



# Measles Elimination 2010

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# Measles



- Viral illness
  - Highly infectious
  - Human reservoir only
  - Respiratory transmission
- Responsible for ~500,000 deaths in 2004 (WHO)
- 2 doses of MMR recommended at
  - 12-15 months, 4-5 years

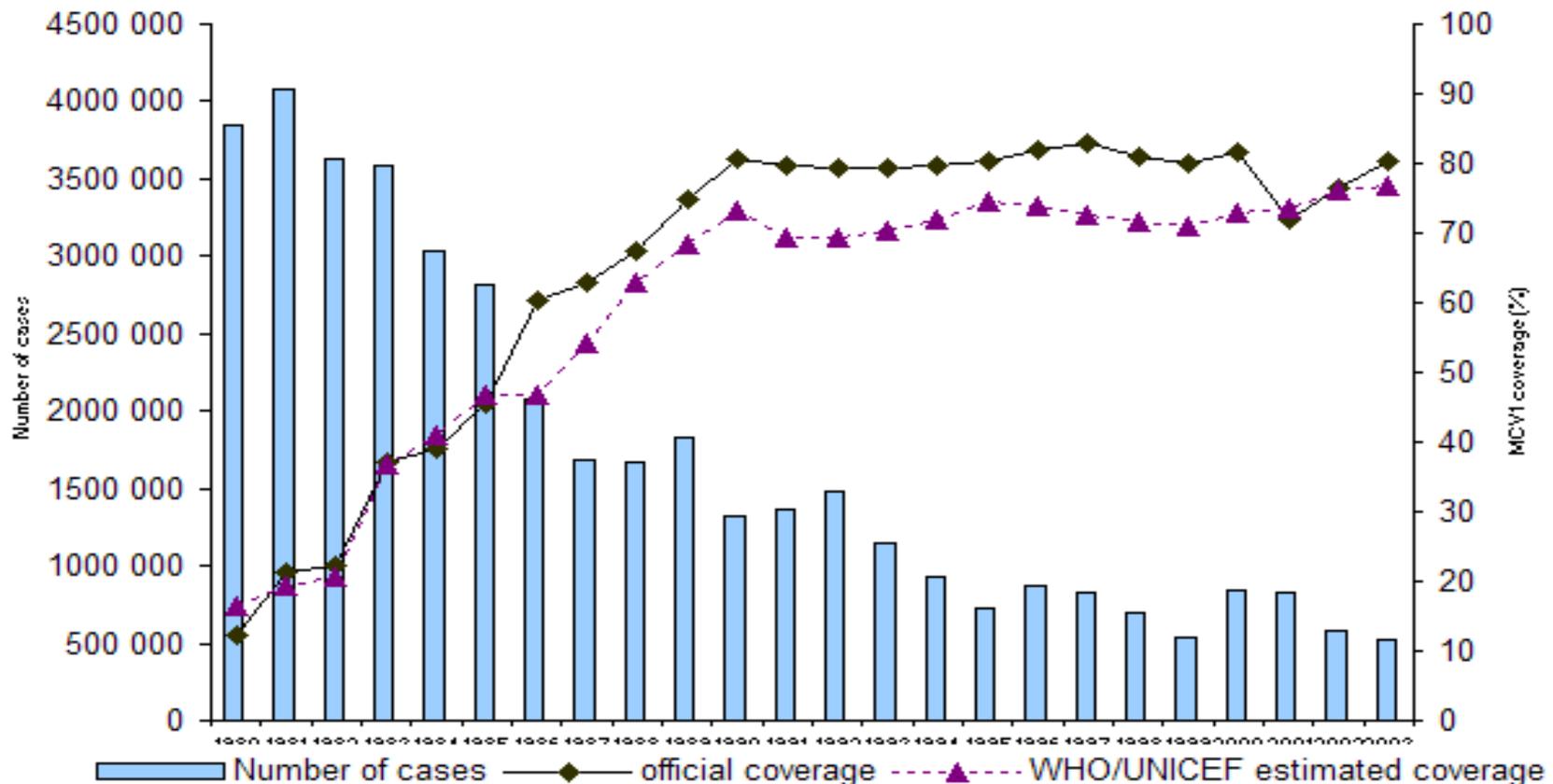
# Measles complications

- Reported in ~30% cases
  - Diarrhoea 8%
  - Otitis media 7%
  - Pneumonia 6%
  - Encephalitis 0.1%
  - Death 0.2%
  - Hospitalisation 18%
  - SSPE 7-11 cases/100,000 measles cases

