

QUESTIONS ON IMMUNIZATION DURING THE PANDEMIC AND COVID-19 VACCINES

Survey Results

(conducted between August 2020 - September 2020)

137



Total Respondents

134



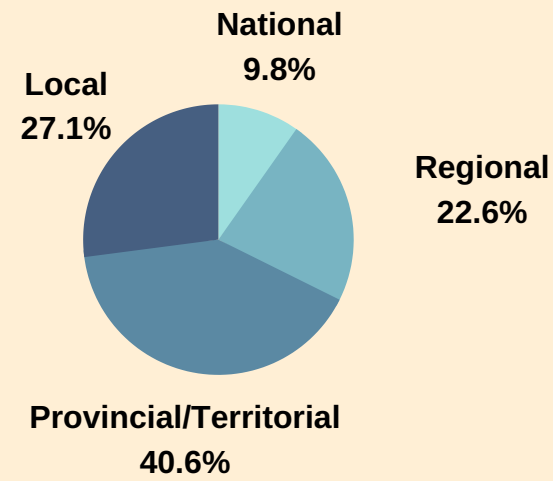
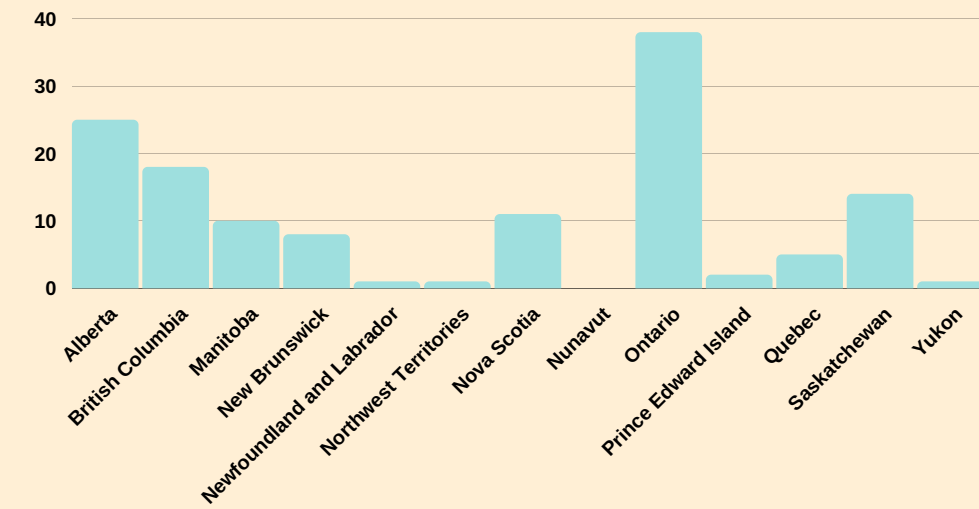
Canadian Respondents

113



Respondents working in immunization

Survey Respondent Demographics



Main Concerns

(1) Impact on Routine Immunization



- How to continue immunizations and handle delays/missed schedules due to COVID-19?
- How to ensure safety and social distancing protocols are followed when administering routine immunizations during COVID-19?

(2) Vaccine Safety & Effectiveness

- How long will the immunity last with COVID-19 vaccines? What is the expected efficacy and effectiveness of each vaccine?
- How are COVID-19 vaccines manufactured? What are their safety profiles?
- What is the COVID-19 vaccine approval process and how was it able to be fast-tracked?
- What are the side effects of COVID-19 vaccines and how will they be monitored?



(3) Vaccine Hesitancy & Misinformation



- How to build public confidence in vaccines, especially COVID-19 vaccines?
- How to create effective communication strategies to address misinformation and vaccine hesitancy on COVID-19 vaccines?
- How to train immunization staff on addressing vaccine safety concerns? What support is available to guide staff on how to have these conversations?

(4) Vaccine Logistics

Role of Healthcare Providers



- How to ensure there is enough staff and space to accommodate everyone who wants a COVID-19 vaccine?
- How to train staff (i.e. nurses) on giving immunizations for those who are unfamiliar?
- What role can pharmacists play in the delivery of COVID-19 vaccines? What are the implications of this delivery model?

Access & Eligibility



- When will the vaccine be available? Which type(s) of vaccines will be available?
- Who are the priority groups to be vaccinated first? How is priority determined?
- How and when will Indigenous and high-risk groups get the COVID-19 vaccine?

Storage, Handling & Distribution



- How to ensure the vaccine supply is protected and wastage is reduced?
- What are the storage requirements of COVID-19 vaccines?
- How will COVID-19 vaccine distribution be coordinated? How to ensure distribution is equitable?
- What are the considerations for rural and remote communities?