

Table 1 - Jurisdiction Demographics

Data updated Feb. 2023

	Demographic	Total Number	% of Population
Age	Total Population	54,388	100%
	Under 5 y/o	4,341	8.0%
Ethnicity	Between 5 and 18 y/o	15,510	28.5%
	Total under 19 y/o	19,851	36.5%
Ethnicity	Marshallese	-	95%
	Other	-	5%
Other	Total households	14,950	100%
	Persons who accessed the internet in past 30 days (age 10+)	-	36.0%
	Persons in poverty	-	7.2%
	Persons ages 0-10 in poverty	-	8.0%
	Persons ages 11-20 in poverty	-	11.1%
	Language besides English (>5 y/o)		
	Uninsured children (<18 y/o)		
	Children on Medicaid (<19 y/o)		
	Children with private insurance (<19 y/o)		
	Children with a disability (<18 y/o)		
	Population per square mile	759*	-

*Data taken from the [Republic of the Marshall Islands 2011 Census Report](#) - data from this source may not be an accurate representation of current demographics

Age, ethnicity, household, internet, poverty data taken from [A Compendium of Analyses of 2019-20 HES in the Marshall Islands](#)

Table 2 - COVID-19 Vaccination Rates

Data updated Feb. 2023

	% with 1+ dose	% with 2 dose series	% change in 1+ dose in 3 weeks
6 mo.-4 y/o	-	-	-
5-11 y/o	-	-	-
12-17 y/o	-	-	-

No data available

Table 3 - School Vaccine Requirements

Data updated Feb. 2023

	DTap	IPV	MMR	Hep A	Hep B	Varicella	PCV	HiB	COVID
Required at 5 years	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	

Data taken from [Marshall Islands Action Plan](#)

Table 4 - Vaccine Coverage and Exemption Rates Among Children in Kindergarten

Data updated Feb. 2023

	Marshall Is.	Median	National
Kindergarten Population	1,003	-	3,837,259
Surveyed %	100	-	92.2
2 Doses MMR %	97.7	92.9	93.5
5 Doses DTaP %	93.2	92.0	93.1
4 Doses Polio %	97.3	92.7	93.5
2 Doses VAR %	Not required	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 [CDC MMWR Weekly Report](#)

Other Details

- Are the Marshall Islands a Medicaid Expansion state?
 - The Republic of the Marshall Islands is a Freely Associated State (FAS) and residents are not considered U.S. citizens or nationals. FASs do not receive Medicaid funding.
- Are the Marshall Islands currently enrolling pharmacies in VFC?
 - N/A
- Are pharmacies recognized as Medicaid providers?
 - N/A
- Percentage of schools enrolled in VFC
 - N/A
- Universal VFC jurisdiction?
 - N/A
- Legislative considerations
 - Permits medical, religious, and personal belief exemptions to required immunizations
 - No bans on school COVID-19 vaccination mandates
 - No requirements for school COVID-19 vaccination
- Logistical considerations
 - One of the world's smallest, most isolated, and most vulnerable nations.
 - 24 inhabited atolls and islands-- 55.8% of the population lives on Majuro, 19.2% on Kwajalein, and 25% in rural areas.
 - Major geographic differences in poverty rates-- 2.5% in urban areas, 21.2% in rural areas.
 - 40% of the population are under the age of 20.
 - Inadequate funding to administer vaccinations.
 - Inadequate vaccine supply.
- Opportunities
 - School-based clinics
 - Pharmacies

Sources:

- [KFF.org - Community Health Centers in the U.S. Territories and Freely Associated States](#)
- [School Immunization Act 1981](#)
- [A Compendium of Analyses of 2019-20 HIES in the Marshall Islands](#)