## Expenditure incurred by the Government for procuring seasonal influenza vaccines and subsidising private doctors under the Government Vaccination Programme, the Vaccination Subsidy Scheme and the School Outreach Vaccination Pilot Programme

Year	Procuring seasonal influenza vaccines (\$ million)	Subsidising private doctors (\$ million)
2014/15	14.1	40.2
2015/16	21.0	31.2
2016/17	23.3	54.8
2017/18	28.0	64.1
2018/19	33.5	131.0 (as at March 3, 2019)

## Numbers of persons from eligible groups who received seasonal influenza vaccines under the Government Vaccination Programme, the Vaccination Subsidy Scheme and the School Outreach Vaccination Pilot Programme and their uptake rates

Year	2014	4/15	201	15/16	201	16/17	201'	7/18	2018	8/19
									(as at Marc	ch 3, 2019)
Eligible group	Number of	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number of	Percentage	Number of	Percentage
	persons	of the	of	of the	of	of the	persons	of the	persons	of the
	receiving	persons in	persons	persons in	persons	persons in	receiving	persons in	receiving	persons in
	SIV	the group	receiving	the group	receiving	the group	SIV	the group	SIV	the group
			SIV		SIV					
Children aged 6 months	57 600	18%	47 600	15.1%	60 200	19.2%	80 700	25.8%	105 700	34.1%
to under 6										
Children aged 6 to		Not eli	gible		52 000	15.7%	70 700	20.5%	200 900 <sup>1</sup>	55.3%
under 12										
Persons aged between	1 900	^	6 700	^	6 700	^	7 400	^	153 400	8.2%
50 and 64 <sup>2,3</sup>										
Persons aged 65 or	372 700	35%	457 800	40.8%	478 000	40.8%	531 400	43.5%	541 500	42.5%
above										
Pregnant women <sup>2,4</sup>	27	#	22	#	1 100	#	1 800	#	2 700	#
Persons with chronic	10 900	#	11 500	#	14 800	#	17 900	#	16 100	#
medical problems <sup>5</sup>										
Others <sup>6</sup>	49 700	#	52 800	#	64 000	#	72 000	#	79 500	#
Total population <sup>7</sup>	492 800	6.8%	576 400	7.9%	676 00	9.2%	781 900	10.6%	1 099 800	14.8%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Children aged 6 to under 12 of specified schools may participate in the School Outreach Vaccination Pilot Programme.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Only Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) recipients or holders of a valid Certificate for Waiver of Medical Charges (Certificate) issued by the Social Welfare Department in this group are eligible for the Government Vaccination Programme (GVP).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Since 2018/19, all persons aged between 50 and 64 have been included in the eligible groups under the Vaccination Subsidy Scheme (VSS).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Since 2016/17, all pregnant women have been included in the eligible groups under the VSS.

These include persons aged under 50 attending public clinics: CSSA recipients or valid Certificate holders with high-risk conditions; in-patients (including paediatric patients) of the Hospital Authority (HA) with high-risk conditions (e.g. those in infirmary, psycho-geriatric, mentally ill

or mentally handicapped units/wards); paediatric out-patients with high-risk conditions or on long-term aspirin; and persons with intellectual disability (since 2015/16) or Disability Allowance (DA) recipients (since 2016/17) who are existing clients of the HA, clinics of the Department of Health, designated day centres, sheltered workshops or special schools are eligible for the GVP. Persons with intellectual disabilities (since 2015/16) and persons receiving DA (since 2016/17), regardless of types of disabilities (i.e. disabled physically, mentally, intellectually or with other conditions) are eligible for the VSS.

- <sup>6</sup> Other eligible groups include healthcare workers, poultry workers, pig farmers or pig-slaughtering industry personnel.
- <sup>7</sup> The projection was made with reference to the mid-year population estimate for the territory released by the Census and Statistics Department.
- ^ The number of eligible persons in this group at the time was too limited for meaningful projection to be made for the uptake rate of the population concerned.
- \* No accurate population statistics for this group for meaningful projection to be made for the uptake rate of the population concerned.

## Number of doses of seasonal influenza vaccine procured by the Department of Health and number of expired, unused and/or damaged doses

Year	Number of doses procured	Number of expired, unused and/or damaged doses			
2014/15	278 000	15 000			
2015/16	400 000	7 000			
2016/17	430 000	10 000			
2017/18	527 000	45 000			
2018/19	727 000	No available information yet			