

# Weekly Interim Report New Zealand

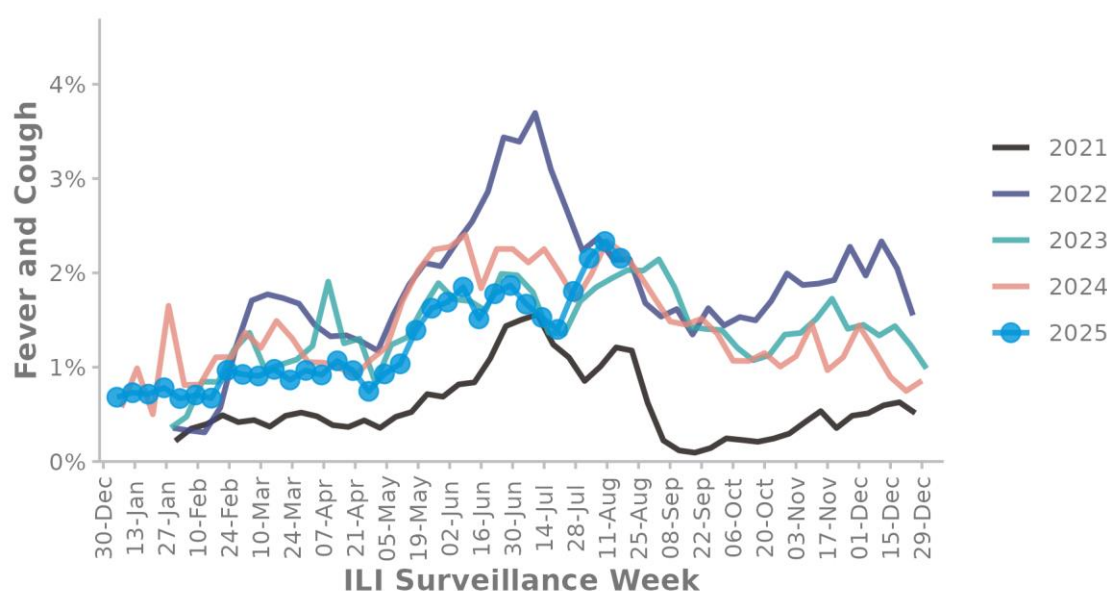
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Week Ending 17 August 2025

Low levels of respiratory illness activity. Fever, cough and absence from normal duties was reported by 1.8% 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 in the early hours of 18 August 2025 and by 21 August 2025 08:30 am we had received 30,813 responses (30,943 last week) from 19,988 people responding for themselves and 10,825 household members across New Zealand.

Across New Zealand, fever AND cough was reported by 2.2% of participants. Fever, cough and absence from normal duties was reported by 1.8% participants. Fever AND cough was reported by 8.2% of participants aged less than 5 years, 4.4% of participants aged 5-19 years, 1.5% of participants aged 20-64 years, and 0.8% of participants aged 65 years or older.

**The incidence calculation has recently been updated. Numbers from this report will currently not match incidence on the [New Zealand Influenza Intelligence Report](#). The data presented here should not be treated as authoritative and should always be interpreted together with other trusted sources from the [New Zealand Influenza Intelligence Report](#)**

TABLE 1. RESPONDENT NUMBERS BY JURISDICTION

| Region         | Respondents | Percentage |
|----------------|-------------|------------|
| Northern       | 8,760       | 28.4%      |
| Te Manawa Taki | 4,338       | 14.1%      |
| Central        | 9,180       | 29.8%      |
| Te Waipounamu  | 8,532       | 27.7%      |

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

|                               | Week Ending    |                |
|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| (% of fever and cough)        | 10 August 2025 | 17 August 2025 |
| Tested for influenza          | 16 (3.4%)      | 10 (2.2%)      |
| Result positive for influenza | 7 (43.8%)      | 2 (20%)        |
| Tested for COVID-19           | 23 (4.8%)      | 20 (4.4%)      |
| Result positive for COVID-19  | 0 (0%)         | 4 (20%)        |

