

Weekly Interim Report New Zealand

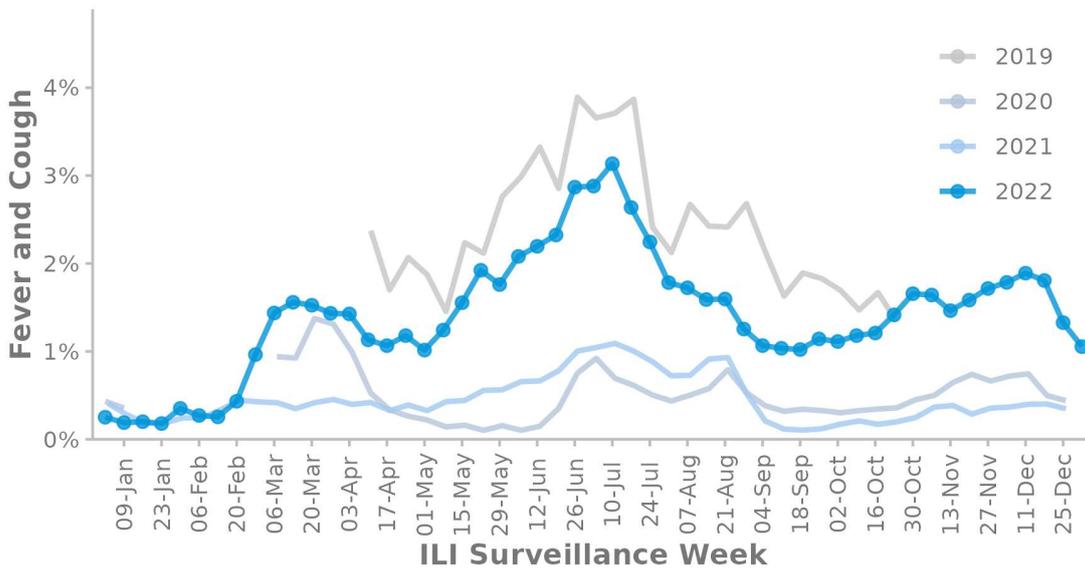
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Week Ending 01 January 2023

Low levels of respiratory illness activity. Fever, cough and absence from normal duties was reported by 0.6% participants

(FluTracking is an online self-reporting respiratory illness surveillance system. Care should be taken when interpreting this report)

FIGURE 1. FLUTRACKING FEVER AND COUGH SYMPTOMS



This survey was sent on 02 January 2023 01:01 AM and by 05 January 2023 08:30 am we had received 12,522 responses (11,201 last week) from 7,719 people responding for themselves and 4,803 household members across New Zealand. Please note over the summer period there will be a reduced sample size for FluTracking, as participants have been given the option to opt-out until April 2023.

Across New Zealand, fever AND cough was reported by 1.1% of participants. Fever, cough and absence from normal duties was reported by 0.6% participants. fever AND cough was reported by 2.5% of participants aged less than 5 years, 1.6% of participants aged 5-17 years, 1.1% of participants aged 18-64 years, and 0.8% of participants aged 65 years or older.

The data presented here should not be treated as authoritative and should always be interpreted together with other trusted sources from the [New Zealand Influenza Intelligence Report](#)

TABLE 1. RESPONDENT NUMBERS BY JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction	Respondents	Percentage
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North Island	9,244	73.8%
South Island	3,278	26.2%
New Zealand	12,522	100%

TABLE 2. SELF-REPORTED COVID-19 AND INFLUENZA TESTING

(% of fever and cough)	Week Ending	
	25 December 2022	01 January 2023
Tested for influenza	8 (5.5%)	2 (1.5%)
Result positive for influenza	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Tested for COVID-19	139 (95.2%)	123 (93.2%)
Result positive for COVID-19	91 (62.3%)	78 (59.1%)

