

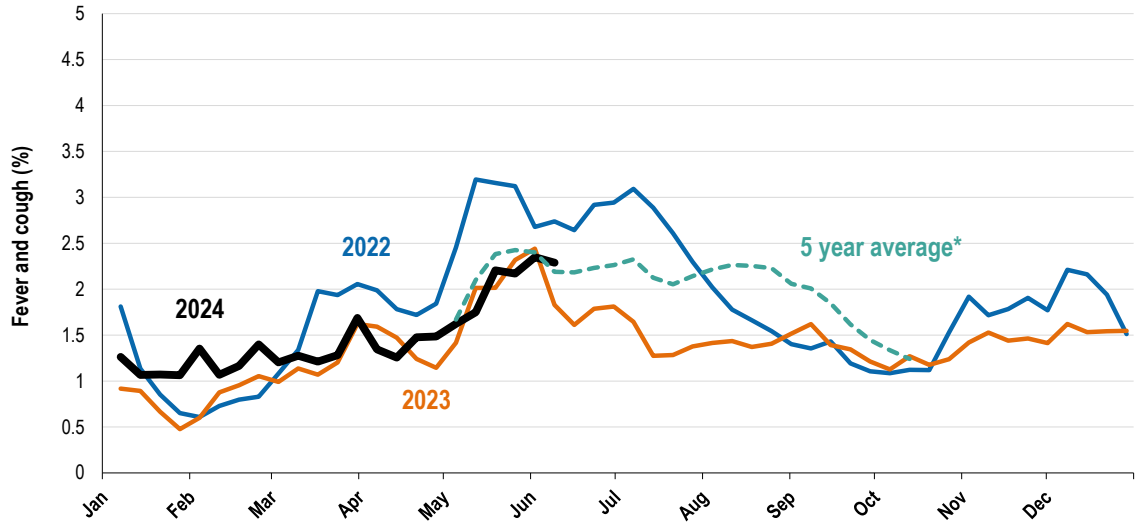
Respiratory illness levels have stabilised this week

