Measles, Rubella and Congenital Rubella Syndrome (CRS) Country Profile

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Introduction

The measles and rubella country profile aims to facilitate the analysis of data compiled in the last five years. This profile was only developed for those countries who officially reported vaccination coverage and case by case surveillance and laboratory data to the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO). There may be minor differences in the country profile if the country has updated data that was not reported to PAHO. The country profile will be automatically updated twice per year: at the end of April (surveillance data) and at the end of September (vaccination coverage data).

> **ⅈ** Note
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> The latest update dates for this country profile are available in the **Update dates** section.

General Information

Table 1: Demographic data, 2023.

Demographic group	Population
1 year of age	137,769
Total population	7,046,311

Table 2: Last endemic cases by year and disease.

Measles	Rubella	CRS
1995	2004	2004

Table 3: Vaccination schedule.

Vaccine	1st Dose	2nd Dose	MMR2 Year Introduced
MMR	12 mo	18 mo	2017

Table 4: Accumulation of susceptibles for measles and rubella.

Year of the last follow-up campaign	Vaccine used (M, MR, MMR)	Age group vaccinated	Number vaccinated (numerator)	Coverage of the follow-up campaign (B/C)*100	Number of susceptibles 1-4 years of age	Year of next campaign
2022	MMR	1-6 years	823,127	114	0	2026

Epidemiology and Quality of Surveillance

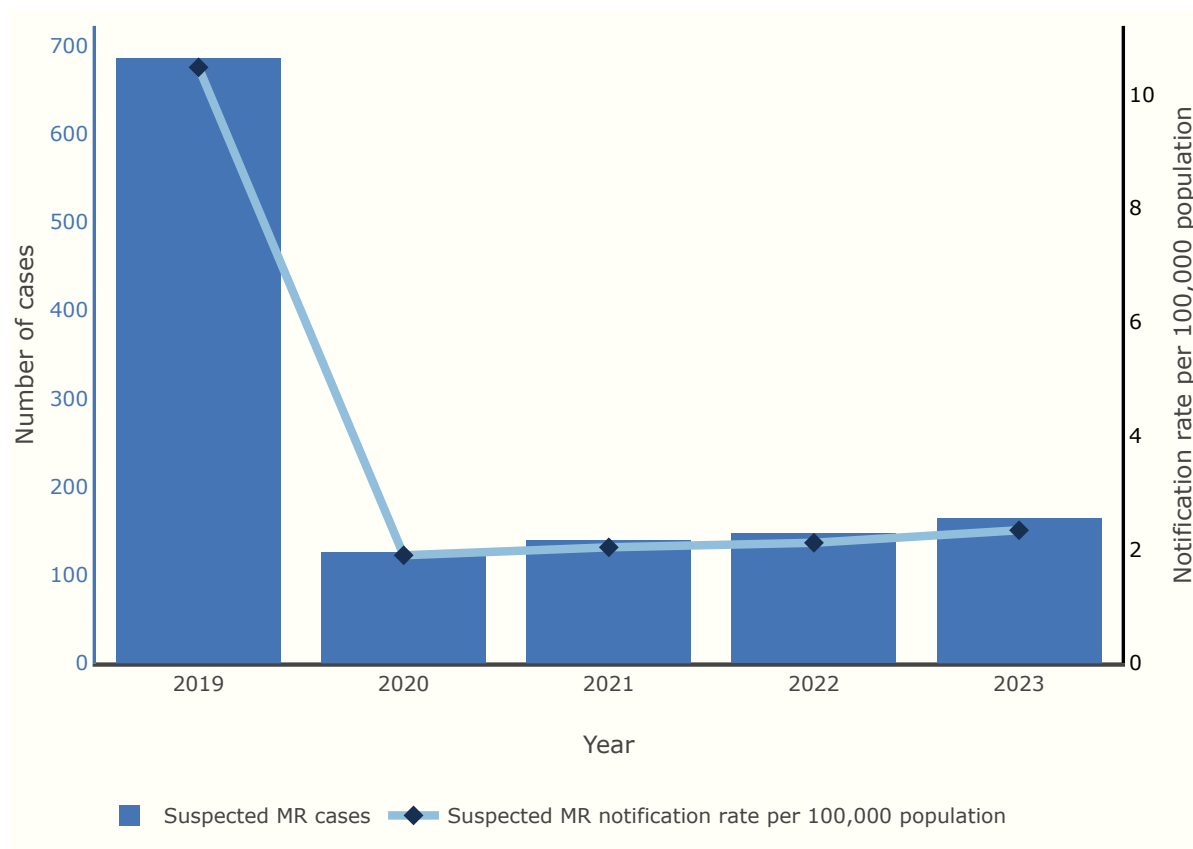Figure 1: Distribution of suspected MR cases and notification rate at the national level, 2019-2023.

Table 5: Distribution of suspected MR cases and notification rate at the national level, 2019-2023.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Suspected MR cases	686	126	140	147	165
Suspected MR notification rate per 100,000 population	10.48	1.9	2.04	2.12	2.34

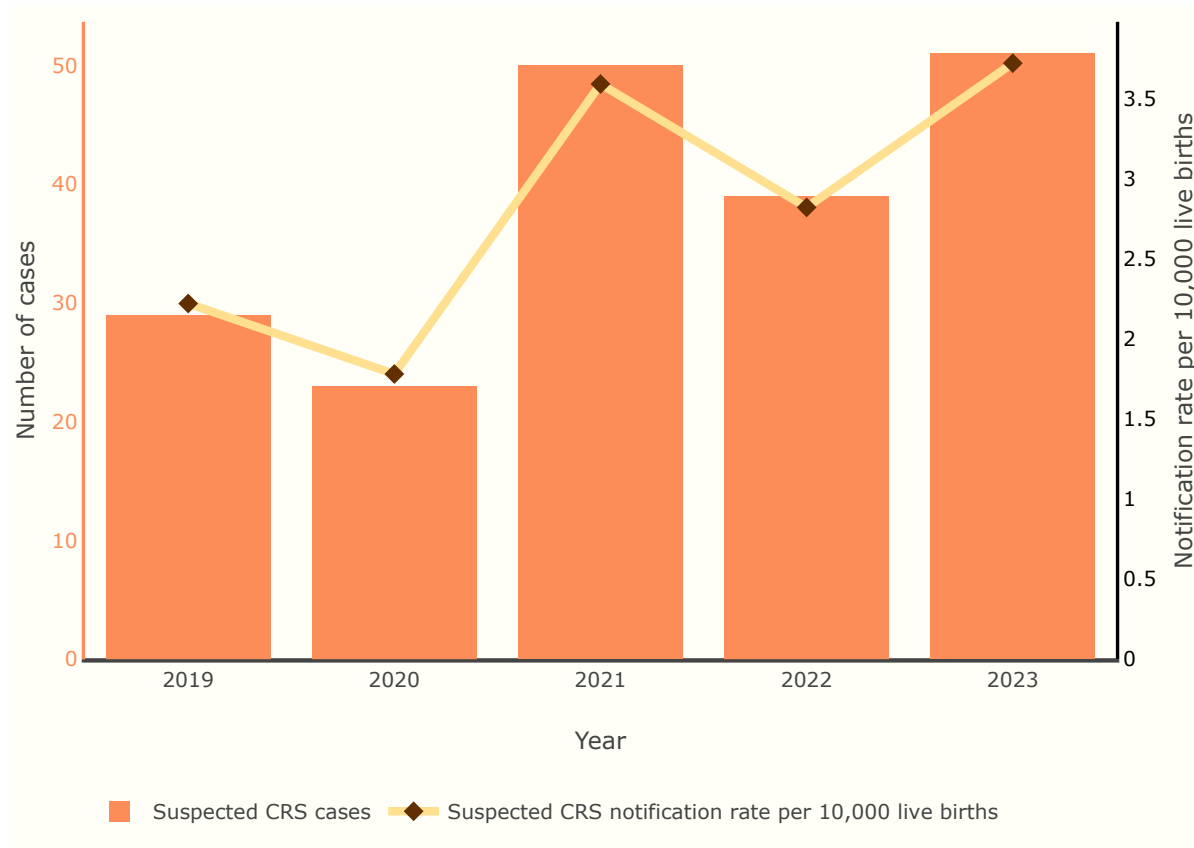Figure 2: Distribution of suspected CRS cases and notification rate at the national level, 2019-2023.

