

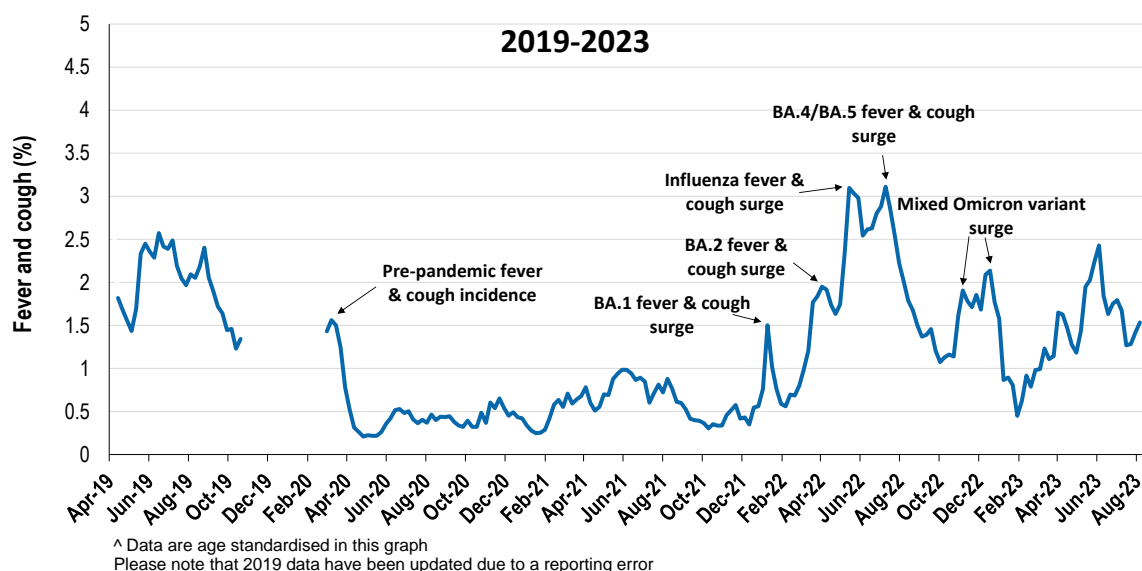
Respiratory illness levels have increased this week

54,689 participants this week

Respiratory illness activity*:

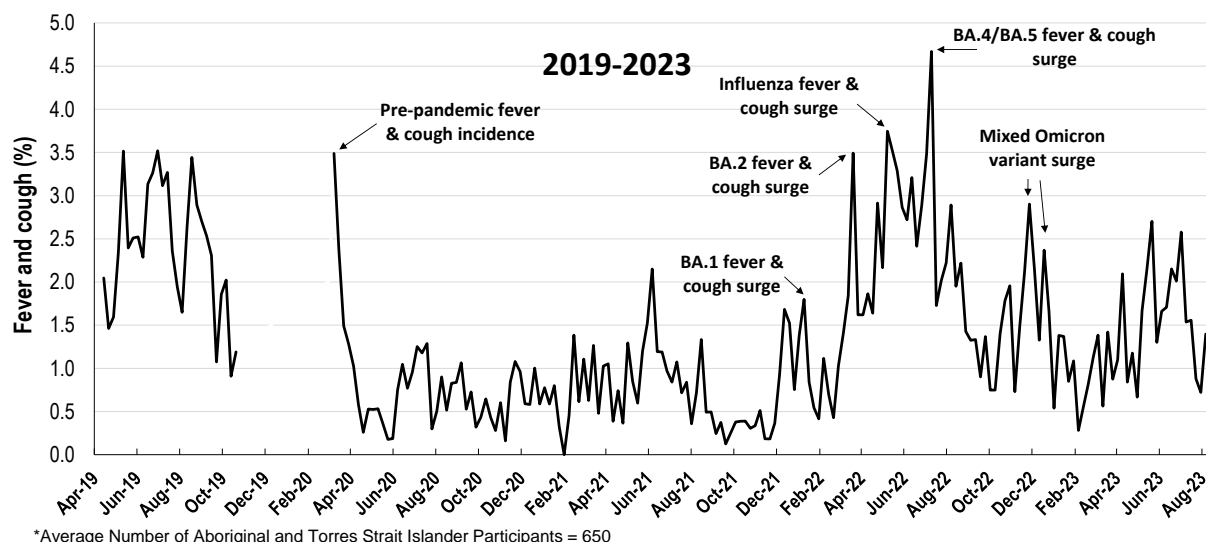
*Respiratory illness activity is defined as fever & cough for this report

