

# Vaccines Work!

In the United States, vaccines have **reduced** or **eliminated** many infectious diseases that once routinely harmed or killed many infants, children and adults.



**This is all it takes,  
VACCINATE!**

Thanks to vaccinations, today most parents, and even physicians, have not seen a child paralyzed by polio, choking to death from diphtheria or brain damaged by measles.



Disease	Number of cases BEFORE VACCINES	Most recent estimates of U.S. cases
Diphtheria	21,053	0
Hepatitis A	117,333	11,049
Hepatitis B	66,232	11,269
Measles	530,217	61
Mumps	162,344	982

Disease	Number of cases BEFORE VACCINES	Most recent estimates of U.S. cases
Pertussis	200,752	13,506
Polio (paralytic)	16,316	0
Rubella	47,745	4
Smallpox	29,005	0
Varicella	4,085,120	449,363

Source: Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 2010

Without proper immunizations, children and adults are susceptible to very dangerous and life-threatening vaccine-preventable diseases.

The above tables show the **INCREDIBLE DECREASES** in the cases of a number of vaccine-preventable diseases.

If vaccinations stop, these diseases can and will reemerge.

**Vaccinations are SAFE and are the BEST way to protect you and your family from disease and illness.**



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