Table 6: Distribution of suspected CRS cases and notification rate at the national level, 2019-2023.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Suspected CRS cases	29	23	50	39	51
Suspected CRS notification rate per 10,000 live births	2.22	1.78	3.59	2.82	3.72

Figure 3: Reported cases of measles and rubella by epidemiological week and final classification: confirmed, discarded and under investigation, 2019-2023.
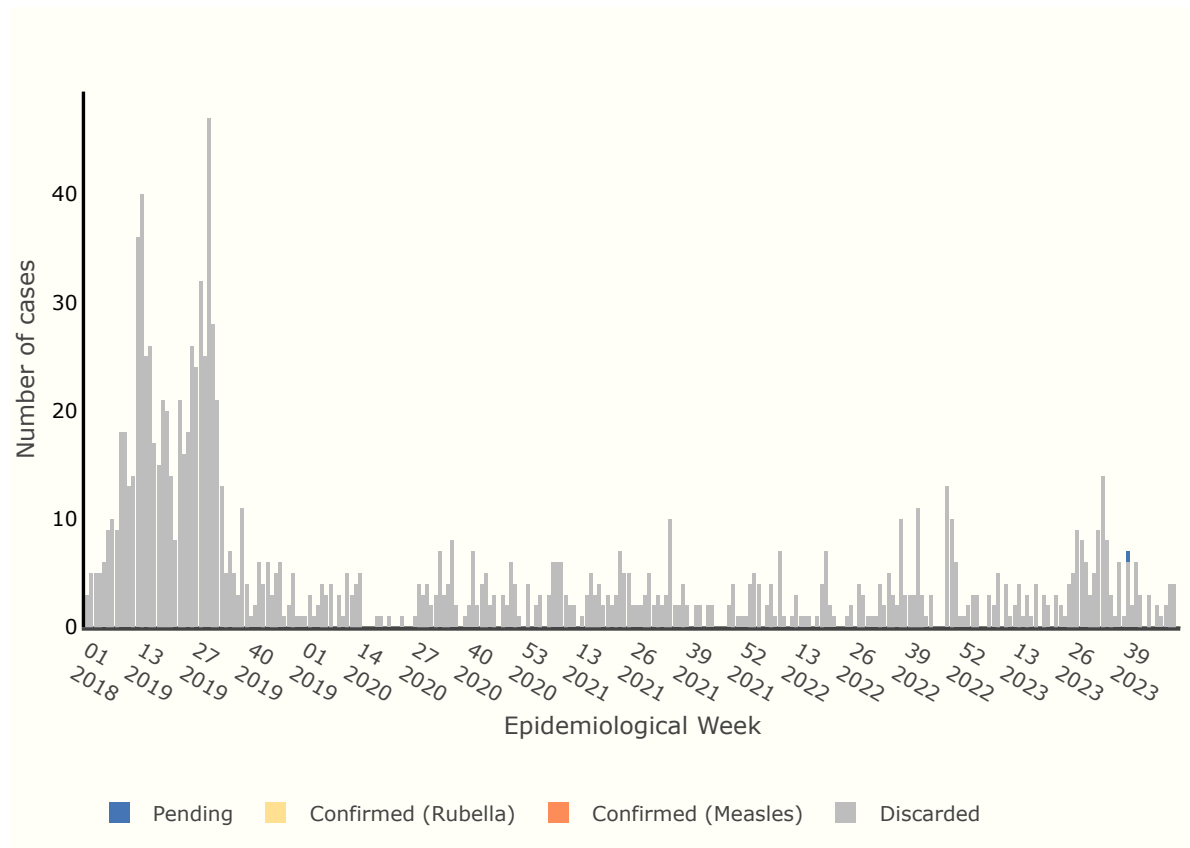
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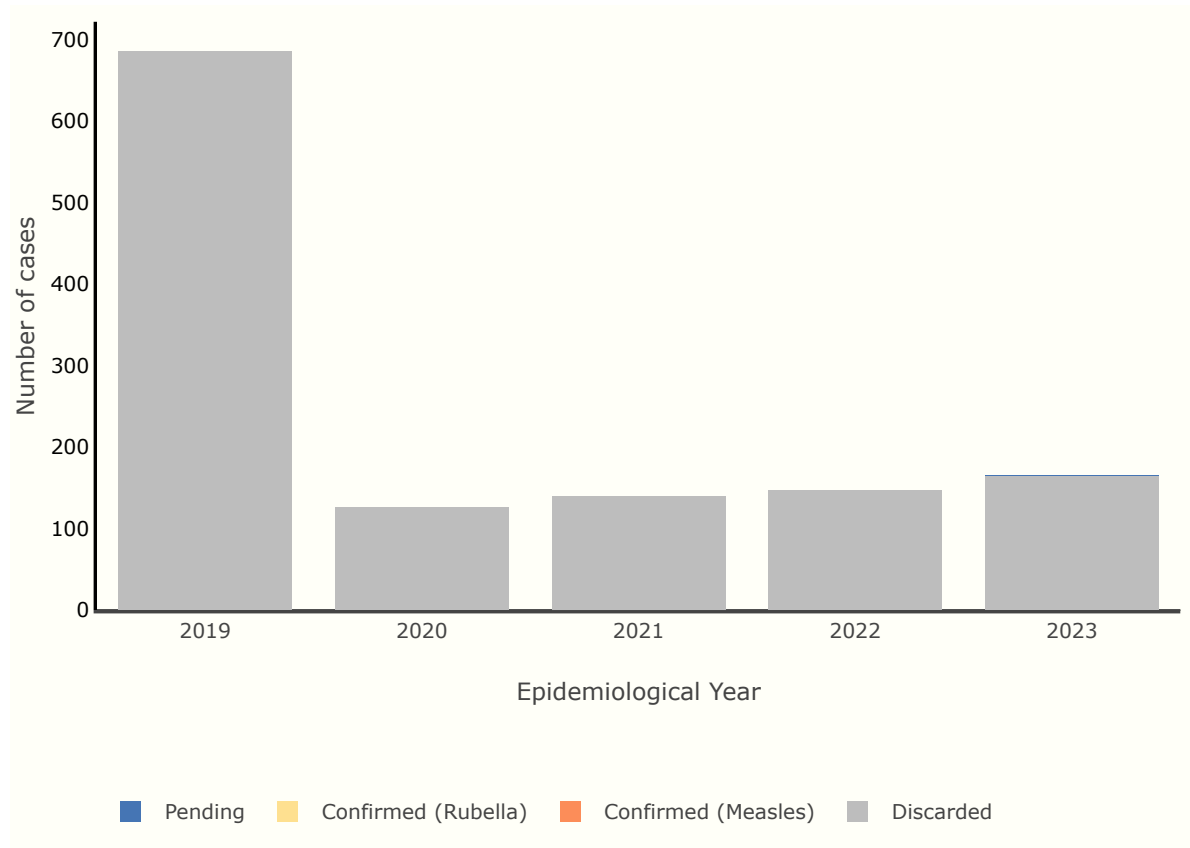

