

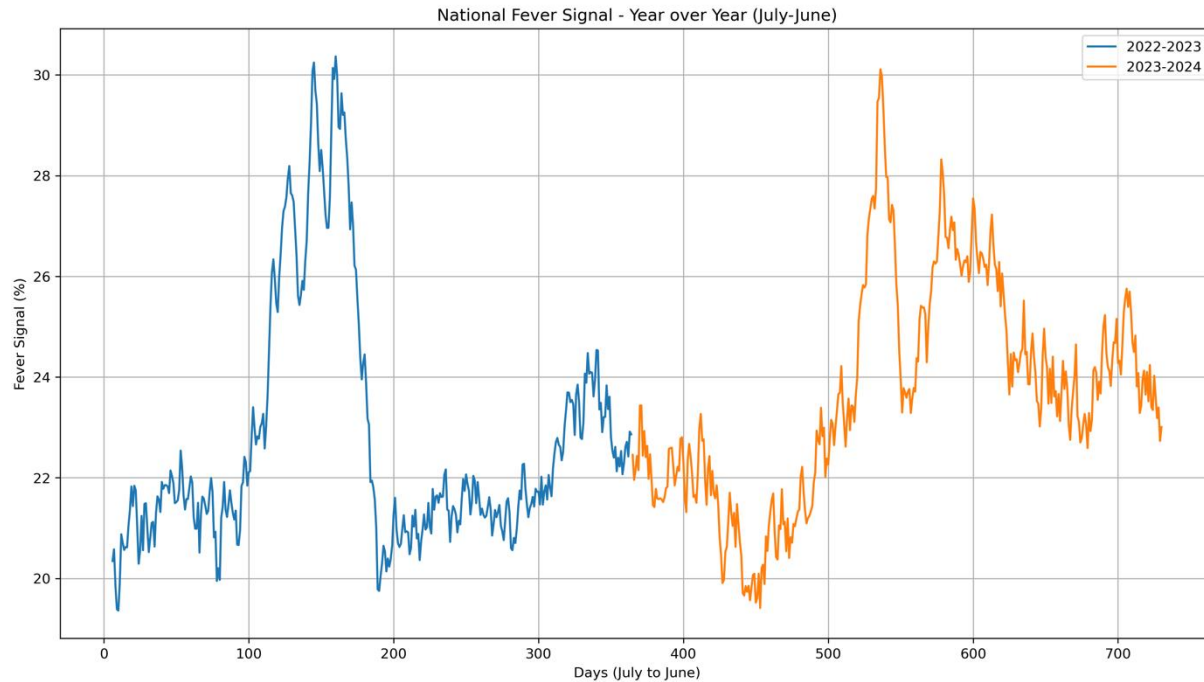
# Fever Signal Analysis and Anomaly Detection:

A Spatio-temporal Study of  
National Health Patterns, 2022-  
2024



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# Executive Summary



- Key Findings: Dataset: 843,935 observations over 730 days (2022-2024)
- Identified 21 significant anomaly days (2.88% of timespan)
- Distinct seasonal patterns in fever signals
- Regional variations between states
- Different patterns between adult/pediatric populations



