

Year	1991	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
%	82.73	88.31	90.09	90.03	88.82	89.68	89.62	86.80	85.51	81.71	95	95	95	95
Year	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018				
%	95	95	95	95	95	95	95	95	95	95				

Operational Definitions

Figures from 1997-2004 were administrative statistics which reflects the utilisation of immunisation service offered by Maternal and Child Health Centres (MCHC) under the Department of Health as at September 2019. As some children receive vaccination from their private doctors and some babies born to Mainland women would return to Mainland China shortly after birth and receive vaccinations there, these coverage may not reflect the actual coverage of Hong Kong children. In order to better reflect the immunisation coverage, official estimates are provided from 2005 onwards, mainly based on the results of the immunisation coverage survey on preschool children conducted by Department of Health in 2001, 2003, 2006, 2009, 2012, 2015 & 2018.

Footnote

All figures are collected from Department of Health since 1999.

Further to DH (27Feb 2008), figures from 1997-2004 represent the coverage provided by the Department of Health as reflected by the utilisation of immunisation service offered by Maternal and Child Health Centres (MCHC) as at December 2007. As some children are receiving vaccination from their private doctors and a large proportion of babies born to Mainland women would return to Mainland China shortly after birth and receive vaccinations in the Mainland, the coverage rates compiled from MCHC immunisation service utilisation statistics may not reflect the actual coverage situation of the Hong Kong children.

In order to reflect the more realistic immunisation coverage of the Hong Kong children, official estimates of immunisation coverage rates are provided from 2005 onwards, mainly based on the latest survey results of the immunisation coverage survey of children aged 2-5 years conducted by Department of Health in 2001, 2003 & 2006 respectively. A new round of the survey will be conducted in 2009. (DH, 3 Nov 2009)

