

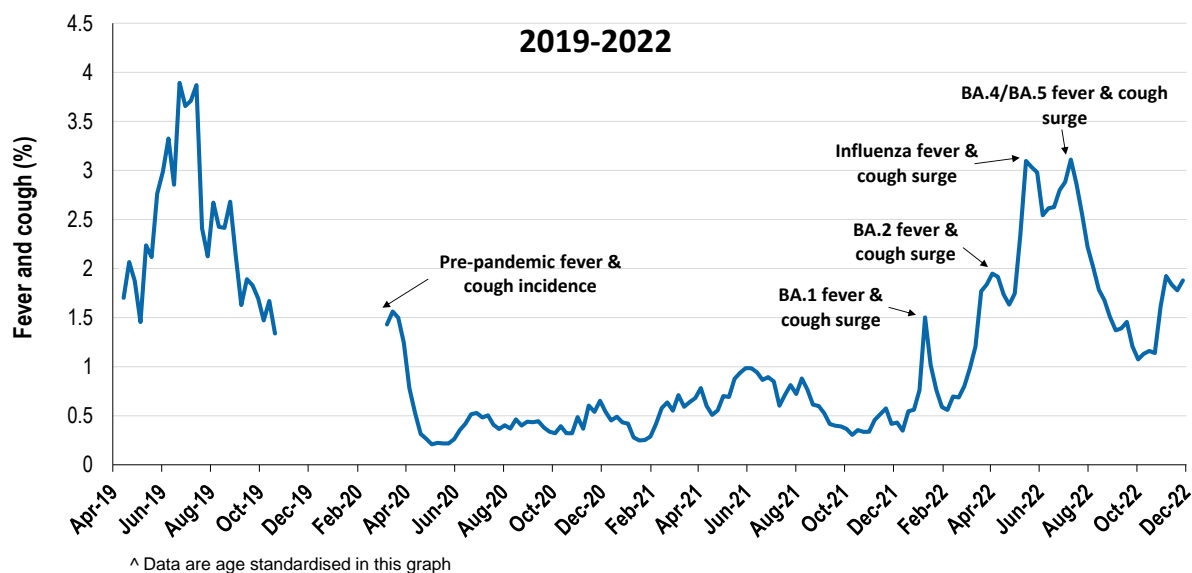
Respiratory illness levels have increased this week driven by an increase in the 0-4 years age group

26,168 participants this week

Respiratory illness activity*:

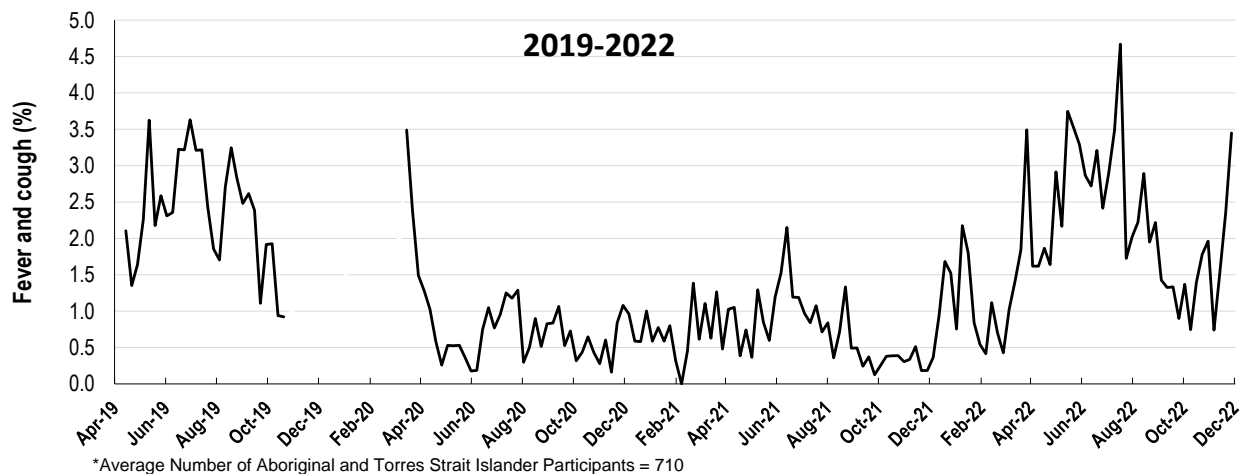
*Respiratory illness activity is defined as fever & cough for this report

1.9% this week: respiratory illness activity is low



Respiratory illness activity among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participants

