Sentinel Hospitals in Southern Provinces

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 2.8%, lower than the last week (2.9%), higher than the same week of 2023 and 2025(2.7% and 2.7%), lower than the same week of 2024(3.6%). (Figure 2)

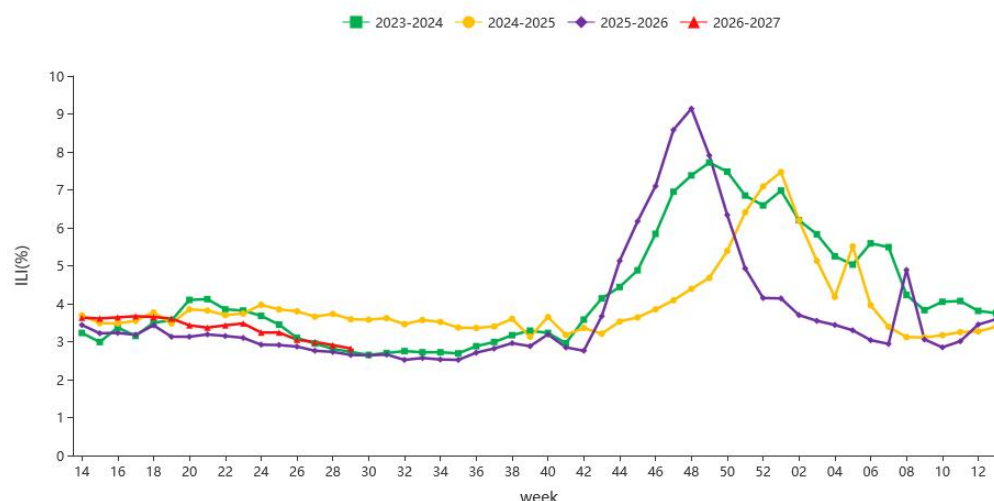


Figure 2. Percentage of Visits for ILI at Sentinel Hospitals in Northern Provinces

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Virologic Surveillance

During week 29 of 2026, influenza network laboratories tested 14415 specimens, there were 2118 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, 2026)

	Week 29		
	Southern provinces	Northern provinces	Total
No. of specimens tested	11481	2934	14415
No. of positive specimens (%)	2064(18.0%)	54(1.8%)	2118(14.7%)
Influenza A	878(42.5%)	17(31.5%)	895(42.3%)
A(H1N1)pdm09	24(2.7%)	5(29.4%)	29(3.2%)
A(H3N2)	854(97.3%)	12(70.6%)	866(96.8%)
A (subtype not determined)	0	0	0
Influenza B	1186(57.5%)	37(68.5%)	1223(57.7%)
B (lineage not determined)	0	0	0
Victoria	1186(100.0%)	37(100.0%)	1223(100.0%)
Yamagata	0	0	0

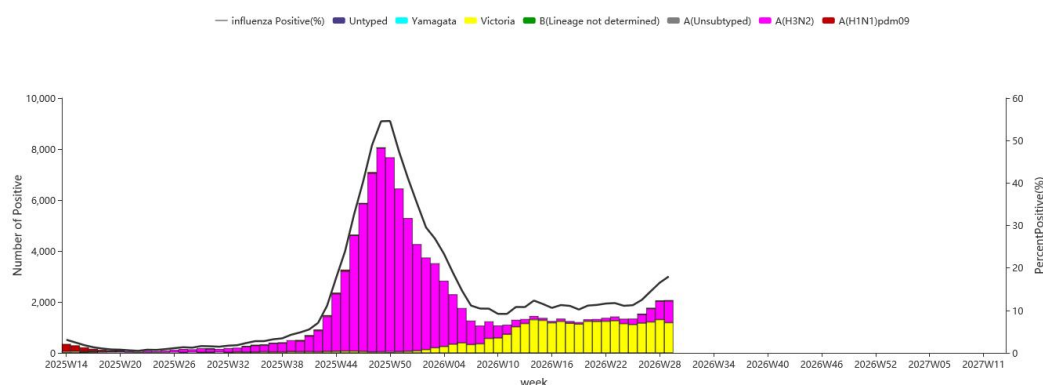


Figure 3. Influenza Positive Tests Reported by Southern Network Laboratories

Note: Analysis in this part was based on the test results of network laboratories. If it were not consistent with the results of CNIC confirmation, the results of CNIC confirmation were used.

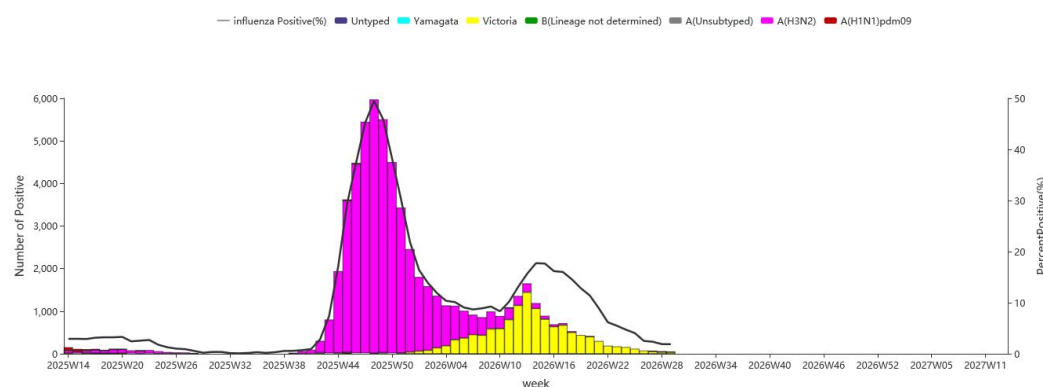


Figure 4. Influenza Positive Tests Reported by Northern Network Laboratories

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Antigenic Characterization

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Antiviral Resistance

Since March 30, 2026, among the influenza viruses tested by CNIC for antiviral



resistance, all A(H1N1)pdm09, A(H3N2) and B viruses were sensitive to neuraminidase inhibitors; all A(H1N1)pdm09, A(H3N2) and B viruses were sensitive to influenza polymerase inhibitors.

Outbreak Surveillance

During week 29, there were 4 ILI outbreaks reported nationwide. Among them, 3 were A(H3N2), 1 had not obtained the testing results.