

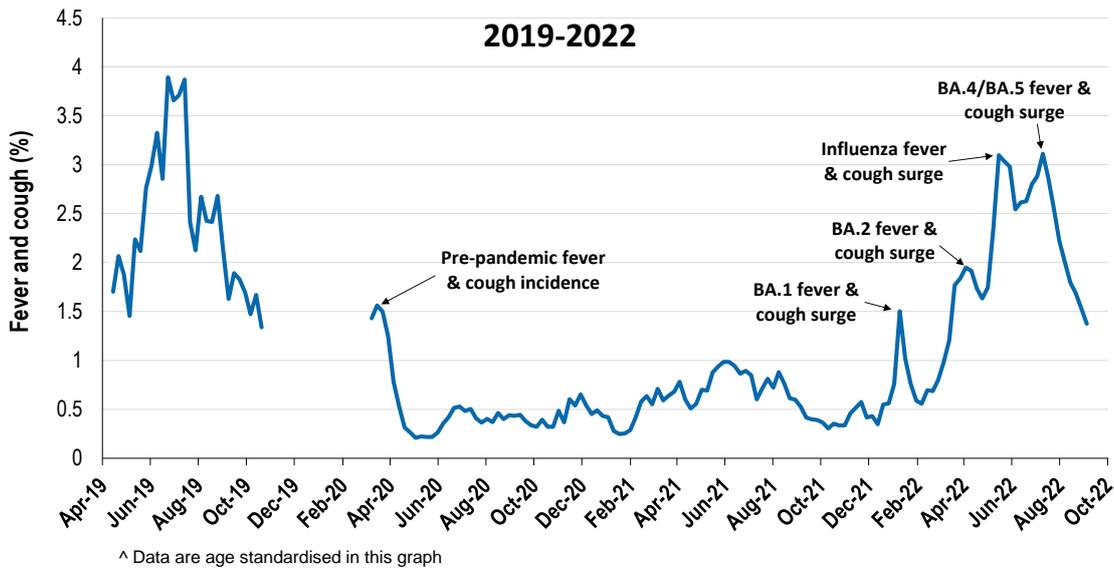
Respiratory illness levels are low and decreasing

60,015 participants this week

Respiratory illness activity*:

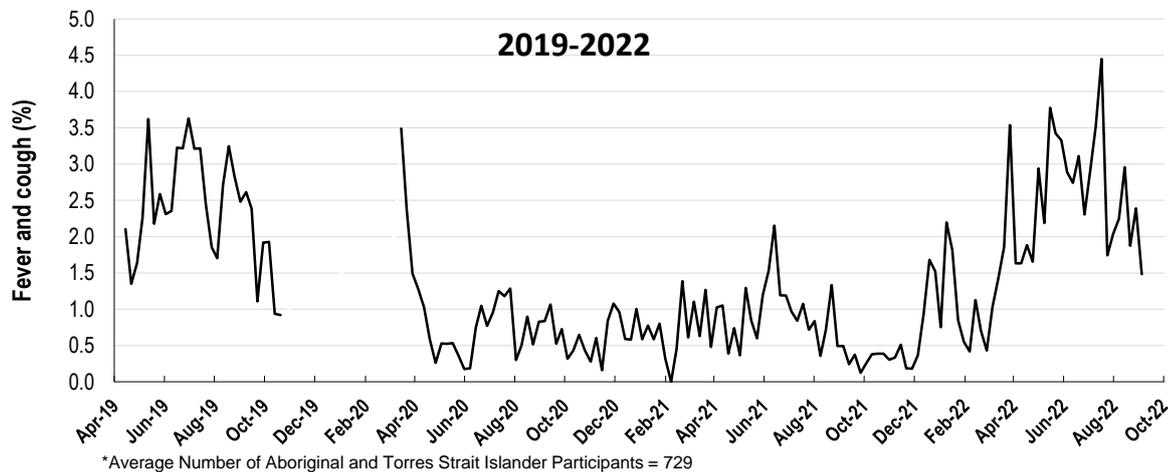
*Respiratory illness activity is defined as fever & cough for this report

1.4% this week: respiratory illness activity is low



Respiratory illness activity among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participants