51,775 participants this week

Figure 1- Respiratory illness activity*

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

2.3% this week and 2.3% last week

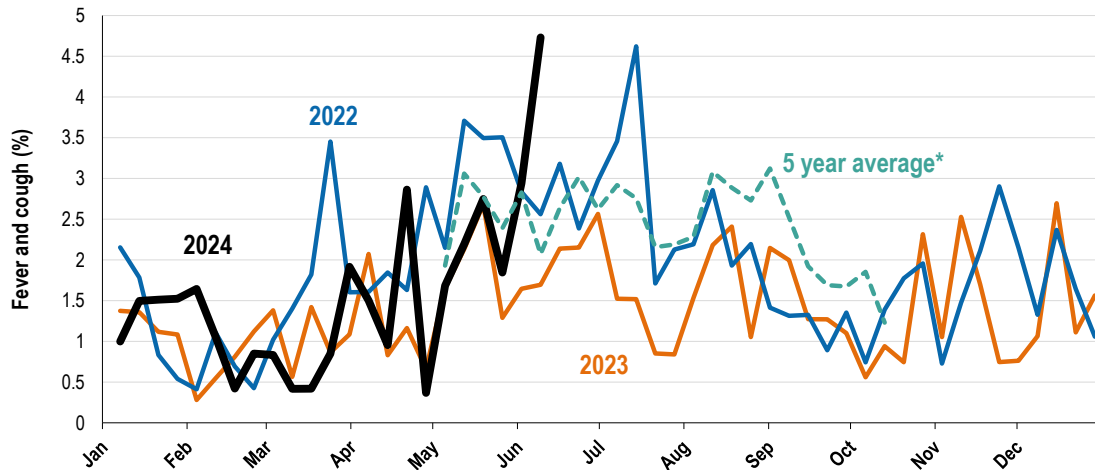


^ Data are age standardised in this graph

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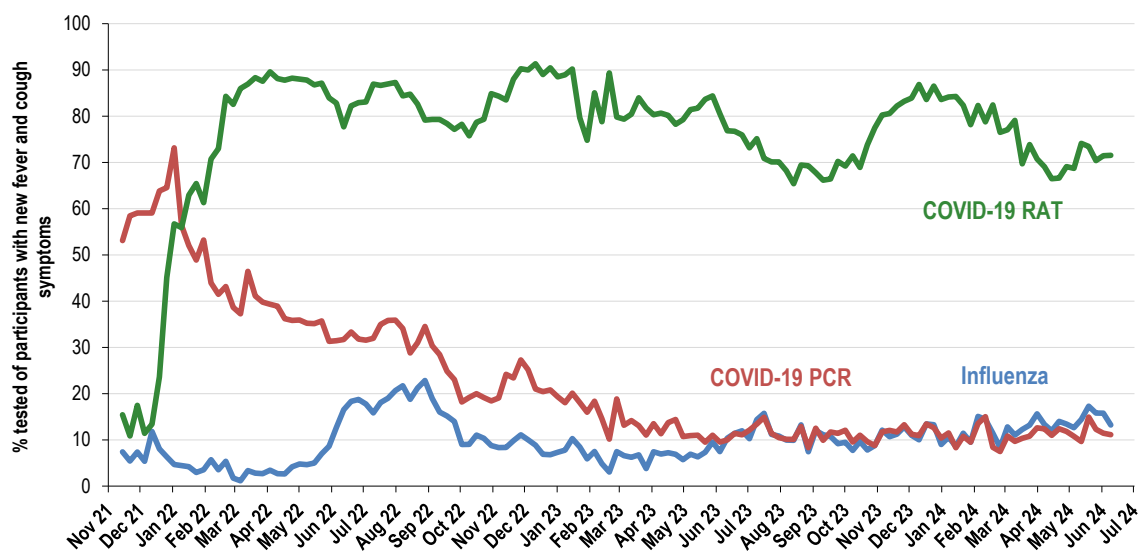
Figure 2- Respiratory illness activity among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participants

4.7% this week and 2.9% last week



*Average Number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Participants=562

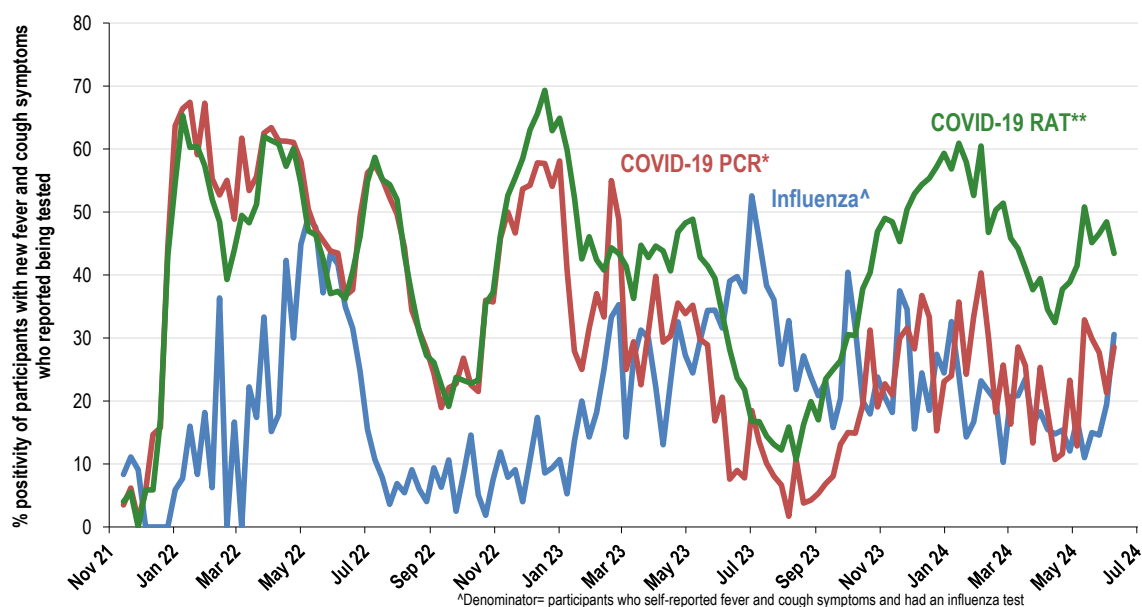
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Figure 3- Fever, cough and reported testing for COVID-19 or influenza


Flu testing: 13.2% (108/818) this week compared to 15.8% last week

COVID-19 RAT testing: 71.5% (585/818) this week compared to 71.4% last week

COVID-19 PCR testing: 11.1% (91/818) this week compared to 11.4% last week

Figure 4- Fever, cough and reported a positive test result for COVID-19 or influenza

[^]Denominator= participants who self-reported fever and cough symptoms and had an influenza test

