

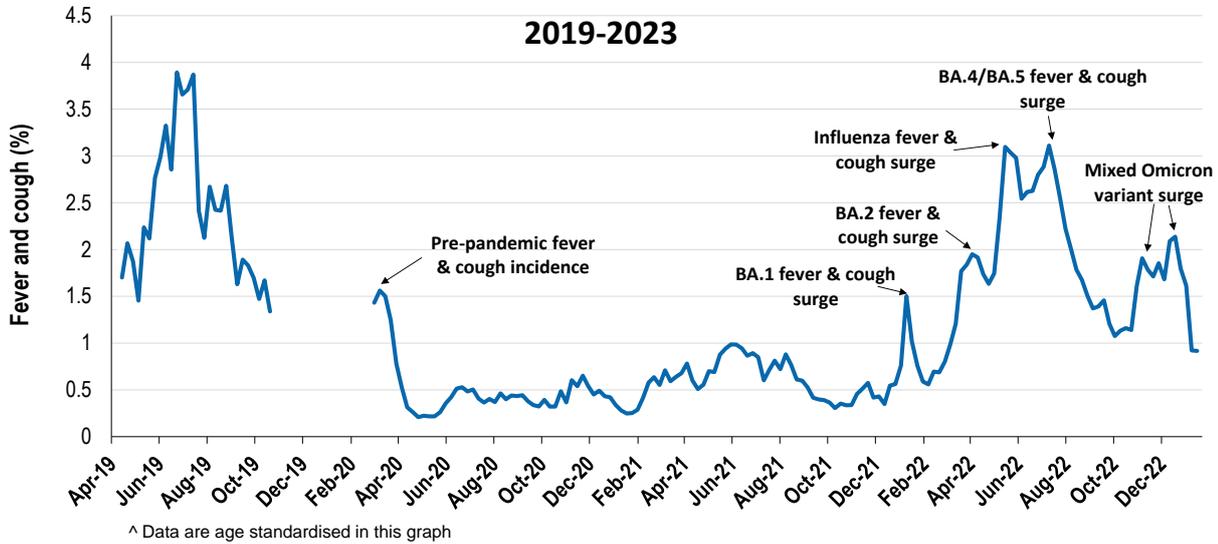
Respiratory illness levels are stabilising

26,484 participants this week

Respiratory illness activity*:

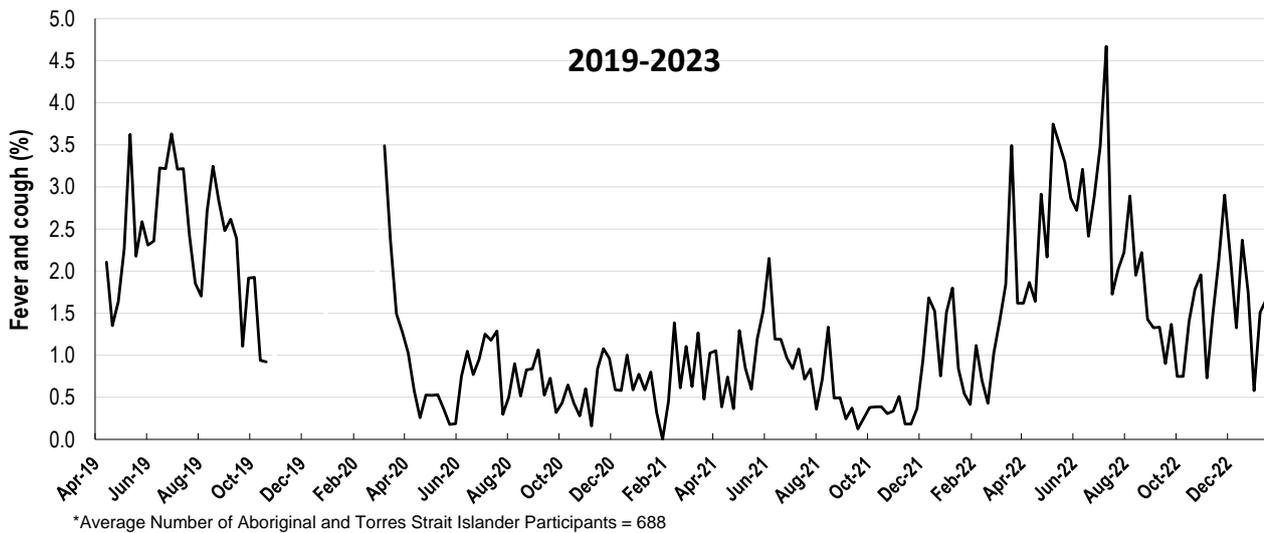
*Respiratory illness activity is defined as fever & cough for this report