FIGURE 2. FLUTRACKING FEVER AND COUGH SYMPTOMS BY AGE GROUP

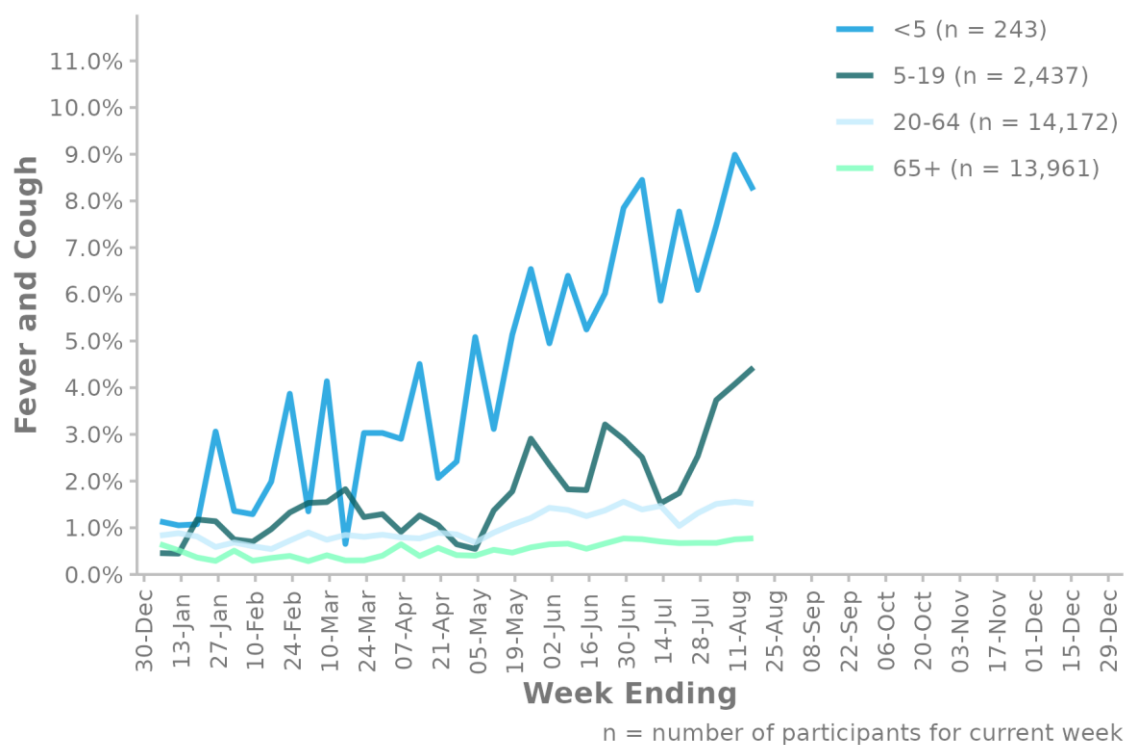
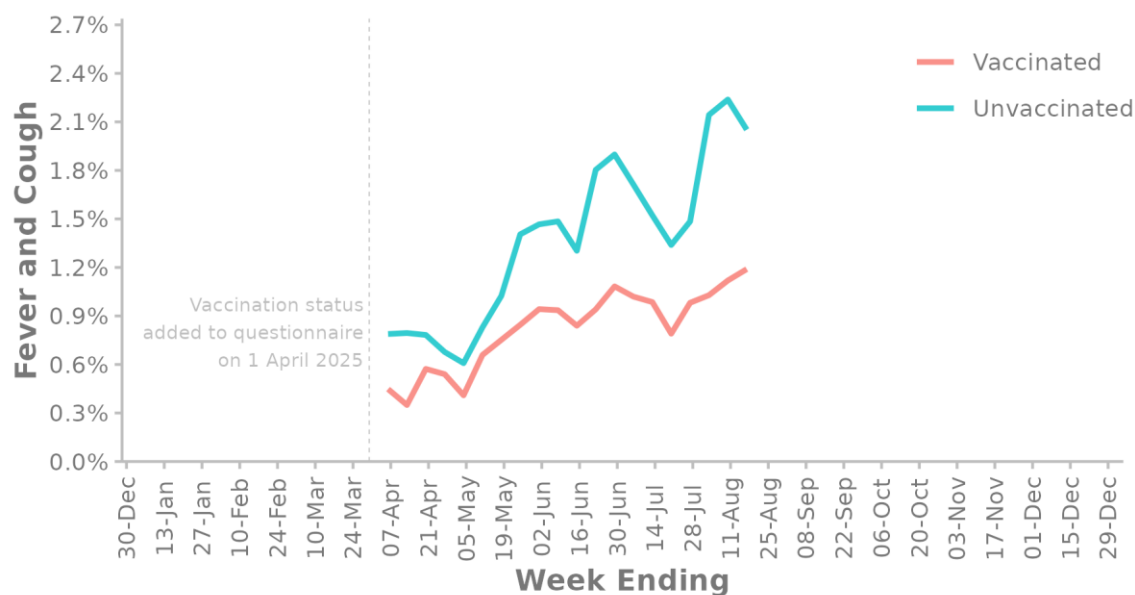


FIGURE 3. FLUTRACKING FEVER AND COUGH SYMPTOMS BY INFLUENZA VACCINATION STATUS



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