

Background

The national immunisation uptake statistics, based on available data, for Quarter 4 2015 are presented in this report. These immunisation uptake statistics relate to children at 12 (born between 01/10/2014 and 31/12/2014) and 24 (born between 01/10/2013 and 31/12/2013) months of age in Quarter 4-2015. These children were recommended the vaccines outlined in table 1. Please note the immunisation schedule changed in 2015 for children born on or after July 1st 2015. Please see the HSE-National Immunisation Office (NIO) website at http://www.hse.ie/eng/health/immunisation/ for current and detailed information on the Irish primary childhood immunisation schedule and also recommended vaccinations for older children and adults.

For children at 12 months of age in Quarter 4 2015, immunisation uptake rates of three doses of vaccines against diphtheria (D₃), pertussis (P₃), tetanus (T₃), *Haemophilus influenzae* type b (Hib₃), polio (Polio₃), hepatitis B (HepB₃), two doses of meningococcal serogroup C conjugate vaccine (MenC₂), two doses of pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV₂) and one dose of BCG vaccine are reported.

For children at 24 months of age in Quarter 4 2015, immunisation uptake rates of three doses of vaccines against diphtheria (D₃), pertussis (P₃), tetanus (T₃), *Haemophilus influenzae* type b (Hib₃), polio (Polio₃), hepatitis B (HepB₃), meningococcal group C (MenC₃) and pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV₃) and one dose of vaccine against measles, mumps and rubella (MMR₁) are reported. One dose of vaccine against *Haemophilus influenzae* type b (Hib_b), one dose of meningococcal group C vaccine (MenC_b) and one dose of pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV_b) given on or after 12 months of age are also reported.

The uptake statistics are also presented in this report by HSE Area and Local Health Office (LHO). While there are 32 LHOs the immunisation uptake data for North Lee and South Lee are reported as a combined figure. The uptake rates presented here were rounded to zero decimal place.

Table 1. Primary childhood immunisation schedule for children born between 01/07/2008 and 30/06/2015

Age	Vaccines
Birth	BCG
2 months	DTaP/Hib/IPV/HepB (6 in 1) + PCV
4 months	DTaP/Hib/IPV/HepB (6 in 1) + MenC
6 months	DTaP/Hib/IPV/HepB (6 in 1) + PCV + MenC
12 months	MMR + PCV
13 months	MenC + Hib

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 childhood immunisation schedule and also recommended vaccinations for older children and adults

 BCG
 Bacille Calmette Guerin vaccine

DTaPDiphtheria, Tetanus and acellular Pertussis vaccineHepBHepatitis B vaccineHibHaemophilus influenzae type b vaccineIPVInactivated Polio Virus vaccineMenCMeningococcal group C vaccineMMRMeasles, Mumps and Rubella vaccinePCVPneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine

Immunisation uptake among children at 12 months of age in Quarter 4-2015 National

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Immunisation uptake rates in children 12 months of age in Q4-2015 are presented by HSE Area in table 2.

National immunisation uptake rates were 91% for D_3 , T_3 , P_3 , Hib₃, Polio HepB₃ and PCV₂ and 90% for MenC₂.

BCG uptake data were available for 28 LHOs in Q4-2015; these areas cover approximately 90% of the national birth cohort. Where data were available, national uptake was 84% for the BCG vaccination.

 Figure 1 presents the national uptake rates at 12 months for each vaccine from Q3-2000 to Q4-2015. Compared to Q3-2015, national uptake rates in Q4-2015 for D₃, T₃, P₃, Hib₃, Polio, HepB₃ and PCV₂ were unchanged, MenC₂ decreased by 1% and BCG decreased by 3%.

HSE Area

 Among the HSE Areas, the uptake rates for D₃, T₃, P₃, Hib₃, Polio₃ and HepB₃ ranged from 90 to 96%, MenC₂ ranged from 87% to 95% and PCV₂ ranged from 87% to 96%.

