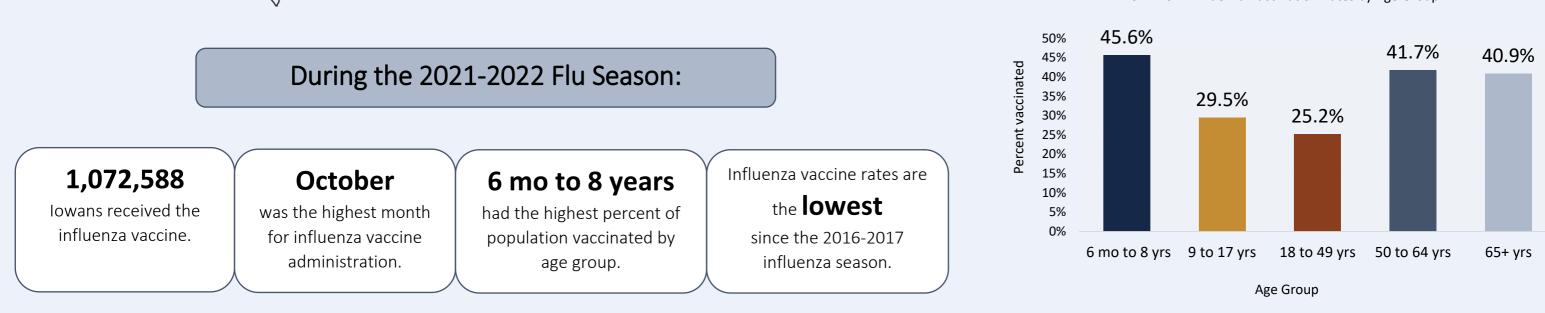


## Influenza Vaccination Rates by Age Group:

The 6 months to 8 years age group had the highest vaccination coverage this year at 45.6%, followed by 50 to 64-year olds (41.7%). The 18 to 49-year old age group had the lowest vaccination coverage (25.2%).





# Getting the Influenza Vaccine is the best way to protect against the flu.

### How does this year compare to previous years?

Influenza vaccination rates are the lowest since the 2016-2017 season and have been declining for the last two years.

Influenza Vaccination Rates in Iowa



Influenza vaccination rates for the most vulnerable population, 65 years and older, have had the largest decline in the last two years.

2019-2020	64.8%
2020-2021	45.2%
2021-2022	40.9%

# Impact of COVID-19 on Influenza Vaccine Rates

Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, influenza vaccination rates have declined. As people return to normal activities following the pandemic, it is important to not only protect yourself, but also friends, family, and co-workers from the influenza virus and potentially serious complications.