# Part 1: Data Exploration

# Dataset Overview



VOLUME: 843,935  
OBSERVATIONS



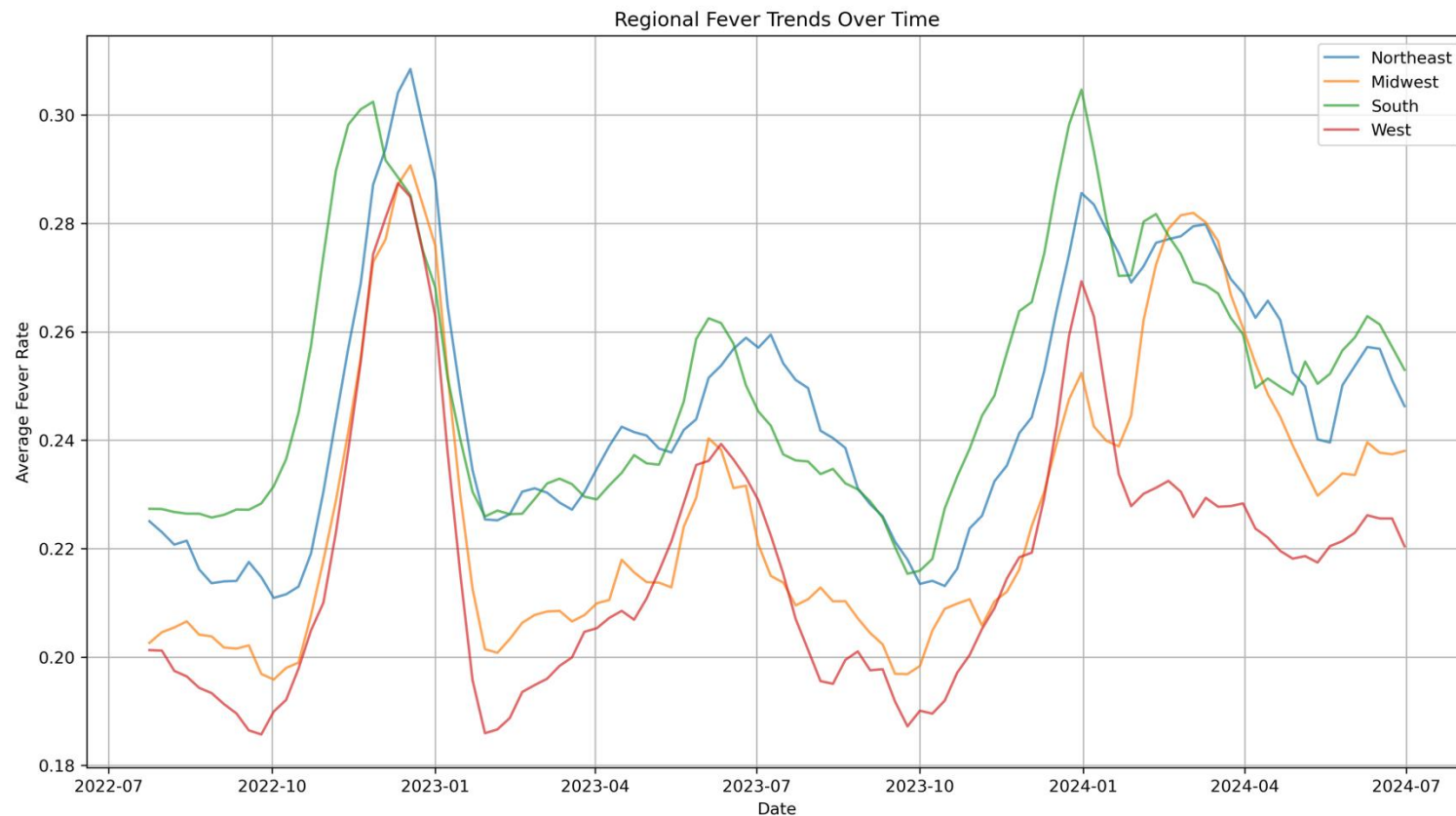
TIMEFRAME: JULY  
2022 - JUNE 2024



