American Samoa

Table 1 - Jurisdiction Demographics

Data updated Feb. 2023

	Demographic	Total Number	% of Population	
Age	Total Population	49,710	100%	
Ι	Under 5 y/o	4,569	9.2%	
	Between 5 and 19 y/o	15,363	30.9%	
	Total under 19 y/o	19,932	40.1%	
	American Indian/Alaska Native	13	0.03%	
	Asian	2,878	5.8%	
Race	Black/African American	24	0.05%	
~	Hispanic/Latino	406	0.8%	
	Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	44,090	88.7%	
	Other	139	0.3%	
	White	374	0.8%	
	2+ Races	2,192	4.4%	
	Total households	9,834	100%	
	Households with broadband	6,789	69.0%	
	Persons in poverty	26,480	53.3%	
Other	Children below poverty level	11,364	63.2%	
Ó	Language besides English (>5 y/o)	42,730	96.7%	
	Uninsured children (<19 y/o)	11,532	60.4%	
	Children on Medicaid (<19 y/o)	-	-	
	Children with private insurance (<19 y/o)	-	-	
	Children with a disability (<18 y/o)	294	1.6%	
	Population per square kilometer	231.0	-	

Age and race data taken from U.S. Census Bureau - <u>DECIA DP1: General Demographic Characteristics</u>

Household data taken from U.S. Census Bureau - <u>DECIA DP4: Selected Housing Characteristics</u>

Disability and language data taken from U.S. Census Bureau - <u>DECIA DP2: Selected Social Characteristics</u>

Uninsured and poverty data taken from U.S. Census Bureau - <u>DECIA DP3: Selected Economic Characteristics</u>

Population density data taken from <u>data.worldbank.org</u>



Table 2 - Pacific Islander Population

Data updated Feb. 2023

	Total Population	Percentage
Samoan	41,382	93.4%
Tongan	1,093	2.5%
Fijian	333	0.8%
Other	1,282	3.1%
Total	44,090	100%

Data taken from U.S. Census Bureau - <u>DECIA DP1: General Demographic Characteristics</u>

Table 3 - COVID-19 Vaccination Rates

Data updated Feb. 2023

	% with 1+ dose	% with 2 dose series	% change in 1+ dose in 3 weeks			
6 mo4 y/o	-	-	-			
5-11 y/o	-	-	-			
12-17 y/o	-	-	-			

No data available

Table 4 - School Vaccine Requirements

Data updated Feb. 2023

	DTap	IPV	MMR	Нер А	Нер В	Varicella	PCV	HiB	COVID
Required at 5 years	\checkmark								

Data taken from 2.ed.gov



Table 5 - Vaccine Coverage and Exemption Rates Among Children in Kindergarten

Data updated Feb. 2023

	American Samoa	Median	National
Kindergarten Population	630	-	3,837,259
Surveyed %	100.0	-	92.2
2 Doses MMR %	90.0	92.9	93.5
5 Doses DTaP %	94.3	92.0	93.1
4 Doses Polio %	97.0	92.7	93.5
2 Doses VAR %	76.8	92.6	92.8
Grace Period of Provisional Enrollment %	-	1.9	2.4
Any Exemption %	-	2.7	2.6
Percentage point change in any exemption 2020–2021	-	0.2	0.4

Data taken from <u>CDC MMWR Weekly Report</u>



Other Details

- Is American Samoa a Medicaid Expansion state?
 - There is no individual determination for Medicaid enrollment. Federal funds pay for care provided in proportion to the population with income that would have fallen below 200% of the federal poverty line. American Samoa is not required to offer mandatory Medicaid benefits under its Section 1902(j) waiver.
- Is American Samoa currently enrolling pharmacies in VFC?
 - No
- Are pharmacies recognized as Medicaid providers?
 - No information
- Percentage of schools enrolled in VFC
 - No data
- Universal VFC jurisdiction?
 - No
- Legislative considerations
 - Permits medical exemptions to school required vaccines. Permits philosophical exemptions when provided in a written, signed affidavit issued pursuant to a court order on the basis that the vaccination interferes with the free exercise of a sincere religious belief.
 - No bans on school COVID-19 vaccination mandates.
 - No requirements for school COVID-19 vaccination.
- Logistical considerations
 - Inadequate vaccine supply
 - Inadequate funding to administer vaccinations
- Opportunities
 - School-based VFC clinics
 - Pharmacies



- American Samoa Bar Association
- <u>NASHP States Address School Vaccine Mandates and Mask Mandates</u>