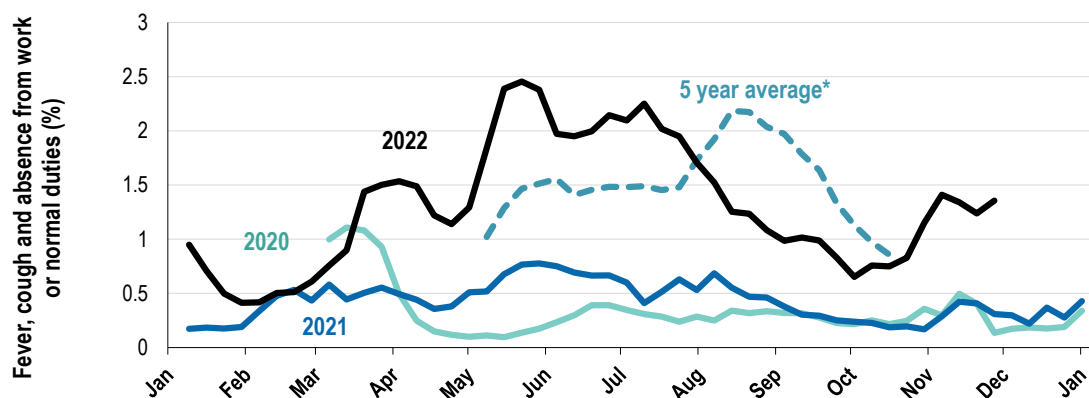
3.4% this week: respiratory illness activity is moderate



Respiratory illness severity: <i>40.4% of participants with fever and cough sought medical advice this week</i>		
Respiratory illness Severity	Week ending 27 November 2022 number (%)	Week ending 20 November 2022 number (%)
Number of participants	26168 (100%)	26259 (100%)
Fever & cough	386 (1.5%)	393 (1.5%)
Fever, cough & time-off normal duties	280 (1.1%)	270 (1%)
Fever, cough & 3 or more days off work/normal duties	191 (0.7%)	183 (0.7%)
Number of participants with fever and cough	386 (100%)	393 (100%)
*Sought medical advice for fever and cough	156 (40.4%)	164 (41.7%)
Admitted to hospital	2 (0.5%)	4 (1%)
Tested for influenza	29 (7.5%)	38 (9.7%)
Tested, result positive for influenza	1 (0.3%)	4 (1%)
Tested for COVID-19 by PCR	90 (23.3%)	89 (22.6%)
Tested for COVID-19 by PCR, result positive	47 (12.2%)	39 (9.9%)
Tested for COVID-19 by RAT	338 (87.6%)	347 (88.3%)
Tested for COVID-19 by RAT, result positive	193 (50%)	188 (47.8%)

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

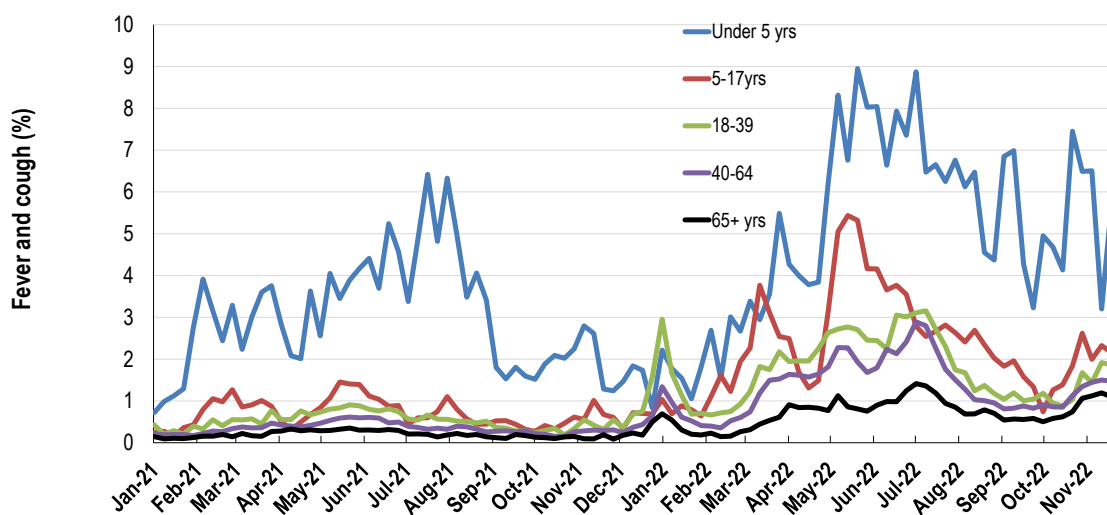
Fever, cough and absence from work or normal duties (Australia):



