



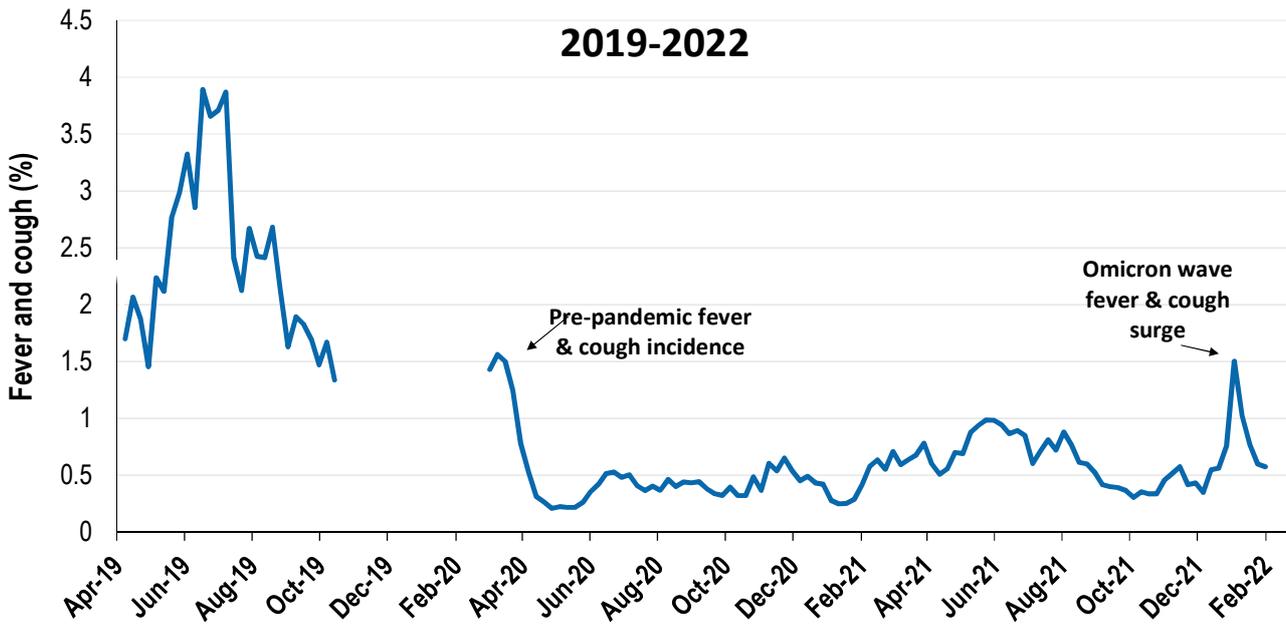
Respiratory illness associated with the Omicron wave surge appears to have peaked and is in decline in south-eastern Australia

59,090 participants this week

Respiratory illness activity*:

*Respiratory illness activity is defined as fever & cough for this report

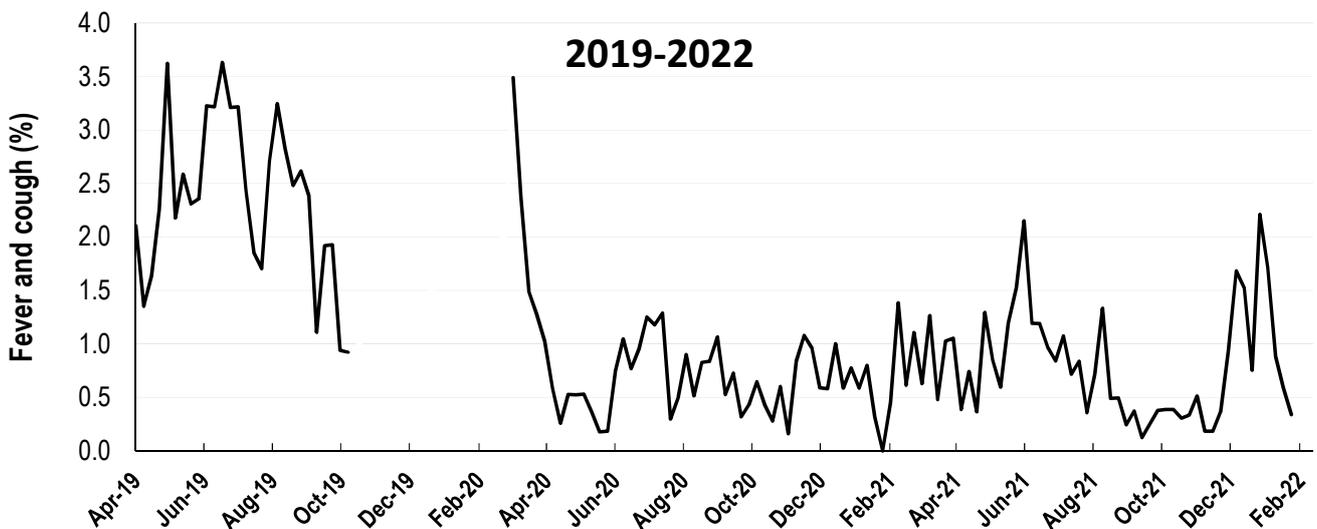
0.6% this week: respiratory illness activity is low



^ Data are age standardised in this chart

Respiratory illness activity among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participants

0.3% this week: respiratory illness activity is low



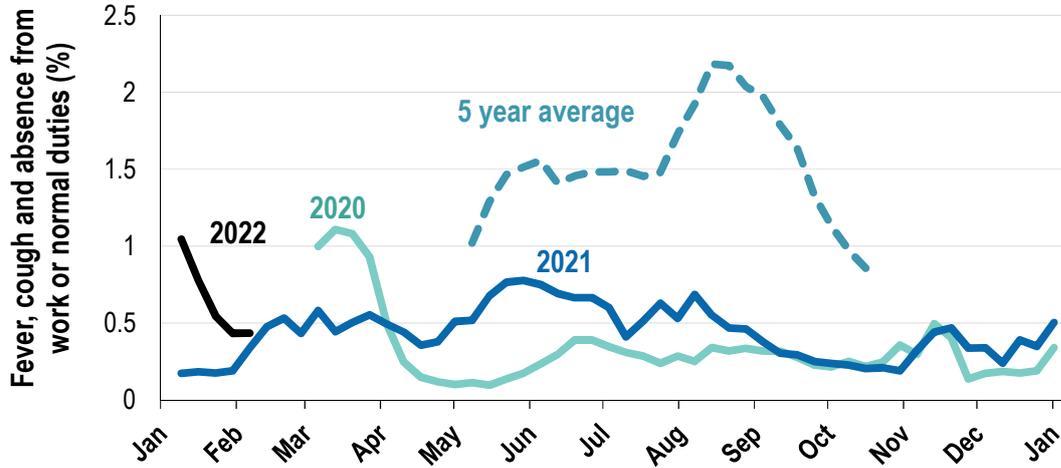
*Average Number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Participants = 675

Respiratory illness severity: <i>46% of participants with fever and cough sought medical advice this week</i>		
Respiratory illness Severity	Week ending 06 February 2022 number (%)	Week ending 30 January 2022 number (%)
Number of participants	59090 (100%)	58248 (100%)
Fever & cough	250 (0.4%)	281 (0.5%)
Fever, cough & time-off normal duties	177 (0.3%)	198 (0.3%)
Fever, cough & 3 or more days off work/normal duties	177 (0.3%)	198 (0.3%)
Number of participants with fever and cough	250 (100%)	281 (100%)
*Sought medical advice for fever and cough	115 (46%)	139 (49.5%)
Admitted to hospital	2 (0.8%)	1 (0.4%)
Tested for influenza	11 (4.4%)	9 (3.2%)
Tested, result positive for influenza	1 (0.4%)	1 (0.4%)
Tested for COVID-19 by PCR	98 (39.2%)	147 (52.3%)
Tested for COVID-19 by PCR, result positive	53 (21.2%)	99 (35.2%)
Tested for COVID-19 by RAT	166 (66.4%)	172 (61.2%)
Tested for COVID-19 by RAT, result positive	80 (32%)	97 (34.5%)