0.9% this week and 0.9% last week



Respiratory illness activity among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participants

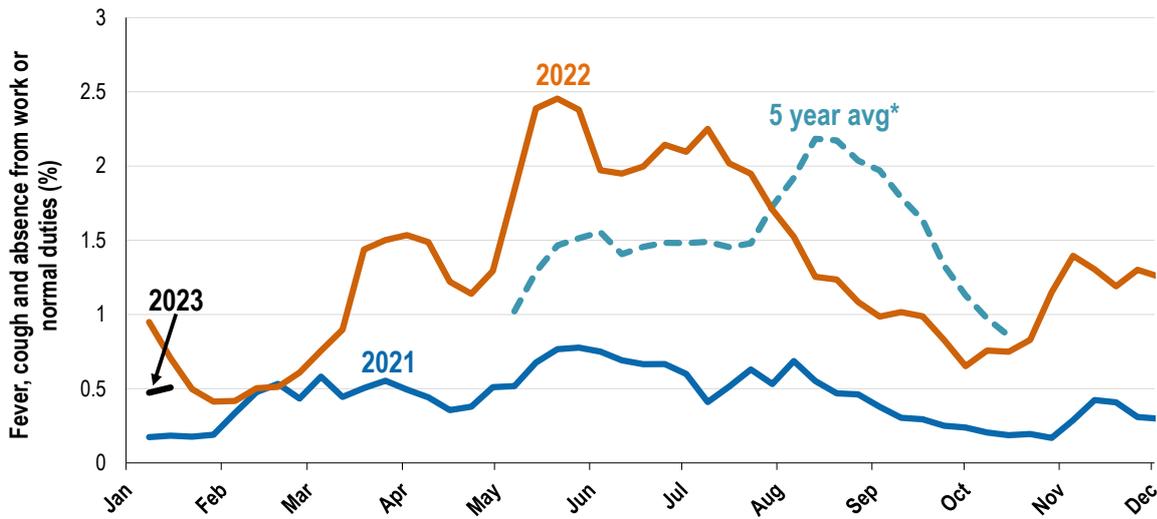
1.7% this week and 1.5% last week



Respiratory illness severity: 35.3% of participants with fever and cough sought medical advice this week		
Respiratory illness Severity	Week ending 15 January 2023	Week ending 08 January 2023
	number (%)	number (%)
Number of participants	26484 (100%)	26004 (100%)
Fever & cough	184 (0.7%)	209 (0.8%)
Fever, cough & time-off normal duties	110 (0.4%)	115 (0.4%)
Fever, cough & 3 or more days off work/normal duties	86 (0.3%)	90 (0.3%)
Number of participants with fever and cough	184 (100%)	209 (100%)
*Sought medical advice for fever and cough	65 (35.3%)	85 (40.7%)
Admitted to hospital	6 (3.3%)	3 (1.4%)
Tested for influenza	6 (3.3%)	11 (5.3%)
Tested, result positive for influenza	0 (0%)	1 (0.5%)
Tested for COVID-19 by PCR	29 (15.8%)	27 (12.9%)
Tested for COVID-19 by PCR, result positive	5 (2.7%)	4 (1.9%)
Tested for COVID-19 by RAT	162 (88%)	187 (89.5%)
Tested for COVID-19 by RAT, result positive	80 (43.5%)	109 (52.2%)

