

# New York City Public Immunization Dashboard

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# Outline

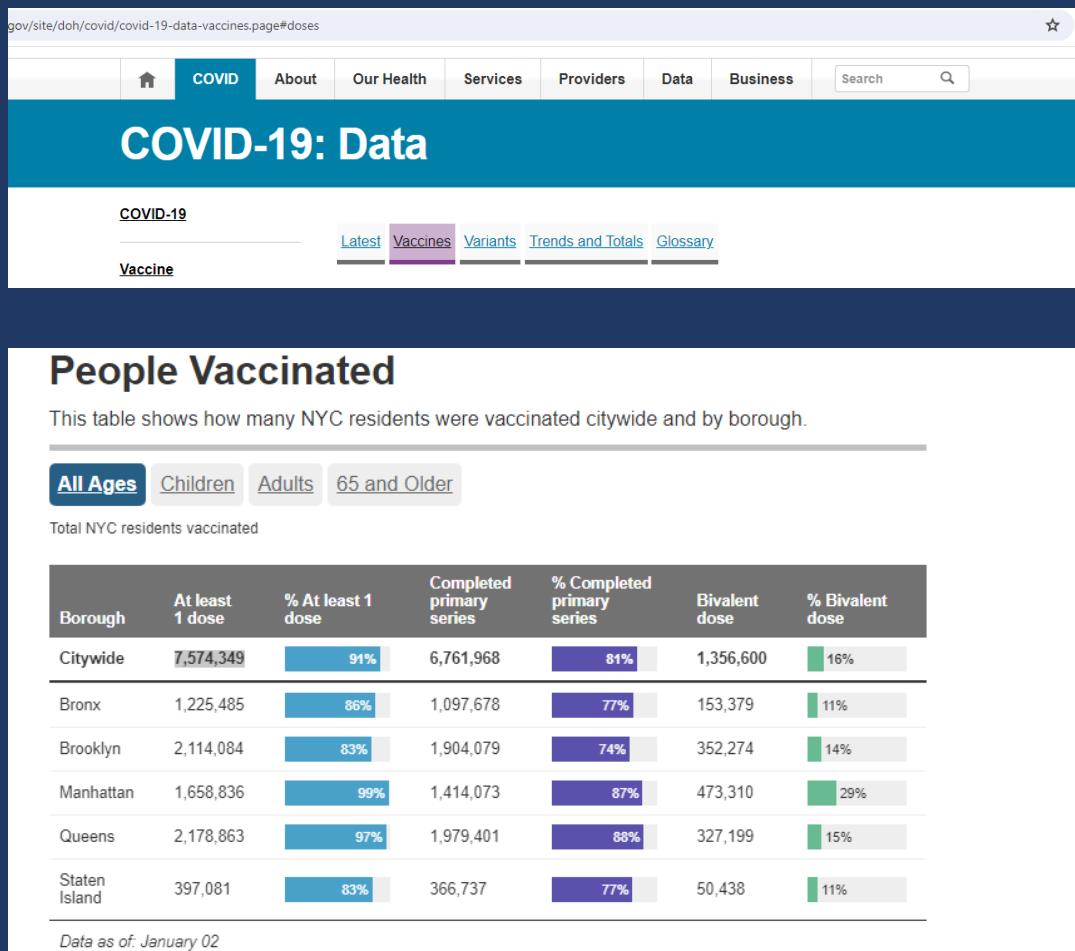
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# Background

Citywide Immunization Registry (CIR) is the Immunization Information System (IIS) for New York City (NYC)

- Began citywide in 1997
- Contains > 14.8 million patients
- > 170 million immunizations
- Mandatory reporting of immunizations for children < 19 years
- Reporting for adults  $\geq$  19 years requires consent
- Population-based
  - Load birth certificate data twice weekly

# Background (Continued)



- NYC Health Department COVID-19 Vaccine Data Page was launched in May 2021 and maintained until the commercialization of COVID-19 vaccines in September 2023

# Objectives

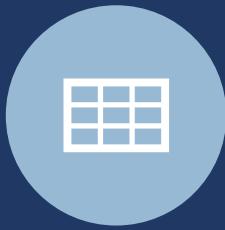
- CIR developed a public-facing immunization dashboard that provides vaccination coverage data for NYC residents



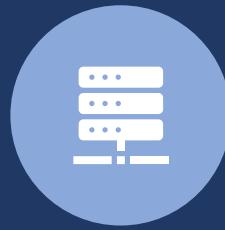
Display immunization coverage data



Make data accessible to the public with interactive features



Provide data for on-demand internal and external requests



Create a central repository with version control

# Dashboard Development Cycle



- Development cycle occurs twice a year
- Data cutoff: June & December
- Data update: August & February

