

Weekly Interim Report New Zealand

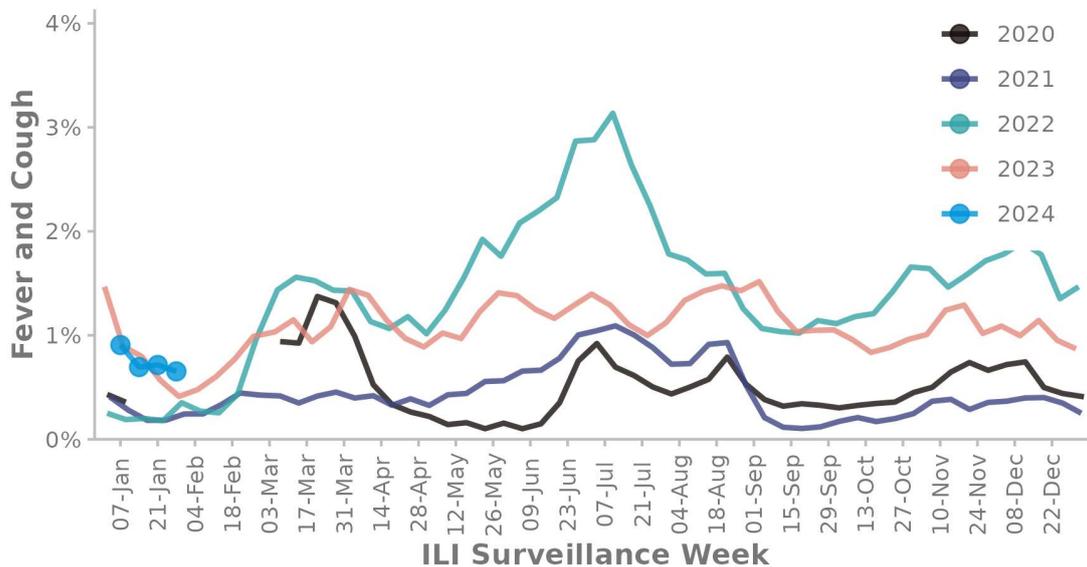
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Week Ending 28 January 2024

Low levels of respiratory illness activity. Fever, cough and absence from normal duties was reported by 0.4% 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 29 January 2024 01:01 AM and by 01 February 2024 08:30 am we had received 17,309 responses (17,145 last week) from 11,404 people responding for themselves and 5,905 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 2024.

Across New Zealand, fever AND cough was reported by 0.7% of participants. Fever, cough and absence from normal duties was reported by 0.4% participants. fever AND cough was reported by 5.3% of participants aged less than 5 years, 0.5% of participants aged 5-17 years, 0.8% of participants aged 18-64 years, and 0.4% of participants aged 65 years or older.

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TABLE 1. RESPONDENT NUMBERS BY JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction	Respondents	Percentage
North Island	12,599	72.8%
South Island	4,710	27.2%
New Zealand	17,309	100%

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

(% of fever and cough)	Week Ending	
	21 January 2024	28 January 2024
Tested for influenza	2 (1.6%)	2 (1.8%)
Result positive for influenza	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Tested for COVID-19	117 (90.7%)	89 (78.8%)
Result positive for COVID-19	79 (61.2%)	58 (51.3%)

FIGURE 2. FLUTRACKING FEVER AND COUGH SYMPTOMS BY AGE GROUP