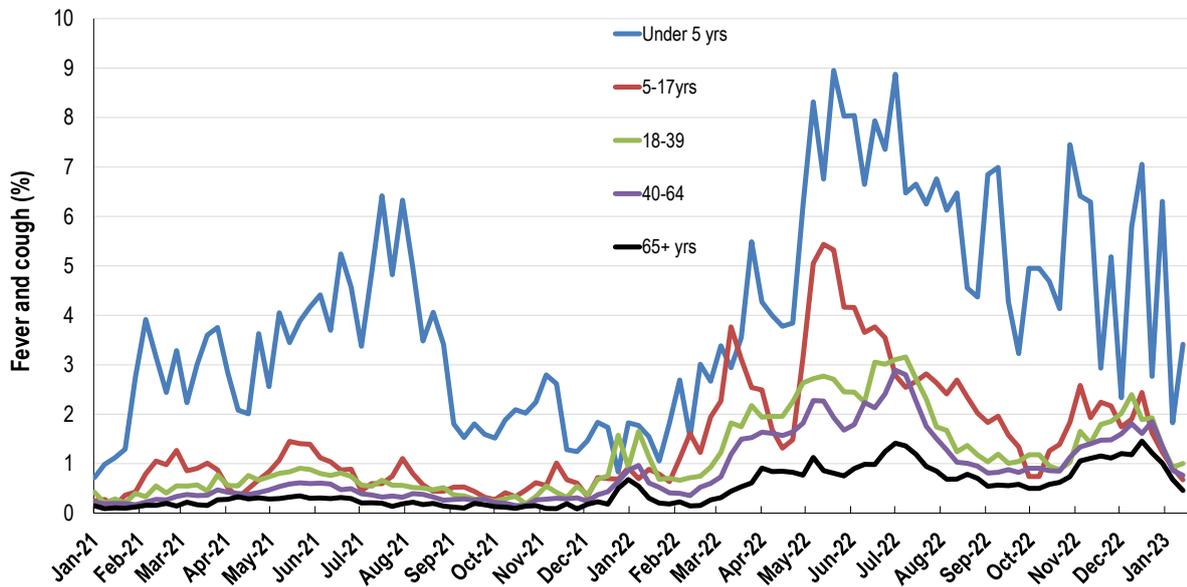
*Includes those who sought medical advice from a general practitioner, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Clinic, COVID-19 clinic, emergency department, or were admitted to hospital for fever & cough