# Phase 1

## Methodology: Initial Considerations

- Rank/prioritize vaccines
- Review and learn from National Immunization Survey (NIS) and other jurisdictions
- Determine
  - Denominators (population estimates)
  - Vaccine groups
  - Age cohorts and other demographics
  - Visualization types

# Methodology: Vaccine Group Selection

- Initial release contains 8 vaccine groups for children, 2 vaccine groups for adolescents and the influenza vaccine
- Age cohorts align with NIS

# Methodology: Vaccine Groups for Children

- 2 year-olds
  - DTaP
  - Polio
  - MMR
  - Hep B
  - Hib
  - Varicella
  - PCV
  - Combined 7-series

# Methodology: Vaccine Groups for Adolescents

- 13 to 17 year-olds
  - HPV
  - Tdap\* (ANIMATION)
  - MenACWY\*
  - Combined 1:1:3 series\*
- 13 year-olds
  - HPV

\*Expected to be added in future releases

# Methodology: Influenza Vaccine

- 6 months to 17 year-olds
  - 6 months to 4 year-olds
  - 5 to 12 year-olds
  - 13 to 17 year-olds

# Methodology (Continued)

- Citywide coverage and stratified by borough, race/ethnicity, ZIP code
- Point estimates displayed retrospectively for at least 5 years, showing coverage as of June 30 and December 31 of each year
- Future releases will include updated coverage rates as new population estimates become available

# Phase 2

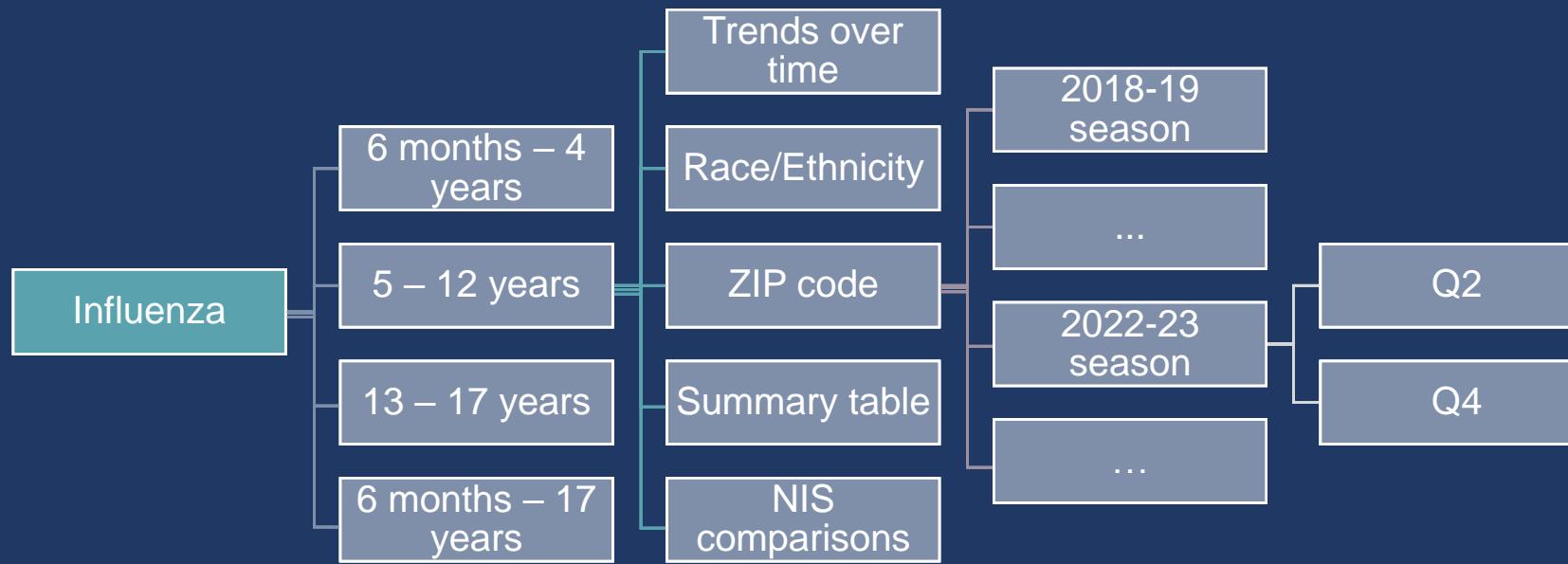
## Data Preparation - *R*

- Extract data from CIR database
- Use an internal application to ensure patient vaccination data are up to date
- Create aggregated dataset for each vaccine group
- Compare and validate with data in previous years
- Combine all datasets into one clean master file
- Compare the master file with previous file in GitHub
- Save the master file to agency drive
- Upload the master file to GitHub for public sharing