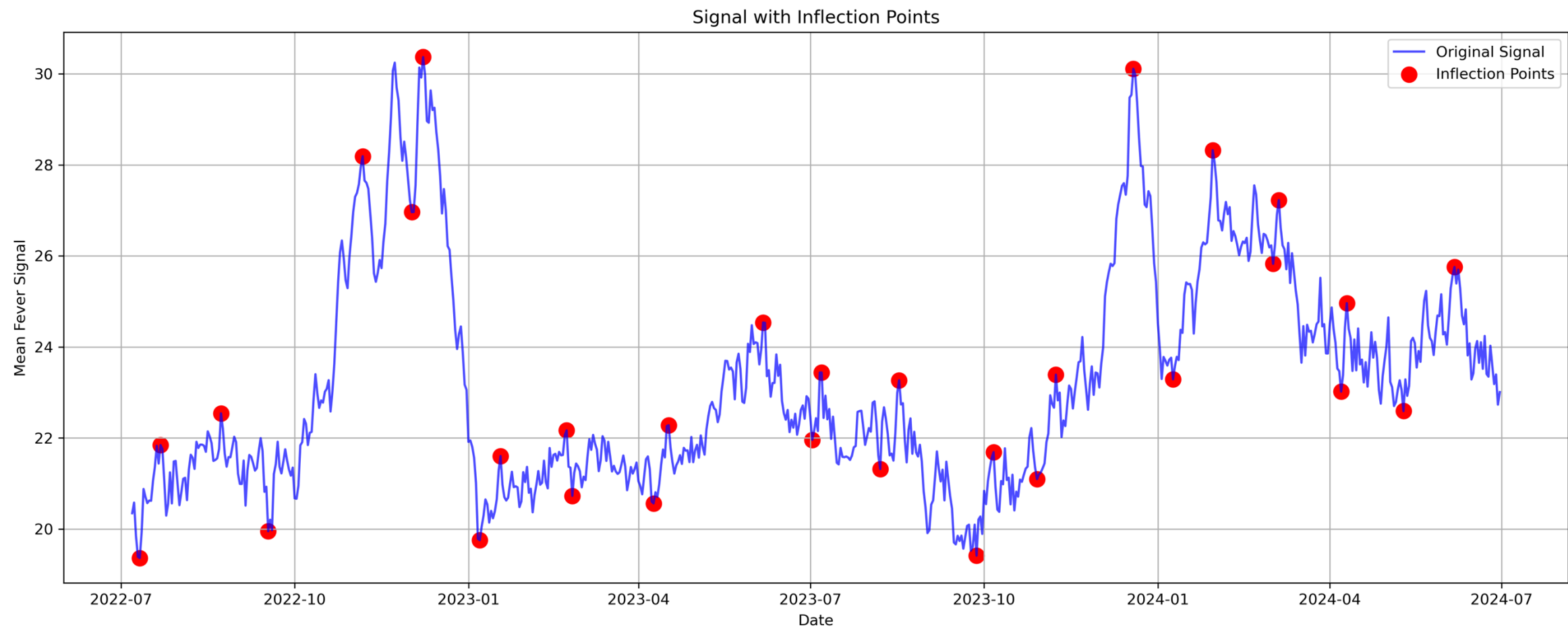
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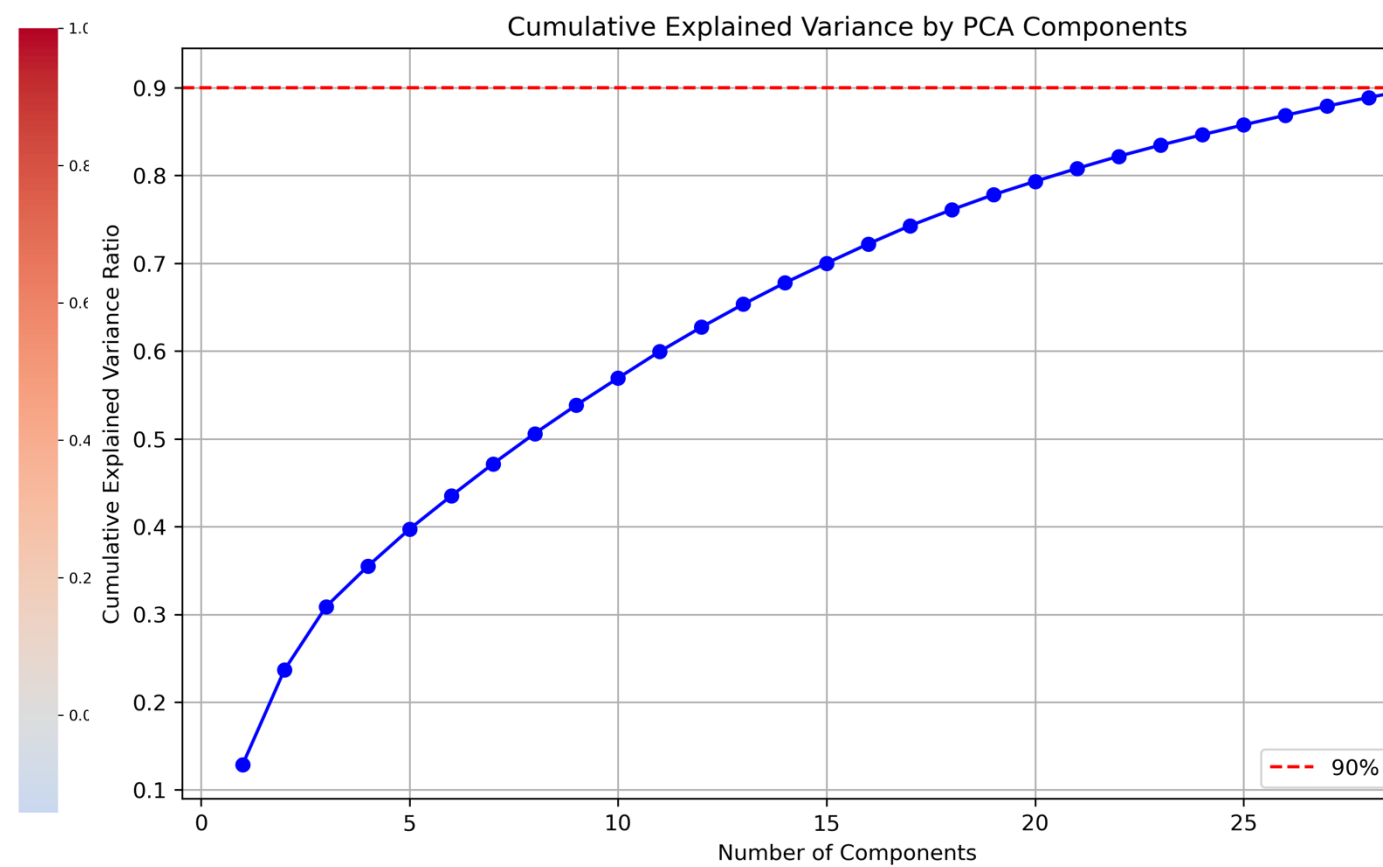
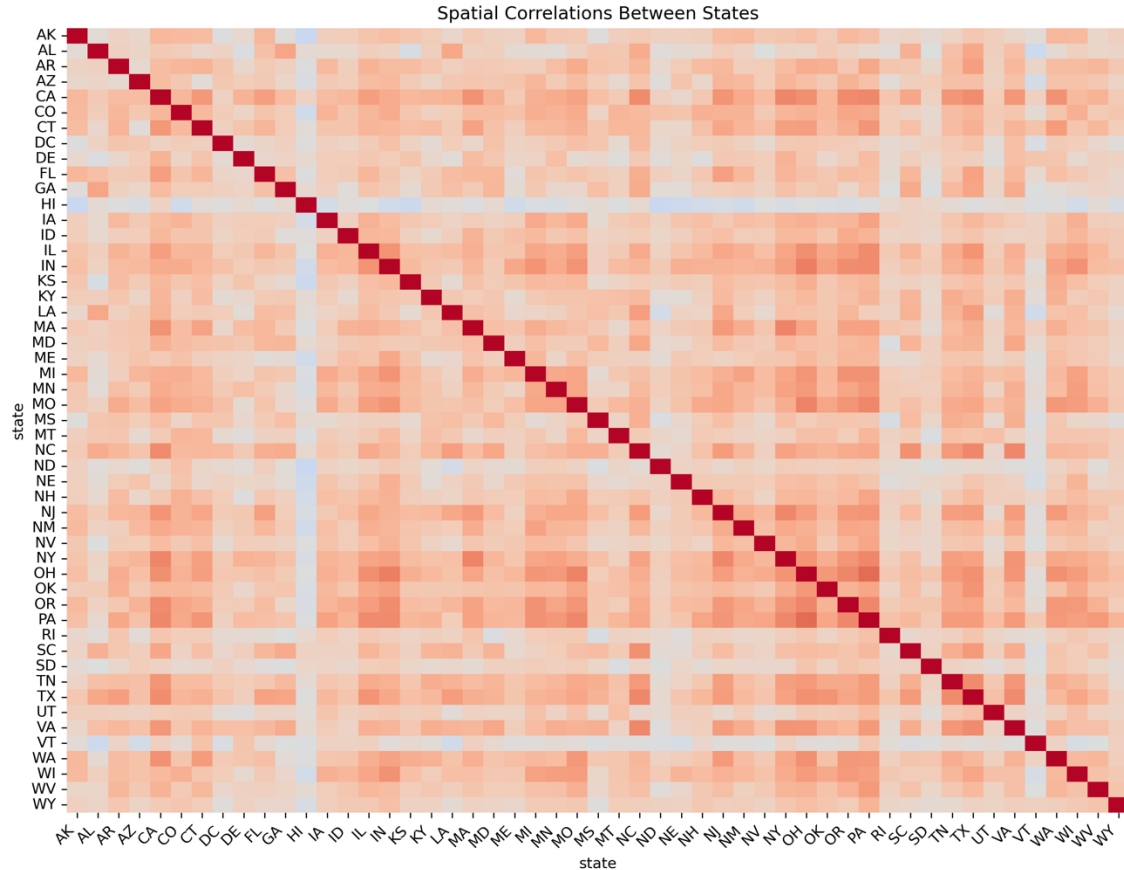
# Demographic Analysis