1.5% this week: respiratory illness activity is low



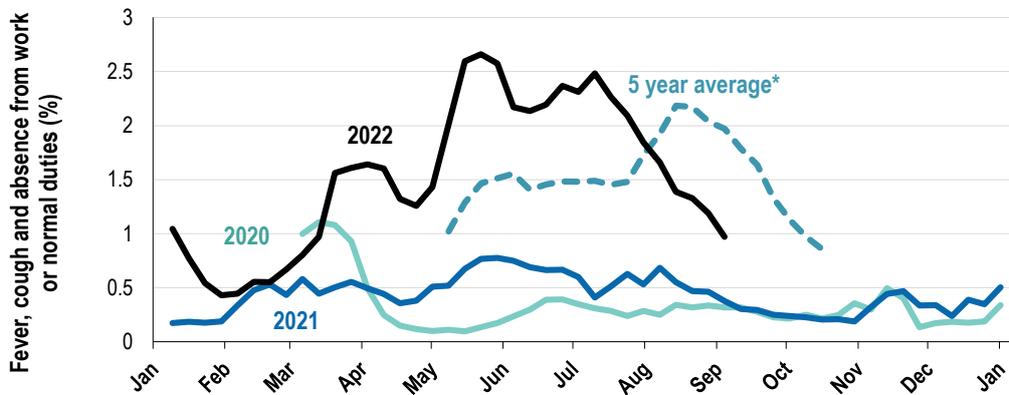
Respiratory illness severity:

39.6% of participants with fever and cough sought medical advice this week

Respiratory illness Severity	Week ending 04 September 2022 number (%)	Week ending 28 August 2022 number (%)
Number of participants	60015 (100%)	61130 (100%)
Fever & cough	594 (1%)	698 (1.1%)
Fever, cough & time-off normal duties	409 (0.7%)	519 (0.8%)
Fever, cough & 3 or more days off work/normal duties	260 (0.4%)	325 (0.5%)
Number of participants with fever and cough	594 (100%)	698 (100%)
*Sought medical advice for fever and cough	235 (39.6%)	326 (46.7%)
Admitted to hospital	3 (0.5%)	9 (1.3%)
Tested for influenza	98 (16.5%)	154 (22.1%)
Tested, result positive for influenza	6 (1%)	6 (0.9%)
Tested for COVID-19 by PCR	158 (26.6%)	237 (34%)
Tested for COVID-19 by PCR, result positive	37 (6.2%)	67 (9.6%)
Tested for COVID-19 by RAT	457 (76.9%)	553 (79.2%)
Tested for COVID-19 by RAT, result positive	115 (19.4%)	141 (20.2%)

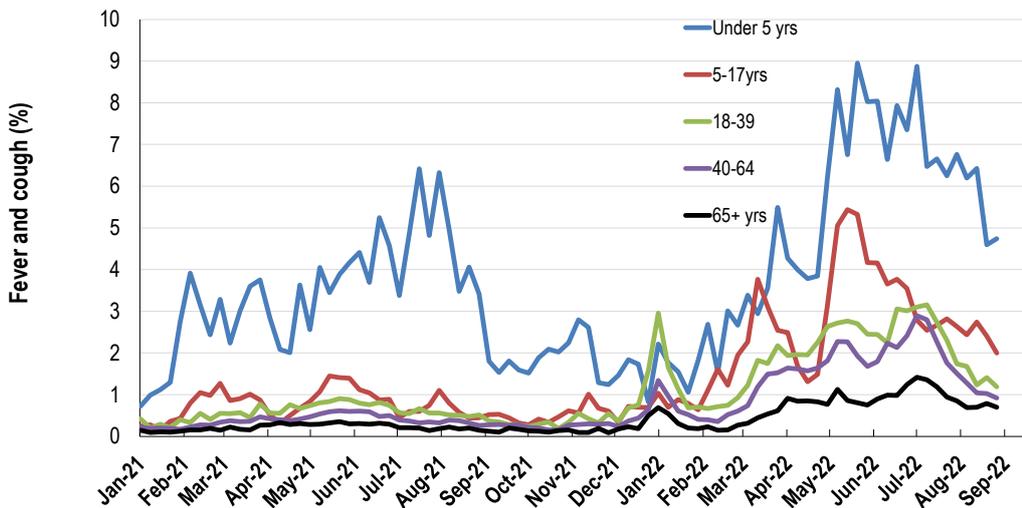
*Includes those who sought medical advice from a general practitioner, COVID-19 clinic, emergency department, or were admitted to hospital for fever & cough