One *R* program

# Phase 3

## Data Transformation - *R*



Flu_modzcta_5_12y_2021-22_Q4
Flu_modzcta_5_12y_2022-23_Q4
Flu_modzcta_6mo_4y_2018-19_Q2
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Flu_modzcta_all_2018-19_Q2
Flu_modzcta_all_2018-19_Q4

- Read in the master file generated in the previous step
- Split and transform the combined dataset into individual files for each visualization
- Save the files to the agency drive and upload to GitHub for public access

# Phase 4

## Visualization - Datawrapper

- Datawrapper
  - Straightforward and easy to use
  - Optimized for mobile devices
  - Limited data processing capabilities
- Link to datasets in GitHub as data source and build the visuals in Datawrapper
- Develop HTML webpage and embed the visuals

The screenshot shows the Datawrapper interface with the following elements:

- Header:** Datawrapper, Dashboard, Create new ..., Archive, User icon (K).
- Progress Bar:** 1 Upload Data (red box), 2 Check & Describe (grey), 3 Visualize (red box), 4 Publish & Embed (grey).
- Table Configuration:** Chart type (selected), Refine, Annotate, Layout. A red box highlights "Chart type".
- Customize Table:** Rows per page slider set to 20. Options include: Make searchable, Show ranks, Stripe table (checked), Make first column sticky, Show pagination (checked, Position: top), Sort table (unchecked). Other options: Mobile fallback, Compact layout (checked), Parse markdown, Merge with empty cells.
- Table Preview:** Test\_title. The table has 5 columns: 2022-23, 2021-22, 2020-21, by 12/31, by 6/30. The data is as follows:

	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	by 12/31	by 6/30
Citywide					
New York City	1	1	1	1	1
Borough					
Bronx	2	2	2	2	2
Brooklyn	2	2	2	2	2
Manhattan	2	2	2	2	2
Queens	2	2	2	2	2
Staten Island	2	2	2	2	2
Race/Ethnicity					
American Indian, non-Hispanic	3	3	3	3	3

# Phase 5

# Quality Assurance and Review

## Quality Assurance

- Log review in R
- Data validation
- Checklist

## Review

- CIR team
- External reviewers
- Bureau of Immunization leadership
- Agency Communications
- Agency leadership

# Phase 6 Publishing

- In addition to publishing the dashboard online, several preparatory steps are necessary
  - Set up GitHub repository and documentation (read.me file)
  - Compile Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)
  - Prepare press release materials
  - Archive all files
- Data updates are scheduled twice per year to include June and December coverage rates

# New York City Immunization Dashboard (beta)

## New York City Immunization Dashboard

The New York City (NYC) Immunization Dashboard shows estimates of vaccination coverage (the percentage of individuals who are vaccinated) for specific vaccine-preventable diseases. It includes trends over time and breakdowns by race and ethnicity, borough, and ZIP code. It also shows comparisons to national vaccination targets. The information in the dashboard comes from the NYC Health Department's Citywide Immunization Registry (CIR), which contains vaccination records of New York City residents. Information from the CIR is available to families, health care providers, and schools. The information is used to help ensure people receive life-saving vaccines and allows providers and the Health Department to monitor vaccination coverage and protect the health of the public.

### Vaccines by Age Group

Select children or adolescents and choose a vaccine type to learn about coverage in NYC.

[Children](#)

[Adolescents](#)

### Data Update Schedule

Vaccination coverage data are updated twice a year, in February and August.

### More Information

[About the Data](#) | [Download Vaccine Data](#)

**About Health Inequities in Data:** Differences in vaccination coverage between racial and ethnic groups are due to social determinants of health which include areas where people live, work and go to school, insurance coverage status, living in poverty and other long-term structural inequities due to racism. Differences in vaccine rates by race and ethnicity do not relate to biological or personal traits. The NYC Health Department is committed to advancing racial justice. This includes taking steps to improve capture of race and ethnicity and other demographic data to enable targeted interventions to reduce inequities in vaccination coverage.

# Conclusion

- NYC used a six-phase iterative process to develop its first-ever immunization dashboard for routine vaccines
- The NYC Immunization Dashboard will provide a timely, interactive visualization of NYC vaccination coverage rates
- The dashboard will serve as an important public health resource

# Challenges

- Selecting the most applicable population estimates as denominators
- Vaccination coverages displayed are not always consistent with NIS rates due to different methodologies
- Agency review and approval is a lengthy and iterative process
- Choosing appropriate software/tools approved by agency for data analysis and visualization

# Next steps

- Finalize and publish the dashboard
  - Present to agency partners
  - Present to provider groups and community-based organizations
- Collect public feedback
  - Track page views
- Expand the dashboard to include all recommended vaccines for children and adolescents
  - Incomplete adult data

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# Thank You

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