

Weekly Interim Report New Zealand

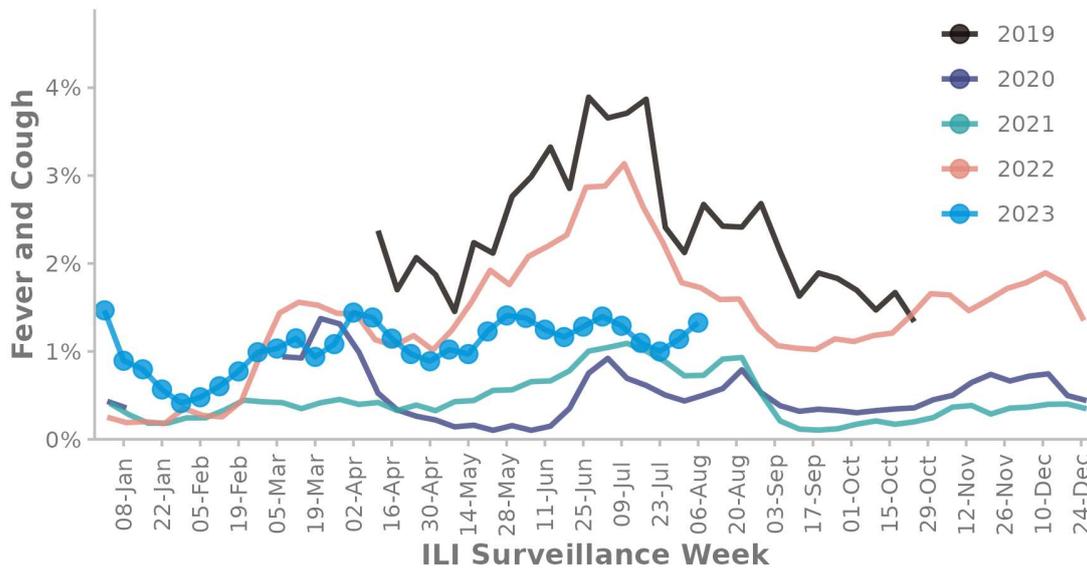
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Week Ending 06 August 2023

Rising levels of respiratory illness activity. Fever, cough and absence from normal duties was reported by 1% 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 07 August 2023 01:01 AM and by 10 August 2023 08:30 am we had received 35,872 responses (36,031 last week) from 22,206 people responding for themselves and 13,666 household members across New Zealand.

Across New Zealand, fever AND cough was reported by 1.3% of participants. Fever, cough and absence from normal duties was reported by 1% participants. fever AND cough was reported by 4.1% of participants aged less than 5 years, 3.7% of participants aged 5-17 years, 1.4% of participants aged 18-64 years, and 0.6% of participants aged 65 years or older.

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TABLE 1. RESPONDENT NUMBERS BY JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction	Respondents	Percentage
North Island	26,177	73%
South Island	9,695	27%
New Zealand	35,872	100%

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

(% of fever and cough)	Week Ending	
	30 July 2023	06 August 2023
Tested for influenza	19 (4.7%)	16 (3.4%)
Result positive for influenza	2 (0.5%)	7 (1.5%)
Tested for COVID-19	289 (71%)	319 (67%)
Result positive for COVID-19	36 (8.8%)	44 (9.2%)