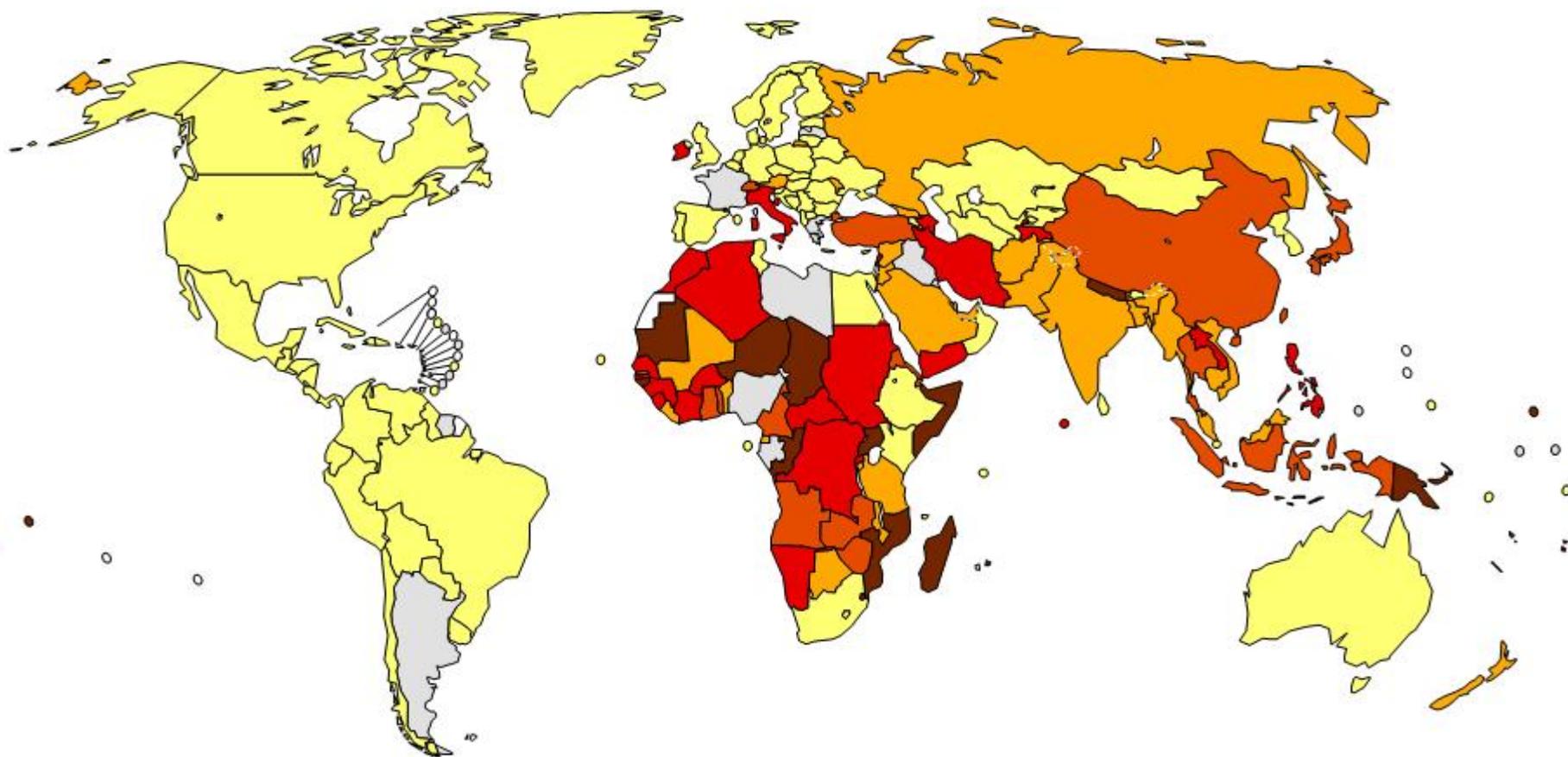


# Measles and measles vaccination world-wide

Measles global annual reported incidence and MCV1 coverage, 1980-2003



# Reported measles incidence rate per 100,000 population, 2003



Source: WHO/IVB database, 2004

192 WHO Member States. Data as of October 2004

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# Measles (and rubella) elimination strategy

