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Biweekly National Respiratory Virus Sentinel Surveillance Report for week 19 & 20 (May 5–18, 2025)

- Flu activity declined in week 19, with a positivity rate of 10.7% (6 cases), but rose in week 20 to 32.8% (21 cases). No cases of COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2) or RSV were detected during either week (**Figure 1**).
- A total of 120 samples—including 99 ILI, 15 SARI, and 6 eSARI samples—were tested for influenza, SARS-CoV-2, and RSV using real-time RT-PCR (**Table 1**).
- No acute respiratory infection (ARI) outbreaks were reported during the period (**Figure 2**). Most ILI and SARI sentinel sites submitted reports for the week, with only a few exceptions (**Figure 3, Table 2 & 3**).

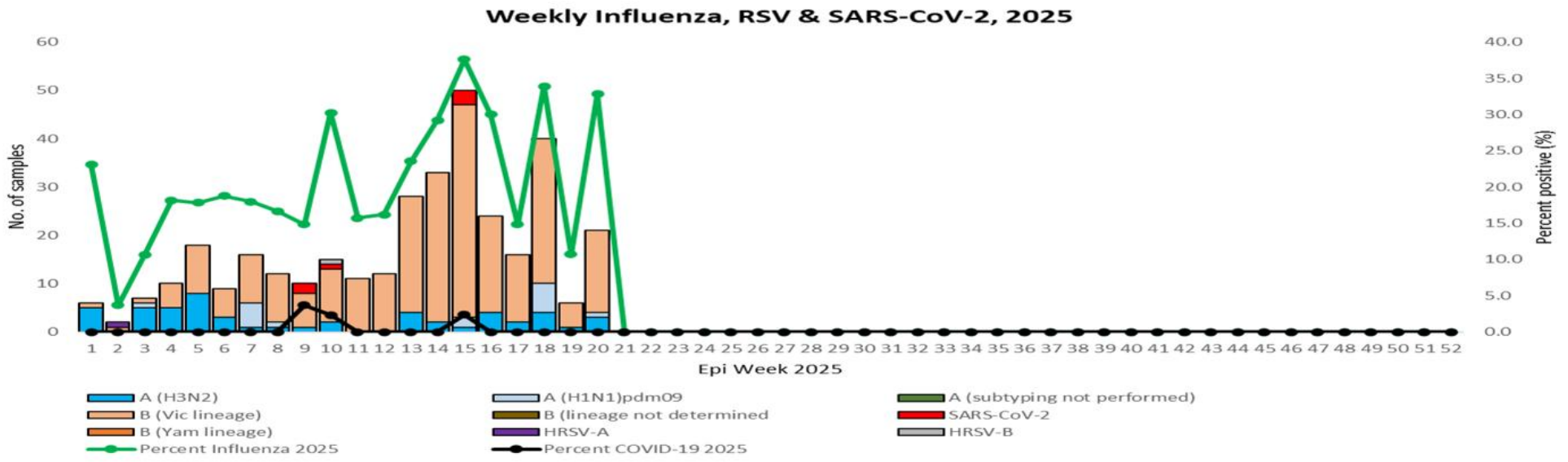


Figure 1: Weekly Influenza subtypes, RSV and SARS-CoV-2 through ILI and SARI Sentinel Surveillance

Table 1: Influenza subtypes, RSV and SARS-CoV-2 in Testing week 19 & 20

Sentinel Sites/ Hospitals	eSARI			ILI				SARI			Grand Total	
	FLU B/Vic	Neg	Total	FLU A/H3	FLU A/pdm09	FLU B/Vic	ILI Total	FLU A/H3	Neg	Total		
JDWNRH	1	3	4							1	1	5
Lungtenphu							1	1				1
Mongar						4	9	13		6	6	19
Paro				1	1	1	17	20		2	2	22
Phuntsholing		2	2			1	5	6		4	4	12
Punakha						1	2	3				3
Samdrup Jongkhar							4	4				4
Samtse				1		2	18	21				21
Trashigang							8	8				8
Trongsa						3	6	9				9
Tsirang				1		9	4	14	1	1	2	16
Gelephu												
Grand Total	1	5	6	3	1	21	74	99	1	14	15	120

