

# Package ‘impactflu’

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**Title** Quantification of Population-Level Impact of Vaccination

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**Description** Implements the compartment model from Tokars (2018)  [<doi:10.1016/j.vaccine.2018.10.026>](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.vaccine.2018.10.026). This enables quantification of population-wide impact of vaccination against vaccine-preventable diseases such as influenza.

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generate\_counts      *Generate normal counts*

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**Description**

Generates counts from a normal distribution density function.

**Usage**

```
generate_counts(init_pop_size, n_timepoints, overall_prop, mean, sd)
```

**Arguments**

init_pop_size	Initial population size
n_timepoints	Number of timepoints
overall_prop	Overall proportion of the population to be included in the counts over all the timepoints
mean	Mean of the normal distribution
sd	Standard deviation of the normal distribution

**Value**

An integer vector of counts of length n\_timepoints

**Examples**

```
# Tokars (2018) vaccinations  
vacs_tok <- generate_counts(1e6, 304, 0.55, 100, 50)  
# Tokars (2018) cases  
casen_tok <- generate_counts(1e6, 304, 0.12, 190, 35)
```

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generate\_dates      *Generate dates*

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**Description**

Generate dates given timepoint indices, start date and step unit

**Usage**

```
generate_dates(timepoints, start, unit)
```

**Arguments**

timepoints	Integer vector timepoint indices
start	Date of index 1
unit	"year" "month" or "day"

**Value**

A vector of dates the same length as timepoints

**Examples**

```
# Dates from Tokars (2018)
timepoints <- 1L:304L
dates <- generate_dates(timepoints, lubridate::ymd("2017-08-01"), "day")
```

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method1

*Analysis methods from Tokars (2018)*


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**Description**

Method 1 was said to be as current. Method 3 was determined to be the least biased.

**Usage**

```
method1(init_pop_size, vaccinations, cases, ve)
method3(init_pop_size, vaccinations, cases, ve)
```

**Arguments**

init_pop_size	Integer initial population size
vaccinations	Integer vector counts of vaccinations
cases	Integer vector counts of cases
ve	Vector vaccine effectiveness. If length 1, assumed to not vary with time.

**Value**

A [tibble](#) with the following columns (method-dependent):

cases	Observed cases
vaccinations	Observed vaccinations
ve	Assumed vaccine effectiveness
pvac	Proportion of the starting population vaccinated
vc_lag	Vaccine coverage lagged
pops	Susceptible population

pflu	Infection risk
popn	Non-cases is absence of vaccination
cases_novac	Cases in absence of vaccination
avert	Expected number of vaccinations

## References

Tokars JI, Rolfes MA, Foppa IM, Reed C. An evaluation and update of methods for estimating the number of influenza cases averted by vaccination in the United States. *Vaccine*. 2018;36(48):7331–7337. doi:10.1016/j.vaccine.2018.10.026

## Examples

```
library(dplyr)

# Simulate a population
nsam <- 1e6L
ndays <- 304L
pop_tok <- sim_reference(
  init_pop_size = nsam,
  vaccinations = generate_counts(nsam, ndays, 0.55, mean = 100, sd = 50),
  cases_novac = generate_counts(nsam, ndays, 0.12, mean = 190, sd = 35),
  ve = 0.48,
  lag = 14,
  deterministic = TRUE
)

# Summarise by month
pop_tok_month <- pop_tok %>%
  mutate(
    datestamp = generate_dates(
      timepoint, lubridate::ymd("2017-08-01"), "day"
    ),
    year = lubridate::year(datestamp),
    month = lubridate::month(datestamp)
  ) %>%
  group_by(year, month) %>%
  summarise(
    vaccinations = sum(vaccinations), cases = sum(cases), ve = mean(ve)
  ) %>%
  ungroup()

# Estimate averted cases using the two different methods
m1 <- method1(
  nsam, pop_tok_month$vaccinations, pop_tok_month$cases, pop_tok_month$ve
)
m3 <- method3(
  nsam, pop_tok_month$vaccinations, pop_tok_month$cases, pop_tok_month$ve
)
sum(m1$avert)
sum(m3$avert)
```

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sim_reference	<i>Simulate an ideal population</i>
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**Description**

Simulates an ideal population using the reference model from Tokars (2018).

**Usage**

```
sim_reference(
  init_pop_size,
  vaccinations,
  cases_novac,
  ve,
  lag,
  deterministic,
  seed = sample.int(.Machine$integer.max, 1)
)
```

**Arguments**

init_pop_size	Integer initial population size
vaccinations	Integer vector number of vaccinations at every timepoint
cases_novac	Integer vector number of cases at every timepoint
ve	Vaccine effectiveness (proportion)
lag	Integer lag period measured in timepoints
deterministic	Boolean whether to make the simulation deterministic
seed	Integer seed to use

**Value**

A [tibble](#) with the following columns:

timepoint	Index of timepoint
vaccinations	Expected number of vaccinations
cases_novac	Expected number of cases in absence of vaccination
ve	Expected vaccine effectiveness
pflu	Flu incidence
cases	Actual number of cases
popn	Non-cases in absence of vaccination
pvac	Proportion of starting population vaccinated
b	Number vaccinated at that time
A	Non-vaccinated non-cases
B	Vaccinated non-cases lagging
E	Non-vaccinated cases

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## Examples

```
# Population from Tokars (2018)
nsam <- 1e6L
ndays <- 304L
pop_tok <- sim_reference(
  init_pop_size = nsam,
  vaccinations = generate_counts(nsam, ndays, 0.55, mean = 100, sd = 50),
  cases_novac = generate_counts(nsam, ndays, 0.12, mean = 190, sd = 35),
  ve = 0.48,
  lag = 14,
  deterministic = TRUE
)
head(pop_tok)
sum(pop_tok$avert)
```

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