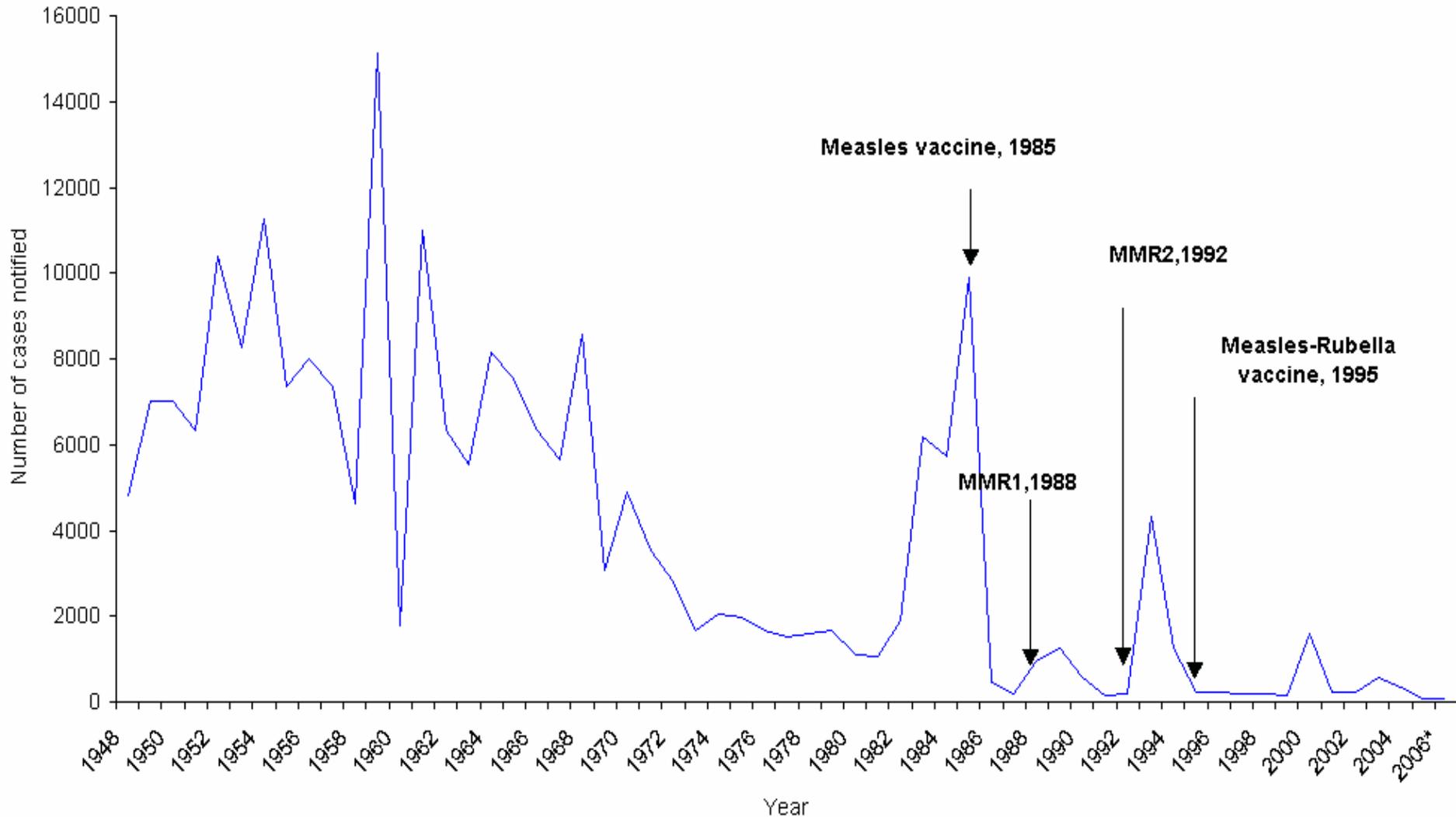
## WHO Euro 2010

- To interrupt indigenous transmission of measles; and
- To prevent congenital rubella infection (CRI) (<1 case of congenital rubella syndrome (CRS) per 100,000 live births)

