

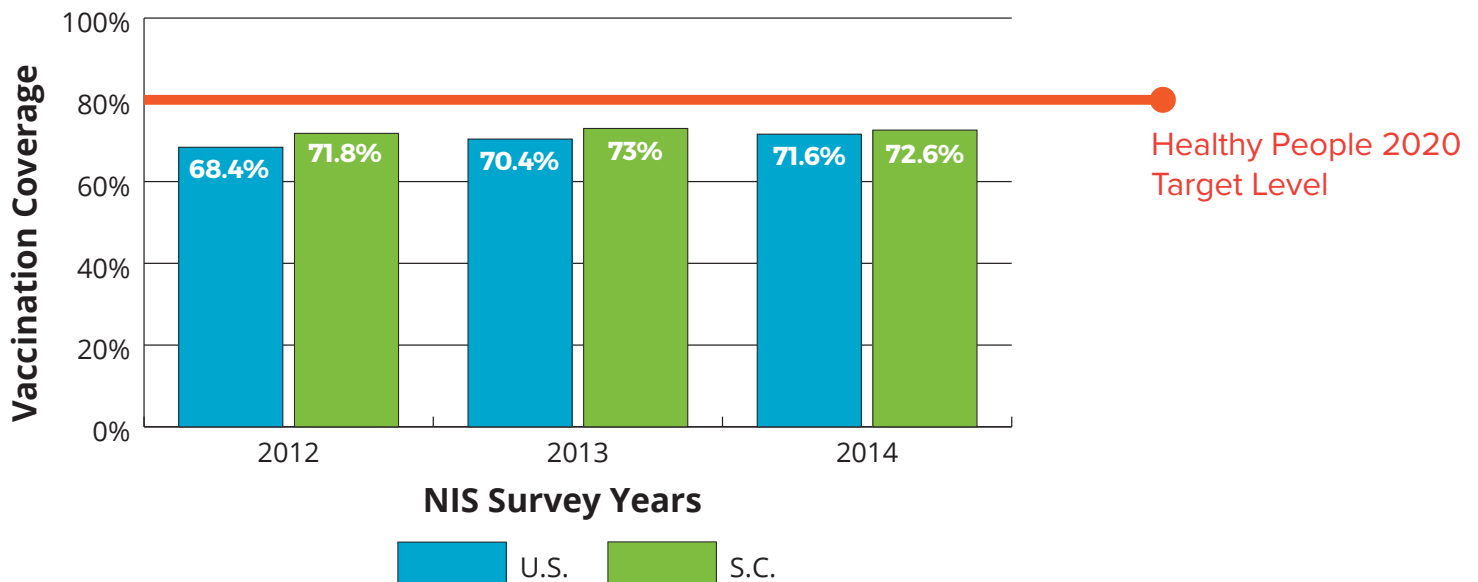
# South Carolina Immunization Fact Sheet

Over 93 percent of kindergarten children were up to date with their vaccinations for the 2014-15 school year.<sup>1</sup>

## Childhood Coverage Rates<sup>2</sup>

South Carolina has consistently achieved higher than national coverage rates for children aged 19–35 months, although still below the Healthy People 2020 target of 80 percent.

Estimated Vaccination Coverage with Combined 7-vaccine Series<sup>s</sup> Among Children Aged 19-35 Months, 2012-2014



Data Source: CDC National Immunization Survey (NIS) - Children

<sup>s</sup>The combined 7-vaccine series includes  $\geq 4$  doses of DTaP,  $\geq 3$  doses of Polio,  $\geq 1$  dose of measles-containing vaccine, Hib full series,  $\geq 3$  HepB,  $\geq 1$  Var, and  $\geq 4$  PCV.

## Immunization Exemption Rates<sup>3</sup>

For the 2015-16 school year:

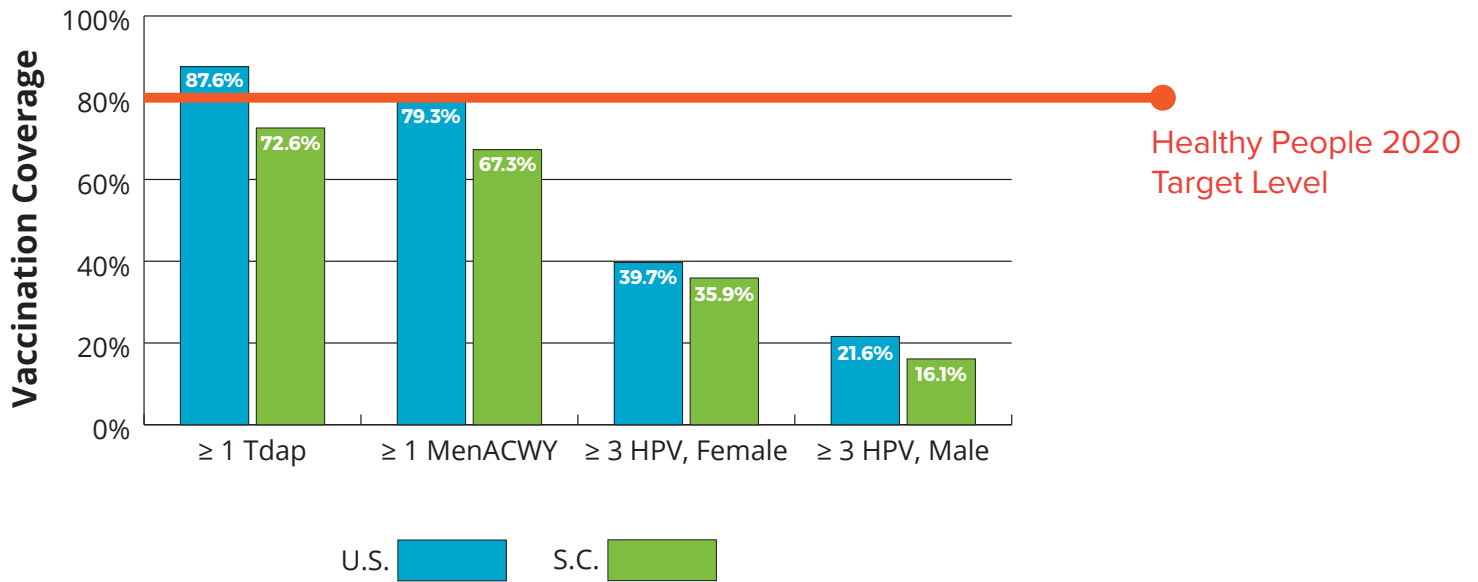
Only 1.1 percent of children in South Carolina schools have an immunization exemption.

- 0.24 percent medical exemptions
- 0.87 percent religious exemptions

## Adolescent Coverage Rates<sup>4</sup>

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

### Estimated Vaccination Coverage with Selected Vaccines Among Adolescents Aged 13-17 Years, 2014



Data Source: CDC National Immunization Survey (NIS) - Teen

## Influenza Vaccination Rates<sup>5</sup>

Influenza vaccination rates in South Carolina have increased in all age groups over the last two flu seasons.

During the 2014-15 flu season:

- 48 percent of eligible South Carolinians age 6 months and older were vaccinated for flu.
- 72 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; HPV = human papilloma virus; ACIP = Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices

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