Table 7: Reported cases of measles and rubella by epidemiological year and final classification, 2019-2023.

Classification	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Confirmed (Measles)	0	0	0	0	0
Confirmed (Rubella)	0	0	0	0	0
Pending	0	0	0	0	1
Discarded	686	126	140	147	165
Total	686	126	140	147	166

Figure 5: Distribution of reported measles and rubella cases and incidence rate by age group, 2019-2023.
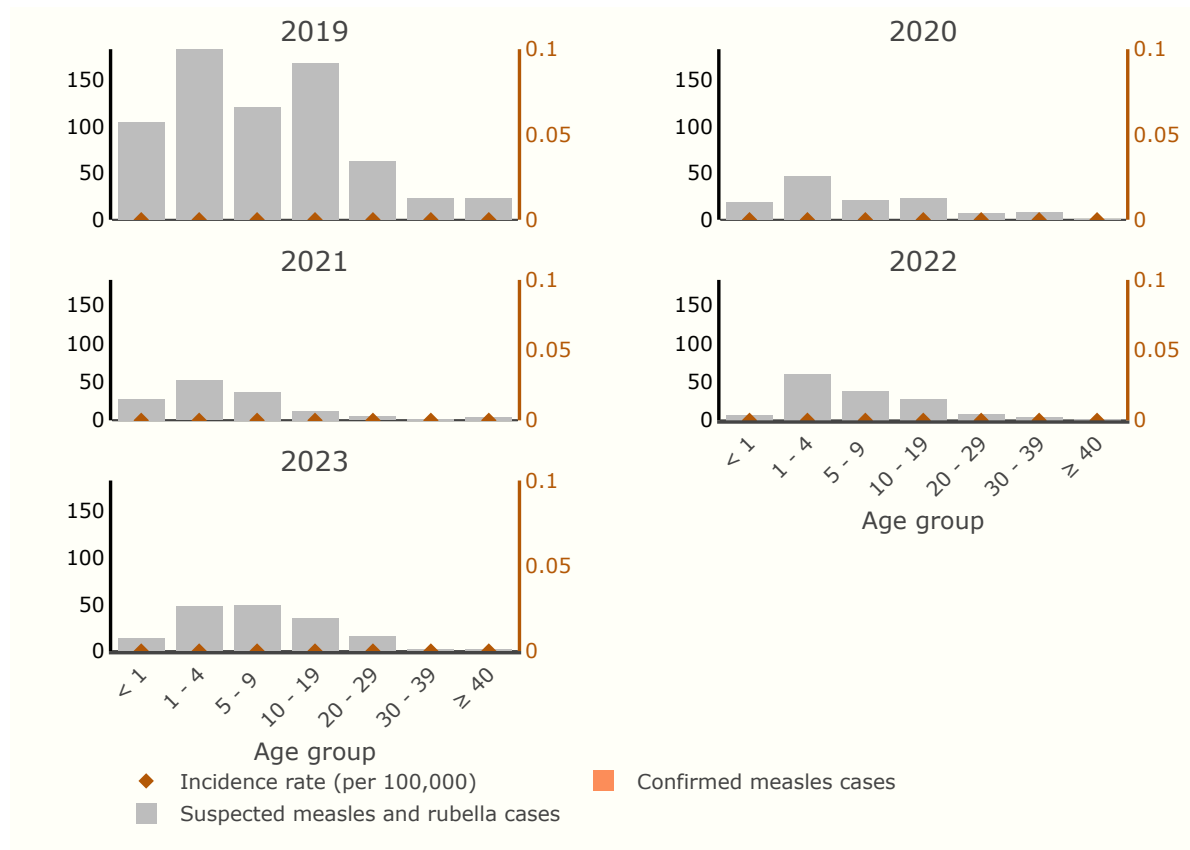
Figure 6: Performance indicators of measles and rubella surveillance by year, 2019-2023.
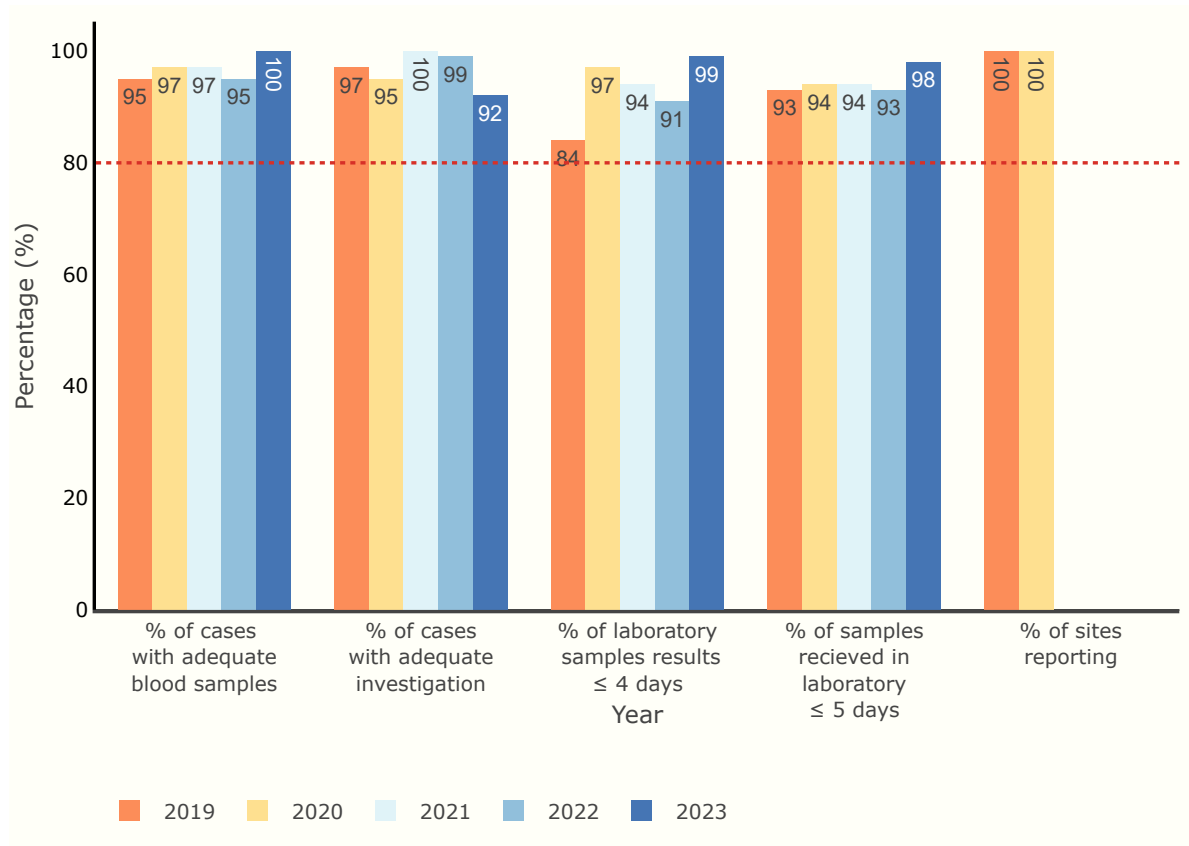