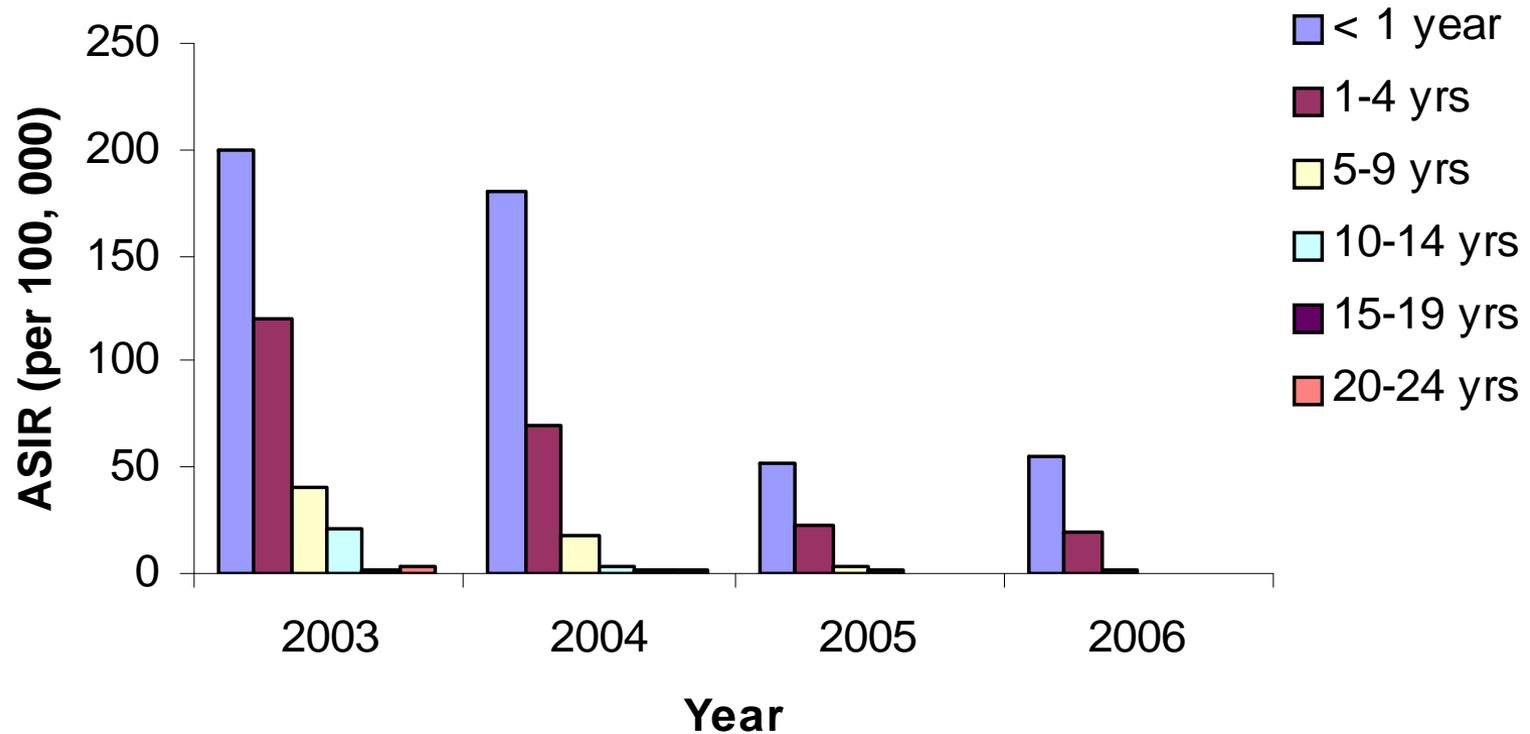
# WHO recommended key strategies

- Immunisation
  - $\geq 95\%$  coverage 2 doses MMR
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> opportunity for MMR
- Strengthen surveillance systems
  - Case investigation
  - Laboratory confirmation
- Immunisation quality and safety
  - Vaccine procurement and distribution
  - Adverse events monitoring
- Communications and advocacy
  - Quality information available
  - Accurate timely information responses to concerns