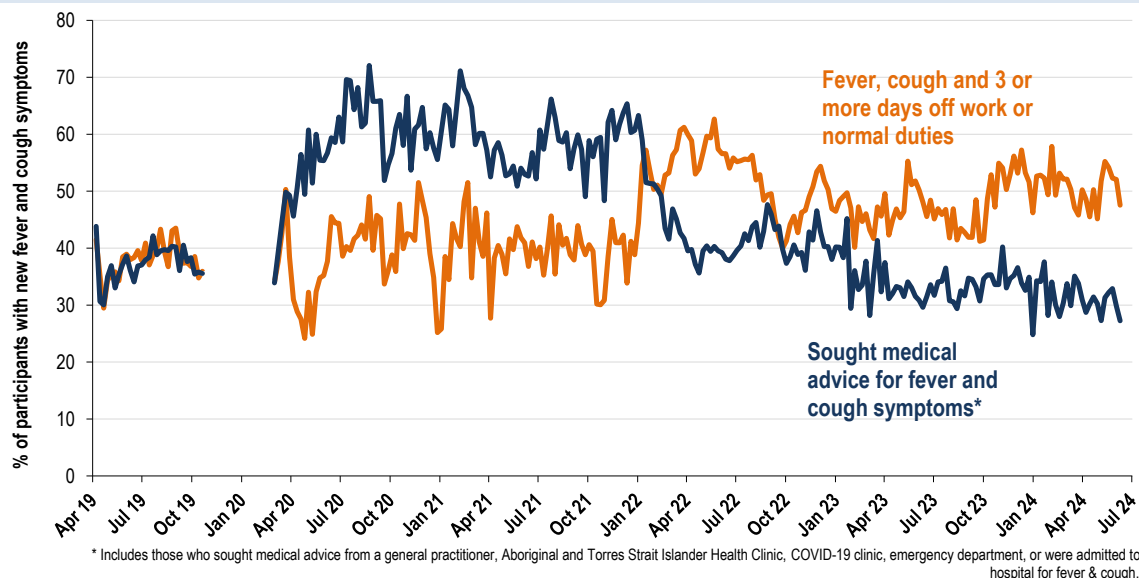
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Flu % positivity: 30.6% (33/108) this week compared to 19.5% last week

COVID-19 RAT % positivity: 43.4% (254/585) this week compared to 48.4% last week

COVID-19 PCR % positivity: 28.6% (26/91) this week compared to 21.3% last week

Figure 5- Severity of Respiratory Illness Activity


FC and 3+ days off: 47.6% (389/818) this week compared to 52.1% last week

Sought medical advice for FC: 27.3% (223/818) this week compared to 29.8% last week