Regional representation



# Signal Patterns and Inflection Points





# Statistical Analysis

- PCA decomposition results (90% variance explained by 30 components)
- Spatial correlations between states

# Part 2: Signal Creation and Analysis





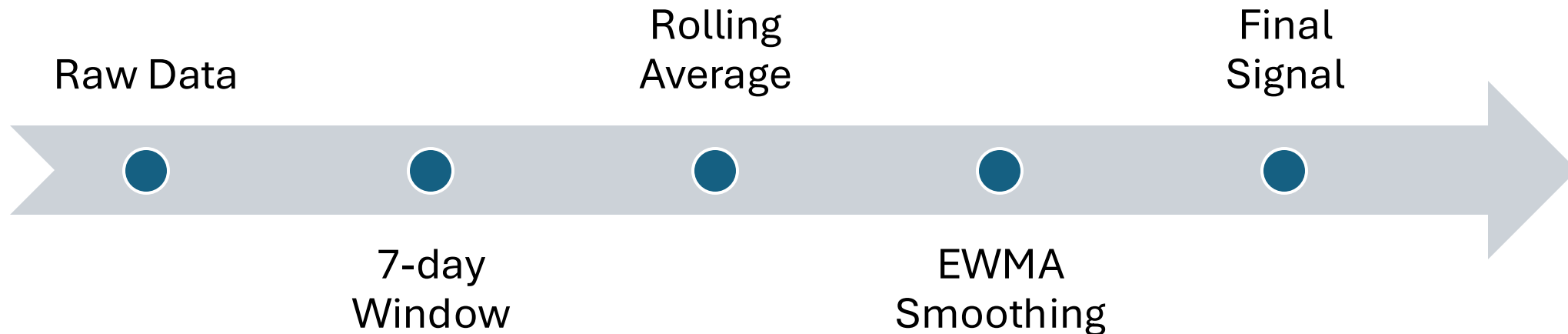


# Methodology

- Denominator Selection Rationale:
  - 1. 7-day Rolling Average - Smooths out daily reporting variations - Captures weekly cyclical patterns - Reduces impact of weekend/holiday effects
  - 2. EWMA Smoothing - Gives more weight to recent observations - Reduces noise while preserving trends - Better handles irregular reporting patterns

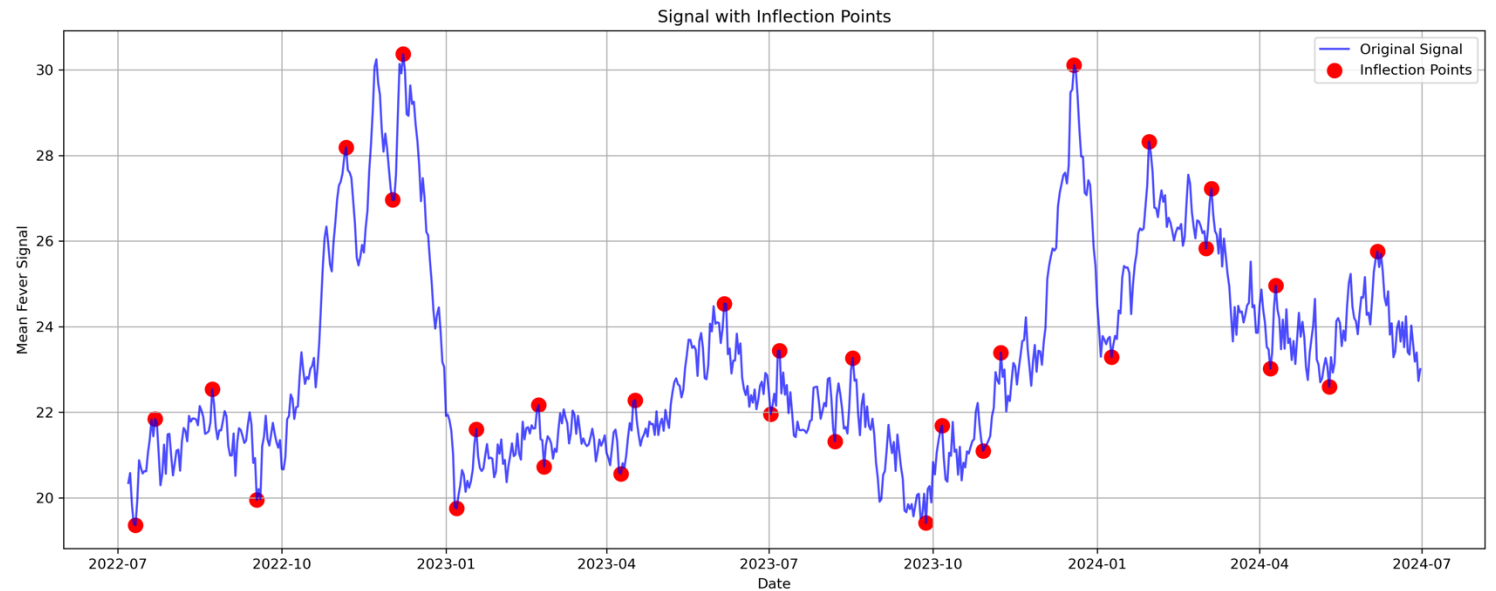
# Methodology Explained

- 7-day window captures weekly patterns
- Rolling average smooths reporting variations
- EWMA gives more weight to recent observations
- Final signal balances noise reduction with trend preservation



