

## Vaccine safety in Australia 2016–17

We actively monitor immunisation safety in Australia.



**10,129** parents/carers responded to an SMS about their child's health a few days after their 4-month vaccinations.



**87%**

reported **no** adverse events



**13%**

reported any adverse event, including ...

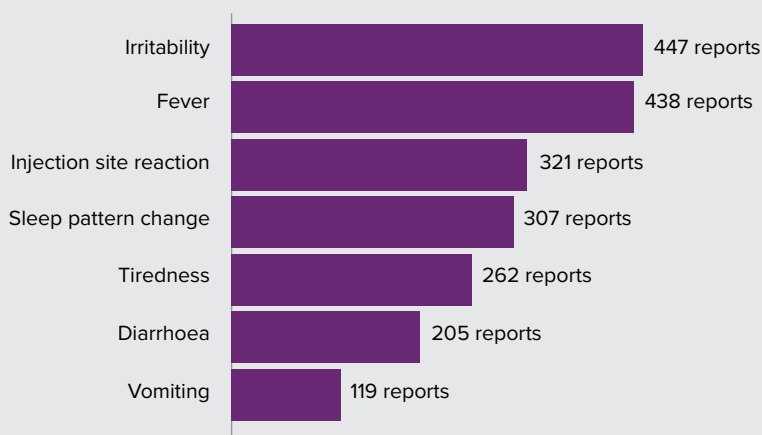


**1.0%**

who reported taking their child to a doctor or emergency department in the days after vaccination.

The adverse events they reported were similar to the types of adverse events reported overall.

**1305** parents/carers reported one or more adverse events. The most commonly reported were:



These symptoms are known to occur after vaccination. They are generally mild and short-lived.

These symptoms are also common in young children for other reasons (such as viral infection) and **may not be related to vaccination**.

## Vaccines given at 4 months in 2016–17

**Infanrix hexa**

**Protects against**

Diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, hepatitis B, *Haemophilus influenzae* type b, polio

**Rotarix or RotaTaq**

Rotavirus

**Prevenar 13**

Pneumococcal disease