

Table 1 - Jurisdiction Demographics

Data updated Feb. 2023

| | Demographic | Total Number | % of Population |
|---------------|--|--------------|-----------------|
| Age | Total Population | 17,614 | 100% |
| | Under 5 y/o | 1,013 | 5.8% |
| | Between 5 and 19 y/o | 3,409 | 19.4% |
| > | Total under 19 y/o | 4,422 | 25.1% |
| and Ethnicity | Palauan | 12,436 | 70.6% |
| Eth | Carolinian | 220 | 1.2% |
| and | Asian | 4,660 | 26.5% |
| Race | White | 150 | 0.9% |
| 23 | Black/African American | 20 | 0.1% |
| | Other | 123 | 0.7% |
| | Total households | 5,056 | 100% |
| | Households with broadband | 2,368 | 46.8% |
| | Persons in poverty | - | - |
| | Children in households below poverty level | - | - |
| Ļ | Speaks Palauan only | 7,205 | 40.9% |
| Other | Speaks Palauan and another language | 5,194 | 29.5% |
| | Doesn't speak Palauan | 5,215 | 29.6% |
| | Can speak English | 12,297 | 69.8% |
| | 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 kilometer | 39 | - |

Age data taken from <u>palaugov.pw</u>

Household, race and ethnicity, and language data taken from <u>Palau 2020 Census of Population and Housing</u> Population density data taken from <u>worldbank.org</u>



Table 2 - COVID-19 Vaccination Rates

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| | Total with 1+ dose | Total with 2 dose series | % change in 3 weeks |
|-----------|--------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| 6 mo4 y/o | 61 | 46 | - |
| 5-11 y/o | 1452 | 1331 | - |
| 12-17 y/o | 1486 | 1458 | - |

Data provided by the Palau Immunization Program

Note that data represents total individuals vaccinated, not a percentage

Table 3 - School Vaccine Requirements

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

Data taken from vaccines.procon.org

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

Data updated Feb. 2023

| | Palau | Median | National |
|--|--------------|--------|-----------|
| Kindergarten Population | Not required | - | 3,837,259 |
| Surveyed % | Not required | - | 92.2 |
| 2 Doses MMR % | 84 | 92.9 | 93.5 |
| 3 Doses DTaP %* | 95 | 92.0 | 93.1 |
| 3 Doses Polio %* | 95 | 92.7 | 93.5 |
| 2 Doses VAR % | Not required | 92.6 | 92.8 |
| Grace Period of Provisional Enrollment % | Not required | 1.9 | 2.4 |
| Any Exemption % | Not required | 2.7 | 2.6 |
| Percentage point change in any exemption 2020–2021 | Not required | 0.2 | 0.4 |

^{*}Note DTaP and Polio dose count differs from the U.S. metric, which is for 5 doses of DTaP and 4 doses of polio vaccine



Other Details

- Is Palau a Medicaid Expansion state?
 - Palau is a Freely Associated State (FAS) and residents are not considered U.S. citizens or nationals. FASs do not receive Medicaid funding.
- Is Palau 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
 - No school requirement for COVID-19 vaccine
 - No ban on school requirements for COVID-19 vaccine
- Logistical considerations
 - 8 principal islands and >250 smaller ones (uninhabited)
 - 27% of the population is in the 0-14 year age group
 - Inadequate vaccine supply
 - Inadequate funding to administer vaccinations
- Opportunities
 - School-based clinics



Maps

Vaccine Deserts in Palau

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Data provided by the creators of vaccineplanner.org

Vaccine deserts are shown in orange.

Data parameters:

- Children between the ages of 6 months and 5 years
- Those living in low, moderate, or high social vulnerability (based on the <u>CDC's Social Vulnerability Index (SVI)</u>)
- Drive time of 30 minutes or more to the nearest COVID-19 vaccination site

