

Kindergartners opting out of vaccines

An increasing number of Arizona parents are claiming a "personal exemption" from the requirement that children attending school be vaccinated against key diseases. They need not provide any reason, under state law. The result: 6.6% of kindergartners in school statewide have a personal exemption for one or more vaccines.

County	2013-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17	'17-'18	'18-'19	'19-'20	'20-'21	'21-'22
Apache	1.6%	2.2%	1.0%	2.3%	2.5%	6.1%	4.9%	4.3%	9.8%
Cochise	3.1%	1.8%	2.6%	1.9%	2.7%	2.8%	2.6%	2.7%	6.3%
Coconino	6.4%	5.1%	7.1%	7.4%	10.3%	5.9%	6.4%	5.2%	6.0%
Gila	2.3%	4.2%	4.4%	3.2%	4.7%	5.9%	4.1%	10.1%	11.2%
Graham	4.3%	3.8%	4.2%	3.1%	2.7%	5.8%	4.1%	3.1%	3.4%
Greenlee	1.6%	3.4%	1.9%	0.7%	2.5%	1.3%	1.1%	0.1%	2.0%
La Paz	2.2%	2.8%	0.5%	1.7%	1.3%	1.9%	2.6%	0%	3.5%
Maricopa	5.1%	5.1%	4.9%	5.4%	5.9%	6.5%	5.9%	5.9%	7.0%
Mohave	6.5%	5.1%	5.2%	5.2%	6.8%	10.3%	8.3%	8.0%	10.6%
Navajo	7.9%	4.5%	4.3%	5.2%	5.1%	7.8%	5.8%	6.0%	6.7%
Pima	2.6%	2.8%	2.6%	2.6%	2.7%	3.2%	3.1%	2.6%	3.3%
Pinal	4.9%	5.6%	4.1%	6.1%	5.0%	5.5%	4.8%	7.0%	6.4%
Santa Cruz	1.5%	1.2%	1.1%	0.8%	1.3%	1.7%	1.5%	1.4%	0.9%
Yavapai	11.6%	10.0%	13.5%	11.5%	14.0%	12.5%	12.3%	11.5%	15.1%
Yuma	0.7%	0.7%	1.1%	1.0%	1.2%	1.3%	1.3%	2.0%	2.5%
Total	4.7%	4.6%	4.5%	4.9%	5.4%	5.9%	5.4%	5.4%	6.6%