

In the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region, influenza activity continues to decrease in the month of September in many countries reporting data to FluNet and EMFLU namely, Afghanistan, Bahrain, Egypt, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Morocco, occupied Palestinian territory (oPt), Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia and United Arab Emirates.

In September 2019, Proportion of tested cases for influenza in EMR is 93.5% out of 5,974 enrolled cases, 24.7% of the tested cases is positive and 75.3% is negative.

Figure 1: Influenza geographic spread by type and subtypes, September 2019.

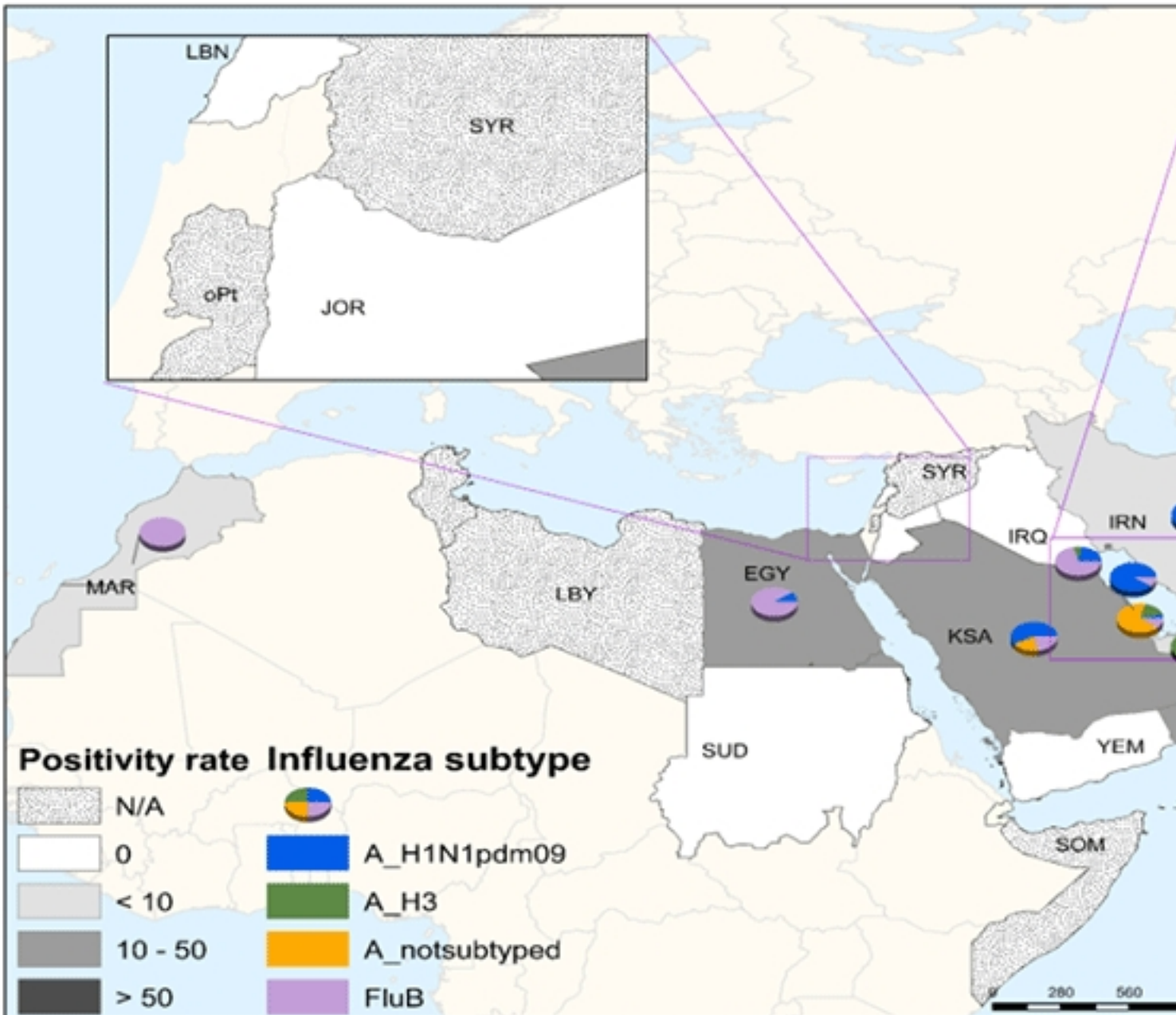


Figure 9. Influenza virus positivity rates and subtypes reported from 15 September 2019 to 15 October 2019 in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