The HSE Western Area reached the target of $\geq 95\%$ for D₃, T₃, P₃, Hib₃, Polio, HepB₃, PCV₂ and MenC₂. Local Health Office (LHO)

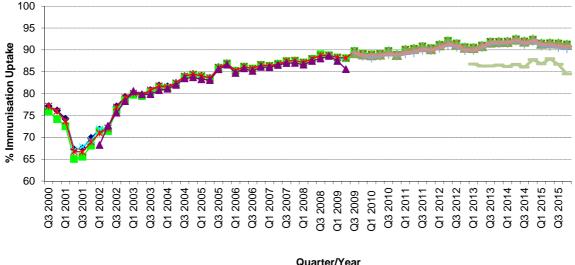
- The immunisation uptake rates by LHO are shown in appendix 1.
- D_3 , MenC₂ and PCV₂ immunisation uptake rates are mapped by LHO in figures 2-4.
- The target uptake rate of \geq 95% was reached in 5 LHOs for BCG and PCV₂, 4 LHOs for D₃, T₃, P₃, Hib₃, Polio₃ and HepB₃ and in 3 LHOs for MenC₂.

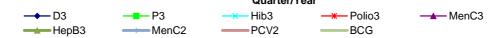
Table 2. Immunisation uptake (%) at 12 months in cohort born 01/10/2014-31/12/2014

HSE Area	No. in cohort*	BCG [†]	D_3T_3	P ₃	Hib ₃	Polio ₃	HepB ₃	MenC ₂	PCV ₂
Eastern	6530	89	90	90	90	90	90	90	90
Midland	1122	94	93	93	93	93	93	93	93
Mid Western	1303	93	90	90	90	90	90	90	90
North Eastern	1703	na	90	90	90	90	90	90	91
North Western	805	92	94	94	93	94	92	91	93
South Eastern	1777	95	91	91	91	91	91	91	91
Southern	2351	91	91	91	91	91	91	87	87
Western	1492	23	96	96	96	96	96	95	96
Ireland	17083	84	91	91	91	91	91	90	91

na = not available at this time

* The denominator/number in cohort varied slightly according to vaccine. D₃, T₃ and P₃ cohorts are shown here. †Number in cohort for BCG is 15.373







Since T_1 uptake is identical to D_3 uptake only D_3 uptake figures presented. The Q_3 -2008 MenC₃ uptake figure is based on data from six of the eight HSE Areas. The Q_1 -2009 HSE-Eastern Area D_3 , P_3 , T_3 , P_0 loi₃ and MMR₁ uptake figures exclude those born on the 31/03/2007. The Q_3 -2009 figures are incomplete as two HSE Areas were unable to provide data, two additional areas were unable to provide MenC₂ data and one additional area was unable to provide PCV₂ data. The Q_4 -2009 figures are incomplete as three HSE Areas were unable to provide data. The Q_1 -2010 figures are incomplete as two HSE Areas were unable to provide data. The Q_1 -2010 figures are incomplete as two HSE Areas were unable to provide data. The Q_2 -2010 figures are incomplete as two HSE Areas were unable to provide data. The Q_2 -2010 figures are incomplete as two HSE Areas were unable to provide data. The Q_2 -2010 figures are incomplete as two HSE Areas were unable to provide data. The Q_2 -2010 figures are incomplete as two HSE Areas were unable to provide data. The Q_2 -2010 figures are incomplete as two HSE Areas were unable to provide data. The Q_2 -2010 figures are incomplete as two HSE Areas were unable to provide data. The Q_2 -2010 figures are incomplete as two HSE Areas were unable to provide data. The Q_2 -2010 figures are incomplete as two HSE Areas were unable to provide data. The Q_2 -2010 figures are incomplete as two HSE Areas were unable to provide data. The Q_2 -2010 figures are incomplete as two HSE Areas were unable to provide data. The Q_2 -2010 figures are incomplete as two HSE Areas were unable to provide data. The Q_2 -2010 figures are incomplete as two HSE Areas were unable to provide data. The Q_2 -2010 figures are incomplete as two HSE Areas were unable to provide data. The Q_2 -2010 figures are incomplete as two HSE Areas were available for only five of the eight HSE-Areas in Q_2 2009, for two HSE-Areas in Q_2 2004 when HSE-Southern Area as a the HSE-Areas i

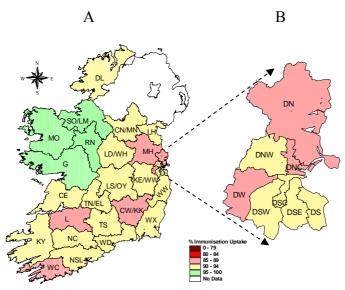


Figure 2. D₃ immunisation uptake rates (%) by LHO, in those 12 months of age in Quarter 4-2015, in (A) Ireland and (B) Dublin. Please see Appendix 3 to translate LHO codes.

