

## A PATH TO PREVENTION:

# State Profile: Georgia

HPV vaccination is recommended for routine vaccination at age 11 or 12 years and may be started at age 9. Adults age 27 to 45 should talk to their doctors to see if HPV vaccination. is recommended for them.

# **HPV VACCINATION RATES FOR** 13-17 YEAR-OLDS AS OF 2022:









**GEORGIA** ≥1 HPV





U.S. OVERALL **HPV UTD** 

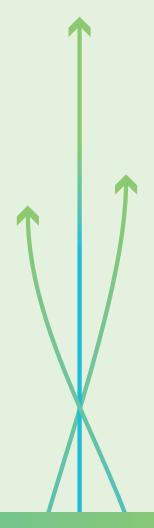


**HPV UTD** 

Georgia has increased HPV vaccination coverage of ≥1 dose by 4% and up-to-date (UTD) by 16% since 2016. However, coverage remains lower than the U.S. average and below the Healthy People 2030 goal of 80% UTD. Compared to meningitis and whooping cough (Tdap) vaccines routinely recommended for adolescents, HPV vaccination coverage lags. Georgia vaccination rates among 13-17 year olds were 93% for meningitis vaccine and 91% for Tdap vaccine in 2022.

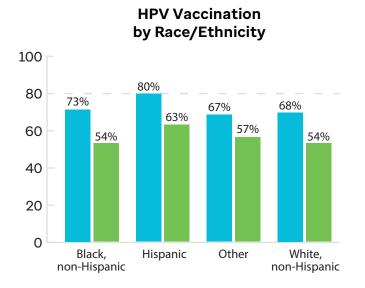


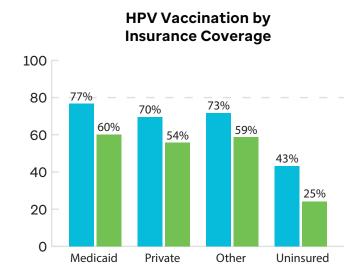
**HPV** vaccination protects against more than 90% of HPV cancers.

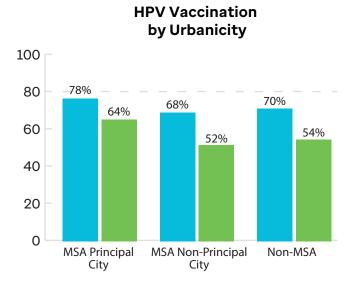


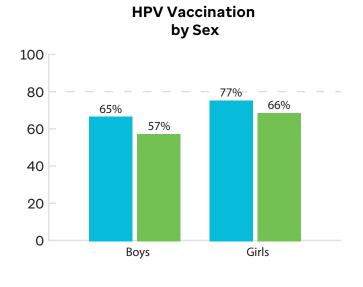
HPV vaccination data sources: CDC NIS-TEEN, 2022; TeenVax View, 2022

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#### **HPV CANCERS:**

HPV is a common virus linked to six types of cancer. The two most common HPV-associated cancers are oropharyngeal and cervical cancers. **Incidence rates of HPV cancers overall and oropharyngeal and cervical cancers are higher in Georgia compared to the U.S. averages.** 

#### **New Cases**

	All HPV Cancers	Oropharyngeal Cancer	Cervical Cancer
United States Overall	11.8	5.0	6.5
Georgia Overall	12.9	5.2	7.4
United States	Male: 10.8, Female: 12.9	Male: 8.8, Female: 1.6	Georgia ranks in the Top 15 Nationally in cervical cancer incidence rates.
Georgia	Male: 11.5, Female: 14.1	Male: 9.2, Female: 1.7	

Incidence rates shown are cases per 100,000 persons.

### **ACTION STEPS:**

Identify and engage key partners in HPV vaccination to develop, implement, and evaluate priority evidence-based interventions to increase HPV vaccination coverage in clinical, community and policy settings in Georgia:

- Encourage starting HPV vaccination at age 9 to increase series completion by age 13.
- Expand public awareness campaigns aimed at increasing knowledge and changing perceptions to inform decision-making related to HPV vaccination.
- Advocate for policy change to improve HPV vaccination coverage.
- Build capacity among health care providers and systems to improve HPV vaccination coverage for adolescents living in rural areas.

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