1.5% this week and 1.4% last week



Respiratory illness activity among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participants

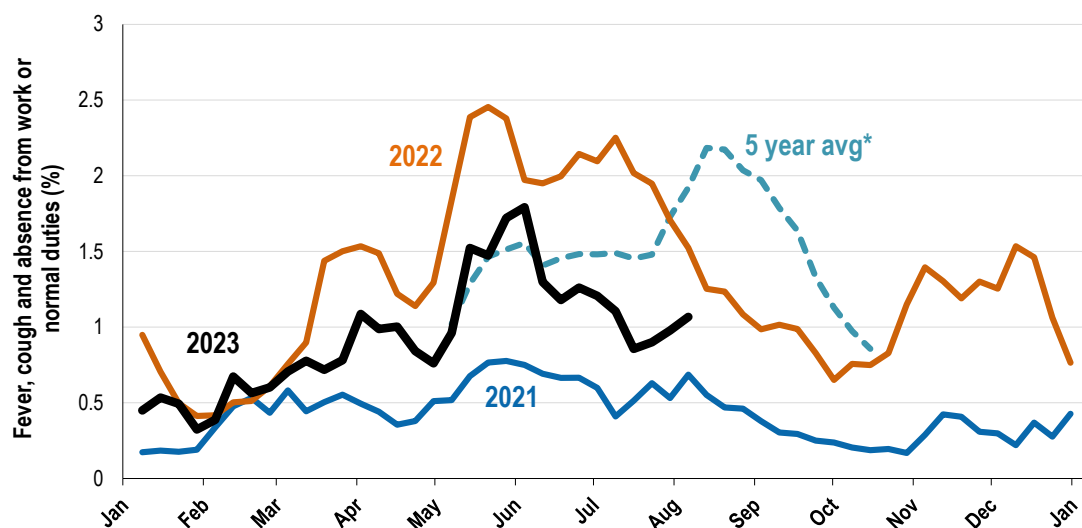
1.4% this week and 0.7% last week



Respiratory illness severity: 25.7% of participants with fever and cough sought medical advice this week		
Respiratory illness Severity	Week ending 06 August 2023	Week ending 30 July 2023
	number (%)	number (%)
Number of participants	54689 (100%)	54709 (100%)
Fever & cough	544 (1%)	528 (1%)
Fever, cough & time-off normal duties	361 (0.7%)	334 (0.6%)
Fever, cough & 3 or more days off work/normal duties	226 (0.4%)	199 (0.4%)
Number of participants with fever and cough	544 (100%)	528 (100%)
*Sought medical advice for fever and cough	140 (25.7%)	161 (30.5%)
Admitted to hospital	9 (1.7%)	8 (1.5%)
Tested for influenza	47 (8.6%)	59 (11.2%)
Tested, result positive for influenza	14 (2.6%)	16 (3%)
Tested for COVID-19 by PCR	49 (9%)	57 (10.8%)
Tested for COVID-19 by PCR, result positive	1 (0.2%)	4 (0.8%)
Tested for COVID-19 by RAT	351 (64.5%)	372 (70.5%)
Tested for COVID-19 by RAT, result positive	51 (9.4%)	44 (8.3%)

