

IOWA SCHOOL AND CHILD CARE IMMUNIZATION AUDIT DATA

Assessments of children attending licensed child care centers or elementary or secondary school are conducted annually to ensure attendees have received the required immunizations. Local public health agencies (LPHA) perform annual assessments of immunization records for children in licensed child care centers, and students enrolled in public, private, and parochial K-12 schools.

Immunization Certificates During the 2023-24 School Year:

Certificate Type	School	Child Care
Certificate of Immunization*	93.6%	93.4%
Provisional Certificates	2.2%	1.3%
Religious Exemption	3.0%	2.0%
Medical Exemption	0.2%	0.1%
Invalid or No Certificate	1.1%	3.2%

Valid Immunization Certificates	
School	Child Care
98.9%	96.8%

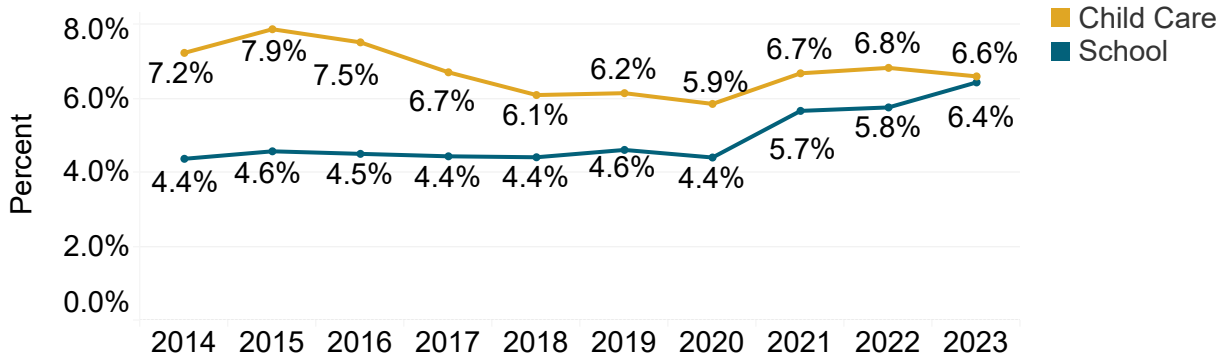
Includes Certificates of Immunization, Provisional Certificates, and Religious and Medical Exemptions.

*Fully Vaccinated by Law

Under- and un-immunized school and child care participants at increased risk of acquiring and spreading vaccine-preventable diseases

Under or un-immunized students and child care participants refers to individuals with a Provisional Certificate of Immunization, Certificate of Immunization Exemption, or an invalid or no Certificate of Immunization. During the 2023-24 school year, 6.4% of students enrolled in school and 6.6% of children in licensed child care were under- or un-immunized. The percent of under- and un-immunized students attending school increased from 5.8% during the 2022-23 school year to 6.4% during the 2023-24 school year while the percent of under- and un-immunized child care participants decreased 0.2% compared to the previous school year.

Under- and Un-Immunized Students and Children in Child Care, Iowa, 2014-15 to 2023-24 School Year



Data Note: School audit data as of 1/25/2024 and child care audit data as of 3/21/2024. Data can be accessed at <https://hhs.iowa.gov/iowa-public-health-tracking-portal/health/immunization/school-child-care-audits>