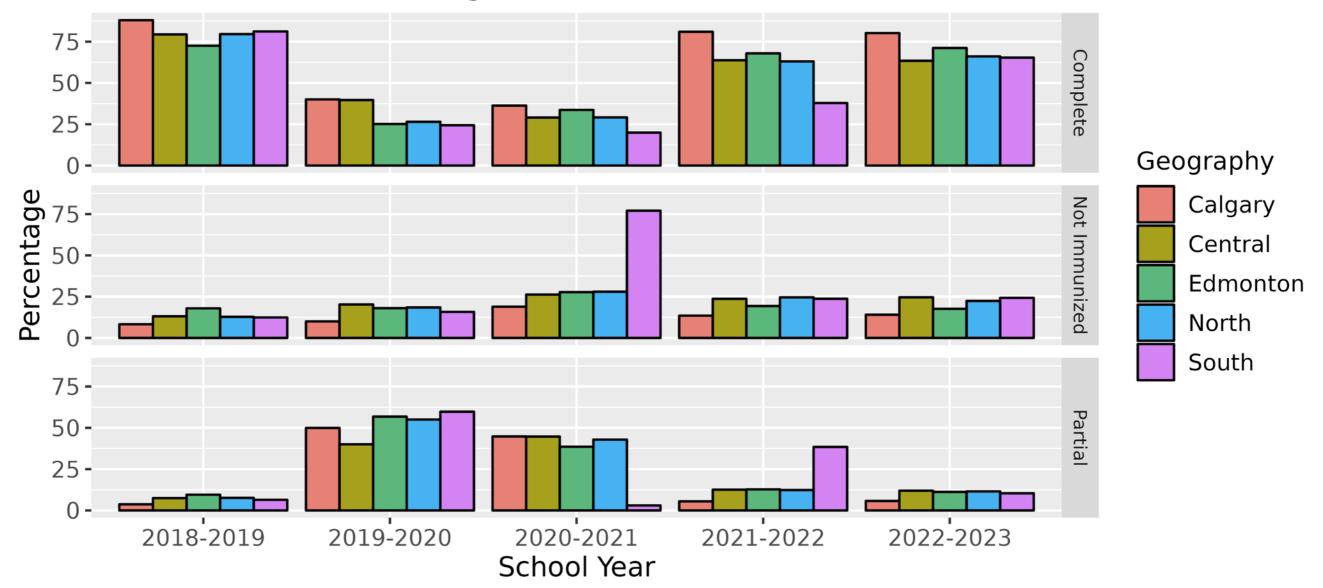
## Hepatitis B Immunization among Grade 6 students in Alberta

SY 2018-19 to 2022-23

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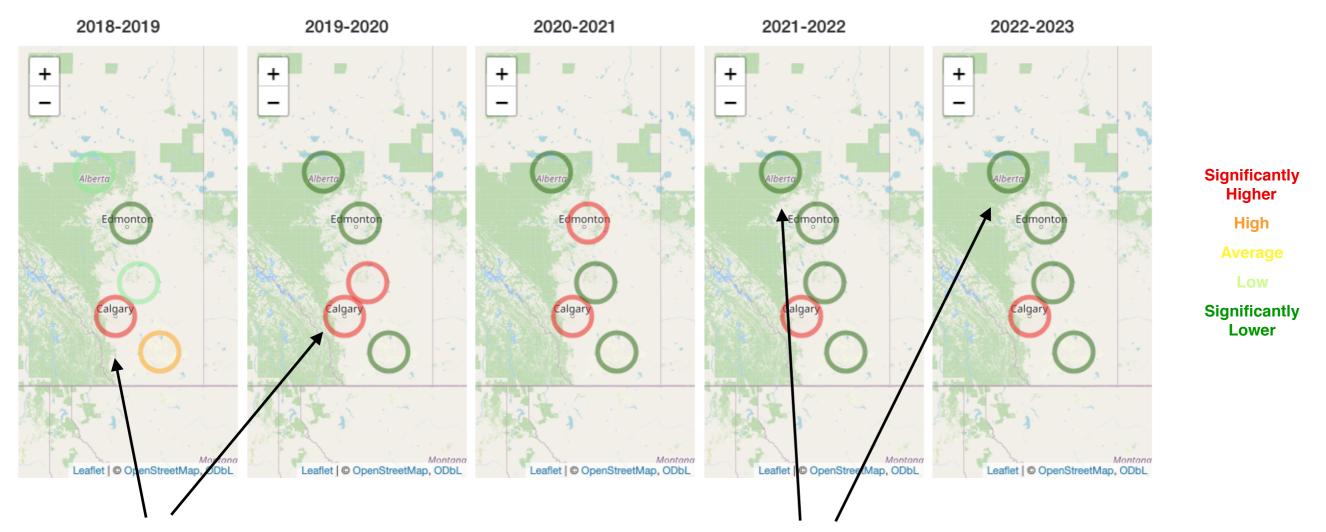
Source code: https://github.com/yrodriguezmd/HBV\_Alberta\_School/tree/main

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- \* The highest HBV completed immunization for the past 5 years was in the Calgary zone at 88.31%
- \* None of the 5 zones reached the target of 90% complete immunization
- \* There was a decrease in vaccination rates during the pandemic years SY 2019-20 and 2020-21
- \* The rates are recovering but still has not reached pre-pandemic levels

Figure 2. HBV Complete Immunizations for Grade 6 students by Zone Relative to Provincial Average



<sup>\*</sup> The Calgary Zone had consistent higher than average immunization compared to the provincial average

interactive plot: <a href="https://fed1li-maria0lorena-rodriguez.shinyapps.io/HBV\_Alberta\_School/">https://fed1li-maria0lorena-rodriguez.shinyapps.io/HBV\_Alberta\_School/</a>

<sup>\*</sup> The North Zone showed consistently lower than average rates

## Limitations

 A change in educational models with increased adoption to non-traditional schooling



- Data from schools in First Nations reserves are not included in the database
- Data prior to 2021 may be incomplete





## Moving Forward

- Re-evaluate vaccination methods that can be effectively used outside of traditional school approaches
- Strengthen data reporting from sources such as clinics and pharmacies
- Liaise with First Nations councils to find common objectives in the prevention of Chronic Hepatitis B