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

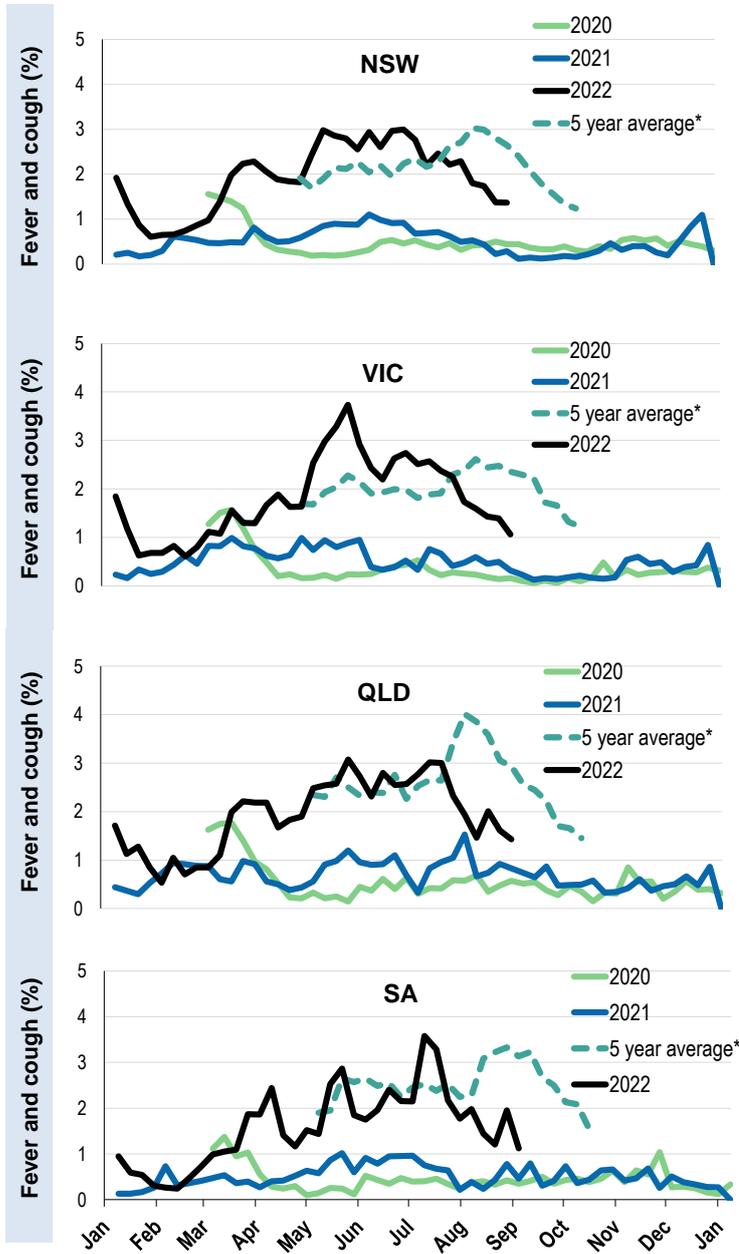


*5 year average is calculated using 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 data
 ^ Data are age standardised in this graph

