Gadsden County Immunization Coverage

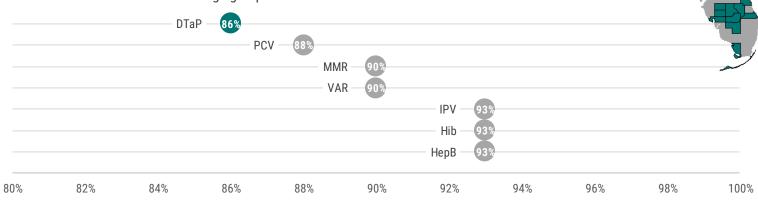
Key Points

84% of 2-year-old children in Gadsden County were up to date on vaccinations in 2017.

The diphtheria, tetanus, and acellular pertussis vaccination series had the lowest completion rate.

The percent of children with a **religious exemption** in Gadsden County is **lower** than that statewide.

Among the group of counties shown in the map on the right, which includes Gadsden County, the **diphtheria**, **tetanus**, **and acellular pertussis vaccination series** had the **lowest** completion rate in 2-year-old children in 2017. Overall, 84% of 2-year-old children in these counties were up to date on all vaccinations recommended for this age group.



By age two, children should have four doses of diphtheria, tetanus, and acellular pertussis (DTaP) vaccine, four doses of pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV), one dose of measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) vaccine, one dose of varicella (VAR) vaccine, three doses of inactivated poliovirus vaccine (IPV), three doses of *Haemophilus influenzae* type b (Hib) vaccine, and three doses of hepatitis B (HepB) vaccine.



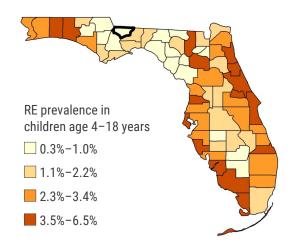
Based only on the vaccinations recorded in Florida SHOTS as of May 2018, 78% of 2-year-old children in Gadsden County were up to date on vaccinations. The vaccination series with the **lowest** completion rate was the **DTaP series** at **79%**.



Unvaccinated children are at increased risk for vaccinepreventable diseases (VPDs). For information on current VPD activity in Florida, please see the Vaccine-Preventable Disease Surveillance Report, available at flhealth.gov/vpd.



The number of **religious exemptions (REs)** to vaccination in Florida has been gradually **increasing** each year. As of August 2018, **0.6%** of children from age 4 to 18 years in **Gadsden County** had a RE in Florida SHOTS, compared to 2.9% of children statewide. Gadsden County has a **higher** percent of REs than **4** other counties. To explore REs in more detail, visit flhealth.gov/REmap.



Unless otherwise noted, data used in this report are from the 2017 Survey of Immunization Levels in 2-year Old Children conducted by the Florida Department of Health Immunization Section. This survey does not measure county-specific rates for all counties; therefore, data used in this report represent the group of 43 counties highlighted above.