FIGURE 2. FLUTRACKING FEVER AND COUGH SYMPTOMS BY AGE GROUP

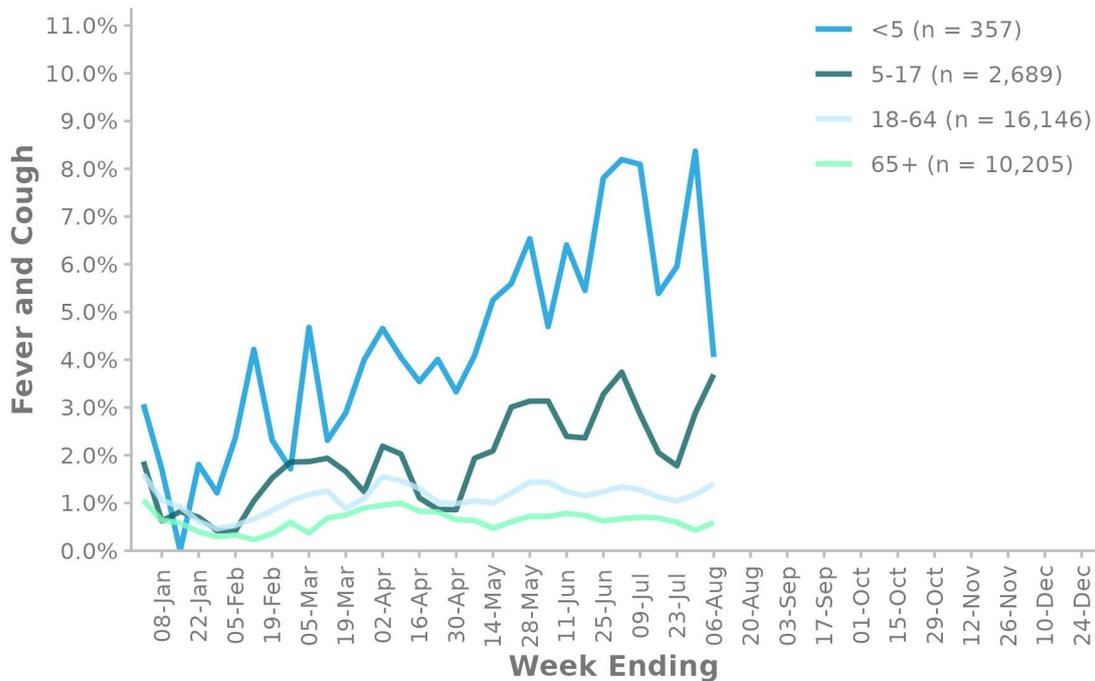


FIGURE 3. FLUTRACKING FEVER AND COUGH SYMPTOMS BY INFLUENZA VACCINATION STATUS

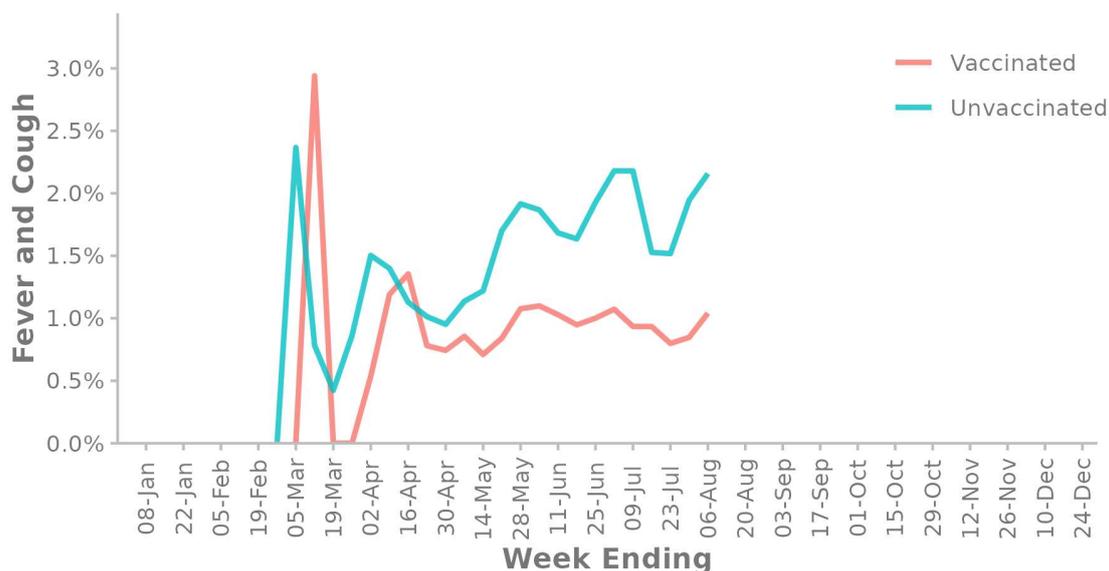


TABLE 3. COVID-19 VACCINATION RATES

Vaccinated participants	At least 1 dose (%)	... 2 doses (%)	... 3 doses (%)	... 4 doses (%)
5-17 years	92.0	84.6	8.8	0.7
18-64 years	99.6	99.5	95.5	61.5
65 + years	99.7	99.6	98.4	89.7
Working with patients	99.7	99.6	98.6	76.2
Vaccinated overall	97.8	97.1	88.0	66.2

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