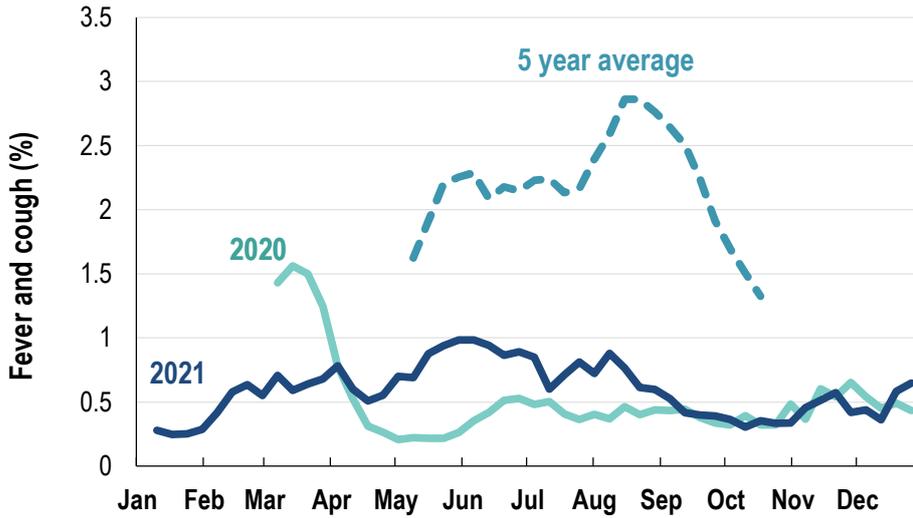


This week influenza-like illness activity is low
34,416 participants this week

Influenza-like illness activity*:

*Influenza-like illness activity is defined as fever & cough for this report

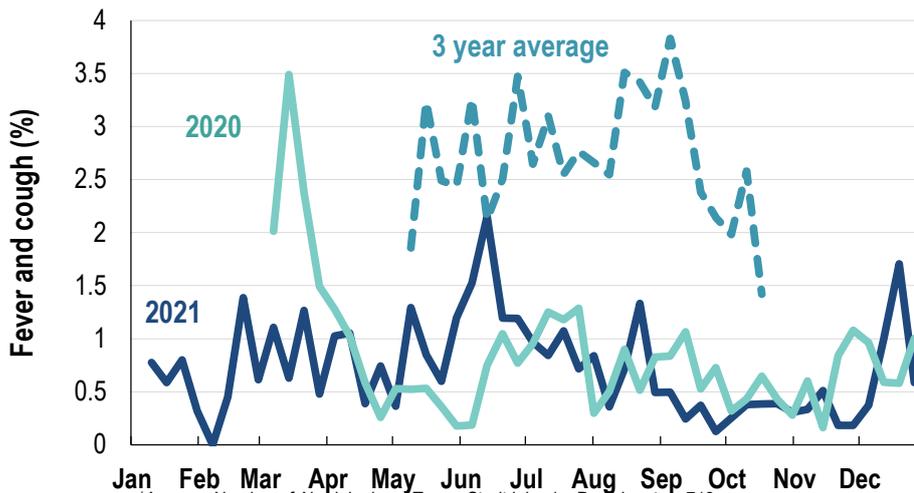
0.6% this week: flu-like illness activity is low



*5 year average is calculated using 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 data
^ Data are age standardised in this chart

Influenza-like illness activity among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participants

0.6% this week: flu-like illness activity is low



*Average Number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Participants = 718

