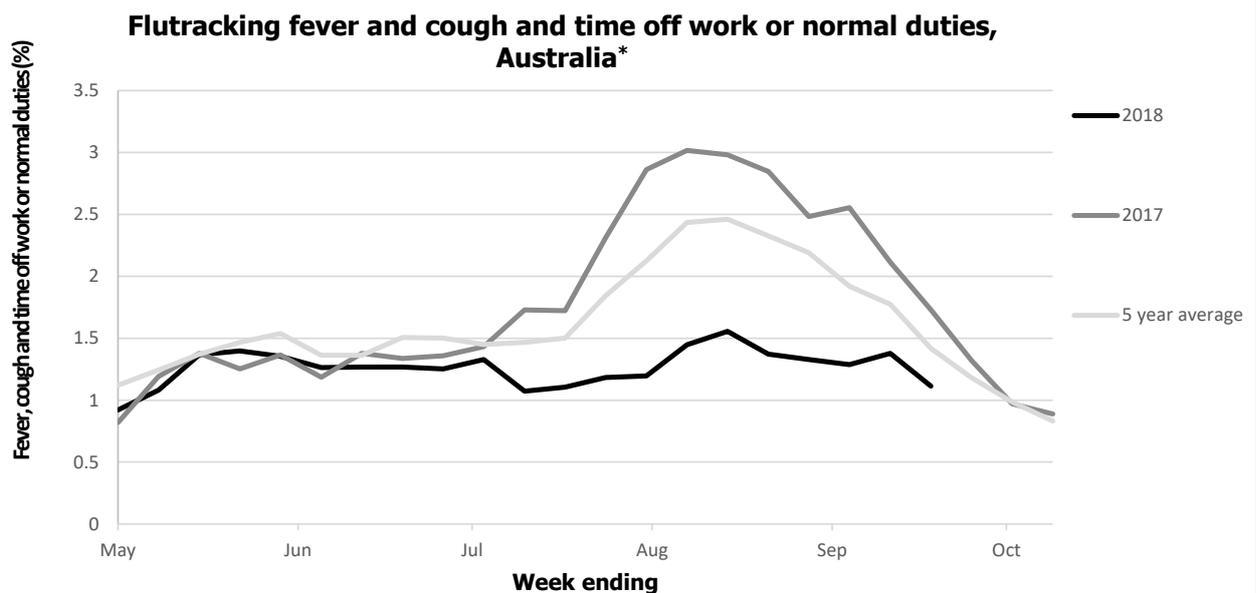




## Low levels of influenza-like illness activity

### 32,514 participants this week

*Flu Symptom Activity: low levels of flu -like symptoms: Fever, cough & time off: 1.1% (1.7% this time last year, lower than 5 year average)*



\* Data are age standardised in this chart only

*Flu symptom Severity: 24.9% participants sought medical advice*

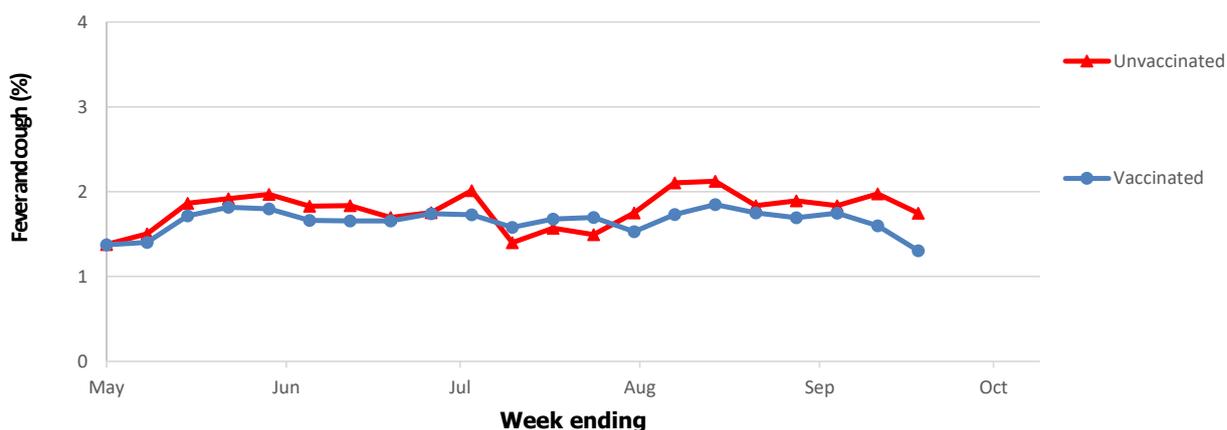
Influenza-like illness Severity	Week ending 16 September 2018	Week ending 23 September 2018
	# (%)	# (%)
<b>Number of participants</b>	<b>33034 (100%)</b>	<b>32514 (100%)</b>
Fever & cough	562 (1.7%)	469 (1.4%)
Fever, cough & time-off normal duties	372 (1.1%)	300 (0.9%)
Fever, cough & 3 or more days off work or normal duties	207 (0.6%)	143 (0.4%)
<b>Number of participants with fever and cough</b>	<b>562 (100%)</b>	<b>469 (100%)</b>
*Sought medical advice for fever and cough	194 (34.5%)	117 (24.9%)
Diagnosis of influenza	33 (5.9%)	21 (4.5%)
Admitted to hospital	3 (0.5%)	0 (0%)
Tested for influenza	19 (3.4%)	11 (2.3%)
Tested, result positive	4 (0.7%)	NP <sup>^</sup>

