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The suspected cases of notifiable infectious diseases reported in Taiwan last week totaled 1110 and of that 710 were acute and 400 chronic. Besides, 8 such cases died, and 3 clustering infections broke out involving 8 individuals. These clusters included 1 incident each of Shigellosis, pertussis, and chicken pox.

At present the domestic enterovirus endemic situation is in its beginning stage. Compared to the situation exhibited around the same time last year, it appears to be rather stable. As to the Dengue fever individual cases, they are also pretty much the same as those at this time of the year one year ago. However, as the temperature is on the rise lately, we will step up our monitoring efforts on the mosquito disease vector. During the epidemic season last year, the average Breteau index of the 5 counties/cities of Southern Taiwan was 5.25. The current average is 2.32, not too bad, but the individual figures for Tainan County, Kaohsiung City, Kaohsiung County, and Pingtung County are higher than the average. The on-going ad hoc epidemiology surveillance efforts targeting at the upcoming Kaohsiung World Game is still abnormality free so far. Furthermore, at the time of this writing, Taiwan has had 9 confirmed cases of H1N1 novel influenza infections (8 imported and 1 domestically transmitted), so it rightfully belongs to the third level (yellow light) alert stage.

According to all surveillance records and statistic data now available, we suggest keeping the epidemic alert index at orange warning light signal.