

# GOAL 1: Ready to Learn

## State Indicator 2. Immunizations

Have states<sup>1</sup> increased the percentages of 2-year-olds who have been fully immunized against preventable childhood diseases?

↑	Better	6 states and the U.S.
↔	No Change	45 states
↓	Worse	0 states

### Improvement over time

Between 1994 and 1997, the U.S. and 6 states (out of 51) significantly increased the percentages of 2-year-olds who had been fully immunized against preventable childhood diseases:

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| 1. Alabama  | 3. Michigan | 5. Washington    |
| 2. Illinois | 4. Missouri | 6. West Virginia |

### Highest-performing states\*

States with the highest percentages of fully-immunized 2-year-olds:

	(1997)
Connecticut	87%
Maine	87%
Massachusetts	87%
Alabama	86%
Vermont	86%
New Hampshire	85%
Rhode Island	84%
North Dakota	83%
<b>U.S.</b>	<b>78%</b>

\* States that had a significantly higher percentage than the U.S. average.

### Most-improved states

States that made the greatest gains in the percentages of fully-immunized 2-year-olds:

	(1994)	(1997)	Change*
Michigan	61%	77%	+16
West Virginia	66%	82%	+16
Missouri	64%	78%	+14
Alabama	75%	86%	+11
Illinois	68%	76%	+8

\* Differences between the first two columns may differ slightly from the figures reported in the "change" column due to rounding.

<sup>1</sup> The term "state" is used to refer to the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the outlying areas.