

# Weekly Interim Report New Zealand

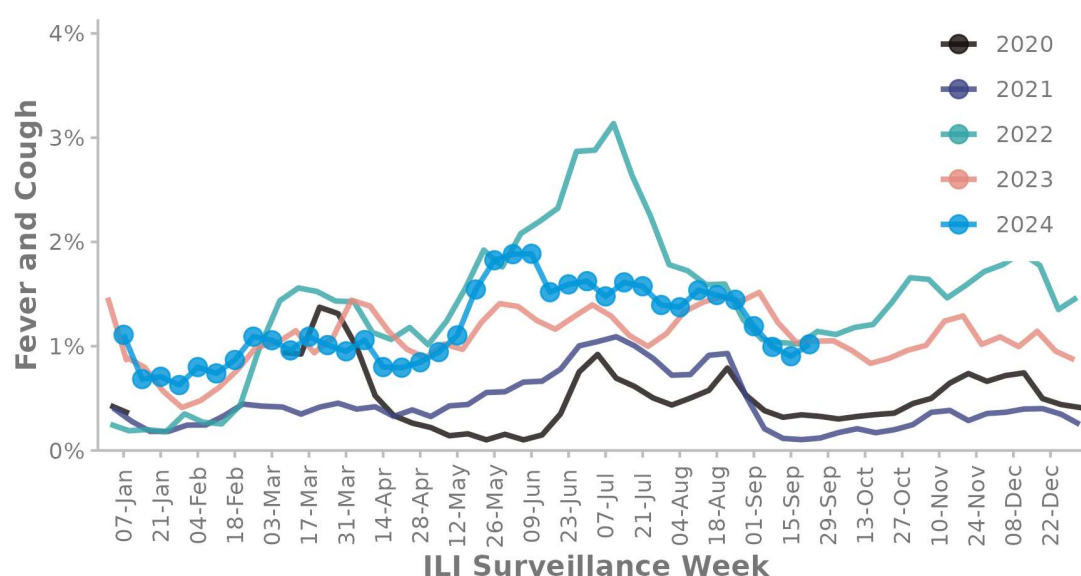
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Week Ending 22 September 2024

Low levels of respiratory illness activity. Fever, cough and absence from normal duties was reported by 0.7% 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 23 September 2024 01:01 AM and by 26 September 2024 08:30 am we had received 31,912 responses (31,906 last week) from 20,511 people responding for themselves and 11,401 household members across New Zealand.

Across New Zealand, fever AND cough was reported by 1% of participants. Fever, cough and absence from normal duties was reported by 0.7% participants. fever AND cough was reported by 4.6% of participants aged less than 5 years, 2.1% of participants aged 5-17 years, 1.2% of participants aged 18-64 years, and 0.6% of participants aged 65 years or older.

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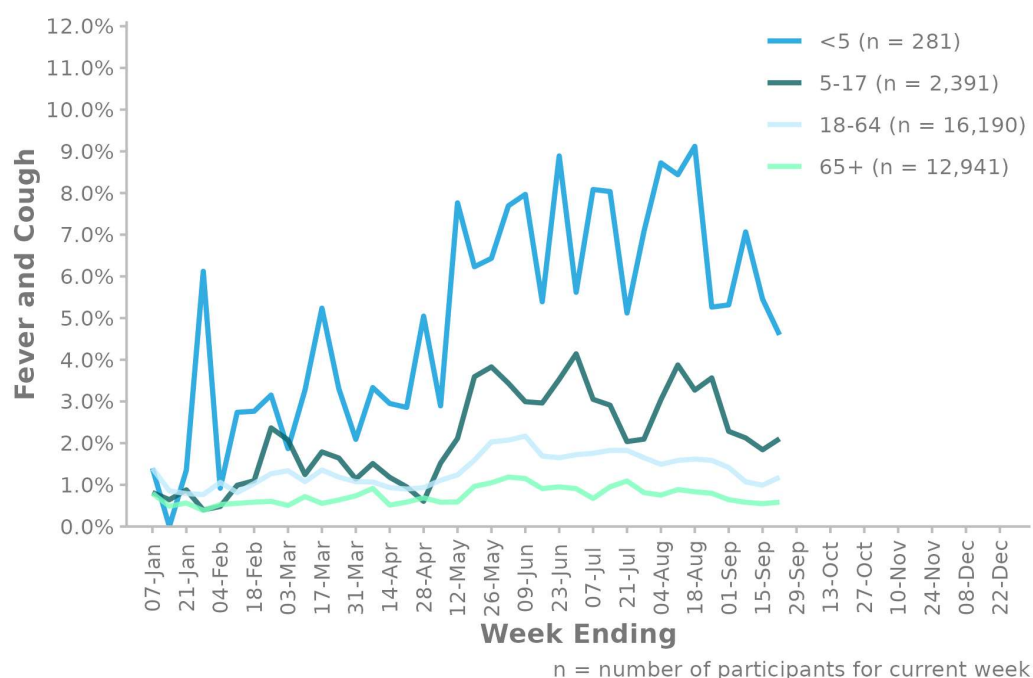
TABLE 1. RESPONDENT NUMBERS BY JURISDICTION

| Jurisdiction | Respondents | Percentage |
|--------------|-------------|------------|
| North Island | 23,140      | 72.5%      |
| South Island | 8,772       | 27.5%      |
| New Zealand  | 31,912      | 100%       |

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

|                               | Week Ending       |                   |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| (% of fever and cough)        | 15 September 2024 | 22 September 2024 |
| Tested for influenza          | 17 (5.8%)         | 19 (5.8%)         |
| Result positive for influenza | 4 (1.4%)          | 2 (0.6%)          |
| Tested for COVID-19           | 179 (61.5%)       | 177 (54.5%)       |
| Result positive for COVID-19  | 35 (12%)          | 37 (11.4%)        |

FIGURE 2. FLUTRACKING FEVER AND COUGH SYMPTOMS BY AGE GROUP



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



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