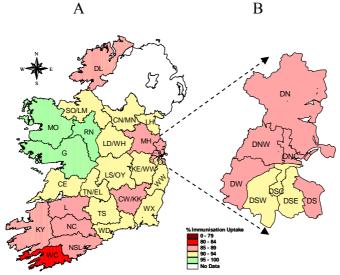


Figure 3. MenC₂ immunisation uptake rates (%) by LHO, in those 12 months of age in Quarter 4-2015, in (A) Ireland and (B) Dublin. Please see Appendix 3 to translate LHO codes.

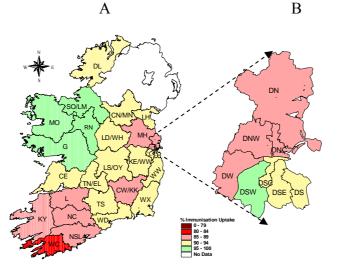


Figure 4. PCV_2 immunisation uptake rates (%) by LHO, in those 12 months of age in Quarter 4-2015, in (A) Ireland and (B) Dublin. Please see Appendix 3 to translate LHO codes.

Immunisation uptake among children 24 months of age in Quarter 4-2015 National

- National uptake rates were 96% for D₃, T₃, P₃, Hib₃, Polio₃ and HepB₃, 93% for MMR₁ and PCV₃, 92% for Hib_b and 89% for MenC₃ (table 3). Compared to the previous quarter, national uptake rates in Q4-2015 increased by 1% for D₃, T₃, P₃, Hib₃, Polio₃, HepB₃, MenC₃, PCV₃ and Hib_b and were unchanged for MMR₁ (figure 5).
- In total, seven of the eight HSE Areas were able to provide uptake data on $MenC_b$ and PCV_b in Q4-2015. These Areas cover approximately 91% of the national birth cohort. Where data were available, national uptake was 91% for MenC_b and 93% for PCV_b. Compared to the previous quarter MenC_b uptake increased by 1% and PCV_b uptake was unchanged (figure 5).
- Figure 5 presents the national uptake rates at 24 months for each vaccine from Q1-1999 to Q4-2015.
- HSE Area
- The target uptake of \geq 95% was reached for D₃, P₃, T₃, Hib₃, Polio₃ and HepB₃ in seven HSE Areas, for Hib_b. PCV_3 , PCV_b and MMR_1 in two HSE Areas, for $MenC_3$ in one and in none for $MenC_b$ (table 3).

Local Health Office (LHO)

- Immunisation uptake rates in children 24 months of age in Q4-2015 are presented by LHO in Appendix 2.
- D₃, Hib_b, MenC₃, MenC_b, PCV₃, PCV_b and MMR₁ immunisation uptake rates are mapped by LHO in figures 6-12.
- The target uptake of ≥95% was reached in 25 LHOs for D₃, T₃, P₃, Hib₃ and Polio₃ 24 for HepB₃ 12 for MMR₁, 11 for PCV_b, 8 for PCV₃ and Hib_b, 5 for MenC₃ and two for MenC_b.

Table 3. Immunisation uptake (%) at 24 months in cohort born 01/10/2013-31/12/2013

HSE Area	No. in Cohort*	D ₃ / T ₃	P ₃	Hib ₃	HepB ₃	Polio ₃	Hib _b	MenC ₃	MenC _b	PCV ₃	PCV _b	MMR ₁
Eastern	6511	95	95	95	95	95	90	87	90	91	93	92
Midland	1160	97	97	97	97	97	97	91	93	94	96	96
Mid-Western	1237	94	94	94	94	94	89	86	89	89	91	91
North Eastern	1825	96	96	96	96	96	92	97	93	98	95	94
North Western	862	96	96	96	96	96	94	88	93	90	94	93
South Eastern	1854	96	96	96	96	96	94	88	91	93	94	94
Southern	2461	96	96	96	96	96	91	88	89	92	93	94
Western	1566	98	98	98	98	98	95	94	na	97	na	96
Ireland	17476	96	96	96	96	96	92	89	91	93	93	93

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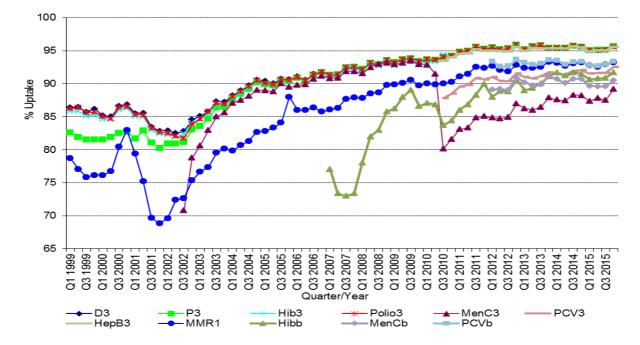