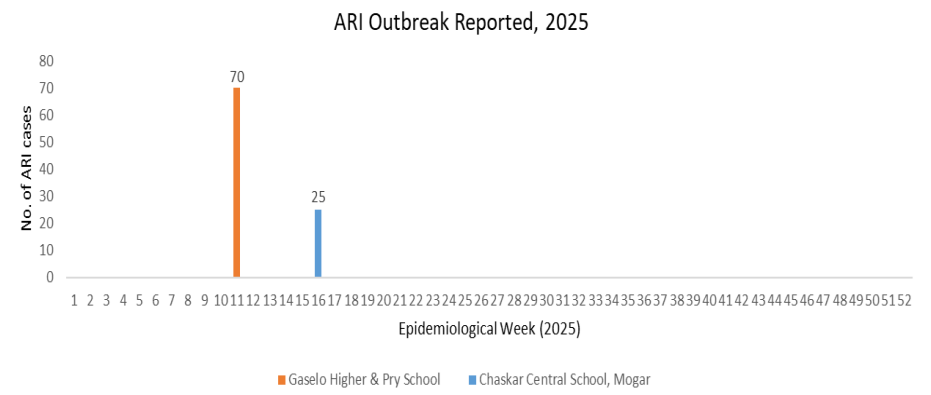


Figure 2: Weekly acute respiratory infection (ARI) outbreak reported 2025

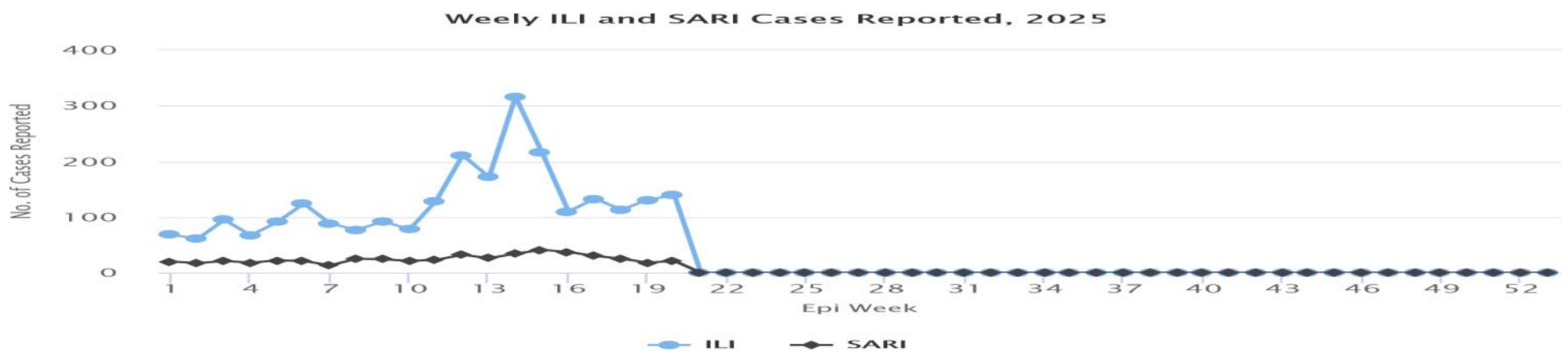


Figure 3: Weekly ILI and SARI cases reported from Sentinel Hospitals

Table 2: ILI and SARI cases reporting status for week 19, 2025

Year	Week	Site	Department	SARI	IPD	Year	Week	Site	Department	ILI	OPD
2025	19	Gelephu CRRH	ICU	0	5	2025	19	Paro Hospital		38	3013
2025	19	Gelephu CRRH	Medical Ward	4	10	2025	19	Punakha Hospital		36	1721
2025	19	Gelephu CRRH	Pediatric Ward	3	11	2025	19	Samdrup Jongkhar Hospital		16	826
2025	19	JDWNRH	Neonatal Ward	0	89	2025	19	Samtse Hospital		7	847
2025	19	JDWNRH	Neonatal ICU	0	2	2025	19	Trashigang Hospital		10	768
2025	19	JDWNRH	Pediatric Ward	0	30	2025	19	Trongsa Hospital		8	770
2025	19	JDWNRH	Medical Extension Ward	Not Reported		2025	19	Tsirang Hospital		16	1351
2025	19	JDWNRH	Pediatric ICU	0	5			Total		131	9296
2025	19	JDWNRH	Cabin	Not Reported							
2025	19	JDWNRH	Medical Ward	0	32						
2025	19	JDWNRH	ICU	0	10						
2025	19	Monggar ERRH	ICU	0	0						
2025	19	Monggar ERRH	Neonatal ICU	Not Reported							
2025	19	Monggar ERRH	Pediatric Ward	Not Reported							
2025	19	Monggar ERRH	Medical Ward	0	10						
2025	19	Paro Hospital	General Ward	0	40						
2025	19	Phuentsholing Hospital	Medical Ward	7	17						
2025	19	Punakha Hospital	General Ward	0	15						
2025	19	Samdrup Jongkhar Hospital	General Ward	0	6						
2025	19	Samtse Hospital	General Ward	0	22						
2025	19	Trashigang Hospital	General Ward	0	70						
2025	19	Trongsa Hospital	General Ward	0	12						