*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

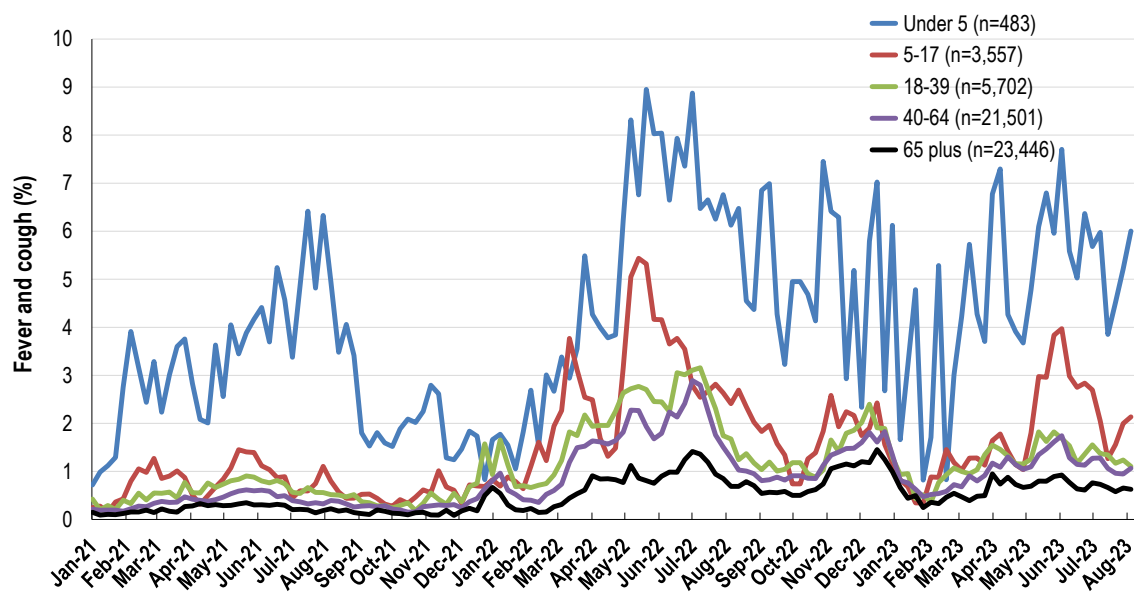
Fever, cough and absence from work or normal duties (Australia):



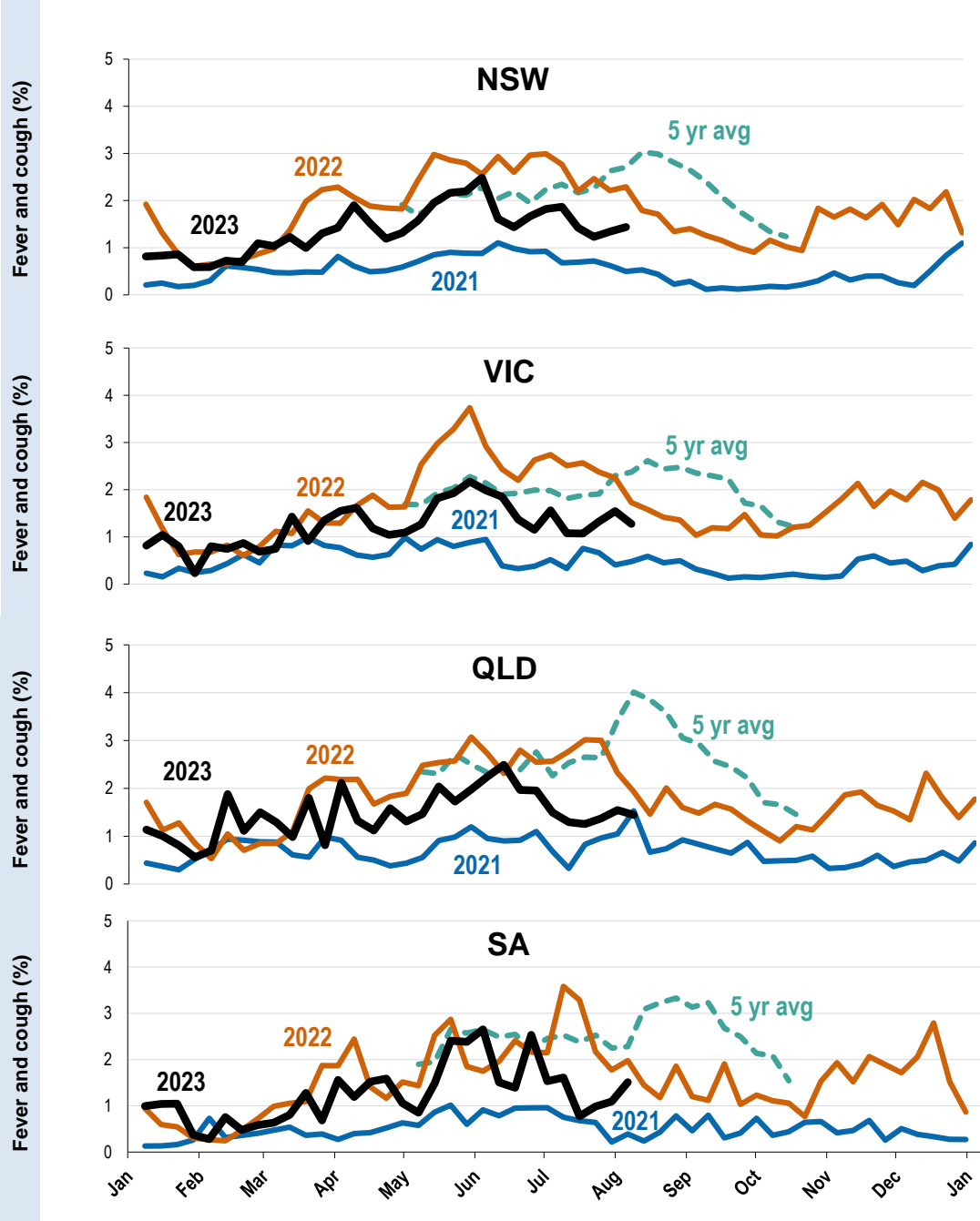
*5 year average is calculated using 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 data

