

Take Action to Protect Oklahoma

Oklahoma currently ranks 43rd in the nation for meeting immunization requirements and protecting its children from preventable and deadly diseases. ¹

- An increasing number of parents are opting their children out of important, required immunizations for non-medical reasons.
- The exemption rates for Oklahoma schools have steadily increased in the last five years.
 - o From the 2012-13 school year to the 2017-18 school year, total exemptions (including medical and nonmedical) among Oklahoma kindergarteners **increased by over 69%**.
 - o Immunization exemption rates were **2.1% for public schools** and around **6% for private schools** in 2017-18. ²
- It's recommended that **95% of the population** be immunized to reduce the spread of vaccine-preventable disease and optimize community immunity. ³
 - o The current immunization rate for babies aged 19-35 months is **67.3%** in Oklahoma. ⁴
 - o **92.6%** of Oklahoman kindergarteners are up-to-date for all recommended immunizations. ⁵
- Where does your area fall in terms of kindergarten vaccination coverage and exemption rates? **FIND your county's numbers in this chart.** - - - - - ➔

PUBLIC & PRIVATE SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN VACCINATION COVERAGE RATES BY COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, 2017-2018

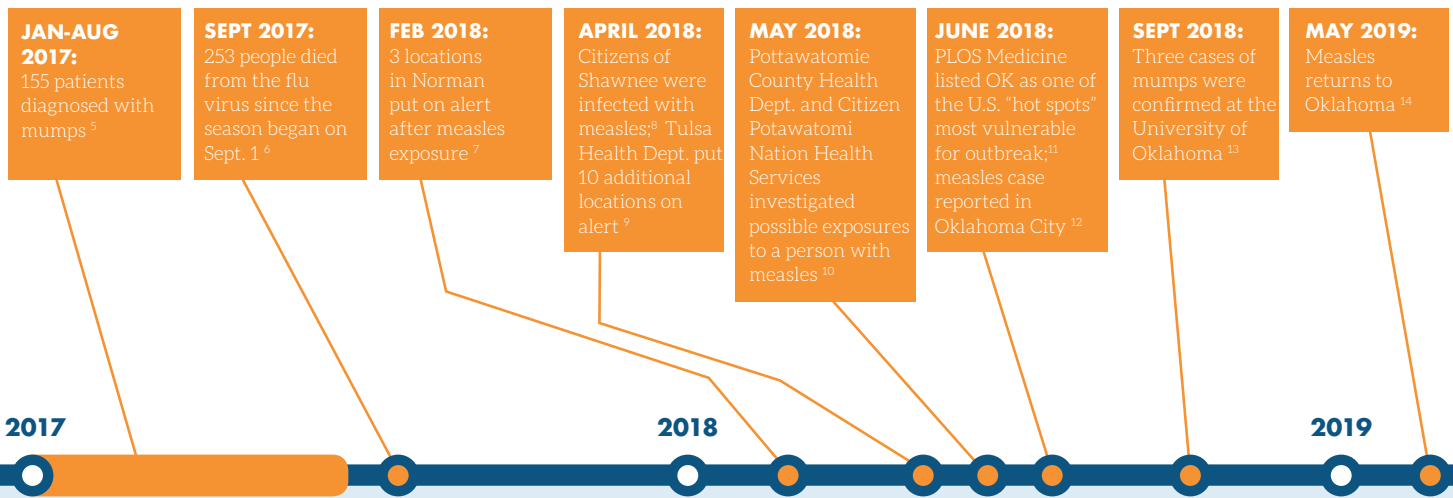
COUNTY	UP TO DATE FOR ALL %	EXEMPTIONS %
Adair	95.1	0.1
Alfalfa	84.8	0
Atoka	86.6	2.9
Beaver	93.1	0
Beckham	94.3	0.8
Blaine	93.9	0
Bryan	93.4	1.1
Caddo	82.3	0
Canadian	92	1.7
Carter	94.5	1.8
Cherokee	95.2	0.5
Choctaw	97.1	1
Cimarron	93.3	0
Cleveland	90.2	3.1
Coal	92.4	3.8
Comanche	82	1.3
Cotton	54.6	0
Craig	93.8	2.7
Creek	93	2.7
Custer	89	1.8
Delaware	95	2.1
Dewey	87.5	4.7
Ellis	88	0
Garfield	95.3	0.9
Garvin	90	2.7
Grady	88.3	3.3
Grant	94.6	0
Greer	90.3	1.6
Harmon	93.8	0
Harper	91.4	0
Haskell	94.3	1.1
Hughes	93	2.9
Jackson	93.6	0
Jefferson	86.1	0
Johnston	91.8	1
Kay	95.3	1.4
Kingfisher	86.7	2.2
Kiowa	96.2	0.8
Latimer	95.4	0
Le Flore	96.3	0.6
Lincoln	93.4	0.4
Logan	81.5	1.8
Love	92.8	0
Major	93.7	2.1
Marshall	96.2	1.3
Mayes	93.8	1.1
McClain	90.1	2.6
McCurain	94.6	0.5
McIntosh	93.8	2.5
Murray	88.7	1.1
Muskogee	92.8	1.1
Noble	94	0
Nowata	90.8	1.5
Okfuskee	97.7	2.3
Oklahoma	88.2	2.3
Okmulgee	95.1	0.8
Osage	89.4	2.4
Ottawa	88.9	2.4
Pawnee	94.5	1.1
Payne	77.5	2.8
Pittsburg	93.7	1.4
Pontotoc	96.9	0.9
Pottawatomie	94.6	2.4
Pushmataha	92.9	0
Roger Mills	89.8	3.4
Rogers	91.2	2.7
Seminole	92.4	1.2
Sequoyah	90.9	0.9
Stephens	95.3	2.1
Texas	96.1	0.3
Tillman	100	0
Tulsa	91.5	2.8
Wagoner	90.1	3.5
Washington	91.7	1.3
Washita	99.2	0
Woods	91.4	1.9
Woodward	84	3.9