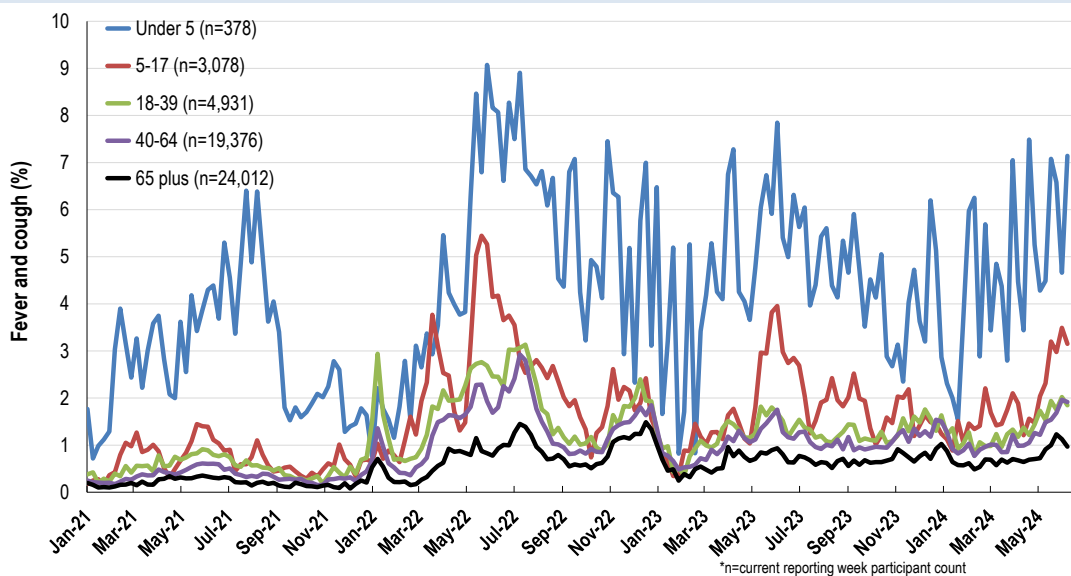
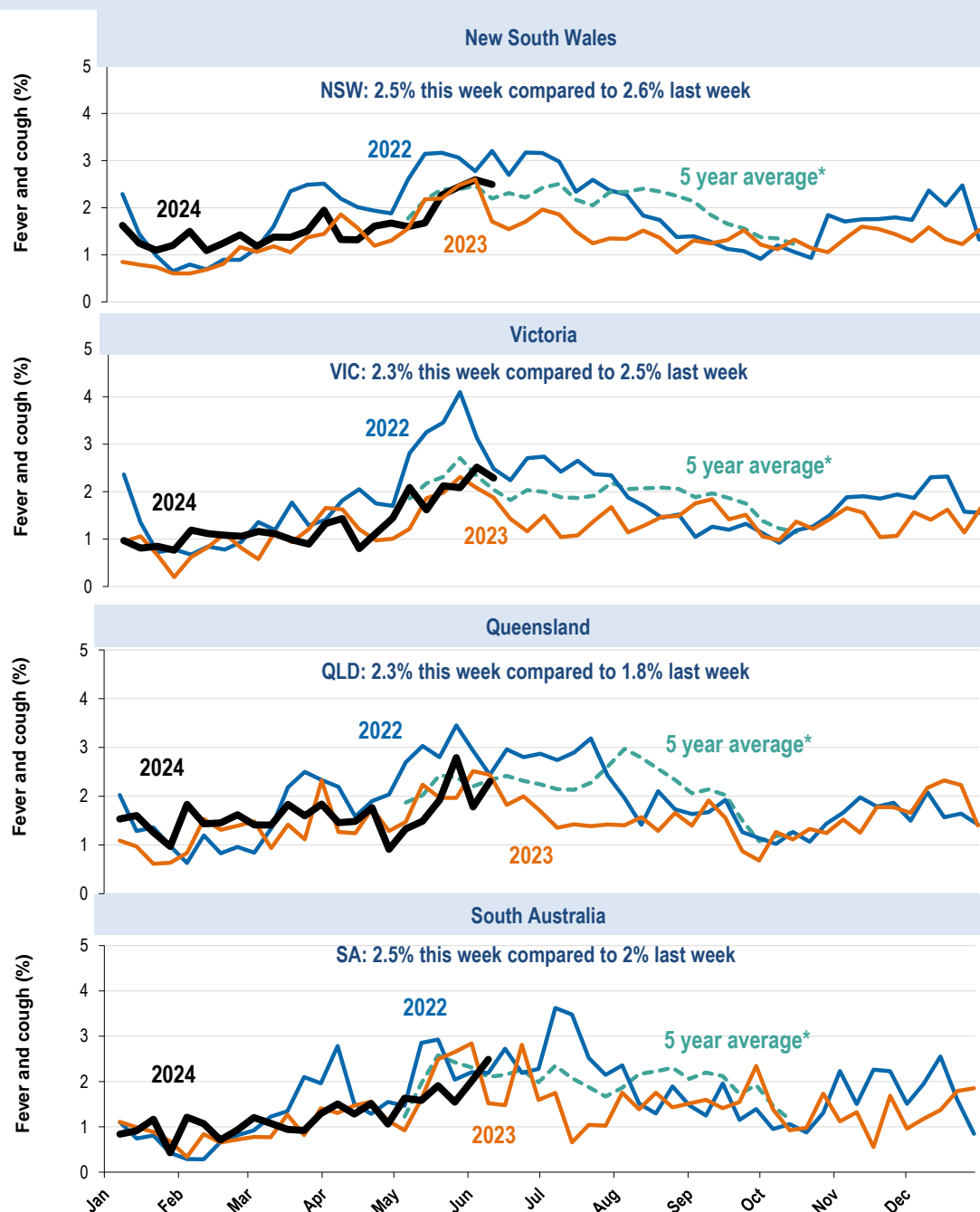