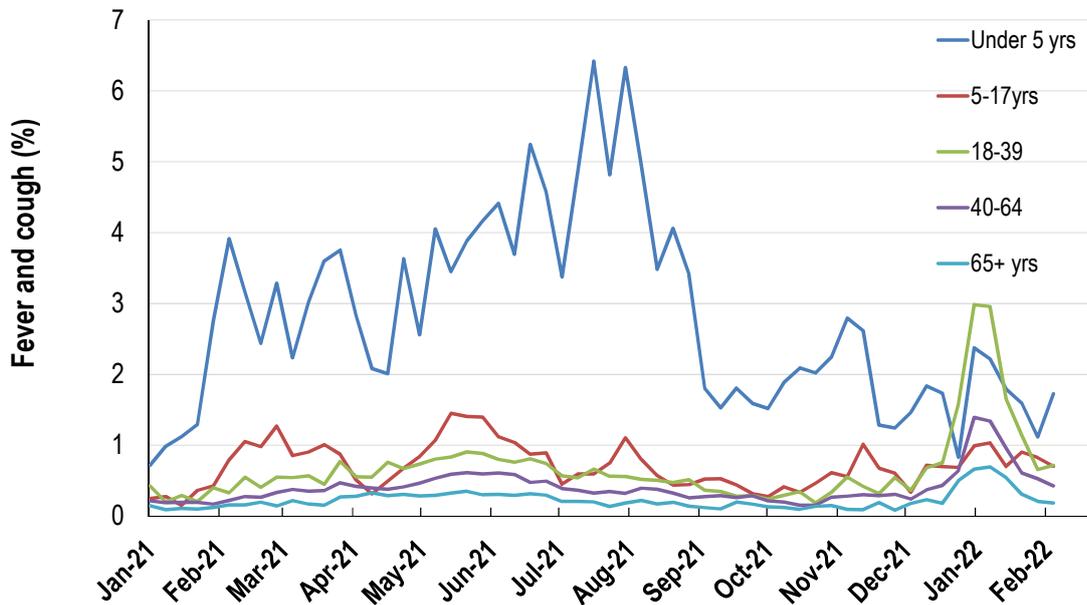
*Includes those who sought medical advice from a general practitioner, COVID-19 clinic, emergency department, or were admitted to hospital for fever & cough