Figure 7: Proportion of the 11 variables reported for adequate investigation indicator, 2023.
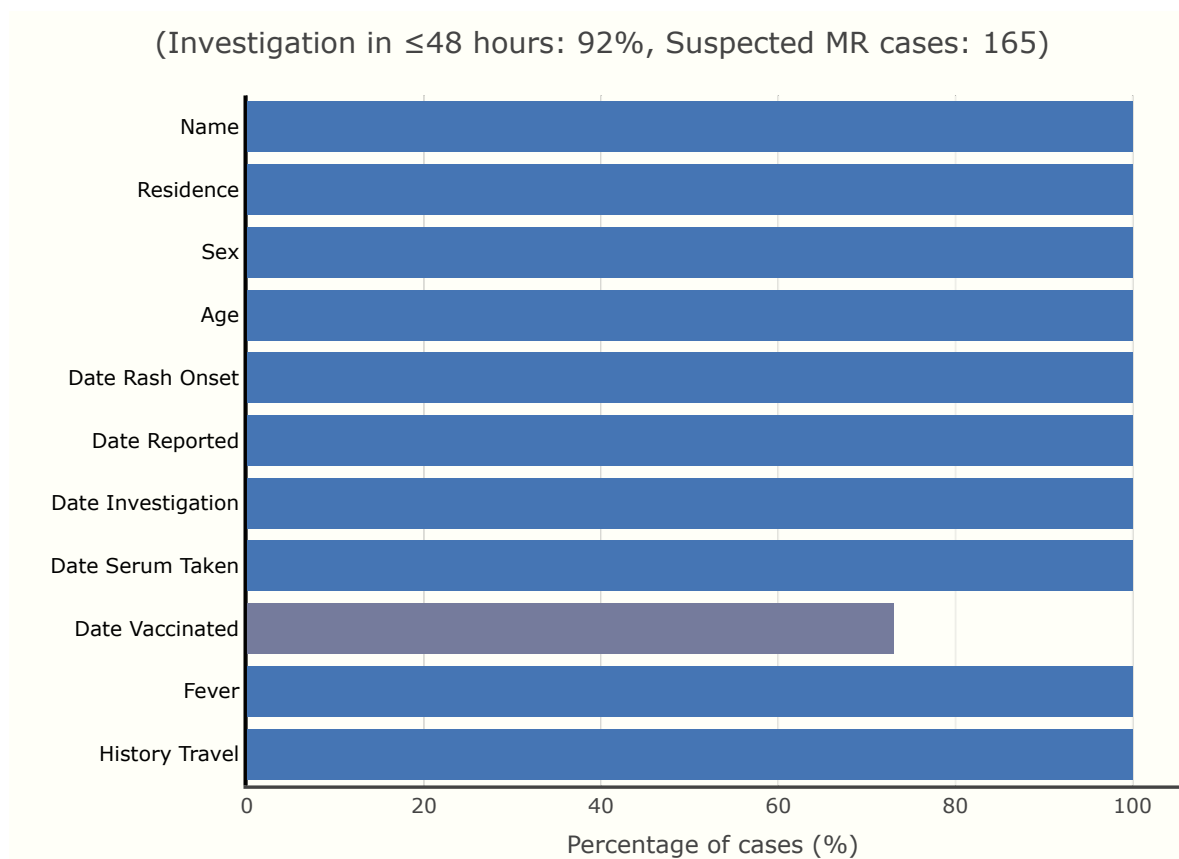

(Investigation in ≤48 hours: 92%, Suspected MR cases: 165)

Table 8: Municipalities reporting measles and rubella suspected cases by year, 2019-2023.

Year	No. of municipalities reporting suspected cases	Total municipalities in the country	% of municipalities reporting suspected cases
2019	119	153	78
2020	86	153	56
2021	80	153	52
2022	92	153	60
2023	85	153	56

Laboratory Surveillance

Table 9: Criteria used to discard suspected measles and rubella cases by year, 2019-2023.

