

# Immunization Coverage in Grade 6 Students – 2022-23

## Population

The children included in these analyses are those who were registered in Grade 6 in the 2022-23 school year in PEI.

## PEI Guidelines

The [PEI immunization guidelines](#) recommend HPV (human papillomavirus) vaccination (2 doses) for children in Grade 6.

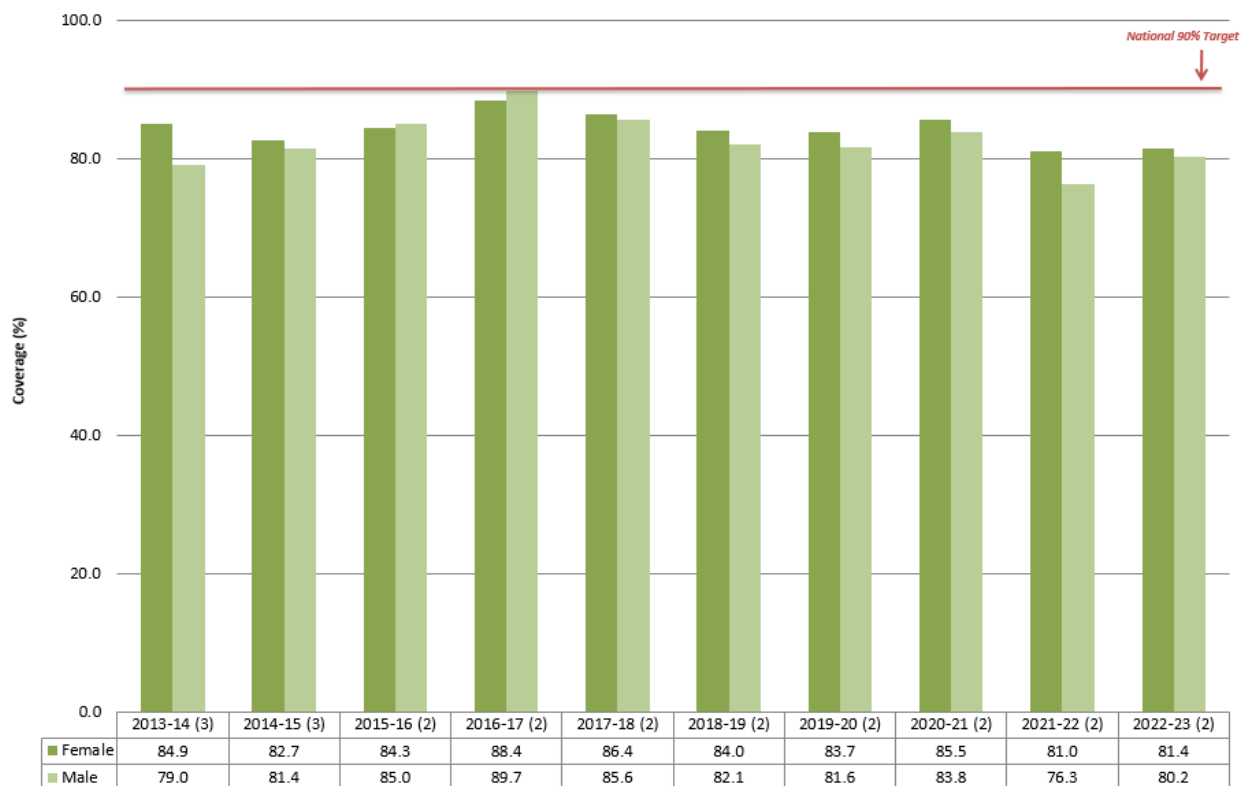
## National Vaccination Coverage Goals

The national vaccination coverage goals outlined in the National Immunization Strategy are used as the benchmark by which PEI immunization uptake in Grade 6 is judged. The national goals indicate that by 2025, 90% of children should receive the required doses of the HPV vaccine (per the provincial or territorial schedule) by their 17<sup>th</sup> birthday.<sup>1</sup>

## Immunization Coverage in Grade 6

Immunization uptake in Grade 6 is shown below. HPV vaccine coverage in the 2022-23 school year was 81.4% for female students and 80.2% for male students. Compared to the 2021-22 school year, improvements in HPV coverages are seen, but these differences are not statistically significant.

**HPV Coverage in Grade 6 Students by Sex, 2013-14 to 2022-23**



(#) Denotes the doses needed

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## References

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