



# Virological surveillance

## RespiVirNet

**Report for week 12/2024**  
**(18<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> March 2024)**

### Summary

The present report summarizes the results obtained in the context of the virological surveillance activities in Italy, coordinated by the National Influenza Centre (NIC) laboratory at ISS, in collaboration with a network of 24 regional influenza laboratories (RespiVirNet).

During the twelfth week of 2024 (**week 12/2024**) of virological surveillance, 2,075 clinical specimens were received by the RespiVirNet network laboratories and **73 (3.5%)** resulted positive for influenza. Among these samples, 19 belonged to influenza type **A** (11 were **H1N1pdm09**, 4 were **H3N2** and 4 not yet subtyped) and 54 to influenza type **B**.

Overall, the circulation of influenza and other respiratory viruses continued to decline in Italy. In particular, among the above analyzed samples, 54 (2.6%) resulted positive for **RSV**, 12 (0.6%) for **SARS-CoV-2** and the other 358 were attributed to other respiratory viruses, in particular 123 Rhinoviruses, 106 Metapneumoviruses, 49 Adenoviruses, 39 human Coronaviruses (not SARS-CoV-2), 32 Parainfluenza viruses and 9 Bocavirus.

During this week, four samples resulted positive for *Mycoplasma pneumoniae*.

So far, in the 2023/2024 influenza season (week 46/2023-12/2024), a prevalence of influenza type A viruses has been observed, mostly belonging to the H1N1pdm09 subtype. In particular, among a total of 52,246 collected samples, 7,784 (14.9%) resulted positive for influenza, of which 7,242 (93%) were positive for influenza A and 542 (7%) for influenza B.

Among the influenza A viruses that were subtyped (N=6,211), 94.9% (N=5,895) were A(H1N1)pdm09 and 5.1% (N=316) were A(H3N2); the remaining 1,031 A strains have not been subtyped yet.

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