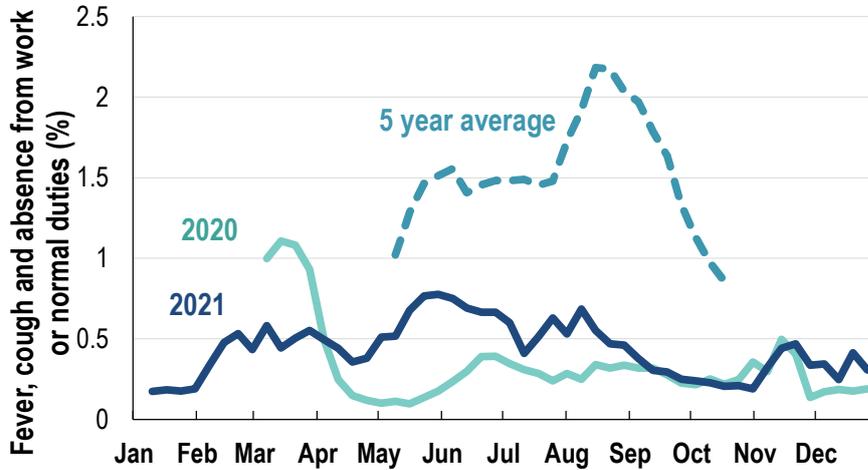
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Influenza-like illness severity: <i>55.9% of participants with fever and cough sought medical advice this week</i>		
Influenza-like illness Severity	Week ending 26 December number (%)	Week ending 19 December number (%)
Number of participants	34416 (100%)	40873 (100%)
Fever & cough	145 (0.4%)	172 (0.4%)
Fever, cough & time-off normal duties	79 (0.2%)	118 (0.3%)
Fever, cough & 3 or more days off work/normal duties	79 (0.2%)	118 (0.3%)
Number of participants with fever and cough	145 (100%)	172 (100%)
*Sought medical advice for fever and cough	81 (55.9%)	105 (61%)
Admitted to hospital	7 (4.8%)	2 (1.2%)
Tested for influenza	5 (3.4%)	14 (8.1%)
Tested, result positive for influenza	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
^Tested for coronavirus (COVID-19)	74 (51%)	109 (63.4%)
^Tested, result positive for coronavirus (COVID-19)	29 (20%)	17 (9.9%)

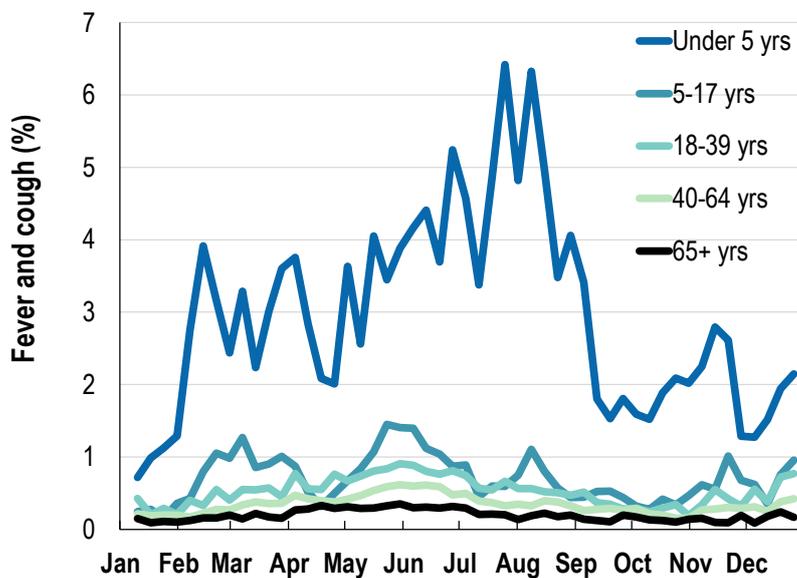
*Includes those who sought medical advice from a general practitioner, COVID-19 clinic, emergency department, or were admitted to hospital for fever & cough

^Includes reported PCR tests (currently excludes reports of Rapid Antigen Tests)