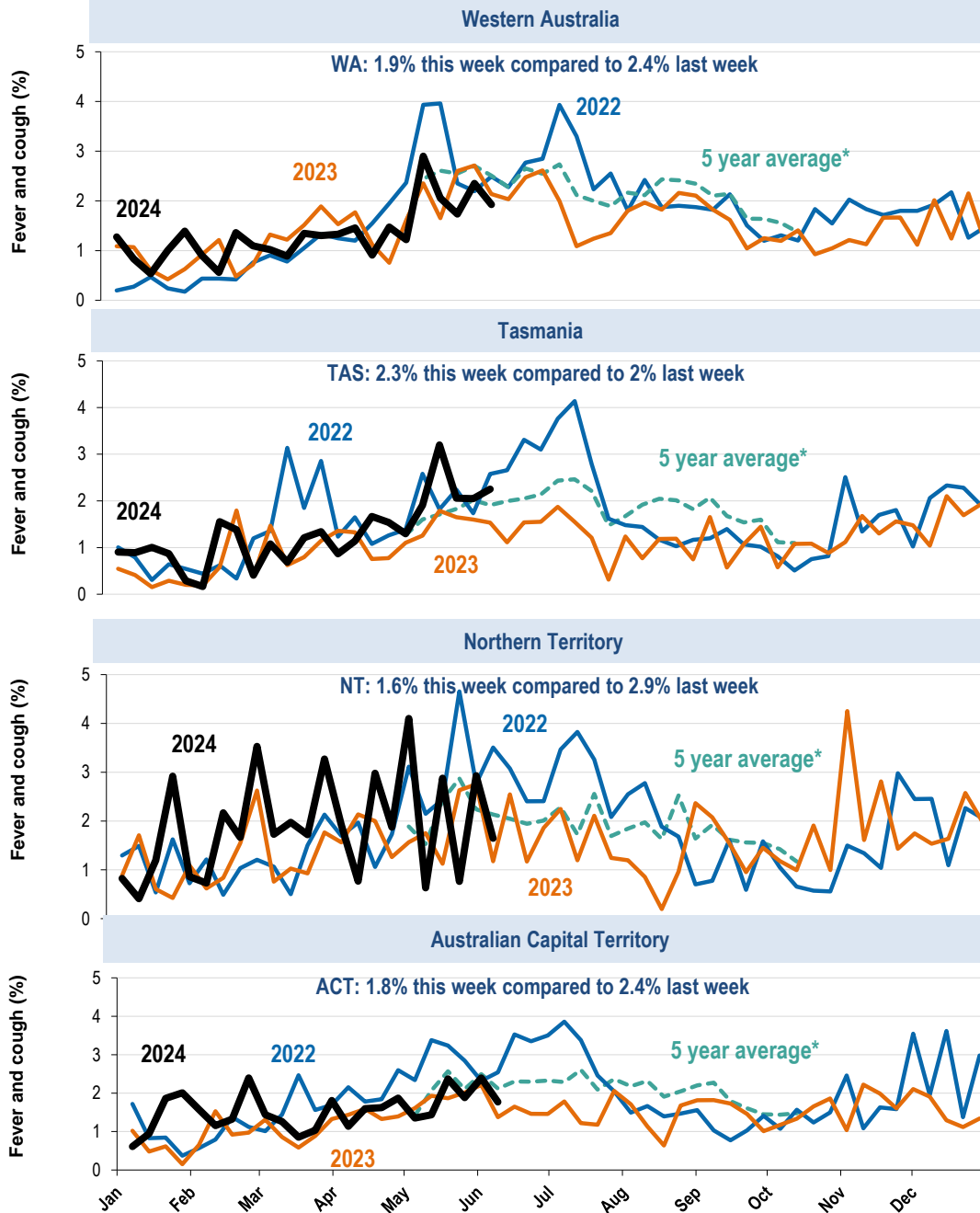
Figure 6- Respiratory illness activity by age group