Figure 5. National quarterly immunisation uptake rates at 24 months

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Conclusions

In Quarter 4-2015, national uptake rates at 24 months for D₃, T₃, P₃, Hib₃, Polio₃ and HepB₃ reached the target of \geq 95%. Compared to the previous quarter, national uptake rates in Q4-2015 increased by 1% for D₃, T₃, P₃, Hib₃, Polio₃, HepB₃, MenC₃, PCV₃ and Hib_b and were unchanged for MMR₁. MenC_b and to a lesser extent Hib_b uptake are lower than the uptake of the other recommended vaccines both of which should be given at 13 months of age suggesting that parents are less likely to get the necessary vaccines for their children at this age.

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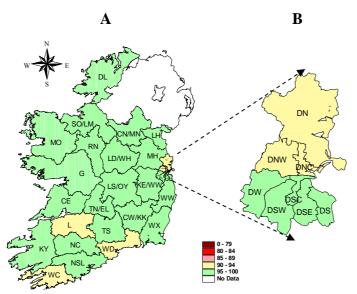


Figure 6. D₃ immunisation uptake rates (%) by LHO, in those 24 months of age in Quarter 4-2015, in (A) Ireland and (B) Dublin. Please see Appendix 3 to translate LHO codes. A B

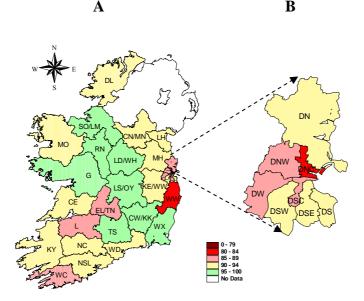


Figure 7. Hib_b immunisation uptake rates (%) by LHO, in those 24 months of age in Quarter 4-2015, in (A) Ireland and (B) Dublin. Please see Appendix 3 to translate LHO codes.

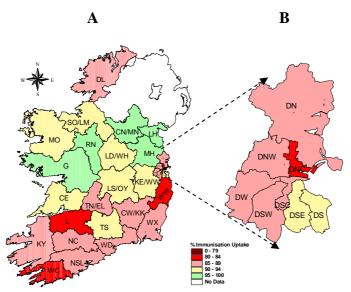


Figure 8. MenC₃ immunisation uptake rates (%) by LHO, in those 24 months of age in Quarter 4-2015, in (A) Ireland and (B) Dublin. Please see Appendix 3 to translate LHO codes.

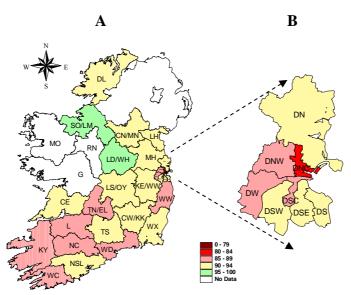


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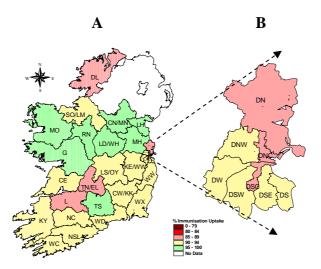


Figure 10. PCV₃ immunisation uptake rates (%) by LHO, in those 24 months of age in Quarter 4-2015, in (A) Ireland and (B) Dublin. Please see Appendix 3 to translate LHO codes.

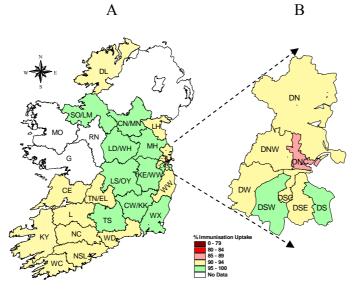


Figure 11. PCV_b immunisation uptake rates (%) by LHO, in those 24 months of age in Quarter 4-2015, in (A) Ireland and (B) Dublin. Please see Appendix 3 to translate LHO codes.