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

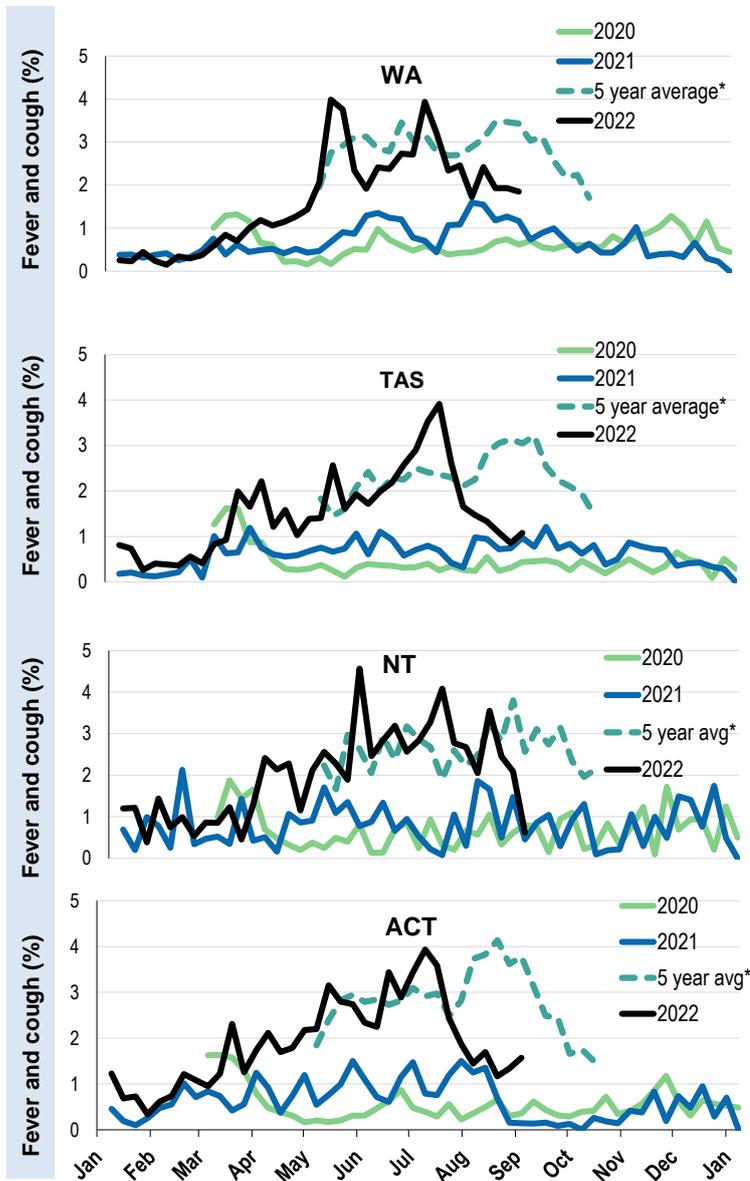


Respiratory illness activity by state/territory (age standardised):



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Participation:

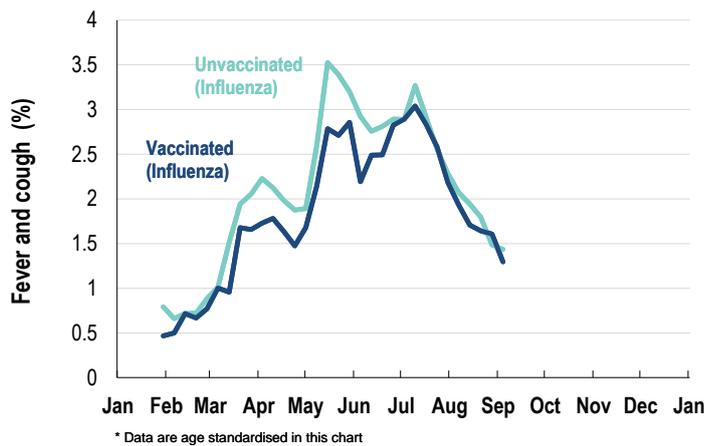
participants (last week)

State	Participants	%	Rate/100,000 population
NSW	21156	35.3%	258.4
VIC	11824	19.7%	178.0
QLD	7409	12.3%	141.4
SA	5322	8.9%	300.2
WA	6072	10.1%	226.1
TAS	3833	6.4%	708.8
NT	921	1.5%	374.5
ACT	3478	5.8%	807.9
AUS	60015	100.0%	233.1

Vaccination rates:

Vaccinated participants:	COVID-19 vaccine				Influenza (%)
	At least 1 dose (%)	At least 2 doses (%)	3 doses (%)	4 doses (%)	
<5 years					48.6
5-11 years	87.5	81.3	1.2	0.0	42.5
12-17 years	98.0	97.0	24.1	0.7	33.6
18-64 years	99.3	99.1	94.5	45.4	67.4
65+ years	99.5	99.4	98.1	89.4	82.7
Working with patients	99.5	99.4	97.5	54.6	79.2
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander	94.1	92.6	73.6	38.7	61.0
Vaccinated overall (%)	97.8	97.4	88.7	58.2	70.8

Respiratory illness activity by self-reported influenza vaccination status, 2022 (Australia):



Respiratory illness activity by self-reported COVID-19 vaccination status, 2022 (Australia):