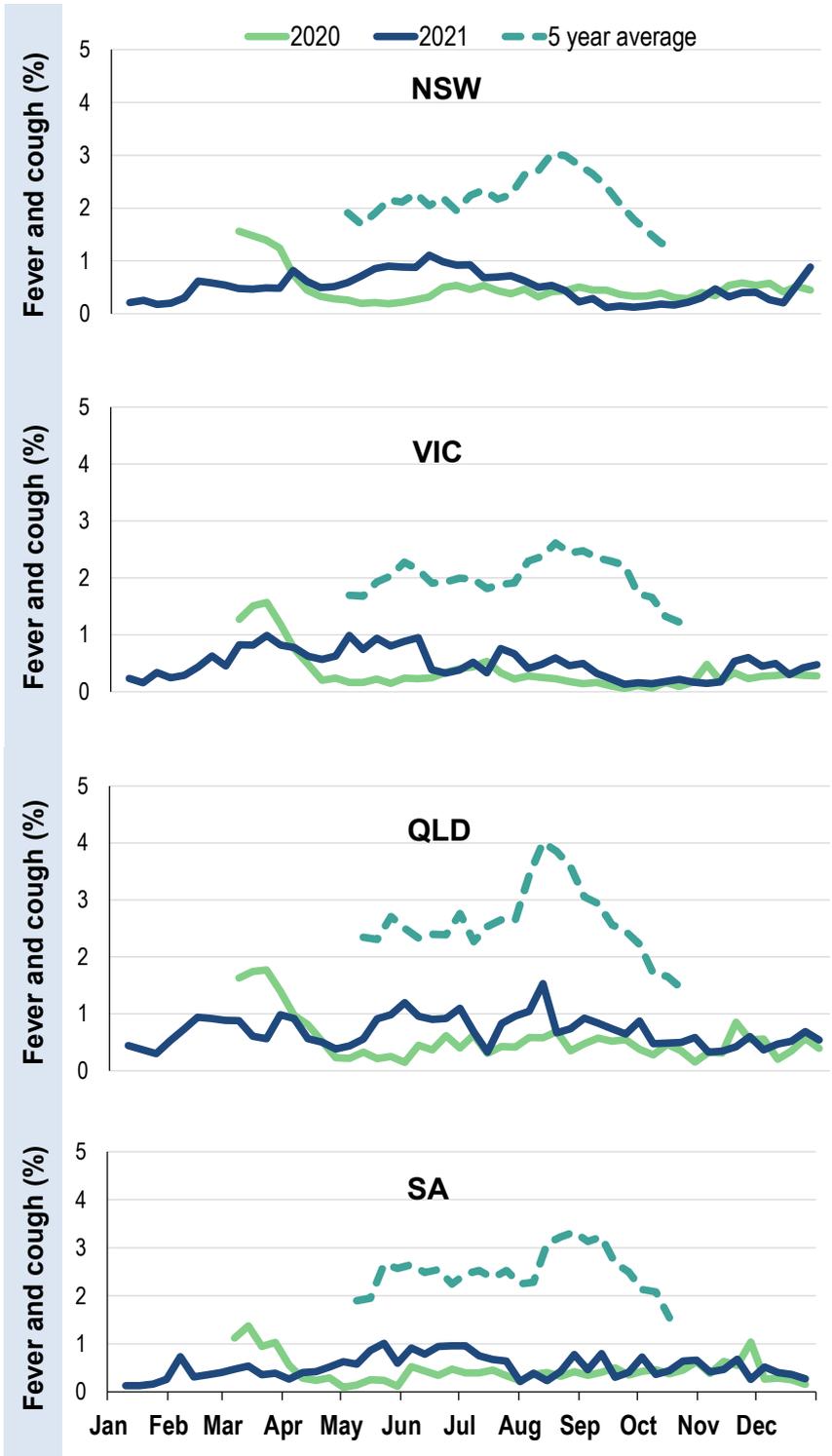
Fever, cough and absence from work or normal duties (Australia):