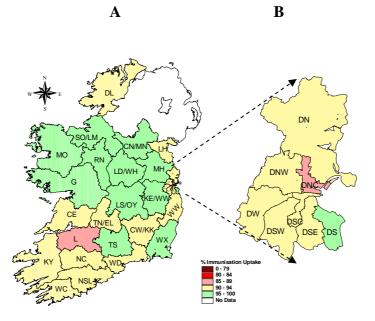


Figure 12. MMR₁ immunisation uptake rates (%) by LHO, in those 24 months of age in Quarter 4-2015, in (A) Ireland and (B) Dublin. Please see Appendix 3 to translate LHO codes.

Appendix 1

	Immunis	ation Up	take at 12 M	onths in	Cohort I	Born 01/	10/2014-:	31/12/201	4		
	Immunisation Uptake (%)										
		No. in	No. in cohort								
HSE		cohort	for $D_3, T_{3\&}$								
Area	LHO/HSE Area	for BCG	P ₃ *	BCG	D ₃ T ₃	P ₃	Hib ₃	Polio ₃	HepB ₃	MenC ₂	PCV ₂
	Dublin South	430	430	90	90	90	90	90	90	89	90
	Dublin South East	471	471	90	94	94	94	94	94	93	94
	Dublin South City	415	415	93	91	91	91	91	91	91	91
	Dublin South West	636	636	98	94	94	94	94	94	93	95
	Dublin West	717	717	72	87	87	87	87	87	86	87
Eastern	Dublin North West	929	929	91	90	90	90	90	90	89	89
	Dublin North Central Dublin North	469 1057	469 1057	90 87	87 87	87 87	87 87	87 87	87 87	86 87	87 87
	Kildare/West Wicklow	964	964	93	87 92	87 92	87 92	87 92	87 92	87 92	87 92
	Wicklow	964 442	964 442	93	92	92	92	92	92	92	92
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	Laois/Offaly	654	654	95	93	93	93	93	93	93	93
Midland	Laois/Offaly Longford/Westmeath	468	468	95	93 94	93 94	93	93 94	93 94	93	93 94
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		1122	1122	34	30	33	33	33	33	30	33
	Clare	363	360	93	93	93	93	93	93	93	93
Mid	Limerick	438	495	93	93 86	93 86	86	93 86	93 86	93 85	93 86
	Tipperary NR/East Limerick	465	495	93	92	92	92	92	92	92	92
western	HSE-MW Total	1266	1303	92	92 90	92	92	92 90	92	92 90	92 90
		1200	1303	30	90	90	90	90	90	90	90
	Cavan/Monaghan	na	514	na	93	93	93	93	93	93	93
North	Louth	na	434	na	90	90	90	90	90	93	93
Eastern		na	755	na	87	87	87	87	87	88	89
Lastern	HSE-NE Total	na	1703	na	90	90	90	90	90	90	91
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	Donegal	482	482	92	92	92	92	92	90	89	91
North	Sligo/Leitrim	323	323	92	96	96	95	96	95	93	96
Western	HSE-NW Total	805	805	92	94	94	93	94	92	91	93
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	Carlow/Kilkenny	504	504	95	88	88	88	88	88	88	88
	South Tipperary	308	308	96	94	94	94	94	94	93	94
South	Waterford	431	431	94	91	91	92	91	91	90	90
Eastern	Wexford	534	534	93	93	93	93	93	93	93	93
	HSE-SE Total	1777	1777	95	91	91	91	91	91	91	91
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	North Cork	360	355	91	90	90	90	90	90	88	88
	North South Lee	1406	1383	92	91	91	90	91	91	87	87
Southern	West Cork	168	170	89	88	88	88	88	88	82	82
	Kerry	447	443	89	93	93	93	93	93	88	87
	HSE-S Total	2381	2351	91	91	91	91	91	91	87	87
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	Galway	866	866	9	95	95	95	95	95	95	95
	Mayo	418	418	36	96	96	96	96	96	95	96
Western	Roscommon	208	208	56	99	99	99	99	99	99	99
	HSE-W Total	1492	1492	23	96	96	96	96	96	95	96
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	Ireland	15373	17083	84	91	91	91	91	91	90	91

