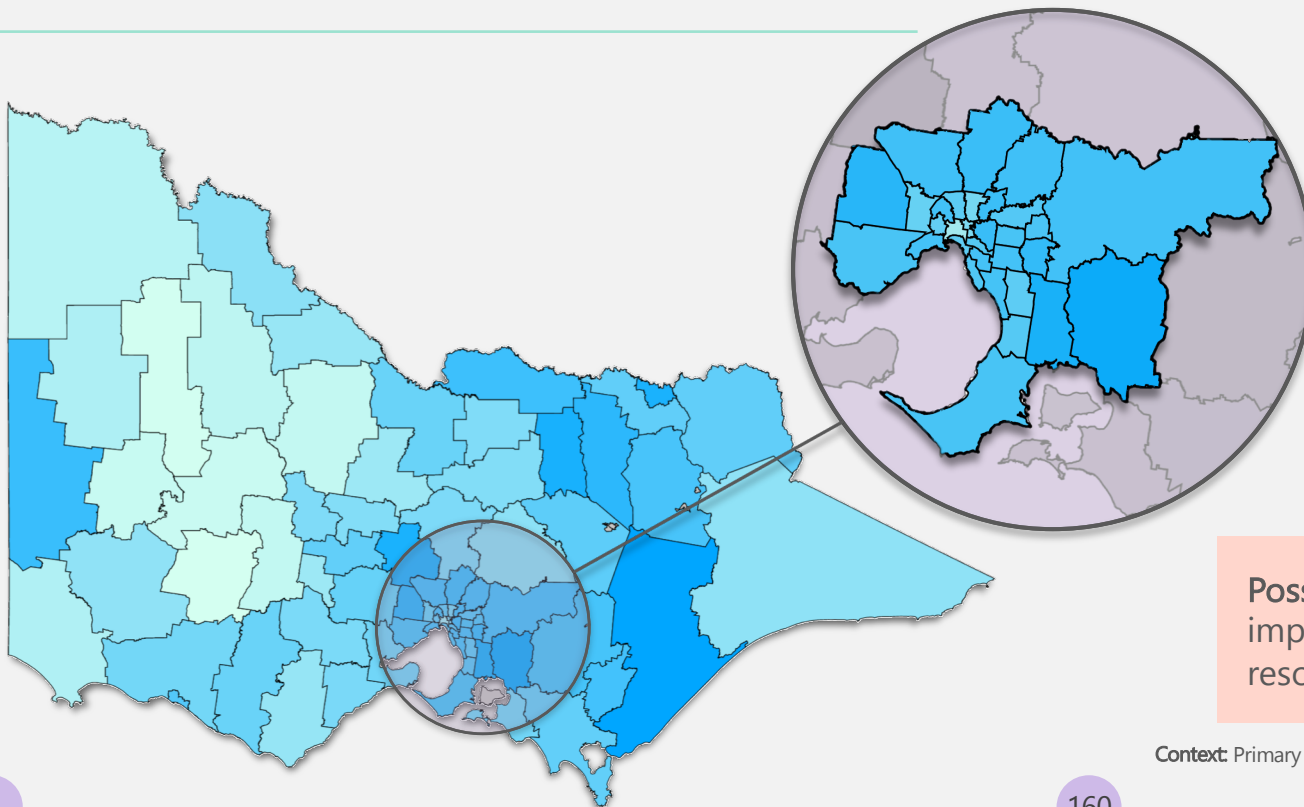


Influenza in Victoria – a snapshot

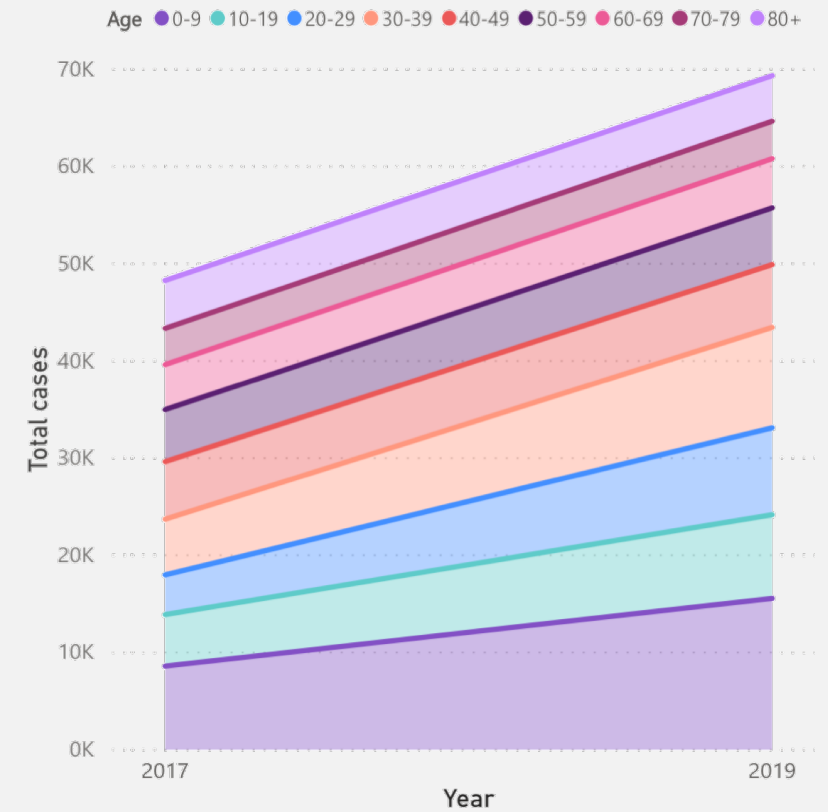
- In 2019, the geographic spread of influenza was highly varied, with particularly concentrated pockets found in *Greater Melbourne, Wellington Shire, Macedon Ranges Shire and Wodonga*.
- Reported influenza cases rose **44 percent** from 2017 to 2019, a change which can be attributed to an increase in those *under 40 years of age*.

TOTAL CASES OF INFLUENZA (PER 10,000 PEOPLE) IN 2019 BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA



Total cases (per 10,000 people)

TOTAL CASES OF INFLUENZA IN 2017 AND 2019 BY AGE GROUP



Possible uses: To identify regions and age groups which are disproportionately impacted by influenza, thereby facilitating the evidence-based distribution of resources (e.g. vaccination efforts).

Context: Primary data source contains a list of the total yearly number of recorded influenza cases for each LGA (2017-2019, stratified by age group).

Primary data source: <https://data.gov.au/dataset/ds-vic-5822b023-a6c9-4014-b87a-d41303254d44>

LGA Boundary Source: <https://data.gov.au/data/dataset/bdf92691-c6fe-42b9-a0e2-a4cd716fa811>

Population by LGA (to calculate per 10,000 people) source: <https://data.gov.au/data/dataset/f6488aaf-34f9-4243-819c-6c66afb3c1e>