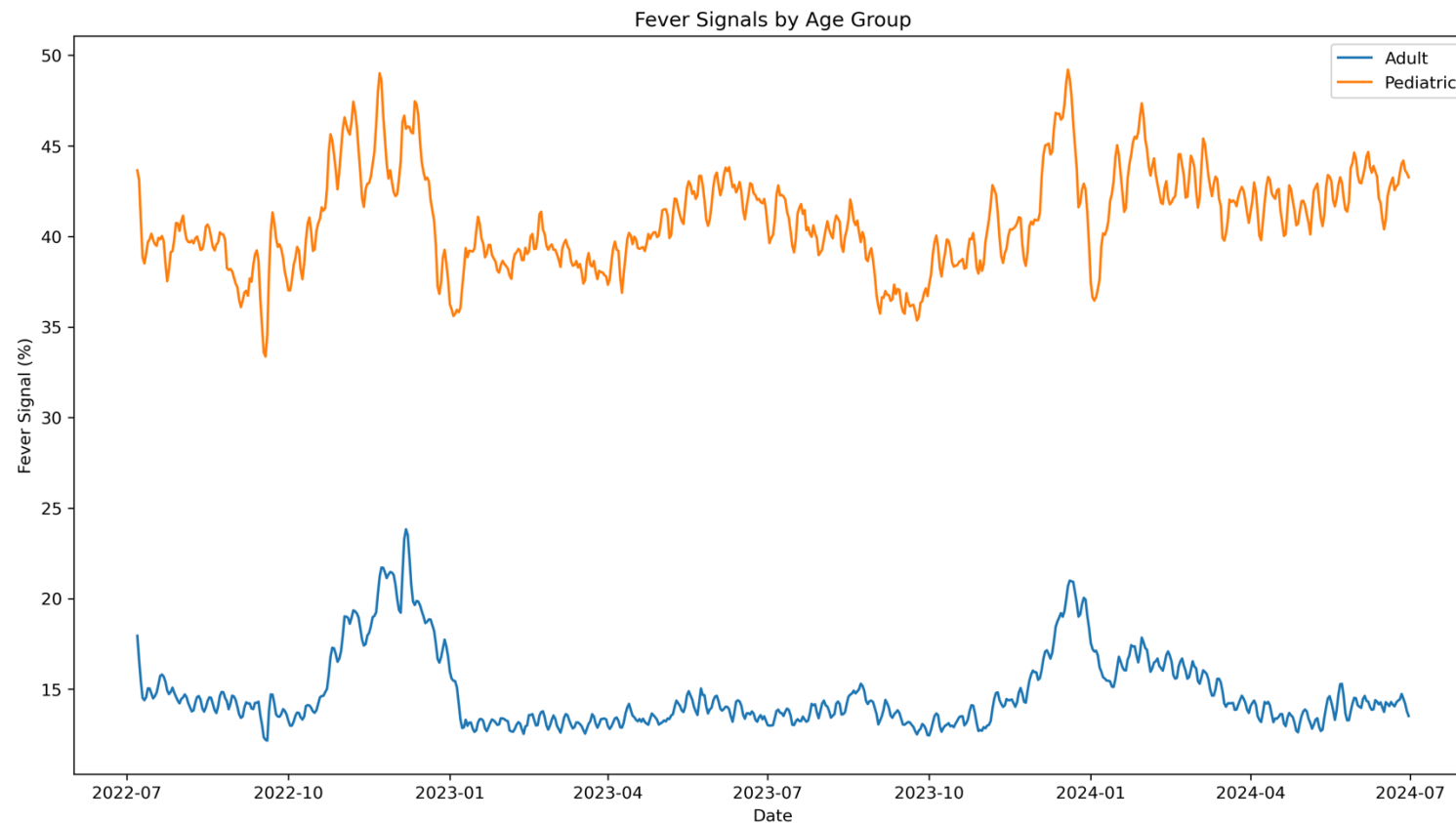
# National Signal

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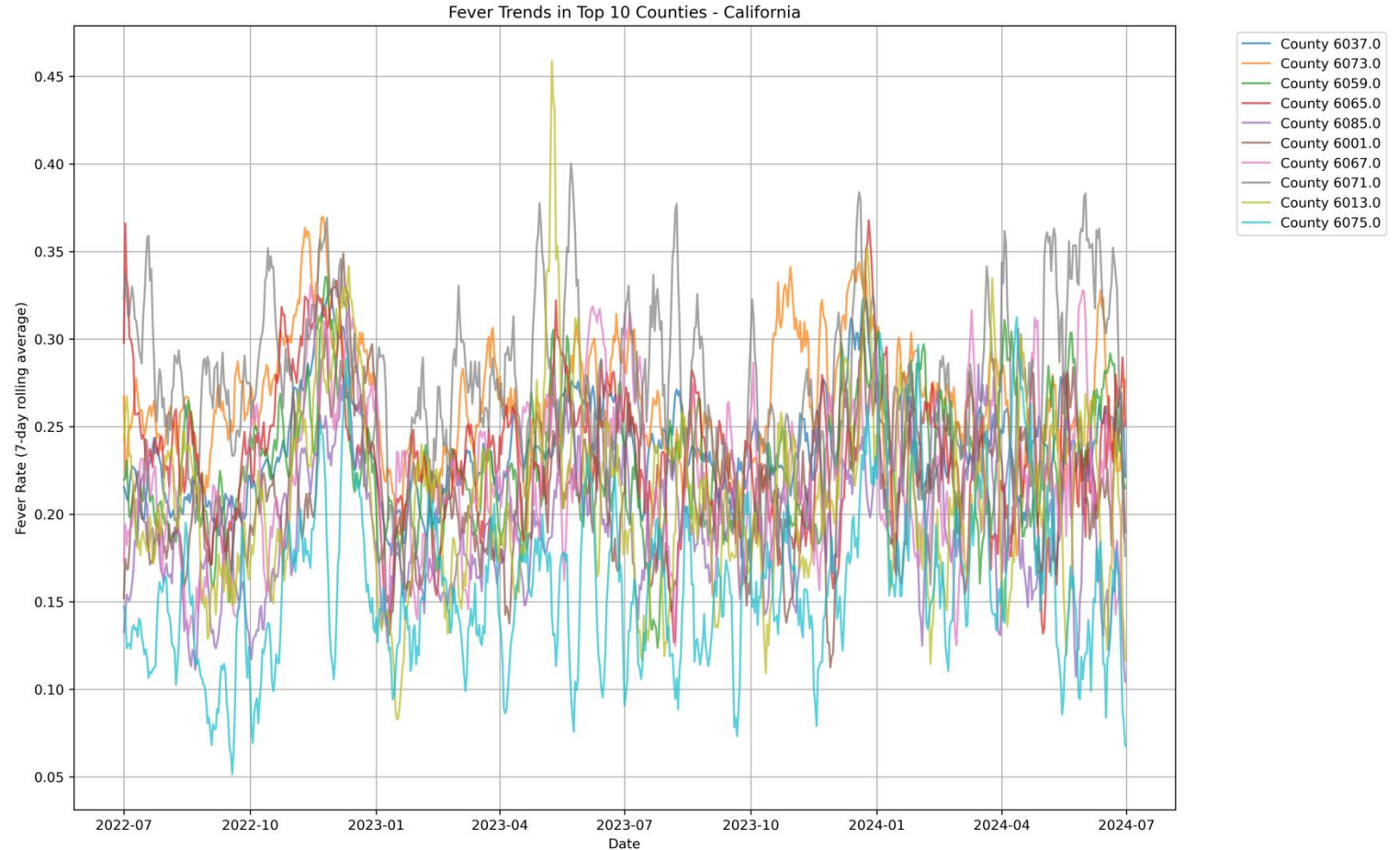
# Age Group Comparison