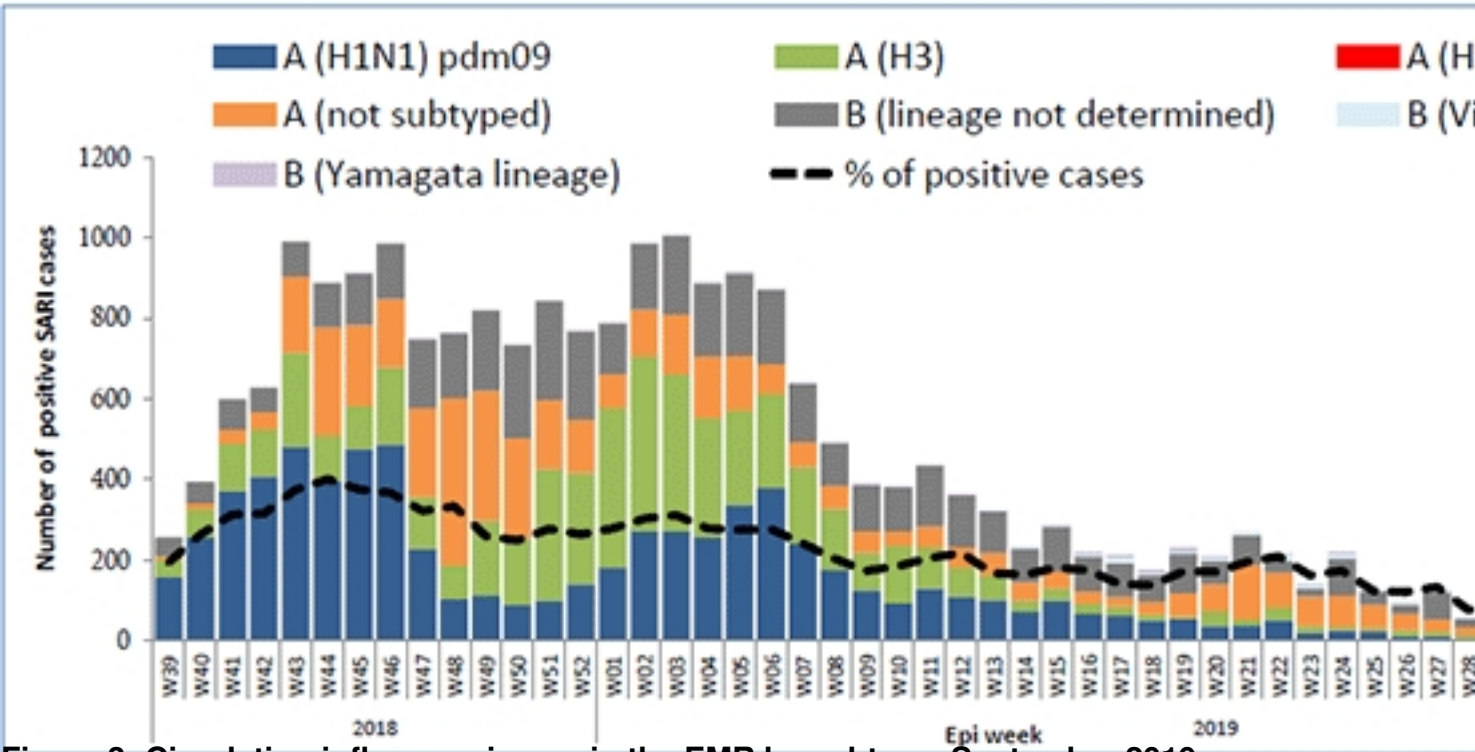
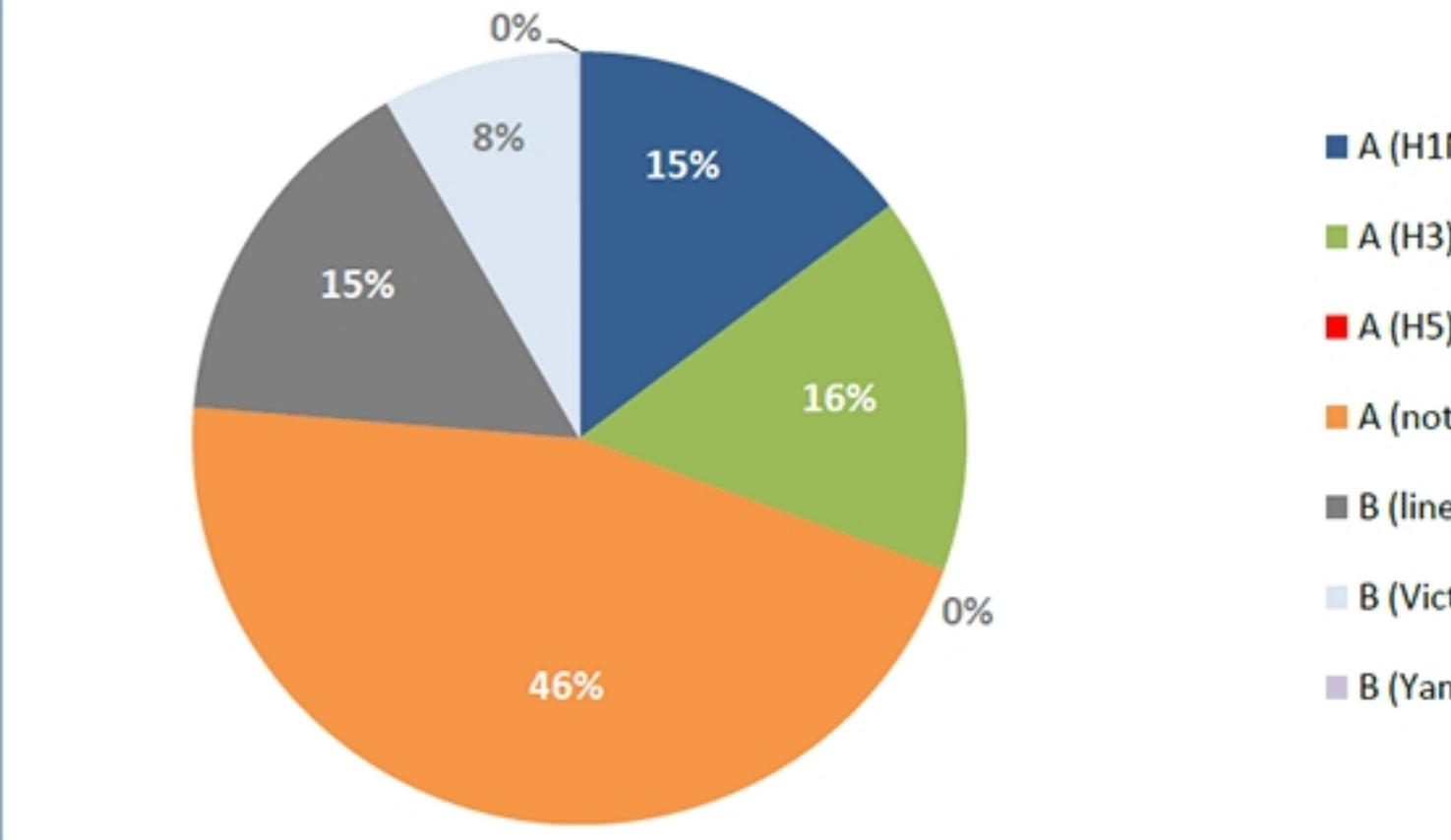


Figure 3: Circulating influenza viruses in the EMR by subtype - September 2019



Relative proportion of influenza virus subtypes in the EMR in September 2019