^ Data are age standardised in this graph

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

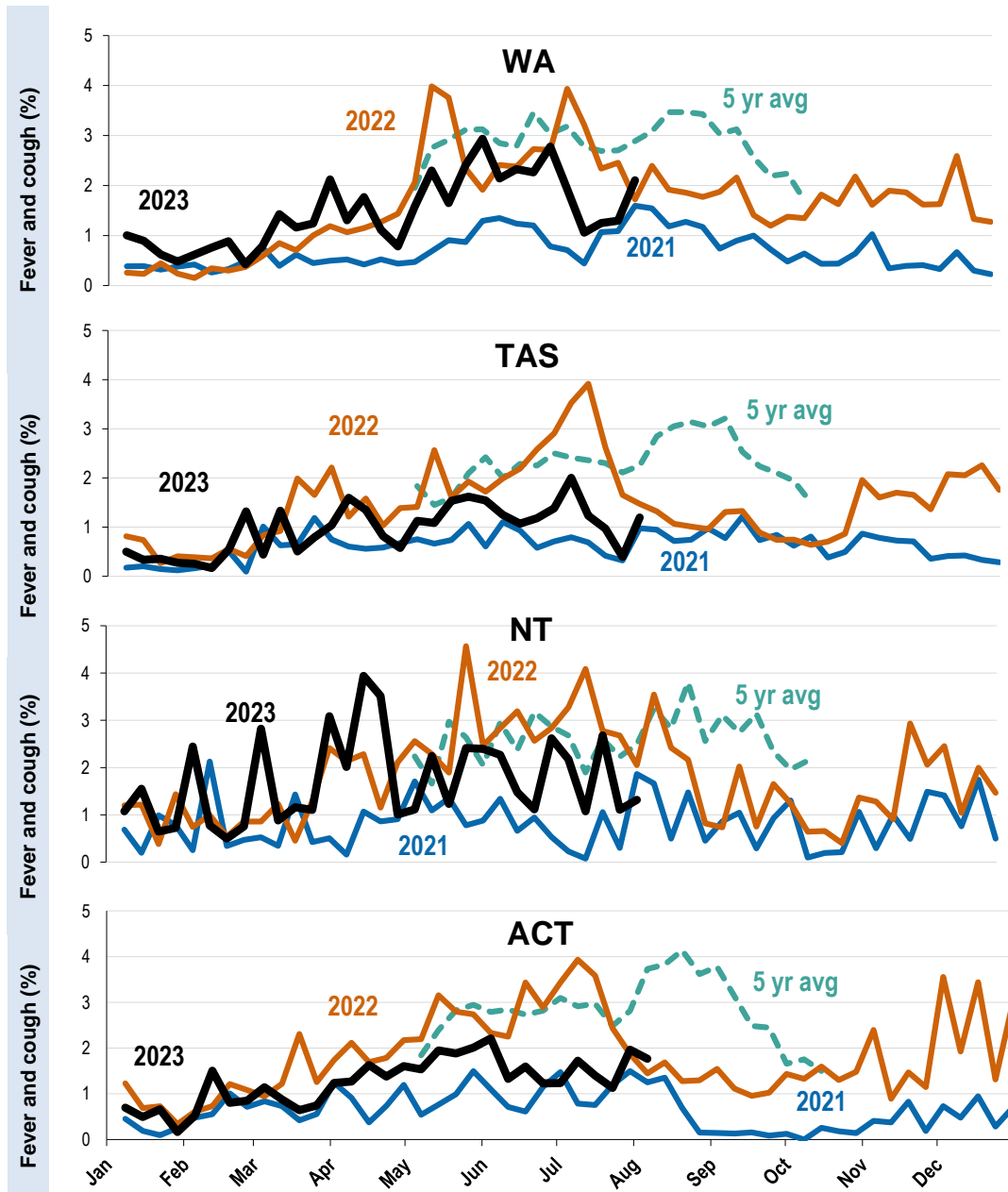


Respiratory illness activity by state/territory (age standardised):



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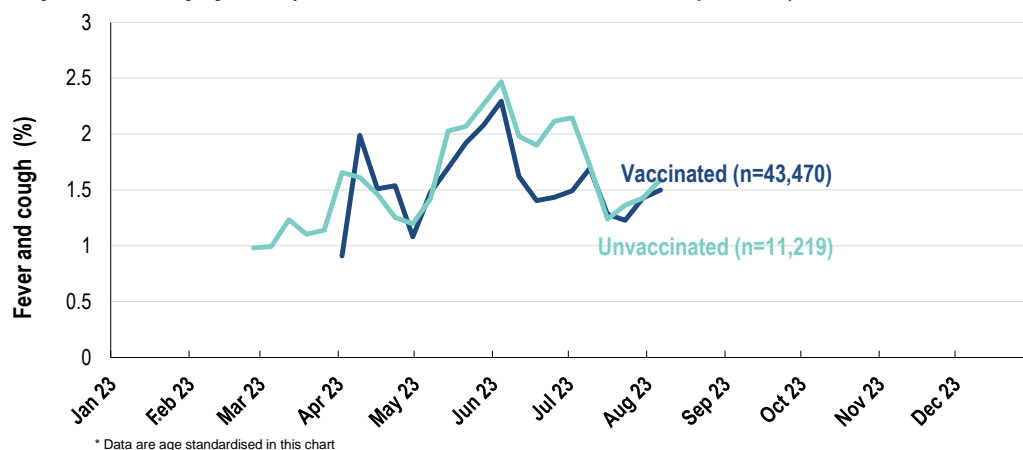
Participation:

54,689 participants (54,709 last week)

State	Participants	% Rate/100,000 population
NSW	19469	35.6% 236.3
VIC	10875	19.9% 162.2
QLD	6829	12.5% 127.0
SA	4780	8.7% 260.6
WA	5310	9.7% 188.0
TAS	3426	6.3% 599.4
NT	780	1.4% 311.9
ACT	3220	5.9% 698.6
AUS	54689	100.0% 212.4

Vaccination rates:

Vaccinated participants:	COVID-19 vaccine					Influenza (%)
	At least 1 dose (%)	At least 2 doses (%)	At least 3 doses (%)	At least 4 doses (%)	5 doses (%)	
<5 years	2.1	1.2				71.4
5-11 years	81.1	75.6	2.3	0.0	0.0	53.7
12-17 years	96.9	95.7	16.3	1.2	0.0	44.3
18-64 years	99.4	99.3	95.0	67.5	38.1	74.7
65+ years	99.5	99.4	98.4	94.3	78.4	91.7
Working with patients	99.5	99.4	97.9	75.2	45.0	86.1
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander	95.6	93.4	74.9	51.5	28.5	69.5
Vaccinated overall (%)	97.9	97.6	90.1	74.0	52.6	80.2

Respiratory illness activity by self-reported influenza vaccination status, 2023 (Australia):

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