

# Time for Kindergarten!

## Back to school vaccination update.



**Kids grow up too fast!** What they don't outgrow is the need for vaccinations. Vaccines help protect students against vaccine-preventable diseases. Don't forget to add vaccinations to your back-to-school list.



# 11,956

children enrolled in public and private kindergartens for the '16-'17 school year

### Vaccination protects more than just the students!



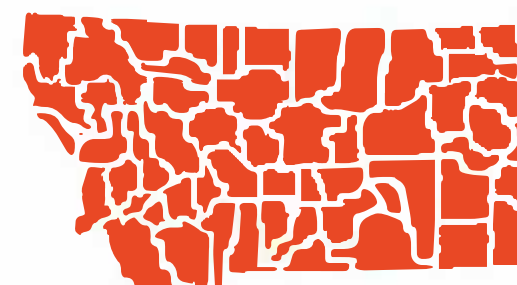
Students and their peers



Teachers and school staff



Students' families

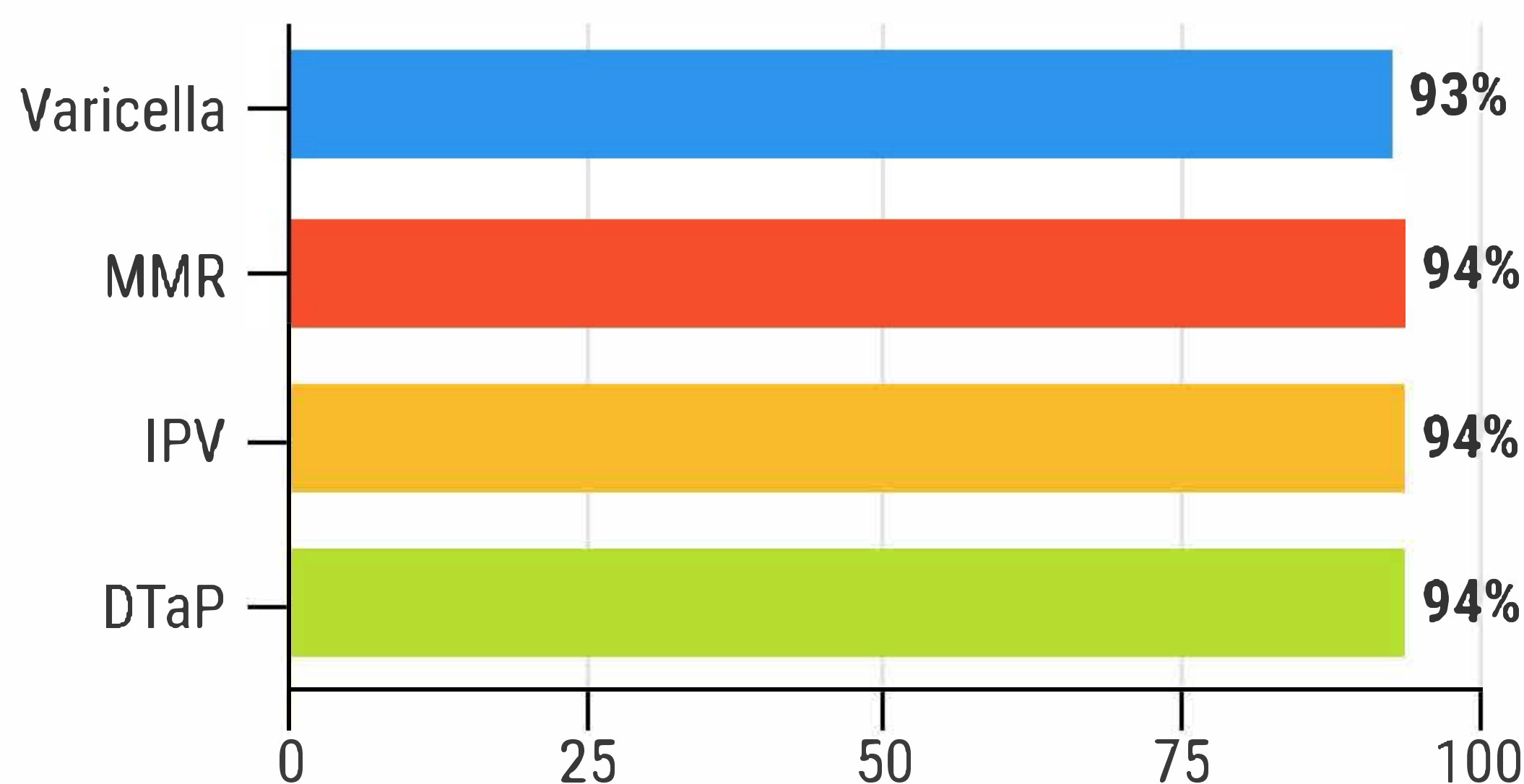


