

(Q26) Have you ever delayed or decided not to get vaccine shots or immunizations for your child?

	%	95% CI*	
Yes	29.3	24.7	34.4
No	70.7	65.6	75.3

(Q27) What were the reasons you delayed or did not get vaccine shots or immunizations for your child? Check all that apply.

(Among those who delayed or did not get shots for their child.)

	% yes	95% CI*	
I think too many shots are given at once.	61.4	51.5	70.4
I think some shots are given too early.	47.6	38.0	57.4
I think some shots do more harm than good.	39.0	29.8	48.9
I have religious beliefs or concerns about some or all shots.	16.5	10.3	25.3
I do not think some of the diseases will affect my child.	12.1	7.1	19.9
I didn't know when the shots were due.	8.0	4.1	15.2
I couldn't get an appointment when I wanted one.	6.6	3.1	13.6
Other reasons [§]	34.6	26.0	44.4

§Other reasons cited included child was sick when due, parent chose not to get a specific vaccine, history of family members who got sick after shots or child has allergies, the child's vaccine schedule was modified due to other health issues, shots not available in clinic or other access issues, lack of money or insurance, and mother was busy or forgot.

What is CUBS?

CUBS stands for the Childhood Understanding Behaviors Survey and is a three-year follow-up to the Alaska Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS). PRAMS sends a survey to approximately one of every six mothers of newborns in Alaska. CUBS attempts follow-up with all mothers living in Alaska who completed PRAMS and whose infant was living with them at that time. The purpose of CUBS is to collect information about health, behaviors, and experiences of young children and families in Alaska.

Among 916 mothers who were sent the CUBS survey in 2013, 64% responded (590 women). Their answers were weighted to represent all mothers of 3-year-old children born in Alaska in 2010. The average child age at the time mothers responded was 38 months (range 37-42 months). 1.7% of mothers said their 3-year-old child was not living with them at the time.

For more information about CUBS, visit the [CUBS website](#).

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(Q28) Did you delay or decide not to get a specific vaccine shot or immunization for your child?
 (Among women who delayed or did not get shots for their child.)

	%	95% CI*	
Yes	50.7	40.7	60.6

Please tell us which shot(s) and why:

(Percent among all women who delayed or did not get shots for their child.)

	%	95% CI*	
Influenza “flu”, including H1N1	17.7	10.9	27.5
Hepatitis A or Hepatitis B	8.3	4.7	14.4
Measles Mumps Rubella “MMR”	8.1	3.9	15.8
Varicella “Chicken pox”	7.9	4.4	13.7
Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis “DTAP”	0.8	0.1	4.5
<i>“All” or “most” vaccines</i>	4.3	2.1	8.8