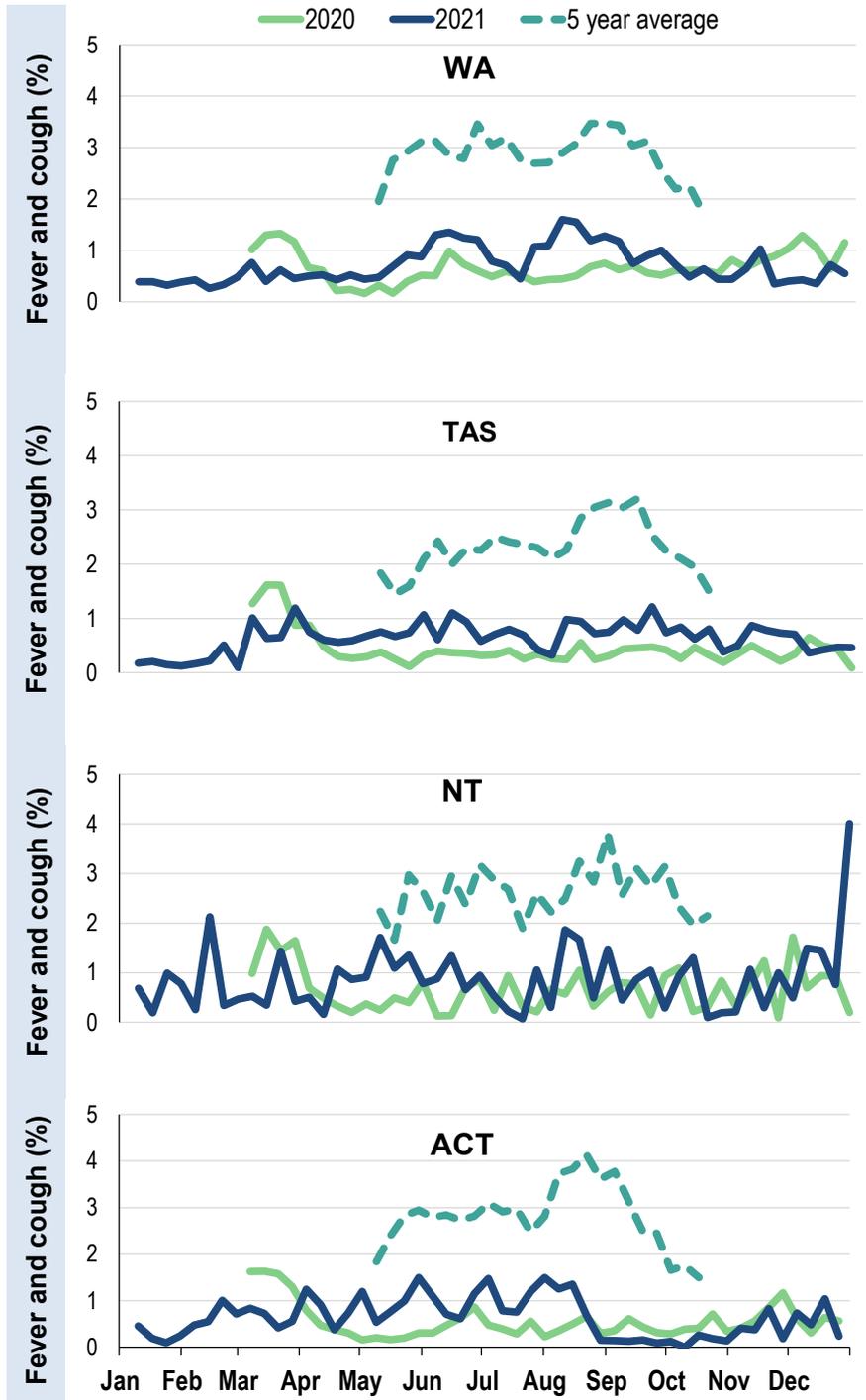
Influenza-like illness activity by age group in 2021 (Australia):



Influenza-like illness activity by state/territory (age standardised):



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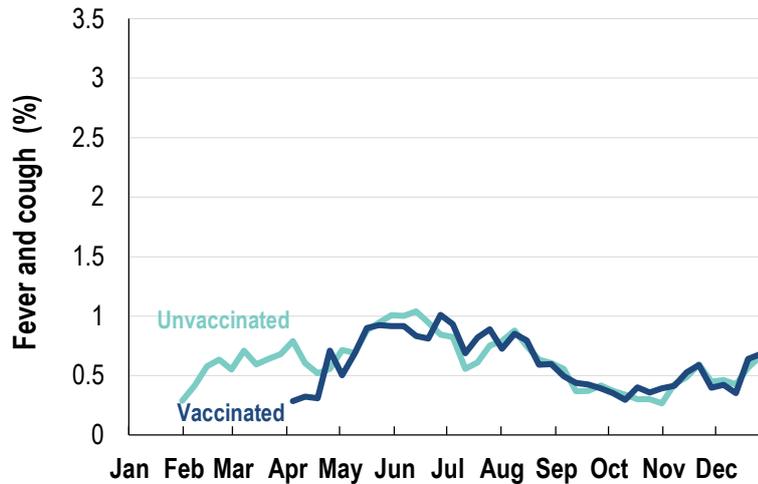
Participation:

34,416 participants (40,873 last week)

State	Participants	% Rate/100,000 population
NSW	12334	35.8% 156.2
VIC	7066	20.5% 111.1
QLD	4551	13.2% 92.0
SA	3018	8.8% 174.8
WA	2865	8.3% 110.7
TAS	2196	6.4% 420.7
NT	457	1.3% 185.7
ACT	1929	5.6% 467.5
AUS	34416	100.0% 139.3

Vaccination rates:

Vaccinated participants:	COVID-19 vaccine			Influenza (%)
	At least 1 dose (%)	At least 2 doses (%)	3 doses (%)	
<5 years				63.2
5-17 years	50.3	48.7	0.4	41.0
18-64 years	99.1	98.2	35.3	74.6
65+ years	99.2	98.8	39.9	91.3
Working with patients	99.4	98.9	62.5	87.9
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander	86.2	82.9	26.5	70.3
Vaccinated overall (%)	94.7	93.9	34.3	78.6



* Data are age standardised in this chart
^ 2021 Influenza vaccination data not available until 04/04/21 due to low counts