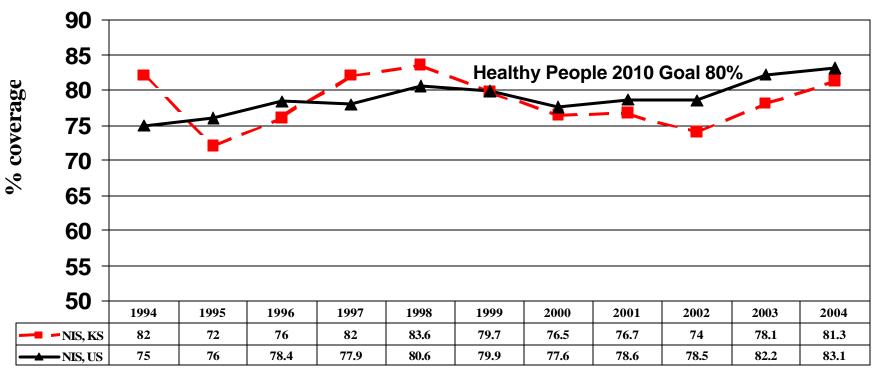
Proportion of young children who receive all vaccines that have been recommended for universal administration for at least five years.

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Description of the Problem: Attaining & Maintaining 80% Immunization Rate

- Kansas immunization rates for children two years of age exhibited a decrease every year from 1998 to 2002
- Kansas noted with rates among the lowest 10 states in the country in 2002 and 2003 NIS
- Kansas one of the states with the lowest percentage of private providers for immunizations performed (80%) nationally (50%) Kansas

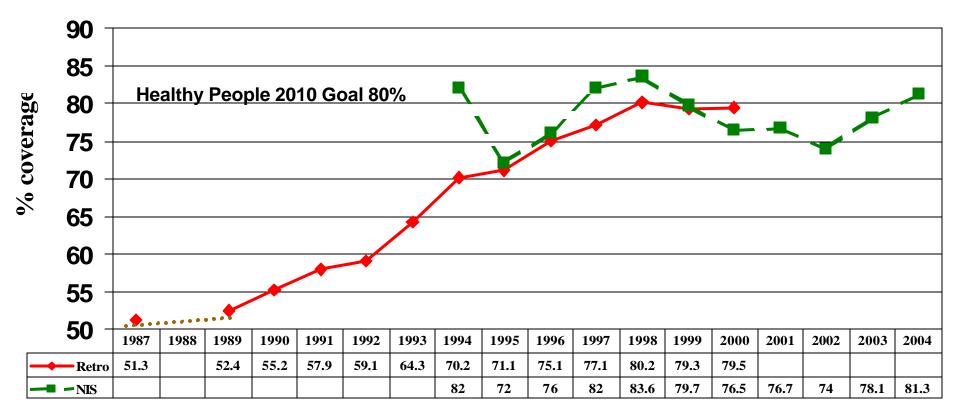
Kansas Immunization Coverage, National Immunization Survey (NIS) Rates for 4:3:1* Series, 1994-2003



Year

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Kansas Immunization Coverage, Retrospective School Survey and National Immunization Survey (NIS) Rates for 4:3:1* Series



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How Are We Addressing This Issue in Kansas Now?

- Implementing a statewide immunization registry
- Changing the recommendation for the age of administration for the fourth dose of DtaP
- Expanding immunization reminder systems

What Are Kansas' Assets for Improving This Health Issue?

- An immunization registry has been developed and roll out to first sites will be in July 2005
- Expanded WIC/Immunization Program partnership
- Successful Medicaid Immunization
 Outreach Project

Source: Governor's Blue Ribbon Task Force Recommendations Report on Immunizations, Sept. 13, 2004

What Are Kansas' Assets for Improving This Health Issue?

 The Kansas Foundation for Medical Care provider education component for Medicaid Outreach Project

 Kansas Parents are willing to have their children immunized

What Are Barriers or Liabilities That Are Limiting Progress in Kansas?

Low per-capita funding

Low participation of private providers

Vaccine supply issues at the national level

Source: Governor's Blue Ribbon Task Force Recommendations Report on Immunizations, Sept. 13, 2004

Recommendations

- Continue the current Medicaid immunization outreach project
- Expand the current WIC/KDHE Partnership
- Expand access to childhood immunizations through a child's medical home (private providers)
- Make Immunization Registry development a priority

Source: Governor's Blue Ribbon Task Force Recommendations Report on Immunizations, Sept. 13, 2004

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