*\*Includes those who sought medical advice from a general practitioner, emergency department, or were admitted to hospital for fever & cough*

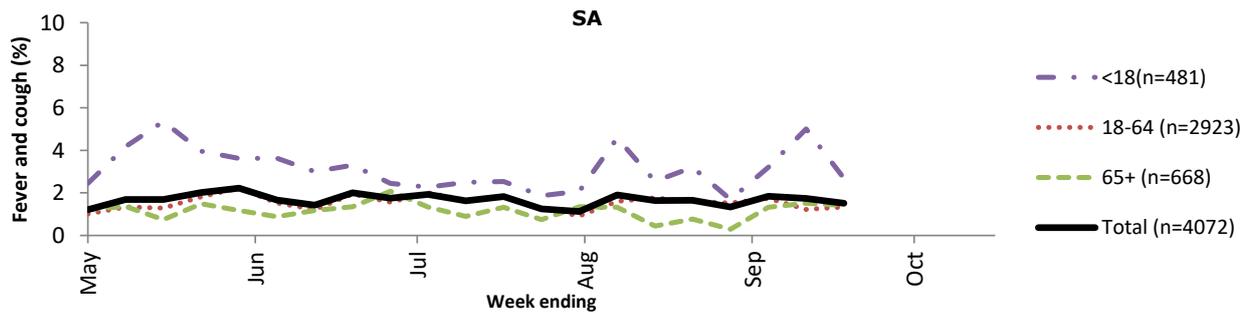
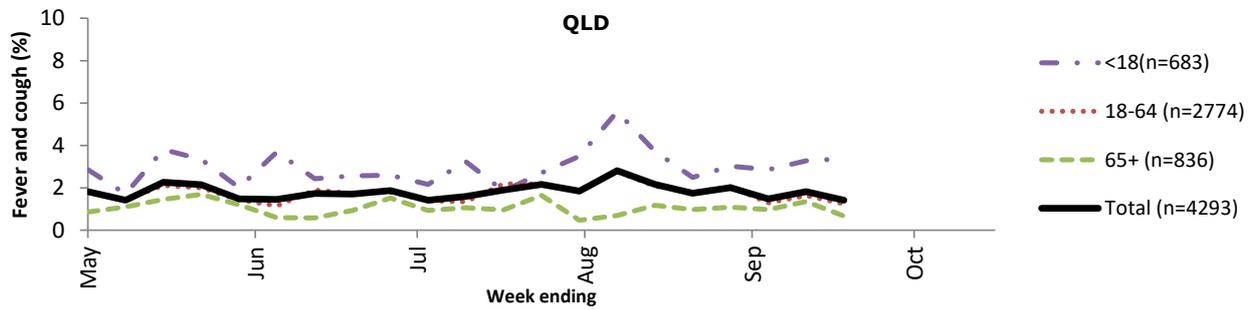
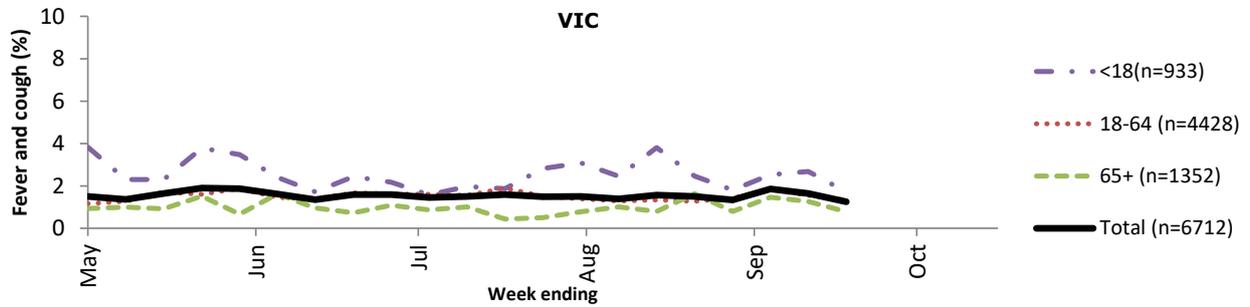
