

# Vaccines for Children

20 years of protecting America's children

The Vaccines for Children program was established in 1994 to make vaccines available to uninsured children. VFC has helped prevent disease and save lives...big time!



CDC estimates that vaccination of children born between 1994 and 2013 will:

prevent **322 million** illnesses

  
more than the current population of the entire U.S.A.

help avoid **732,000** deaths

  
greater than the population of Boston, MA.

save nearly **\$1.4 trillion** in total societal costs  
*(that includes \$295 billion in direct costs)*

  
or \$4,473 for each American



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MMWR. Benefits from Immunization During the Vaccines for Children Program Era—United States, 1994–2013. [www.cdc.gov/mmwr](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr) | 04.23.2014

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