**Religious and Medical Exemptions to Immunizations**

**Grade 7 Immunization Survey**

**MASSACHUSETTS 1991-2025**

| **School Year¹** | **Total #** **Children** | **# Medical Exemptions** | **% Medical Exemptions** | **# Religious Exemptions** | **% Religious Exemptions** | **Total # Exemptions** | **Total % Exemptions** |
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| **2024-25** | **70,837** | **116** | **0.16** | **808** | **1.14** | **924** | **1.30** |
| **2023-24** | 71,277 | 111 | 0.16 | 754 | 1.06 | 865 | 1.21 |
| **2022-23** | 70,709 | 102 | 0.14 | 749 | 1.06 | 851 | 1.20 |
| **2021-22** | 69,894 | 157 | 0.22 | 684 | 0.98 | 841 | 1.20 |
| **2020-21** | 72,973 | 171 | 0.23 | 755 | 1.03 | 926 | 1.27 |
| **2019-20** | 73,781 | 152 | 0.21 | 612 | 0.83 | 764 | 1.04 |
| **2018-19** | 69,186 | 164 | 0.24 | 595 | 0.86 | 759 | 1.10 |
| **2017-18** | 59,963 | 132 | 0.22 | 416 | 0.69 | 548 | 0.91 |
| **2016-17** | 75,287 | 164 | 0.22 | 538 | 0.71 | 702 | 0.93 |
| **2015-16** | 74,648 | 209 | 0.28 | 545 | 0.73 | 754 | 1.01 |
| **2014-15** | 77,145 | 227 | 0.29 | 576 | 0.75 | 803 | 1.04 |
| **2013-14** | 77,954 | 266 | 0.34 | 486 | 0.62 | 752 | 0.96 |
| **2012-13** | 78,365 | 263 | 0.34 | 487 | 0.62 | 750 | 0.96 |
| **2011-12** | 78,224 | 233 | 0.30 | 433 | 0.55 | 666 | 0.85 |
| **2010-11** | 78,634 | 184 | 0.23 | 395 | 0.50 | 579 | 0.73 |
| **2009-10** | 76,367 | 174 | 0.23 | 341 | 0.45 | 515 | 0.67 |
| **2008-09** | 78,534 | 211 | 0.27 | 329 | 0.42 | 540 | 0.69 |
| **2007-08** | 80, 088 | 219 | 0.27 | 282 | 0.35 | 501 | 0.62 |
| **2006-07** | 81,259 | 154 | 0.19 | 295 | 0.36 | 449 | 0.55 |
| **2005-06** | 82,144 | 179 | 0.22 | 241 | 0.29 | 420 | 0.51 |
| **2004-05** | 83,749 | 137 | 0.16 | 256 | 0.31 | 393 | 0.47 |
| **2003-04** | 85,386 | 157 | 0.18 | 239 | 0.28 | 396 | 0.46 |
| **2002-03** | 87,501 | 183 | 0.21 | 283 | 0.32 | 466 | 0.53 |
| **2001-02** | 87,023 | 211 | 0.24 | 280 | 0.32 | 491 | 0.56 |
| **2000-01** | 83,206 | 232 | 0.28 | 288 | 0.35 | 520 | 0.62 |
| **1999-00** | 82,343 | 214 | 0.26 | 277 | 0.34 | 491 | 0.60 |
| **1998-99** | 81,230 | 119 | 0.15 | 174 | 0.21 | 293 | 0.36 |
| **1997-98** | 81,172 | 241 | 0.30 | 171 | 0.21 | 412 | 0.51 |
| **1996-97** | 78,598 | 232 | 0.30 | 168 | 0.21 | 400 | 0.51 |
| **1995-96** | 76,782 | 133 | 0.18 | 137 | 0.18 | 270 | 0.35 |
| **1994-95** | 75,870 | 133 | 0.18 | 137 | 0.18 | 270 | 0.36 |
| **1993-94** | 73,863 | 134 | 0.18 | 110 | 0.15 | 244 | 0.33 |
| **1992-93** | 71,429 | 148 | 0.21 | 126 | 0.18 | 274 | 0.38 |
| **1991-92** | 69,876 | 145 | 0.21 | 101 | 0.14 | 246 | 0.35 |

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| **1** | In preparing these data reports, we follow up with schools reporting numerically illogical survey entries and correct them whenever possible. Beginning with the 2017-18 school year, the survey submission deadline was extended from late October to mid-December at which point no additional surveys were accepted. In prior years, additional surveys were accepted after the deadline. 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. |
|  | 2024-25: No schools omitted due to data discrepancies. |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2023-24: Data for 2 schools omitted due to data discrepancies. |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2019-23: No schools omitted due to data discrepancies. |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2018-19: Data for 15 schools omitted due to data discrepancies. |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2017-18: Data for 30 schools omitted due to data discrepancies. |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2016-17: Data for 15 schools omitted due to data discrepancies. |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2015-16: Data for 12 schools omitted due to data discrepancies. |  |  |  |  |