Year	No. of suspected cases reported	No. of discarded cases	Criteria for discarding			No. of cases discarded by other differential diagnosis					
			IgM Negative	No data	Others	Vaccine reaction	Dengue	Parvo virus	Herpes 6	Allergic reaction	Others
2019	686	686	641	0	45	5	15	1	0	0	24
2020	126	126	110	0	16	2	11	0	0	0	3
2021	140	140	136	0	4	2	1	0	0	0	1
2022	147	147	144	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	1
2023	165	165	130	0	35	0	34	0	0	0	1

Figure 8: Distribution of discarded measles and rubella suspected cases by basis for discarding, 2019-2023.
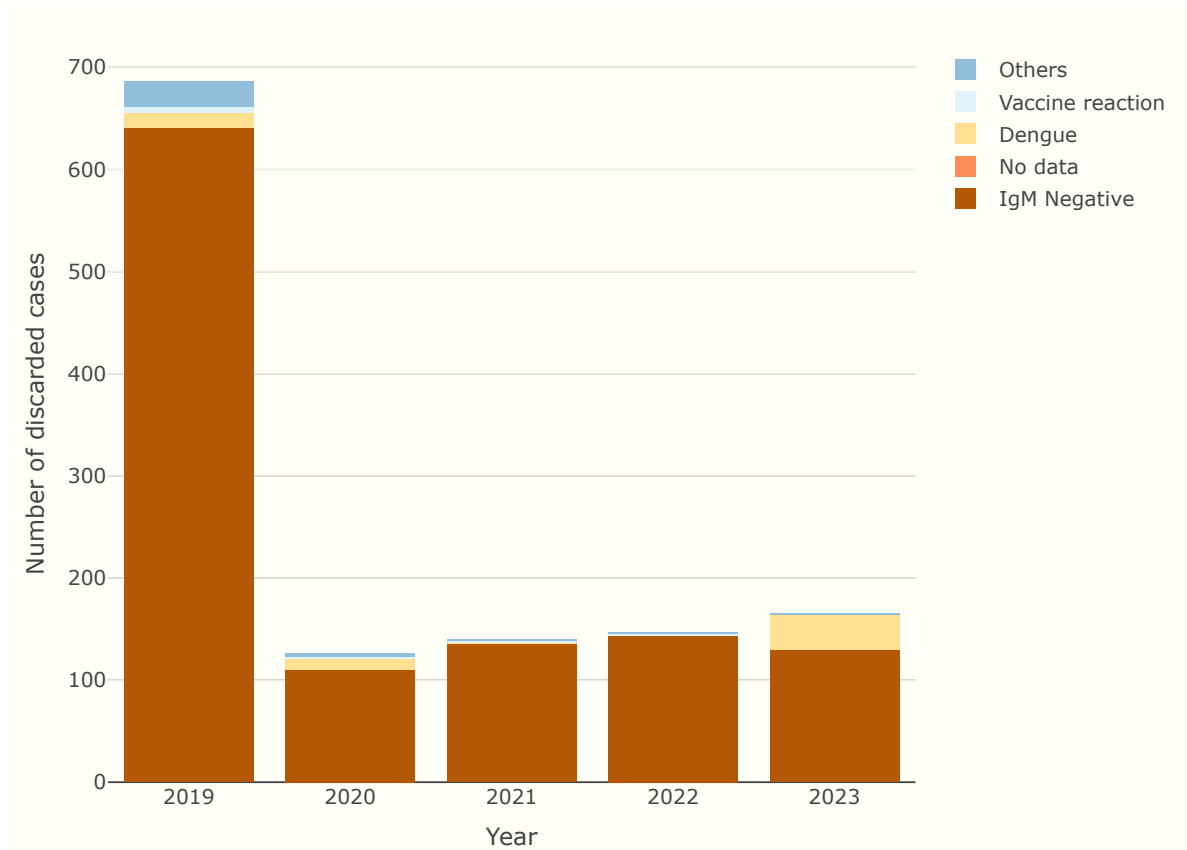
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Figure 9: Coverage of the first dose of measles-mumps-rubella (MMR1) vaccine, number of doses administered, and number of children 1 year of age, 2019-2023.
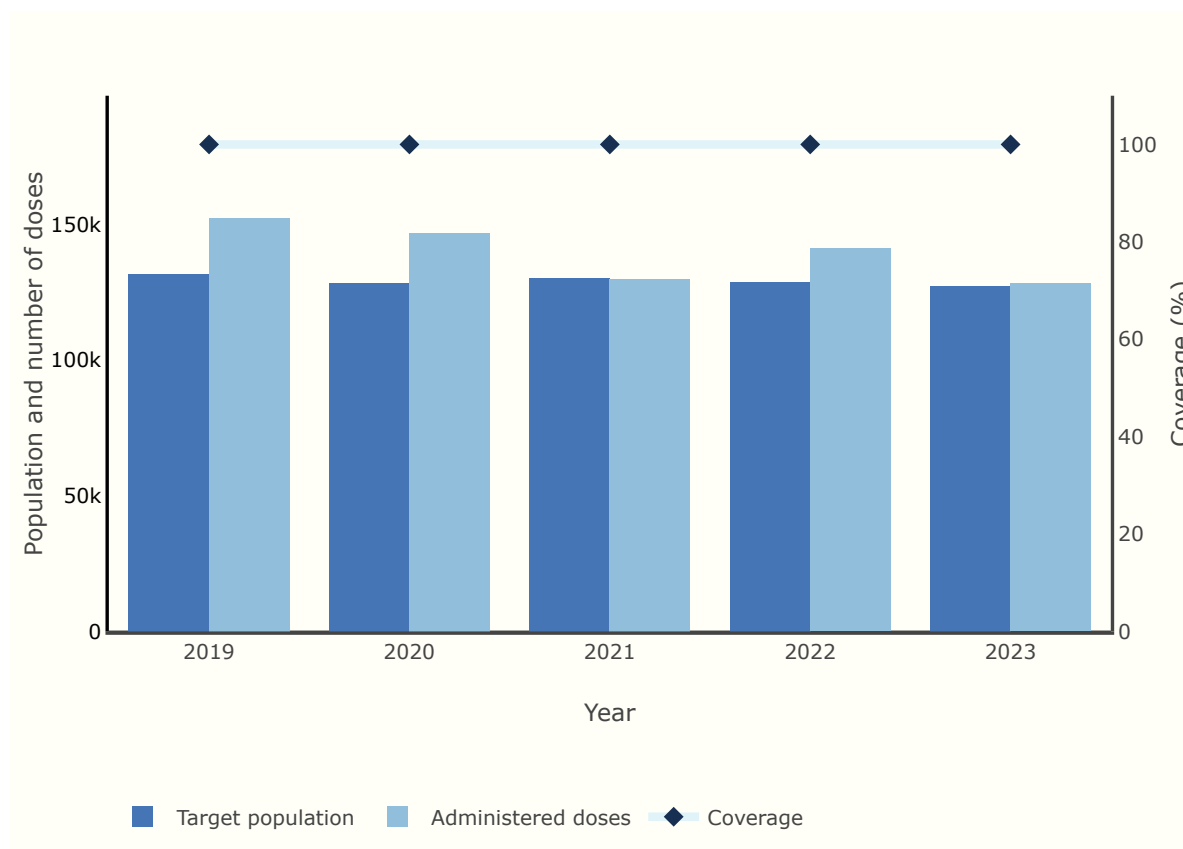
Figure 10: Coverage of the second dose of measles-mumps-rubella (MMR2) vaccine, number of doses administered, and number of children 18 month(s) of age, 2019-2023.
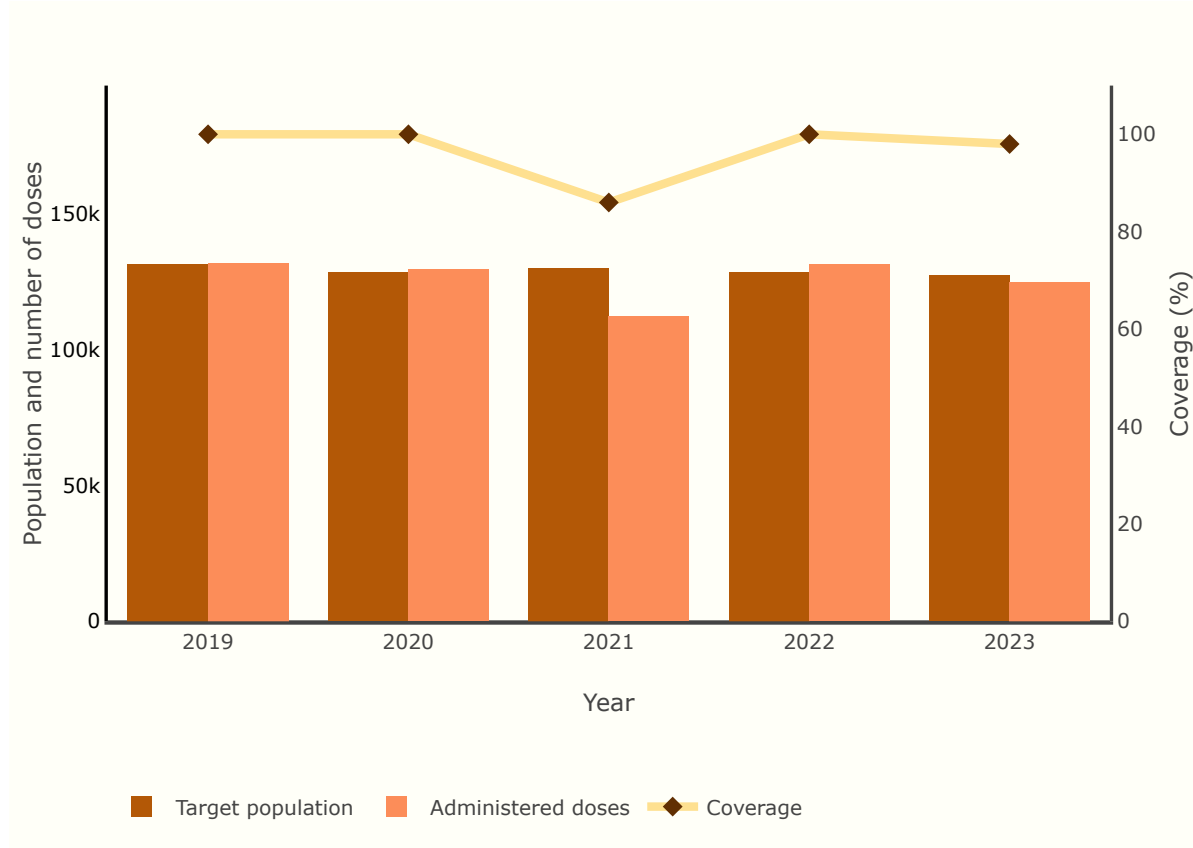