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

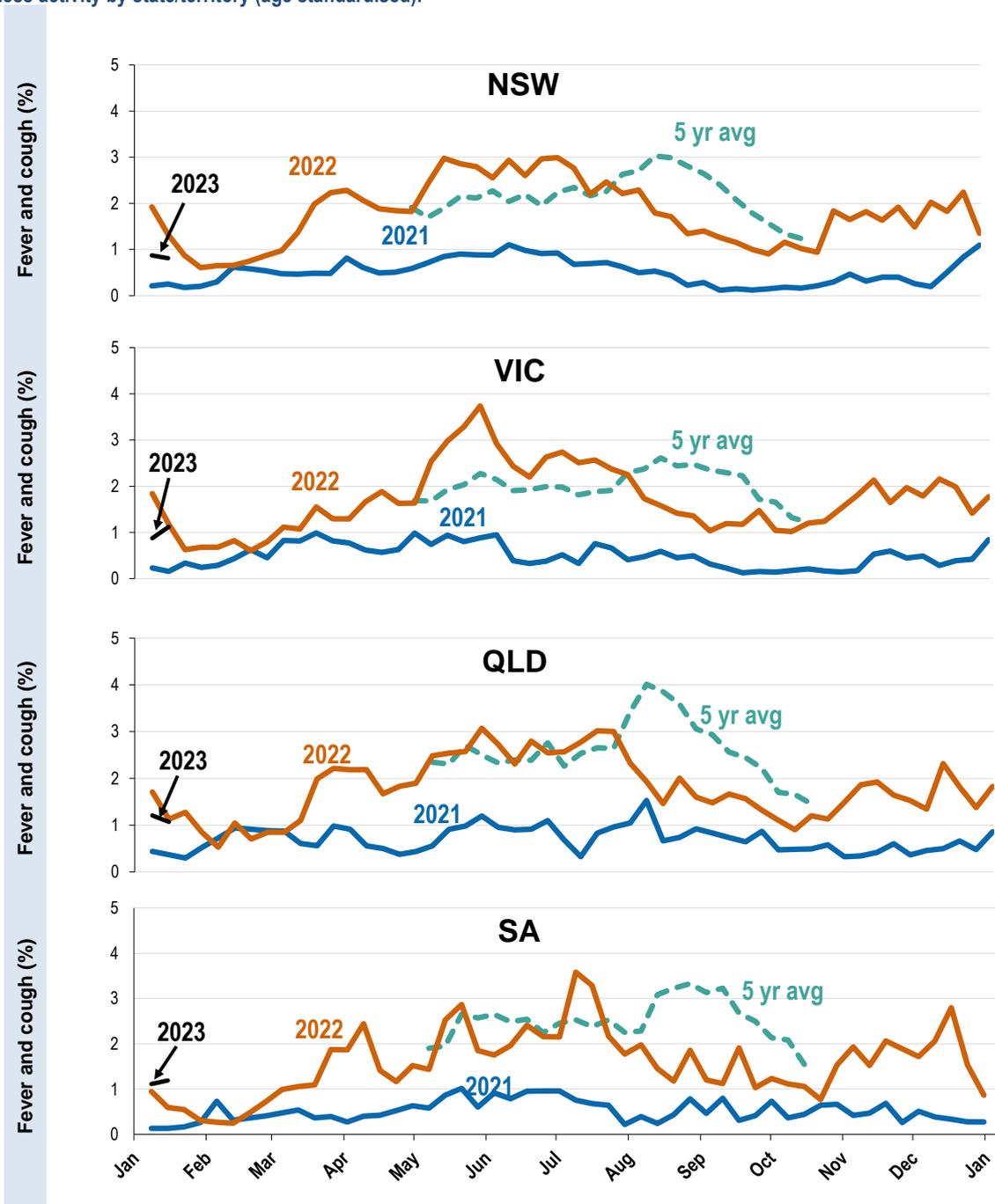


*5 year average is calculated using 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 data
^ Data are age standardised in this graph

Respiratory illness activity by age group, 2021-2023 (Australia):

