

Wisconsin Vaccination Rates

Wisconsin’s vaccination rates have remained stable.

In 2019-2020, 4.4% of parents opted to use the Personal Conviction Exemption. **This is a decrease from 4.6% reported one year earlier.** Only 5.1% of Wisconsin school children have a vaccine exemption of any type on file for one or more vaccines. Most parents who opt for an exemption have children who are at least **partially vaccinated**. A vaccine exemption is filed regardless of whether the exemption is filed for one dose or all doses. The Wisconsin Department of Health **does not collect data** to determine the exact number of vaccines or type of vaccine that are being waived by Pre-K through 12th grade students ^{1 2}

**Wisconsin Student Immunization Law Compliance Results
Public and Private Schools
Kindergarten (and Pre-K) through 12th Grade, By School Year**

Compliance Category ¹	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Meets Minimum ²	92.2%	92.4%	92.5%	92.4%	92.0%	91.5%	94.0%	93.7%	88.5%	91.7%	92.9%
In Process ²	4.1%	2.4%	1.9%	1.7%	1.5%	1.5%	1.1%	0.8%	2.2%	1.0%	1.3%
Medical Waiver ²	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%
Religious Waiver ²	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Personal Conviction Waiver ²	1.2%	1.4%	1.7%	1.9%	2.3%	2.6%	2.8%	3.0%	3.0%	2.9%	3.0%
Behind Schedule ³	1.3%	2.6%	2.7%	2.7%	2.8%	2.8%	0.9%	1.6%	4.4%	3.0%	1.6%
No Record ⁴	0.6%	0.6%	0.7%	0.6%	0.6%	0.7%	0.2%	0.3%	1.1%	0.7%	0.4%

Compliance Category ¹	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Meets Minimum ²	90.9%	90.7%	90.8%	91.9%	92.6%	92.3%	92.5%	92.4%	92.5%	92.3%	91.9%
In Process ²	1.3%	1.4%	1.3%	1.1%	0.8%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.8%
Medical Waiver ²	0.4%	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Religious Waiver ²	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%
Personal Conviction Waiver ²	3.3%	3.6%	3.8%	3.8%	4.0%	4.3%	4.3%	4.3%	4.2%	4.3%	4.6%
Behind Schedule ³	3.5%	3.4%	3.1%	2.2%	1.8%	1.9%	1.8%	1.8%	1.6%	1.7%	1.6%
No Record ⁴	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%	0.1%	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%

In 2019-2020, only 1.2% of Wisconsin students had waived all immunizations.

¹ Wisconsin Department of Health – WISCONSIN SCHOOL IMMUNIZATION RATES 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR. P-01894 (Rev. 03/2020) (<https://tinyurl.com/yxg5uojb>)

² Wisconsin Student Immunization Law Compliance Results - Public and Private Schools Kindergarten (and Pre-K) through 12th Grade, By School Year - Wisconsin Dept. of Health P-02204 (Rev. 04/2019) (<https://tinyurl.com/y6grpgpz>)