2025	19	Tsirang Hospital	General Ward	4	12						
		Total		18	398						

Table 3: ILI and SARI cases reporting status for week 20, 2025

Year	Week	Site	Department	SARI	IPD	Year	Week	Site	Department	ILI	OPD
2025	20	Gelephu CRRH	ICU	1	1	2025	20	Paro Hospital		53	3721
2025	20	Gelephu CRRH	Medical Ward	3	24	2025	20	Punakha Hospital		41	1768
2025	20	Gelephu CRRH	Pediatric Ward	2	14	2025	20	Samdrup Jongkhar Hospital		7	858
2025	20	JDWNRH	Neonatal Ward	0	95	2025	20	Samtse Hospital		9	1987
2025	20	JDWNRH	Neonatal ICU	0	3	2025	20	Trashigang Hospital		8	1304
2025	20	JDWNRH	Pediatric Ward	5	35	2025	20	Trongsa Hospital		14	686
2025	20	JDWNRH	Medical Extension Ward	Not Reported		2025	20	Tsirang Hospital		7	1436
2025	20	JDWNRH	Pediatric ICU	1	5			Total		139	11760
2025	20	JDWNRH	Cabin	Not Reported							
2025	20	JDWNRH	Medical Ward	Not Reported							
2025	20	JDWNRH	ICU	0	10						
2025	20	Monggar ERRH	ICU	0	0						
2025	20	Monggar ERRH	Neonatal ICU	Not Reported							
2025	20	Monggar ERRH	Pediatric Ward	0	7						
2025	20	Monggar ERRH	Medical Ward	Not Reported							
2025	20	Paro Hospital	General Ward	1	42						
2025	20	Phuentsholing Hospital	Medical Ward	5	16						
2025	20	Punakha Hospital	General Ward	0	16						
2025	20	Samdrup Jongkhar Hospital	General Ward	0	3						
2025	20	Samtse Hospital	General Ward	0	21						
2025	20	Trashigang Hospital	General Ward	1	45						
2025	20	Trongsa Hospital	General Ward	0	4						
2025	20	Tsirang Hospital	General Ward	2	20						
		Total		21	361						

*ILI– influenza-like illness, SARI– severe acute respiratory infection, eSARI– extended severe acute respiratory infection