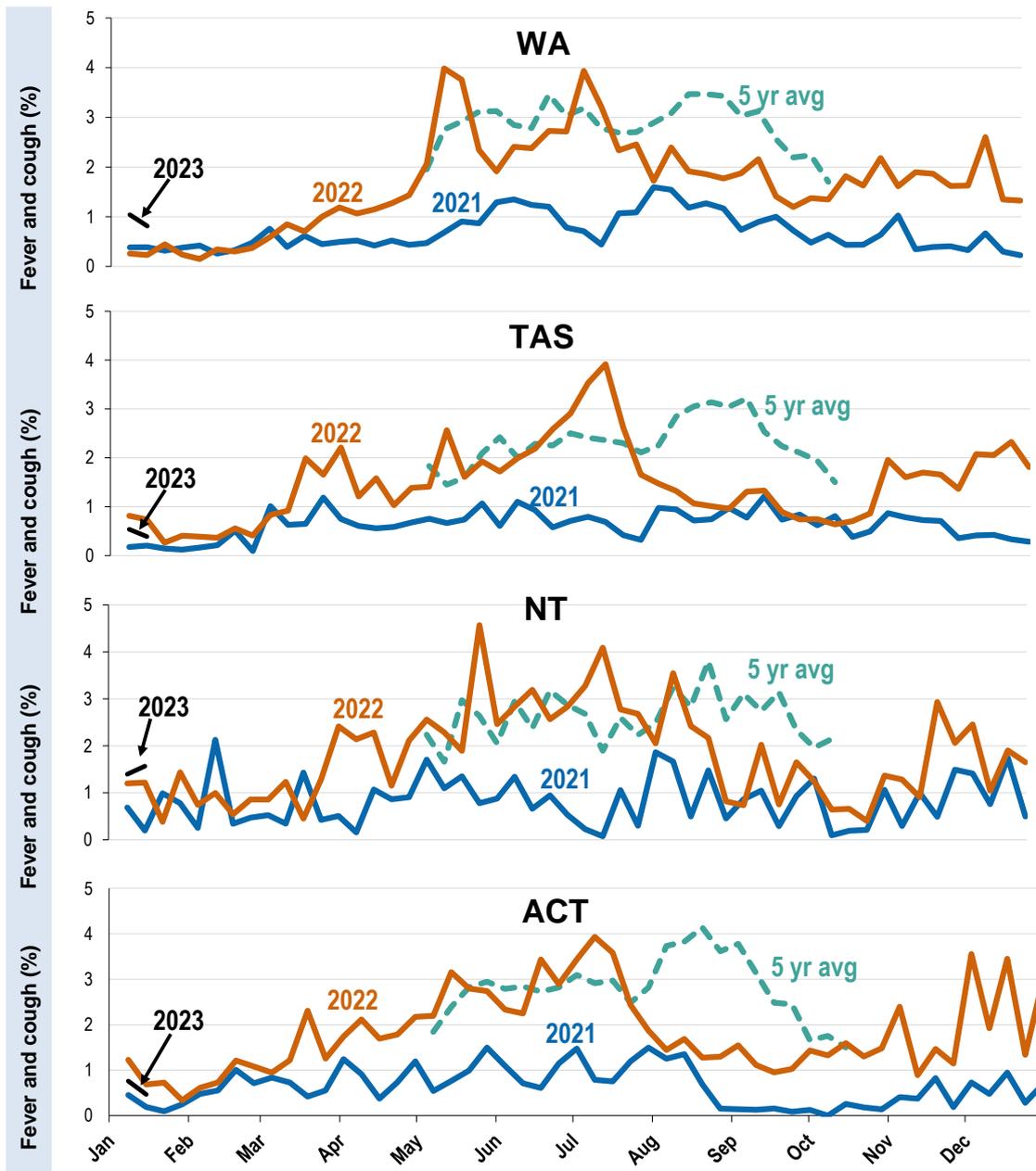


Respiratory illness activity by state/territory (age standardised):



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Participation:

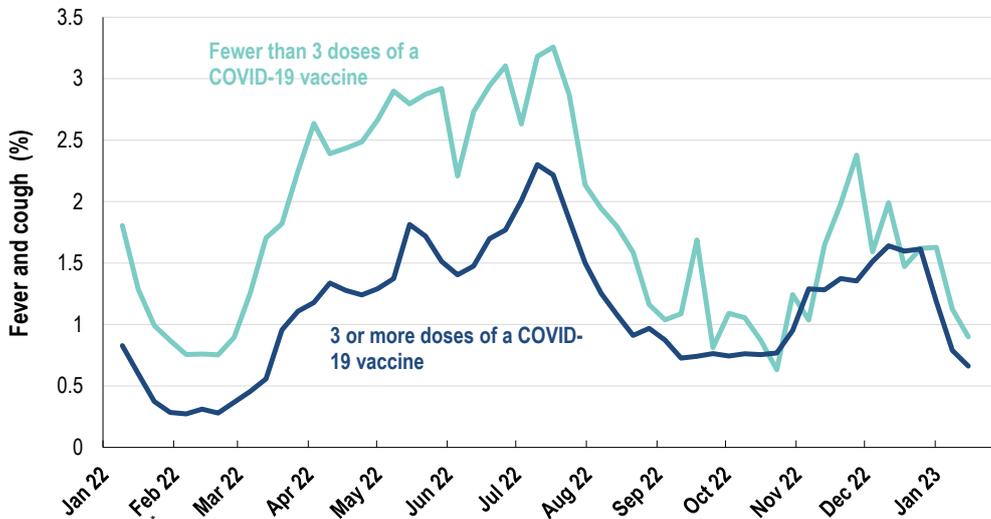
26,484 participants (26,004 last week)

State	Participants	%	Rate/100,000 population
NSW	9534	36.0%	116.5
VIC	4970	18.8%	74.8
QLD	3246	12.3%	61.9
SA	2382	9.0%	134.4
WA	2606	9.8%	97.1
TAS	1823	6.9%	337.1
NT	513	1.9%	208.6
ACT	1410	5.3%	327.5
AUS	26484	100.0%	102.8

Vaccination rates:

Vaccinated participants:	COVID-19 vaccine			
	At least 1 dose (%)	At least 2 doses (%)	3 doses (%)	4 doses (%)
<5 years	1.5	0.5		
5-11 years	85.0	78.3	1.6	0.0
12-17 years	96.4	95.4	21.7	0.7
18-64 years	99.3	99.0	94.1	57.8
65+ years	99.4	99.1	97.8	91.4
Working with patients	99.4	99.2	97.1	66.0
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander	96.7	94.7	80.5	47.7
Vaccinated overall (%)	98.1	97.6	89.7	66.3

Respiratory illness activity by self-reported COVID-19 vaccination status, 2022-2023 (Australia):



* Data are for participants aged 16 years or older in this chart