FIGURE 2. FLUTRACKING FEVER AND COUGH SYMPTOMS BY AGE GROUP

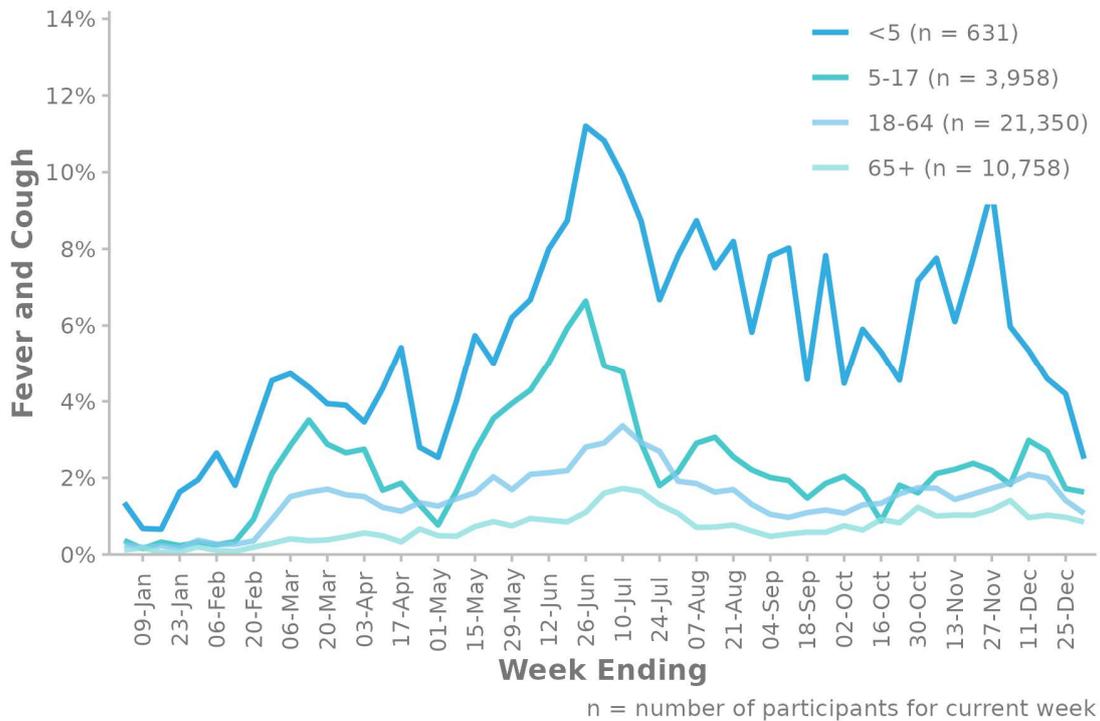


FIGURE 3. FLUTRACKING FEVER AND COUGH SYMPTOMS BY INFLUENZA VACCINATION STATUS

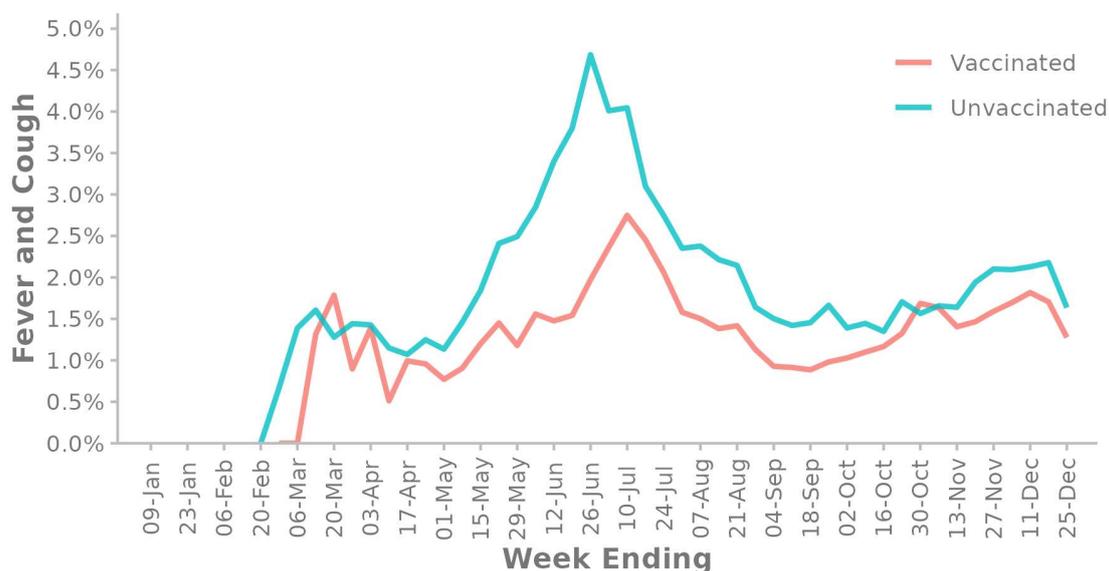


TABLE 3. COVID-19 VACCINATION RATES

Vaccinated participants	At least 1 dose (%)	... 2 doses (%)	... 3 doses (%)	... 4 doses (%)
5-17 years	94.5	86.8	9.5	0.3
18-64 years	99.5	99.0	95.3	43.8
65 + years	99.4	99.2	98.1	84.3
Working with patients	99.5	99.2	98.4	65.6
Vaccinated overall	98.1	97.1	88.2	53.9

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