Figure 7- Respiratory illness activity by state/territory (age standardised)


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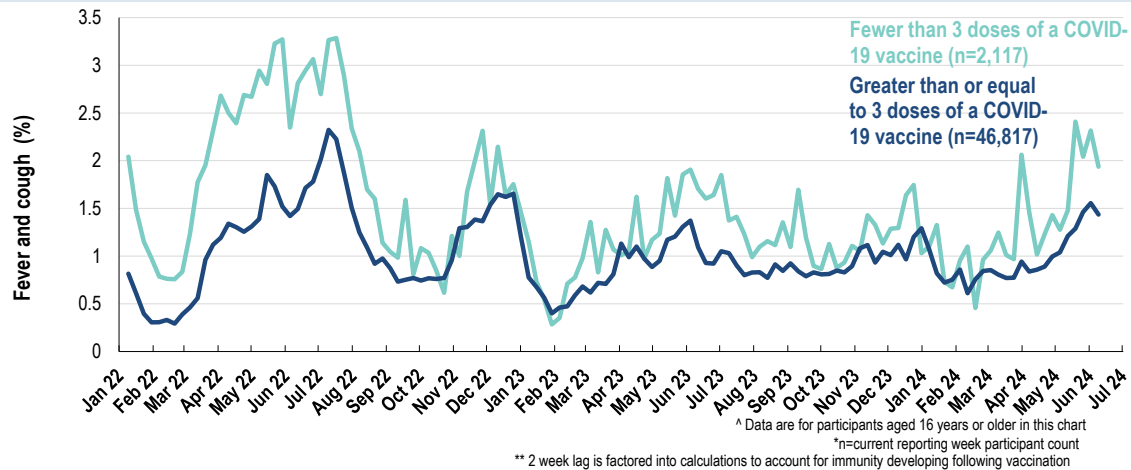
Table 1- Participation

51,775 participants (52,225 last week)

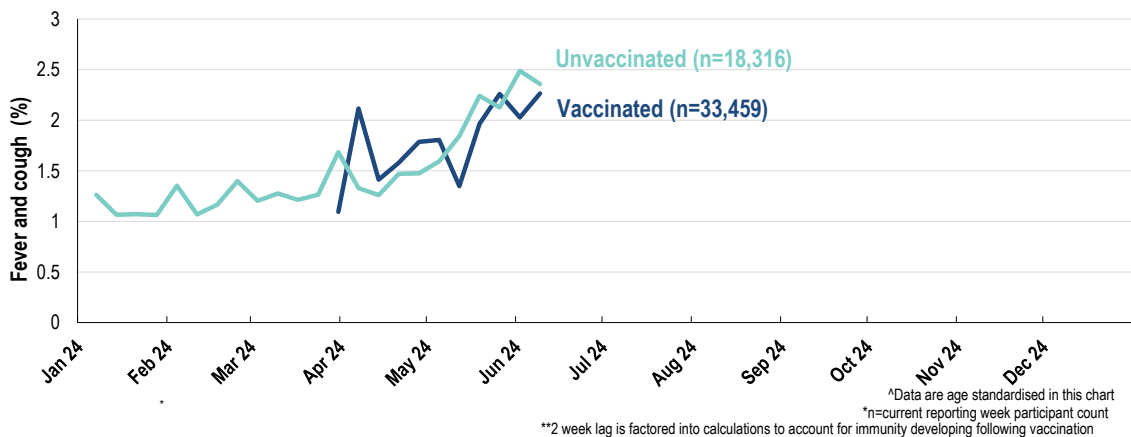
State	Participants	%	Rate/100,000 population
NSW	18505	35.7%	221.9
VIC	10285	19.9%	151.0
QLD	6415	12.4%	117.5
SA	4338	8.4%	234.3
WA	5090	9.8%	176.8
TAS	3237	6.3%	565.1
NT	765	1.5%	303.0
ACT	3140	6.1%	672.7
AUS	51775	100.0%	194.4

Table 2- Vaccination rates

Vaccinated participants:	COVID-19 vaccine						Influenza (%)
	At least 1 dose (%)	At least 2 doses (%)	At least 3 doses (%)	At least 4 doses (%)	At least 5 doses (%)	6 doses (%)	
<5 years	2.6	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	59.0
5-11 years	74.7	69.5	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	40.2
12-17 years	96.6	94.2	10.9	0.9	0.0	0.0	32.6
18-64 years	97.6	99.2	94.8	69.9	47.8	21.9	62.8
65+ years	99.6	99.5	98.5	94.6	86.5	66.6	83.5
Working with patients	99.5	99.4	97.9	77.7	55.9	30.2	77.1
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander	95.9	94.0	77.2	53.3	37.2	23.0	58.5
Vaccinated overall (%)	98.0	97.7	90.7	76.7	62.5	41.2	70.8

Figure 8- Respiratory illness activity by self-reported COVID-19 vaccination status


3 or more doses of a COVID vaccine: 1.4% this week compared to 1.6% last week
Fewer than 3 doses of a COVID vaccine: 1.9% this week compared to 2.3% last week

Figure 9- Respiratory illness activity by self-reported influenza vaccination status


Unvaccinated for influenza: 2.4% this week compared to 2.5% last week
Vaccinated for influenza: 2.3% this week compared to 2% last week