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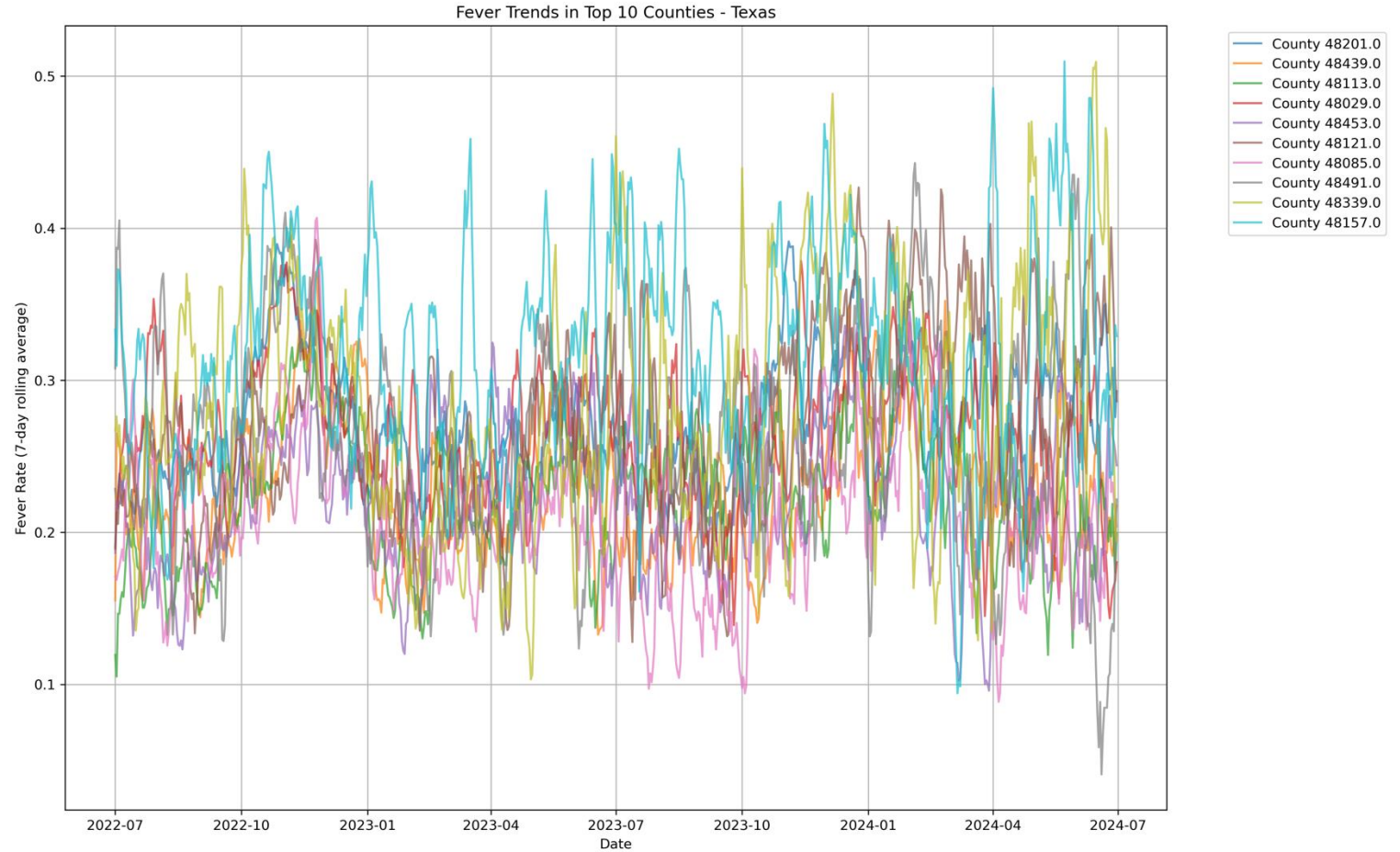
# Geographic Analysis - California

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# Geographic Analysis - Texas

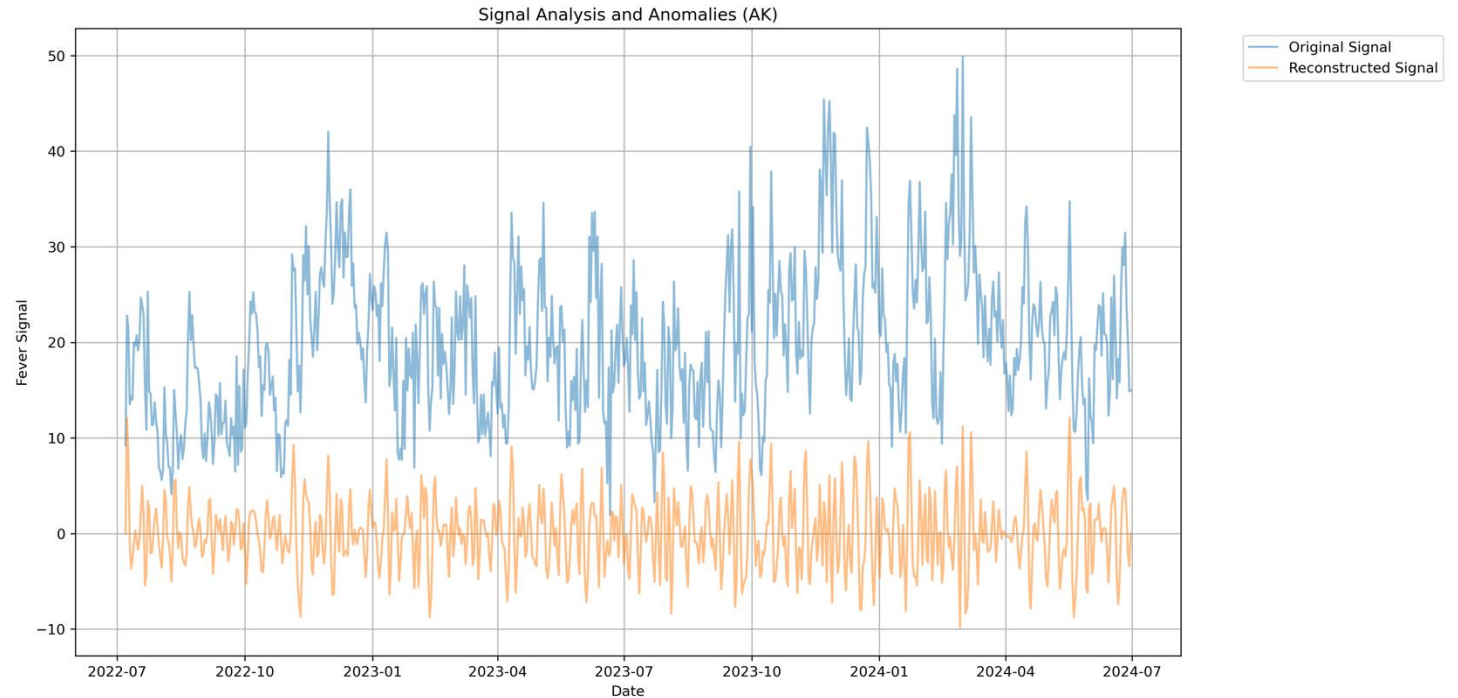
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# Anomaly Detection Methodology

