

September 2026 sponsor update on Mike Honey's GitHub projects Published

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Hi Sponsors!

Here's the September newsletter for my GitHub Sponsors, summarising what I have been up to across my GitHub projects. Your support (no matter how big or small) has helped fund and encourage me in this work.

If you see anything below that piques your interest, please don't hesitate to ask more questions or dig into the interactive dataviz projects yourself.

Please share my work across your networks and encourage others to join you in sponsoring my projects.

[Ebola outbreak 2026](#)

- Here's my [latest update for this project](#)

[AIHW-principal-diagnosis](#)

- My project that integrates AIHW's datacubes on the Principal Diagnosis for Hospital Separations in Australia got another workout, [responding to a recent piece Guardian piece by George Monbiot on ME/CFS covid-19-genomes](#)

- Weekly updates of the data from GISAID and Nextclade continued.
- I've been using this project to track new & emerging variants – lately

focussed on the new saltation variant PJ.2.1. Here's my [latest thread sars-cov-2-genomes](#)

- Weekly updates of the data from GISAID and Nextclade continued.
- The mutation scatter chart in this project has been useful to highlight mutations that are growing strongly, in this post I [highlighted mutations that characterise the new PJ.2.1 variant covid-19-au-vaccinations](#)

- I used this project for updates on the [diphtheria outbreak in Australia, especially in the NT & WA](#)
- A key source project which scrapes the NNDSS data on notifiable disease cases was dramatically reshaped in a frantic burst of changes, with the help of an AI coding tool. This generated quite a lot of work for me to digest the many breaking changes and adjust my integration logic. The end result now integrates month-end adjustments to align with the retrospective changes in tallies observed on the NNDSS dashboard, which are quite common.
- Daily scheduled updates of the data from the project scraping the NNDSS data eventually resumed, after a pause of several weeks
- Monthly updates of the data from ABS (Mortality) continued
- The data feed from covidlive.com.au was discontinued and its historical data was removed. I was able to retain the last snapshot of that data, as of early September. Most of the elements of that feed (eg hospitalisations) had already been discontinued, and the remaining recent data on cases was duplicating the NNDSS data.

[covid-19-world-vaccinations](#)

- Daily scheduled updates of the data from OWID, the WHO and HMD continued

I shared content and analysis from the above projects across various social media channels:

- Mastodon (Aus.Social): https://aus.social/@mike_honey
- BlueSky: <https://bsky.app/profile/mikehoney.bsky.social>
- Insta: https://www.instagram.com/mike_honey/
- Threads: https://www.threads.net/@mike_honey
- Reddit: https://www.reddit.com/user/mike_honey/submitted/
- YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNelxLSC010bulYuwDFBaYg/>
- TikTok: https://www.tiktok.com/@mike_honey

That's it for last month!

Sincere thanks
Mike Honey