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

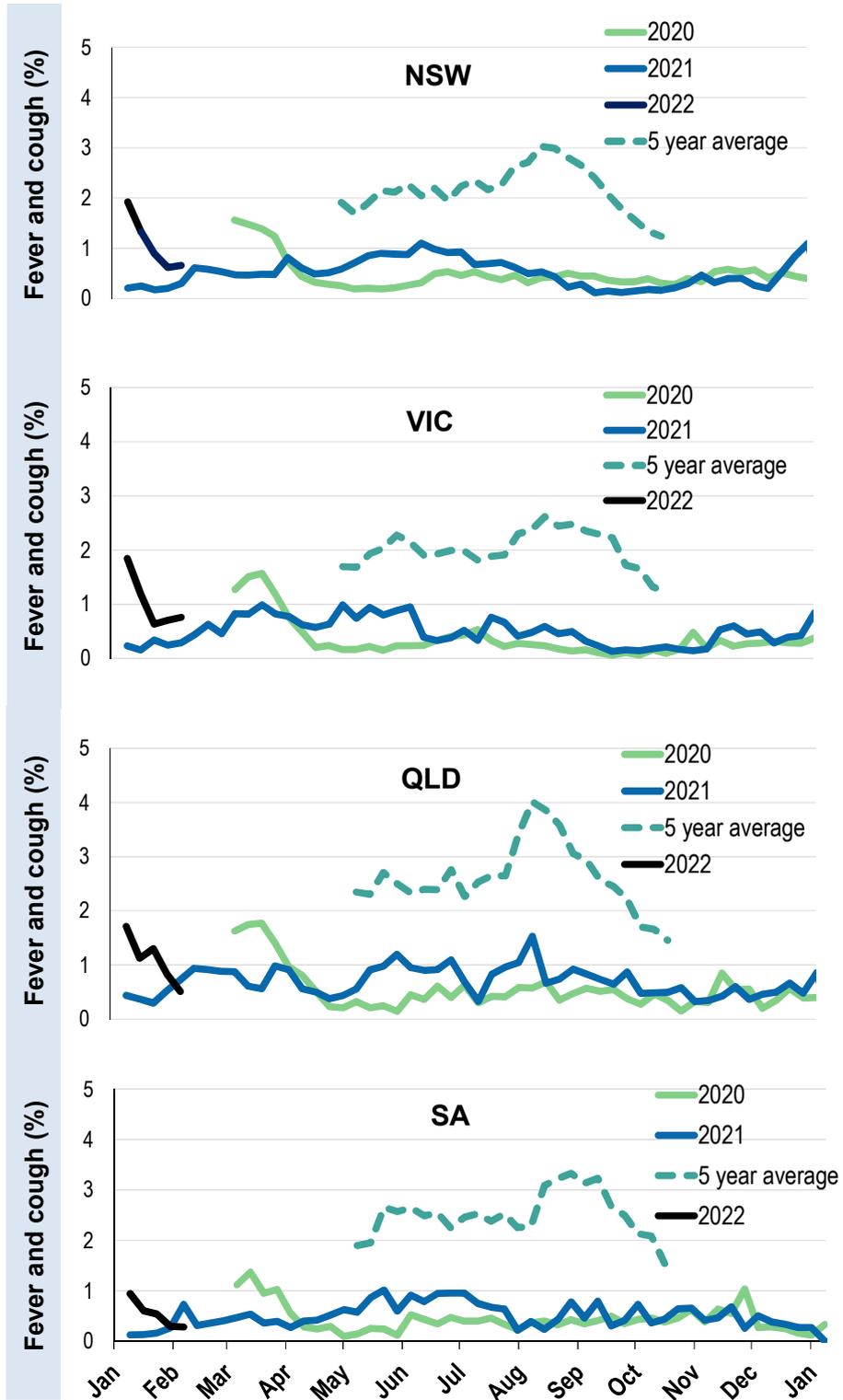


Respiratory illness activity by age group in 2021 and 2022 (Australia):





Respiratory illness activity by state/territory (age standardised):



Participation:
59,090 participants (58,248 last week)

State	Participants	% Rate/100,000 population
NSW	20651	34.9% 261.5
VIC	11742	19.9% 184.7
QLD	7283	12.3% 147.2
SA	5234	8.9% 303.1
WA	6004	10.2% 232.1
TAS	3821	6.5% 732.0
NT	956	1.6% 388.5
ACT	3399	5.8% 823.8
AUS	59090	100.0% 239.2

Vaccination rates:
Vaccinated participants:

	COVID-19 vaccine		
	At least 1 dose (%)	At least 2 doses (%)	3 doses (%)
<5 years			
5-17 years	89.9	48.8	3.5
18-64 years	99.2	98.8	81.4
65+ years	99.4	99.1	90.6
Working with patients	99.5	99.4	91.0
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander	93.1	87.1	59.2
Vaccinated overall (%)	97.1	93.4	76.8

*Influenza vaccination data is excluded until the 2022 influenza vaccine is released in Australia