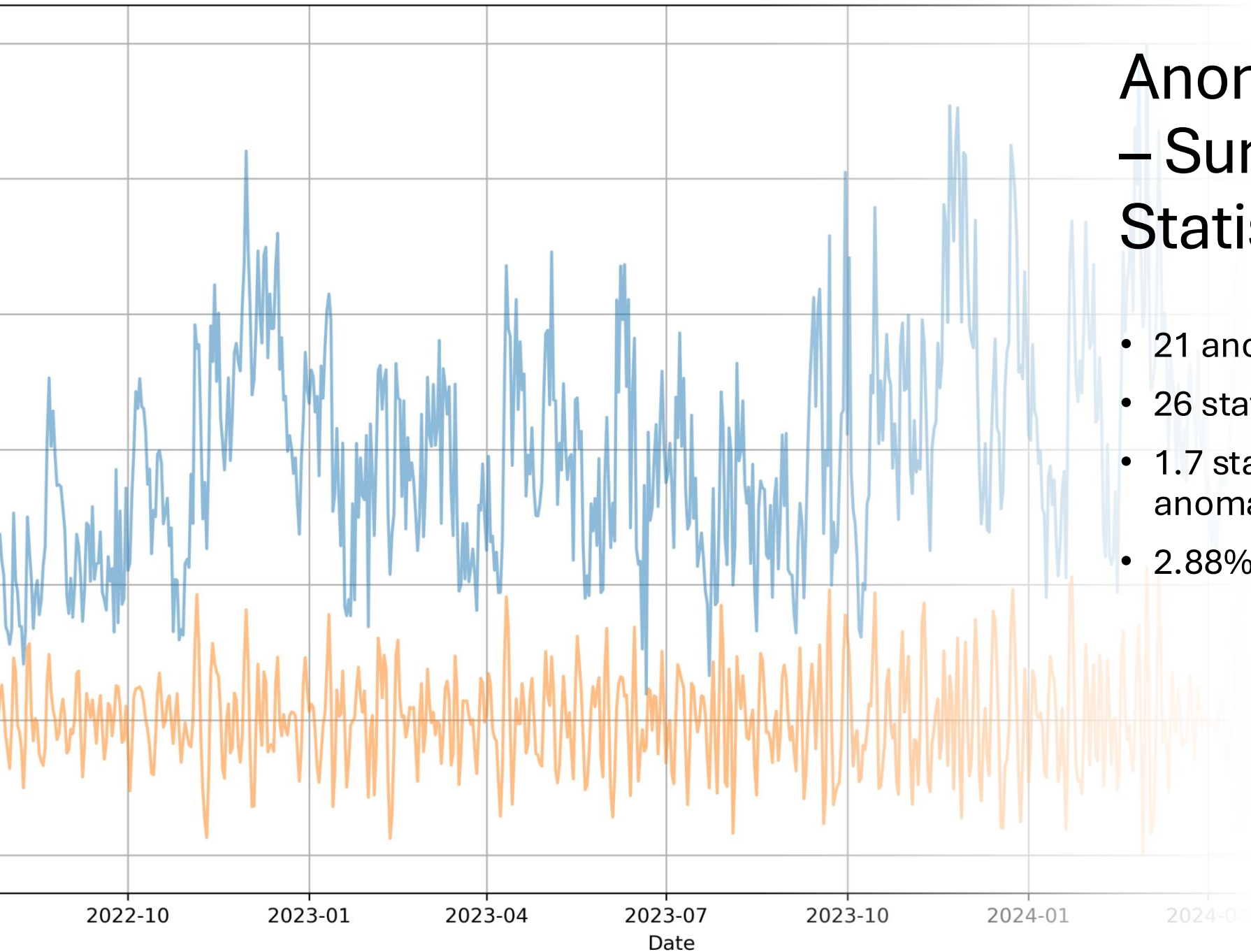
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- Methodology: Signal decomposition using PCA (90% variance explained)
  - Bandpass filtering to isolate relevant frequencies
  - Statistical thresholds ( $3\sigma$  and  $2.5\sigma$ )
  - Multi-state validation



