# Religious and Medical Exemptions to Immunizations

# Grade 12 Immunization Survey\*

# MASSACHUSETTS 2020-2025

| **School Year¹** | **Total # Children** | **# Medical Exemptions** | **% Medical Exemptions** | **# Religious Exemptions** | **% Religious Exemptions** | **Total # Exemptions** | **Total % Exemptions** |
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| **2024-25** | **71,389** | **168** | **0.24** | **573** | **0.80** | **741** | **1.04** |
| **2023-24** | 67,873 | 134 | 0.20 | 577 | 0.85 | 711 | 1.05 |
| **2022-23** | 68,358 | 136 | 0.20 | 609 | 0.89 | 745 | 1.09 |
| **2021-22** | 52,417 | 135 | 0.26 | 398 | 0.76 | 533 | 1.02 |
| **2020-21** | 56,357 | 223 | 0.40 | 521 | 0.92 | 744 | 1.32 |

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| **\*** | Compliance with grade 11 immunization requirements was assessed at grade 11 from 2020-2023. Beginning with the 2023-2024 school year, compliance with grade 11 immunization requirements is assessed at grade 12. | | | | |
| **1** | In preparing these data reports, we follow-up with schools reporting numerically illogical survey entries and correct them whenever possible. In 2020-21, the survey deadline was postponed to March to allow for more complete reporting given extenuating pandemic-related circumstances. Beginning with the 2021-2022 school year, the survey deadline occurs in late January/early February. | | | | |
|  | 2023-25: No schools omitted due to data discrepancies. |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2021-23: Data for 1 school was omitted due to data discrepancies. |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2020-21: No schools omitted due to data discrepancies. |  |  |  |  |