Table 10: Vaccination coverage with first and second dose of measles-mumps-rubella (MMR1 and MMR2) vaccines by target population and administered doses, 2019-2023.

Year	MMR1			MMR2		
	Administered doses	Target population	Coverage	Administered doses	Target population	Coverage
2019	152,232	131,606	100	131,974	131,606	100
2020	146,890	128,499	100	129,631	128,499	100
2021	129,958	130,288	100	112,361	130,288	86
2022	141,101	128,804	100	131,497	128,804	100
2023	128,200	127,455	100	125,090	127,455	98

Figure 11: Proportion of municipalities by MMR1 vaccination coverage ranges, 2019-2023.
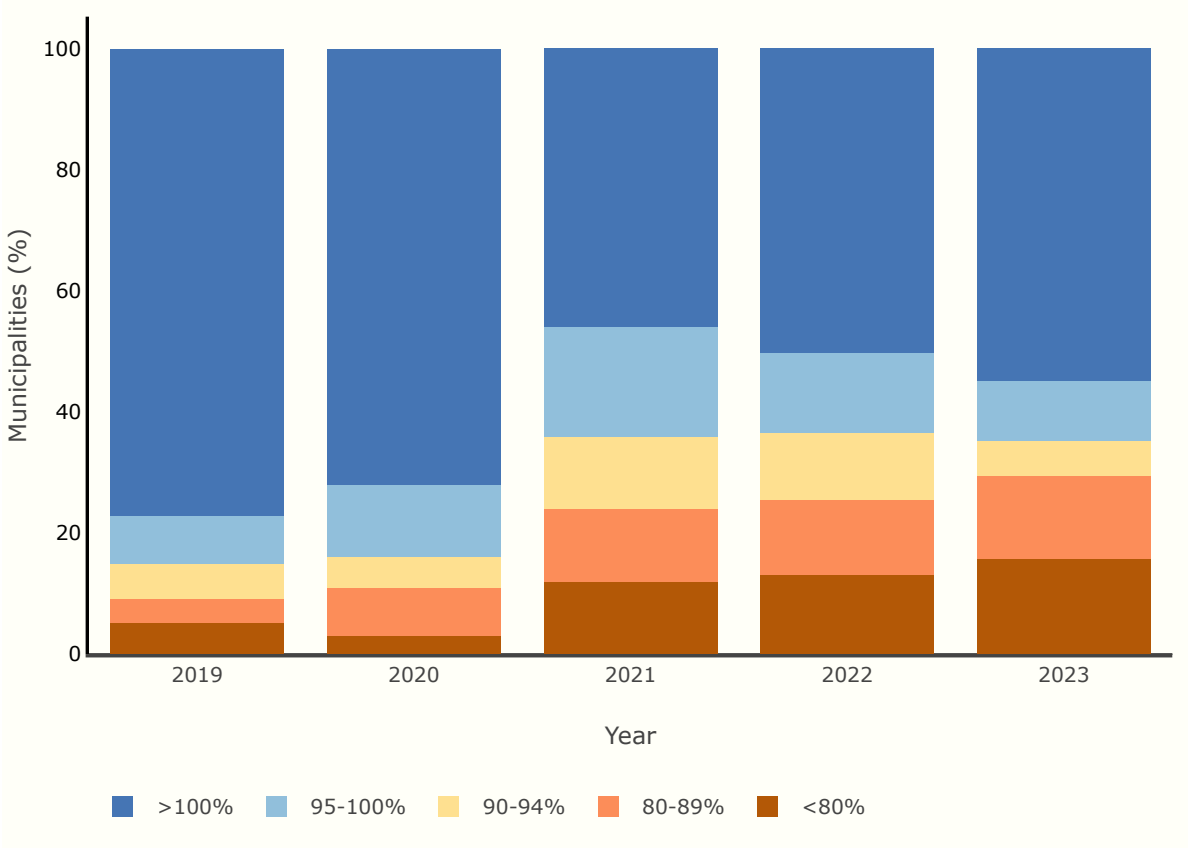
Figure 12: Proportion of children living in those municipalities for MMR1 vaccination coverage ranges, 2019-2023.
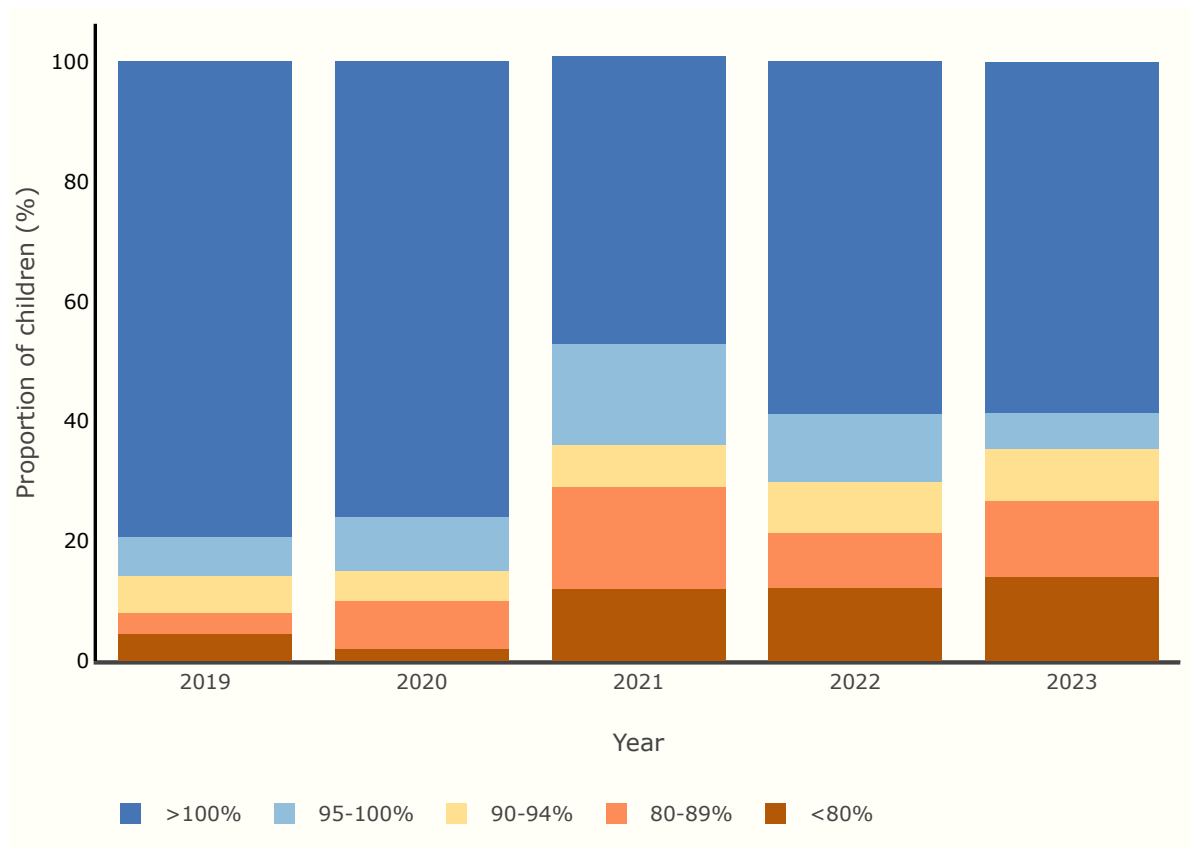
Figure 13: Proportion of municipalities by MMR2 vaccination coverage ranges, 2019-2023.
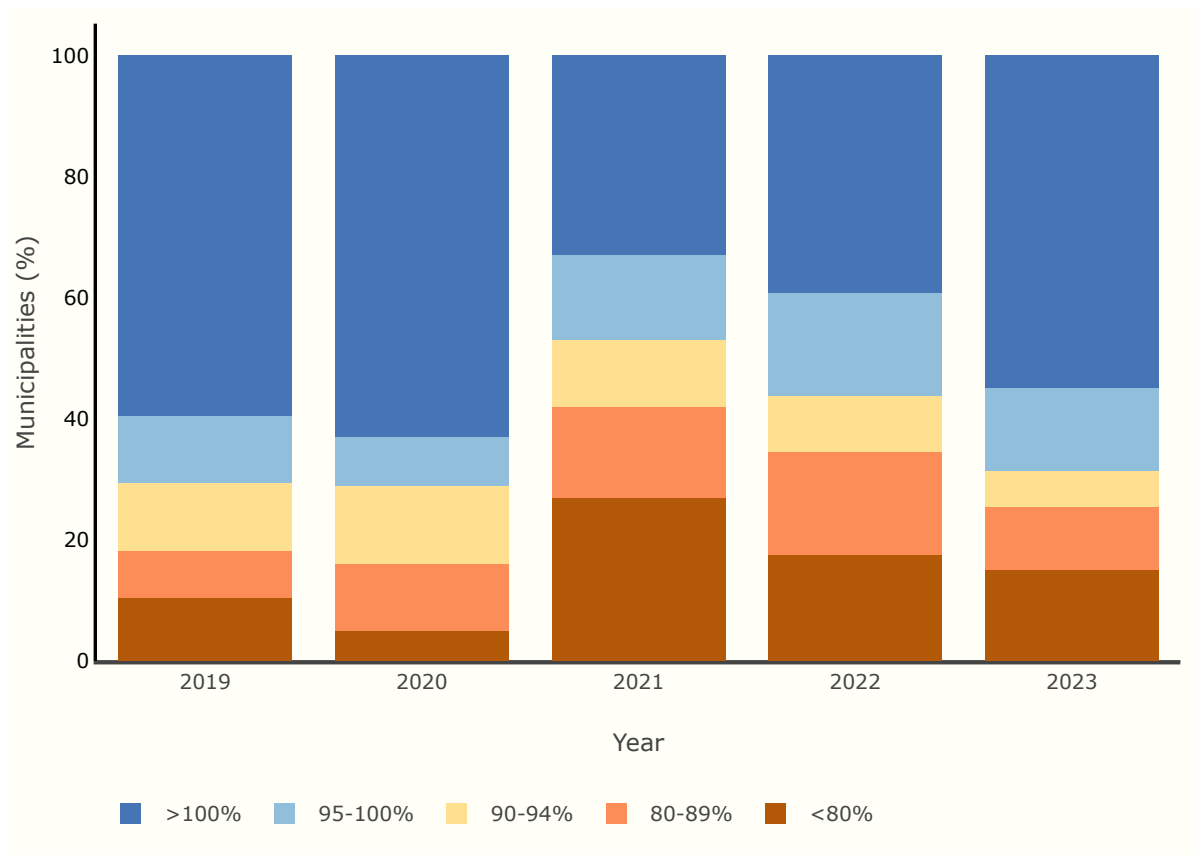
Figure 14: Proportion of children living in those municipalities for MMR2 vaccination coverage ranges, 2019-2023.
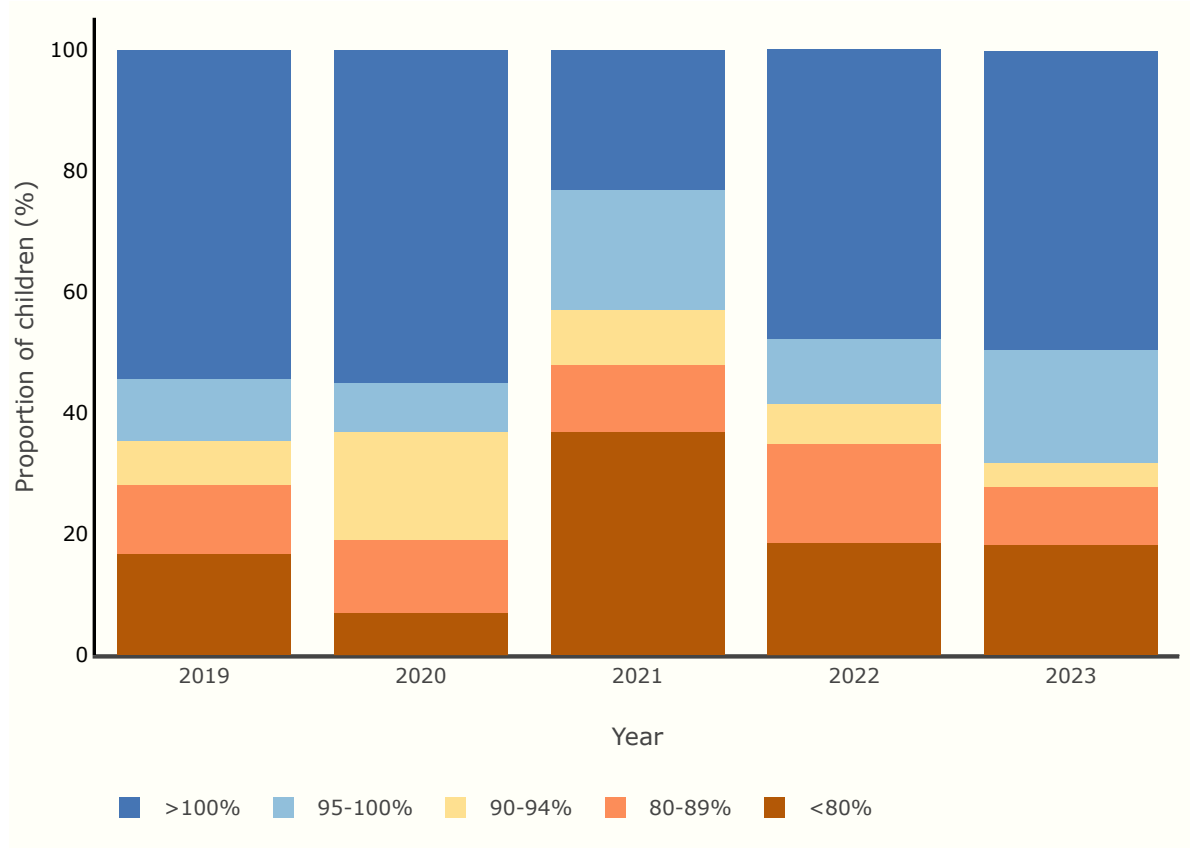