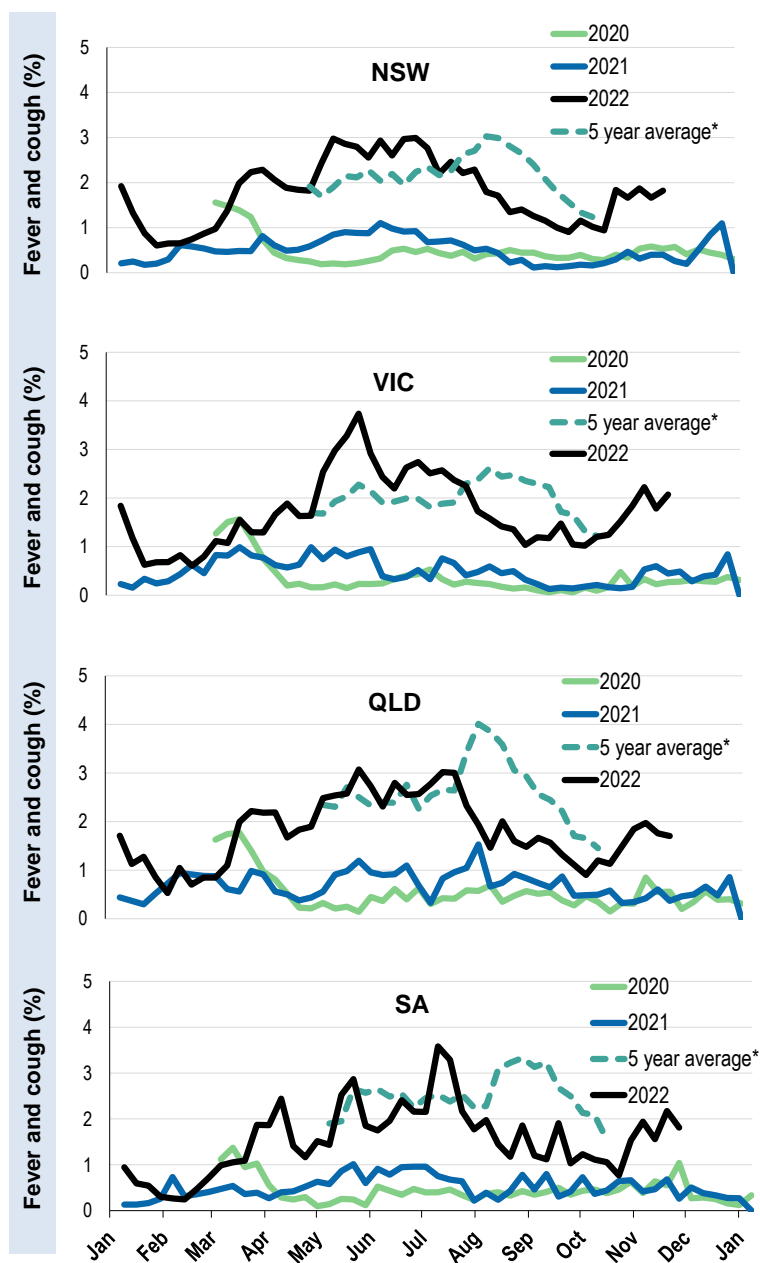
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^ Data are age standardised in this graph