# Anomaly Detection – Summary Statistics

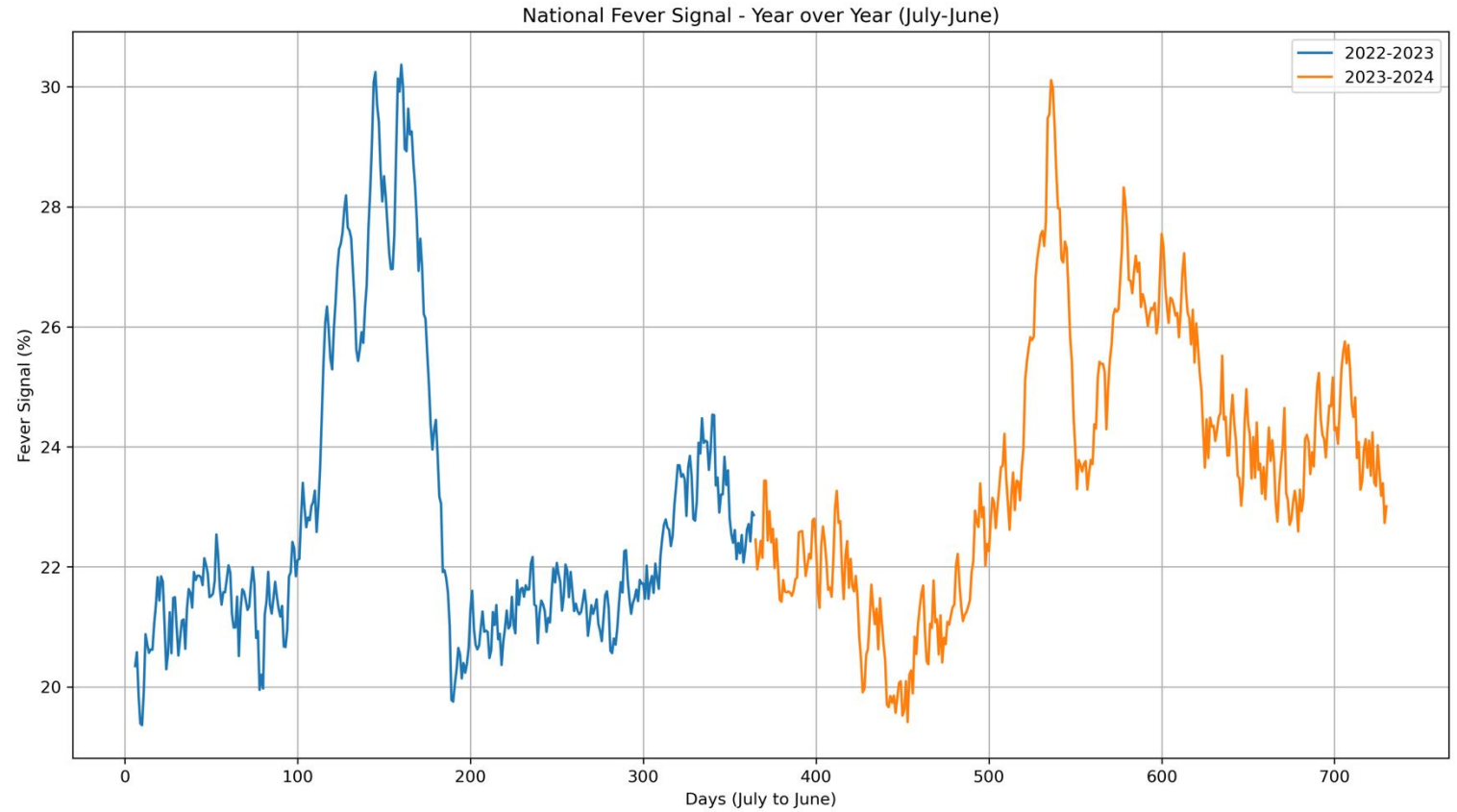
- 21 anomalous days detected
- 26 states showing anomalies
- 1.7 states affected per anomaly day
- 2.88% of total timespan



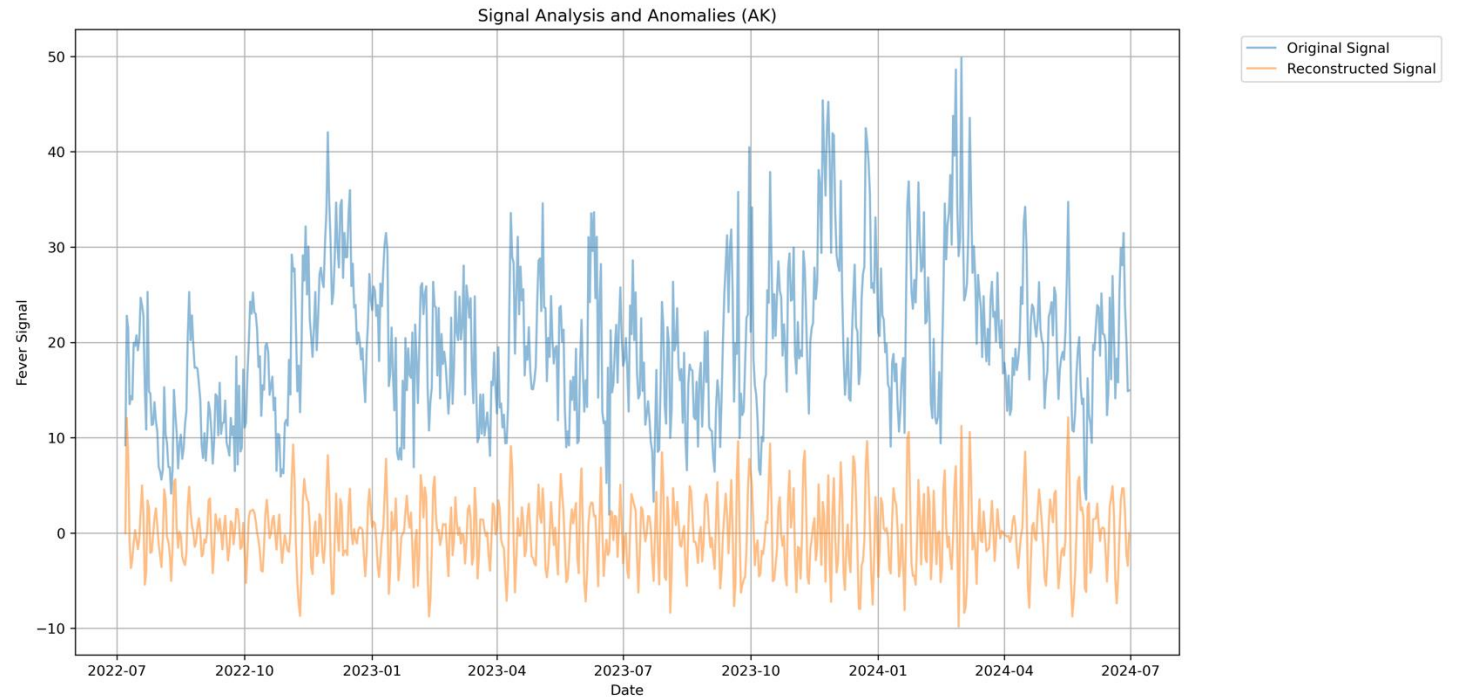


# Year-over-Year Comparison

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# Anomaly Detection



- 21 anomalous days
- 26 states showing anomalies
- 1.7 states per anomaly day (average)



# Forecasting Approach

# Key Components

Seasonal decomposition

Geographic factors

Demographic considerations



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## Model Strategy

- Feature selection
- Temporal aspects
- Spatial correlations

# Implementation Plan



DATA PIPELINE  
REQUIREMENTS



VALIDATION  
APPROACH



SUCCESS METRICS

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# Limitations and Future Work

- Current Limitations:
  - Rural state data sparsity
  - Smartphone dependency
  - Demographic representation
- Future Development:
  - Enhanced modeling incorporating:
    - Improved spatial correlation analysis
    - Better seasonality modeling
    - More granular demographic segmentation



# Questions?

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