Childhood Coverage Rates

Coverage rates for South Carolina children at 35 months of age were slightly below national rates. § 90.3% of kindergarten children were up to date with their vaccinations for the 2021-22 school year.  

Statewide Immunization Exemption Rates

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<td>2019-2020</td>
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<td>787,480</td>
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§ All public & private schools

Adolescent Coverage Rates

South Carolina has lower coverage estimates than the national rates for all ACIP recommended adolescent vaccines.

Influenza Vaccination Rates

During the 2020-21 flu season:

- 48.1 percent of eligible South Carolinians age 6 months and older were vaccinated for flu.
- 51.2 percent of children age 6 months - 17 years were vaccinated for flu.
- 72.2 percent of adults age 65 years and older were vaccinated for flu.

Abbreviations:
DTaP = diphtheria, tetanus toxoids, and acellular pertussis vaccine (includes children who might have been vaccinated with diphtheria and tetanus toxoids vaccine, or diphtheria, tetanus toxoids, and pertussis vaccine); Polio = poliovirus vaccine; MMR = measles, mumps, and rubella vaccine; Hib = Haemophilus influenzae type b vaccine; HepB = hepatitis B vaccine; Var = varicella vaccine; PCV = pneumococcal conjugate vaccine; Tdap = tetanus toxoid, reduced diphtheria toxoid, and acellular pertussis; MenACWY = meningococcal conjugate vaccine; HPV = human papilloma virus; ACIP = Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices

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