Table 11: Proportion of municipalities with MMR1 and MMR2 coverage ranges and proportion of children living in those municipalities, 2019-2023.

		MMR1		MMR2	
Year	Coverage range (%)	MMR1	MMR2	MMR1	MMR2
2023	<80	15.7	14.1	18.3	15.0
2023	80-89	13.7	12.7	9.6	10.5
2023	90-94	5.9	8.6	3.9	5.9
2023	95-100	9.8	6.1	18.7	13.7
2023	>100	54.9	58.4	49.4	54.9
2022	<80	13.1	12.3	18.7	17.6
2022	80-89	12.4	9.1	16.2	17.0
2022	90-94	11.1	8.6	6.6	9.2

2022	95-100	13.1	11.2	10.8	17.0
2022	>100	50.3	58.8	47.8	39.2
2021	<80	12.0	12.0	37.0	27.0
2021	80-89	12.0	17.0	11.0	15.0
2021	90-94	12.0	7.0	9.0	11.0
2021	95-100	18.0	17.0	20.0	14.0
2021	>100	46.0	48.0	23.0	33.0
2020	<80	3.0	2.0	7.0	5.0
2020	80-89	8.0	8.0	12.0	11.0
2020	90-94	5.0	5.0	18.0	13.0
2020	95-100	12.0	9.0	8.0	8.0
2020	>100	72.0	76.0	55.0	63.0
2019	<80	5.2	4.5	16.8	10.5
2019	80-89	3.9	3.6	11.3	7.8
2019	90-94	5.9	6.2	7.4	11.1
2019	95-100	7.8	6.4	10.2	11.1
2019	>100	77.1	79.3	54.3	59.5

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Update dates

The latest update dates for this country profile are shown below. Note that the ***Year of data*** reflects the year up to which the data are available, while the ***Latest update date*** reflects the date on which any amends, modifications and/or withdrawals of data from member countries or territories was performed.

Data	Year of data	Latest update date
Surveillance	2023	2024-10-16
Coverage	2023	2024-10-03