

Annual Season Influenza Vaccinations	
<b>SHIP website description</b>	This indicator shows the percentage of adults who are vaccinated annually against seasonal influenza. For many people, the seasonal flu is a mild illness, but for some it can lead to pneumonia, hospitalization, or death. Vaccination of persons in high-risk populations is especially important to reduce their risk of severe illness or death.
<b>Source</b>	Maryland MDH Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) ( <a href="http://www.marylandbrfss.org">www.marylandbrfss.org</a> )
<b>Numerator</b>	Maryland adults who reported they have had either a seasonal a flu shot or a flu vaccine sprayed in their nose during the past year.
<b>Denominator</b>	Maryland adults age 18 and over.
<b>Threshold</b>	50 or relative standard error $\geq 30.0\%$
<b>Censorship (if below threshold)</b>	Rate not reported. Count not reported.
<b>Calculation and metric</b>	Weighted (Numerator/Denominator) *100= Single-Year Calculation
<b>Race/ethnicity categories (on SHIP chart)</b>	All races/ ethnicities (aggregated) Black Non-Hispanic, Hispanic, White Non-Hispanic Asian Non-Hispanic
<b>Other</b>	In 2011, the BRFSS weighting methodology was changed. This makes data collected from 2011 forward incomparable to data collected prior to 2011. The SHIP will resume including BRFSS data in 2013, where baselines from 2011 BRFSS data will be calculated. Data collected from survey respondents are adjusted to more accurately represent the Maryland population. This is called "weighted data." Learn more about weighted data here: <a href="http://www.marylandbrfss.org/pdf/BRFSS-Special-Report-9-12.pdf">http://www.marylandbrfss.org/pdf/BRFSS-Special-Report-9-12.pdf</a>