



# FluTracking Weekly Interim Report Australia

Week ending 01 Mar 2020

## Low levels of influenza-like illness activity.

This week's survey was sent on Monday, 02 Mar 2020 at 01:01 AM and by 09:00 AM, Thursday 05 Mar we had received 45502 responses from 26579 people responding for themselves and 18923 household members across Australia.

### Respondent Numbers by Jurisdiction

State	Respondents	Percentage
NSW	15692	34.5%
VIC	8708	19.1%
QLD	5058	11.1%
SA	4555	10.0%
WA	4830	10.6%
TAS	3435	7.5%
NT	992	2.2%
ACT	2232	4.9%
Australia	45502	100.0%

Across Australia, fever and cough was reported by 1.3% of participants. Fever, cough and absence from normal duties was reported by 0.8% of participants.

Fever and cough rates were higher for younger participants, with 5.0% of participants aged 0-4 years, and 2.8% of participants aged 5-17 years reporting fever and cough, compared with 1.2% and 0.6% of participants aged 18-64 and 65+ respectively.

Influenza-like illness Severity	Week ending 01 Mar 2020
Number of participants	45502 (100.0%)
Fever and cough	604 (1.3%)
Fever, cough and time-off normal duties	374 (0.8%)
Fever, cough and 3 or more days off work or normal duties	185 (0.4%)
Number of participants with fever and cough	604 (100.0%)
*Sought medical advice for fever and cough	153 (25.3%)
Admitted to hospital	5 (0.8%)
Tested for influenza	17 (2.8%)
Tested, result positive (influenza)	5 (0.8%)
Tested for COVID-19	3 (0.5%)
Tested, result positive (COVID-19)	0 (0.0%)

Summary of ILI severity for the current and previous week.

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