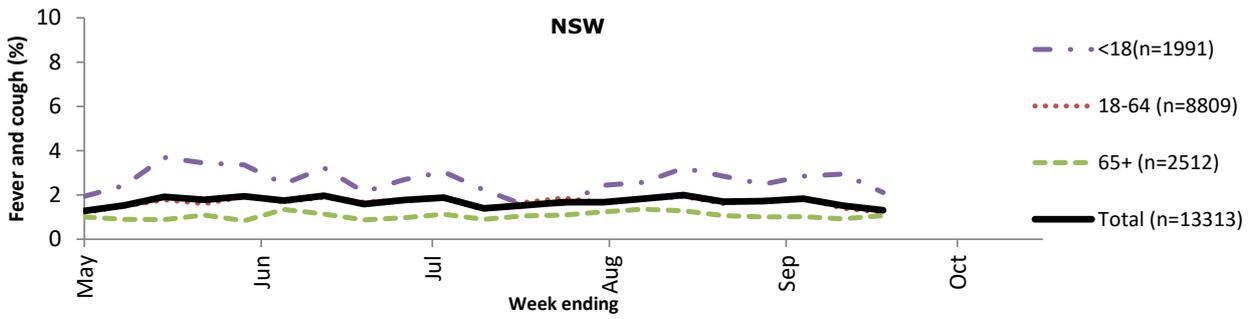
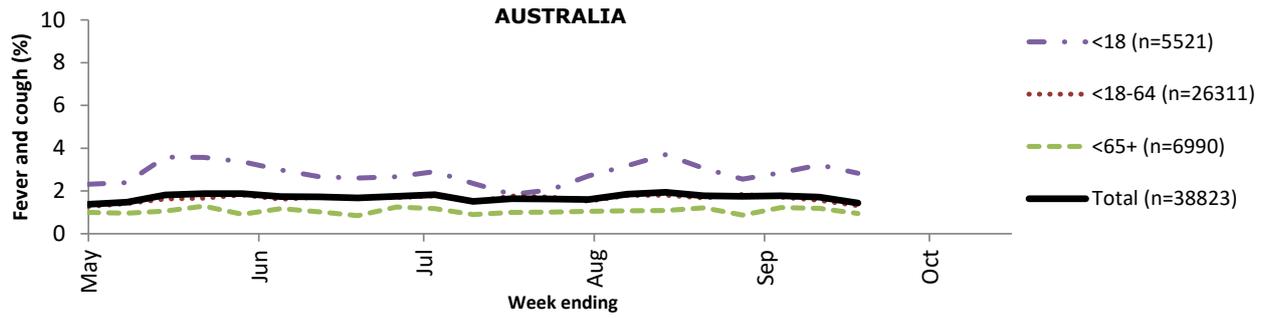
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*Flu Symptom Activity by vaccination status: 0.4% higher fever and cough in unvaccinated group*