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Appendix 2

		Immunisation Uptake (%)											
		No. in cohort for $D_3 \& T_3 \&$	D ₃ T ₃	P ₃	Hib ₃	Hib _b	Polio ₃	HepB ₃	MenC ₃	MenCb	PCV ₃	PCVb	MMR
HSE Area	LHO/HSE Area Dublin South	P 3 446	97	97	97	94	97	97	91	94	94	95	95
	Dublin South East	440	97	97	97	94	97	97	91	94	94	93	93
	Dublin South City	419	95	95	95	89	95	95	86	88	89	93	94
	Dublin South West	642	97	97	97	92	97	97	88	91	92	95	94
	Dublin West	685	96	96	96	89	96	96	85	88	90	93	93
Eastern	Dublin North West	938	94	94	94	88	94	94	86	88	90	91	90
	Dublin North Central	472	90	90	90	83	90	90	81	83	87	88	88
	Dublin North	1064	93	93	93	90	93	93	87	90	89	92	90
	Kildare/West Wicklow	926	96	96	96	94	96	96	92	94	94	95	95
	Wicklow	471	95	95	95	84	95	95	81	85	90	93	92
	HSE-E Total	6511	95	95	95	90	95	95	87	90	91	93	92
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	Laois/Offaly	644	96	96	96	96	96	96	90	92	93	95	95
Midland	Longford/Westmeath	516	98	98	98	98	98	98	93	95	96	97	98
	HSE-M Total	1160	97	97	97	97	97	97	91	93	94	96	96
	Clare	353	95	95	95	94	95	95	91	94	92	93	94
id Western	Limerick	461	92	92	92	87	92	92	84	87	89	90	89
nu western	Tipperary NR/East Limerick	423	95	95	95	88	95	95	85	88	88	92	91
	HSE-MW Total	1237	94	94	94	89	94	94	86	89	89	91	91
	Cavan/Monaghan	530	97	97	97	94	97	97	98	94	99	96	95
North	Louth	482	95	95	95	91	95	95	96	93	96	93	93
Eastern	Meath	813	97	97	97	92	97	97	97	92	98	95	95
	HSE-NE Total	1825	96	96	96	92	96	96	97	93	98	95	94
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North	Donegal	527	96	96	95	92	95	94	86	91	89	93	90
Western	Sligo/Leitrim HSE-NW Total	335 862	98 96	98 96	98 96	97 94	97 96	98 96	91 88	97 93	93 90	97 94	97 93
	HSE-NW TOTAL	002	90	90	90	94	90	90	00	93	90	94	93
	Carlow/Kilkenny	501	96	96	96	95	96	96	89	92	93	95	94
	South Tipperary	328	96	96	96	95	96	96	90	92	95	95	94
South	Waterford	505	90	90	90	93	90	90	87	88	93	90	93
Eastern	Wexford	520	97	97	97	96	97	97	89	93	93	95	95
	HSE-SE Total	1854	96	96	96	94	96	96	88	93 91	93	94	94
	North Cork	384	97	97	97	91	97	97	88	89	92	92	94
	North South Lee	1438	96	96	96	91	96	96	88	90	92	93	94
Southern	West Cork	181	94	94	94	89	94	94	84	86	90	91	92
	Kerry	458	97	97	97	90	97	97	86	88	90	92	92
	HSE-S Total	2461	96	96	96	91	96	96	88	89	92	93	94
	Galway	936	98	98	98	96	98	98	95	na	96	na	96
Western	Мауо	414	97	97	97	91	97	97	91	na	97	na	95
vvestern	Roscommon	216	100	100	100	97	100	100	98	na	99	na	97
	HSE-W Total	1566	98	98	98	95	98	98	94	na	97	na	96
	Ireland	17476	96	96	96	92	96	96	89	91	93	93	93

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*The denominator/number in cohort varied slighly according to vaccine. $\rm D_3, \, T_3$ and $\rm P_3$ cohorts show n here.

Please note while North Lee and South Lee are two separate LHOs their combined immunisation uptake data are reported here.

Appendix 3

Local Health Office (LHO) Abbreviations (used in maps in this report)	Local Health Office (LHO)
CE	Clare
CN/MN	Cavan/Monaghan
CW/KK	Carlow/Kilkenny
DL	Donegal
DN	Dublin North
DNC	Dublin North Central
DNW	Dublin North West
DS	Dublin South
DSC	Dublin South City
DSE	Dublin South East
DSW	Dublin South West
DW	Dublin West
G	Galway
KE/WW	Kildare/West Wicklow
KY	Kerry
L	Limerick
LD/WD	Longford/Westmeath
LH	Louth
LS/OY	Laois/Offaly
MH	Meath
MO	Mayo
NC	North Cork
NSL*	North South Lee*
RN	Roscommon
SO/LM	Sligo/Leitrim
TN/EL	Tipperary North /East Limerick
TS	South Tipperary
WC	West Cork
WD	Waterford
WX	Wexford
WW	Wicklow

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