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

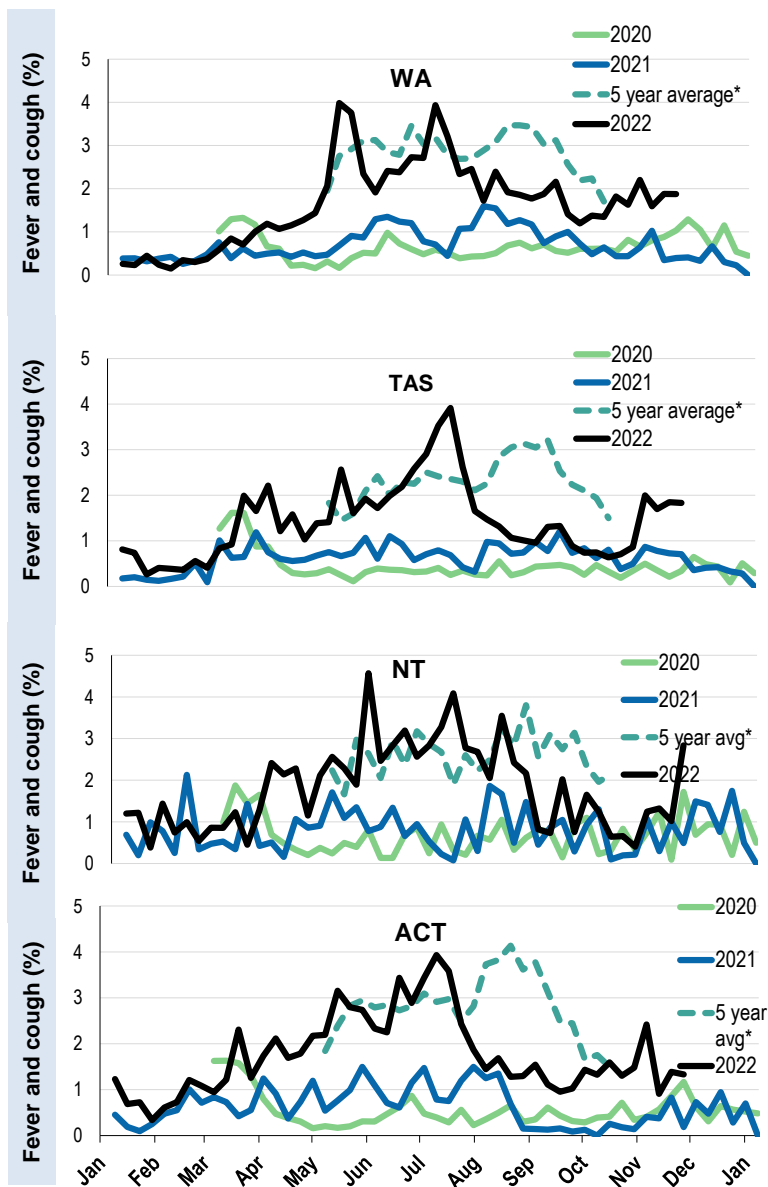


Respiratory illness activity by state/territory (age standardised):



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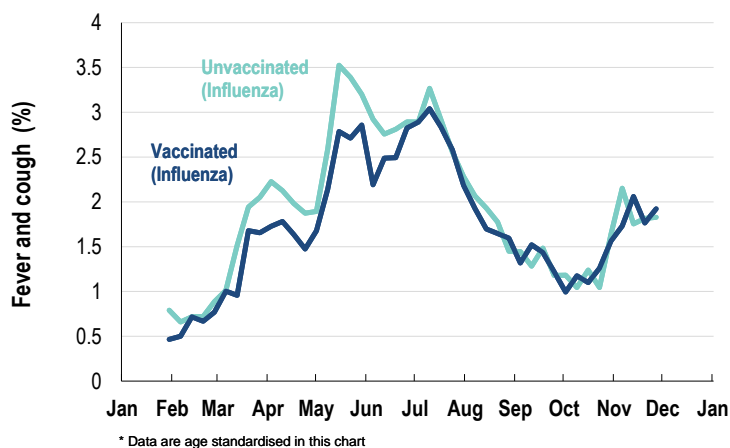
Participation:

Week participants (Week last week)

State	Participants	% Rate/100,000 population
NSW	9406	35.9% 114.9
VIC	4935	18.9% 74.3
QLD	3060	11.7% 58.4
SA	2412	9.2% 136.1
WA	2585	9.9% 96.3
TAS	1862	7.1% 344.3
NT	571	2.2% 232.2
ACT	1337	5.1% 310.6
AUS	26168	100.0% 101.6

Vaccination rates:

Vaccinated participants:	COVID-19 vaccine				Influenza (%)
	At least 1 dose (%)	At least 2 doses (%)	3 doses (%)	4 doses (%)	
<5 years	0.9	0.4			47.4
5-11 years	85.7	81.0	1.8	0.0	42.5
12-17 years	96.8	95.8	22.0	0.7	32.3
18-64 years	99.3	99.1	94.2	54.2	68.5
65+ years	99.4	99.3	98.0	91.3	84.9
Working with patients	99.6	99.5	97.5	62.7	80.5
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander	94.4	92.8	77.4	43.3	63.9
Vaccinated overall (%)	97.9	97.6	88.9	62.7	71.7

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

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