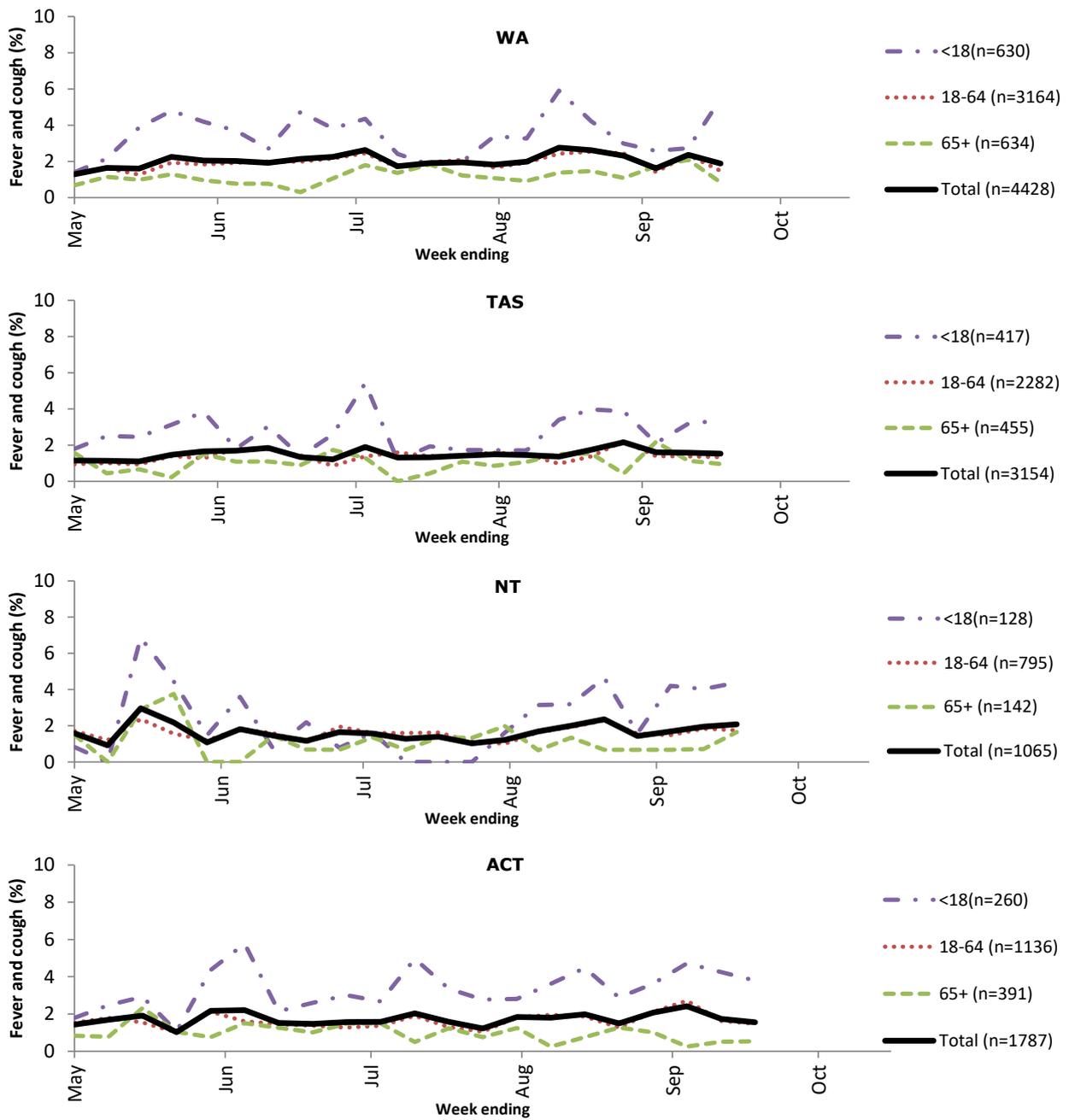
**Flutracking fever and cough by vaccination status, Australia**



Flu activity by State/Territory and Age Group: illness highest in children & NT



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Participation: 32,514 participants (33,034 last week)

State	Participants	%	Rate/100,000 population
NSW	11258	34.6%	142.6
VIC	5679	17.5%	89.3
QLD	3526	10.8%	71.3
SA	3502	10.8%	202.8
WA	3457	10.6%	133.6
TAS	2688	8.3%	514.9
NT	864	2.7%	351.1
ACT	1540	4.7%	373.2
AUS	32514	100.0%	131.6

Vaccination rates: 69.1%

Vaccinated participants:	%
<5 years	62.1
5-17 years	33.9
18-64 years	69.3
65+ years	87.6
Working with patients	84.9

