



INFLUENZA VIROLOGICAL SURVEILLANCE

Report for week 17/2022

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Summary

During the seventeenth and last week of virological surveillance in Italy (**week 17/2022**), a further decrease was observed in the percentage of specimens that tested positive for an influenza virus, in comparison to the previous week. In particular, **437** clinical specimens were received by the influenza network laboratories (InfluNet) and, among the **431** analyzed samples, **64 (14.8%)** resulted positive for influenza, all belonging to type **A** (23 were **H3N2** and 41 have not been subtyped yet).

So far, the 2021/2022 influenza season (week 46/2021-17/2022), has been characterized by a prevalence of influenza type A viruses, mostly belonging to the H3N2 subtype. In particular, among a total of 13,063 collected samples, 1,899 (14.5%) resulted positive for influenza, of which 1,893 (99.7%) were positive for influenza A and 6 (0.3%) for influenza B.

Among the influenza A viruses, 70% (N=1,336) were A(H3N2) and 0.7% (N=13) were A(H1N1)pdm09; the remaining 544 A strains have not been subtyped yet.

Additional information and data for this influenza report may be found in the full Italian version.

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