VACCINES HELP PROTECT YOU, YOUR FAMILY AND YOUR COMMUNITY.

HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN DO:

- **Emphasize** the safety and effectiveness of vaccines in your conversations with friends, family and colleagues to help clarify common misconceptions
- **Educate** your community on the importance of vaccinations and receiving them on time
- **Support** local public health measures to lower the exemption rates across the state

OKLAHOMANS ARE INCREASINGLY AT RISK OF VACCINE-PREVENTABLE DISEASES

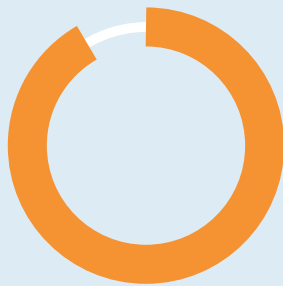


OKLAHOMA CITIZENS OVERWHELMINGLY SUPPORT VACCINATIONS.



90%

believe it is important to receive vaccines on time and according to guidelines



91%

believe vaccines are effective when received as directed



82%

believe the benefits of vaccines outweigh the risks¹⁵

¹ <https://assets.americashealthrankings.org/app/uploads/ahrannual-2018.pdf>

² <https://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/86/2/07-040089/en/>

³ <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/coverage/childvaxview/data-reports/7-series/reports/2017.html>

⁴ <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/67/wr/mm6740a3.htm>

⁵ <https://kfor.com/2017/08/25/155-confirmed-cases-oklahoma-still-feeling-the-effects-of-mumps-outbreak/>

⁶ www.enidnews.com/oklahoma/news/experts-warn-of-second-flu-outbreak/article_b4d6fa90-c046-5e3c-a6e4-2b24b1d32fe2.html

⁷ <https://www.kxii.com/content/news/Oklahoma-State-Department-of-Health-confirms-measles-case-473837923.html>

⁸ <https://kfor.com/2018/05/07/so-far-more-than-76-people-identified-exposed-to-shawnee-measles-outbreak/>

⁹ https://www.tulsaworld.com/news/health/measles-case-being-investigated-in-tulsa-health-department-alerts-people/article_6a0bd8da-a435-5d8b-95e9-259375cc0109.html

¹⁰ <https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/OKSDH/bulletins/1ee9b07>

¹¹ <https://journals.plos.org/plosmedicine/article?id=10.1371/journal.pmed.1002578>

¹² <https://kfor.com/2018/10/17/health-officials-oklahoma-child-diagnosed-with-rare-polio-like-illness/>

¹³ https://www.normantranscript.com/news/osdh-confirms-mumps-cases-at-ou/article_3d41f082-bb5e-11e8-8f08-4323c6c789d6.html

¹⁴ <https://www.koco.com/article/measles-confirmed-in-oklahoma-what-you-need-to-know-about-the-virus/27492957>

¹⁵ Edelman Intelligence Survey Data, November 2018

It's time to take action and protect our communities.