

Vaccine safety in Australia 2016–17

We actively monitor immunisation safety in Australia.



9696 parents/carers responded to an SMS about their child's health a few days after their 6-month vaccinations.



88%
reported **no** adverse events



12%
reported any adverse event, including ...

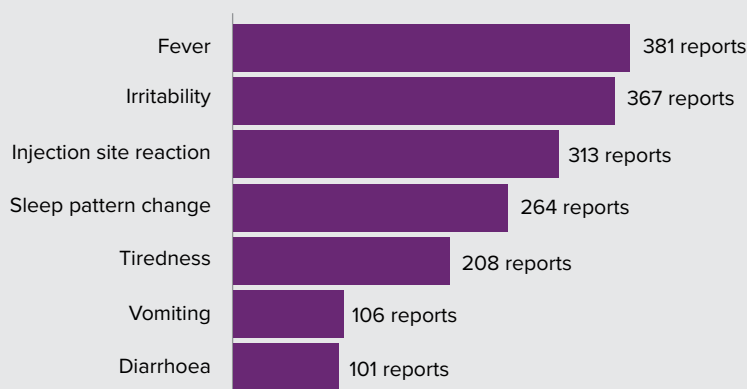


1.1%

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.

1121 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 6 months in 2016–17

Infanrix hexa

Protects
against

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

RotaTaq

Rotavirus

(only in Qld, SA and WA until
30 June 2017)

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Pneumococcal
disease