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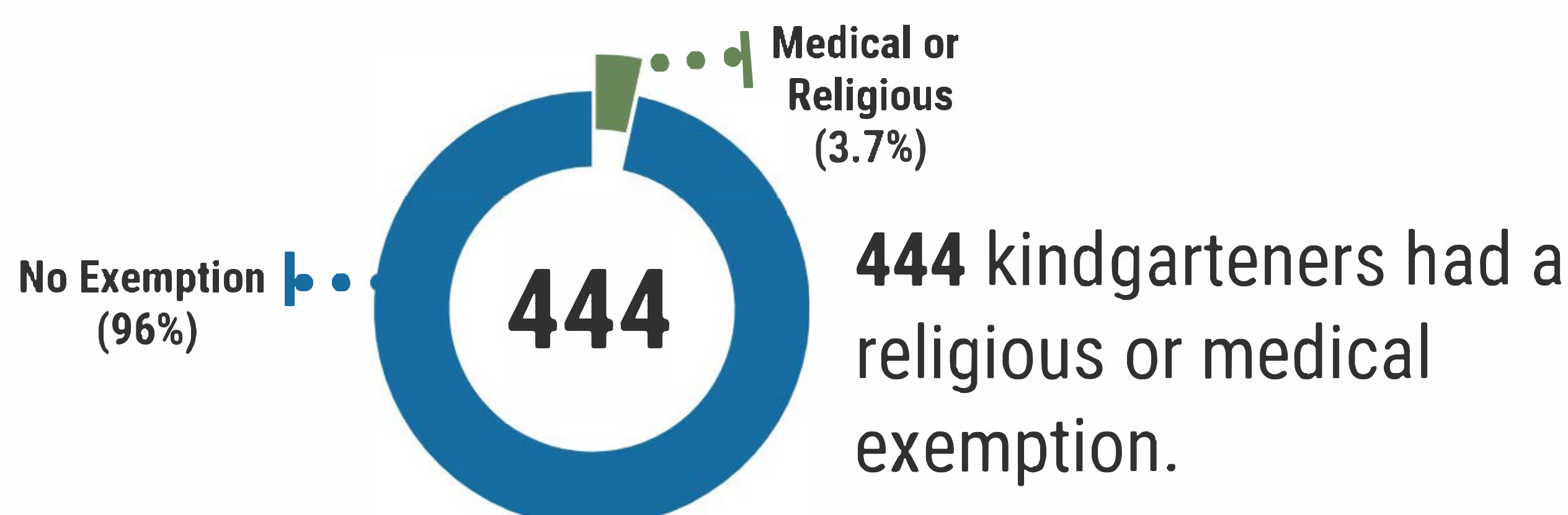
public and private schools that have kindergarten were included in the '16-'17 school immunization assessment

## 2016-2017 Kindergarten Vaccination Rates



Over **9 out of 10** kindergarteners are vaccinated

## Exemptions to Vaccine Requirements



Medical and religious exemptions were combined because of small numbers. Medical exemptions were <1% and religious exemptions were approximately 3%.



Talk to your healthcare provider or local health department to check immunization status and to answer your immunization questions