# Measles notifications, ROI 1948-2006



# Measles cases, by age group, ROI 2003-2006



# Measles enhanced surveillance, ROI

- Case characteristics
- Clinical details
- Laboratory tests
- Complications
- Epidemiologic risk factors
- Vaccination status
- Contacts

HSE Health Service Executive		Measles Enhanced Surveillance Form				hpsc	
HSE Area Use Only	Patient Name _____		Address _____		Phone _____		
	<small>(This section is for HSE Area use only and should not be sent to HPSO)</small>						
<b>PATIENT DETAILS</b>							
ID No. _____		Initials [ ][ ] [ ][ ]		HSE Area _____		CCA _____	
Sex: M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> NK <input type="checkbox"/>		DOB [ ][ ][ ][ ][ ][ ]		Age <small>(Please state whether Years or Months)</small> [ ][ ] [ ][ ]		Nationality _____	
Reporting GP/Consultant/Lab/Hospital _____						Date of Notification [ ][ ][ ][ ][ ][ ]	
<b>CLINICAL DETAILS</b>							
		Yes		No		Not Known	
Morbiliform Rash		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
Fever at Time of Rash Onset		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
Cough		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
Coryza		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
Conjunctivitis		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
Koplik's Spots		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
Underlying Illness		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
						Date of Onset of Symptoms [ ][ ][ ][ ][ ][ ]	
						Date of Rash Onset [ ][ ][ ][ ][ ][ ]	
						Rash Duration (days) [ ][ ][ ][ ]	
						[ ][ ] Not Known = NK	
						If Yes please specify _____	
<b>COMPLICATIONS</b>							
		Yes		No		Not Known	
Hospitalised		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
Pneumonia		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
Encephalitis		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
Seizures		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
Other complication, please specify _____							
Outcome: Recovered <input type="checkbox"/>		Died <input type="checkbox"/>		Not Known <input type="checkbox"/>			
Date of Death [ ][ ][ ][ ][ ][ ]		Cause of Death _____					
<b>LABORATORY</b>							
		Yes		No		Not Known	
Was laboratory testing for measles done?		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
Salivary Testing		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
Blood for serology		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
Culture		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
If laboratory confirmed, date of 1st positive test [ ][ ][ ][ ][ ][ ]						Date Specimen Taken [ ][ ][ ][ ][ ][ ]	
						Result [ ][ ][ ][ ][ ][ ]	
<b>EPIDEMIOLOGICAL</b>							
Date Investigation Started [ ][ ][ ][ ][ ][ ]							
Where did they most likely acquire measles? _____							
Is this case epidemiologically linked?		Yes [ ][ ]		No [ ][ ]		Not Known [ ][ ]	
Was it linked to an imported case?		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
Is this case related to an outbreak?		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
Did case arrive from overseas 8 - 17 days before rash onset?		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
If yes, country arriving from _____						Outbreak Name/Number [ ][ ][ ][ ][ ][ ]	
<b>VACCINATION</b>							
		None		One		Two	
Number of Doses of MMR		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
Date of 1st MMR [ ][ ][ ][ ][ ][ ]		Manufacturer _____				Batch Number [ ][ ][ ][ ][ ][ ]	
Date of 2nd MMR [ ][ ][ ][ ][ ][ ]							
<b>FINAL CASE CLASSIFICATION</b>							
		Laboratory Confirmed <input type="checkbox"/>		Epi-linked to Laboratory Confirmed Case <input type="checkbox"/>		Possible <input type="checkbox"/>	
Preventable		Yes [ ][ ]		No [ ][ ]		Not Known [ ][ ]	
Denotified		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]		[ ][ ]	
						Rationale for De-notification _____	
<b>ALTERNATIVE DIAGNOSIS</b>							
Rubella <input type="checkbox"/>		Parvovirus <input type="checkbox"/>		Not Known <input type="checkbox"/>		Other <input type="checkbox"/>	
Form Completed by: _____						Date of Completion [ ][ ][ ][ ][ ][ ]	

# Completeness of enhanced data reported to HPSC, 2004-2005

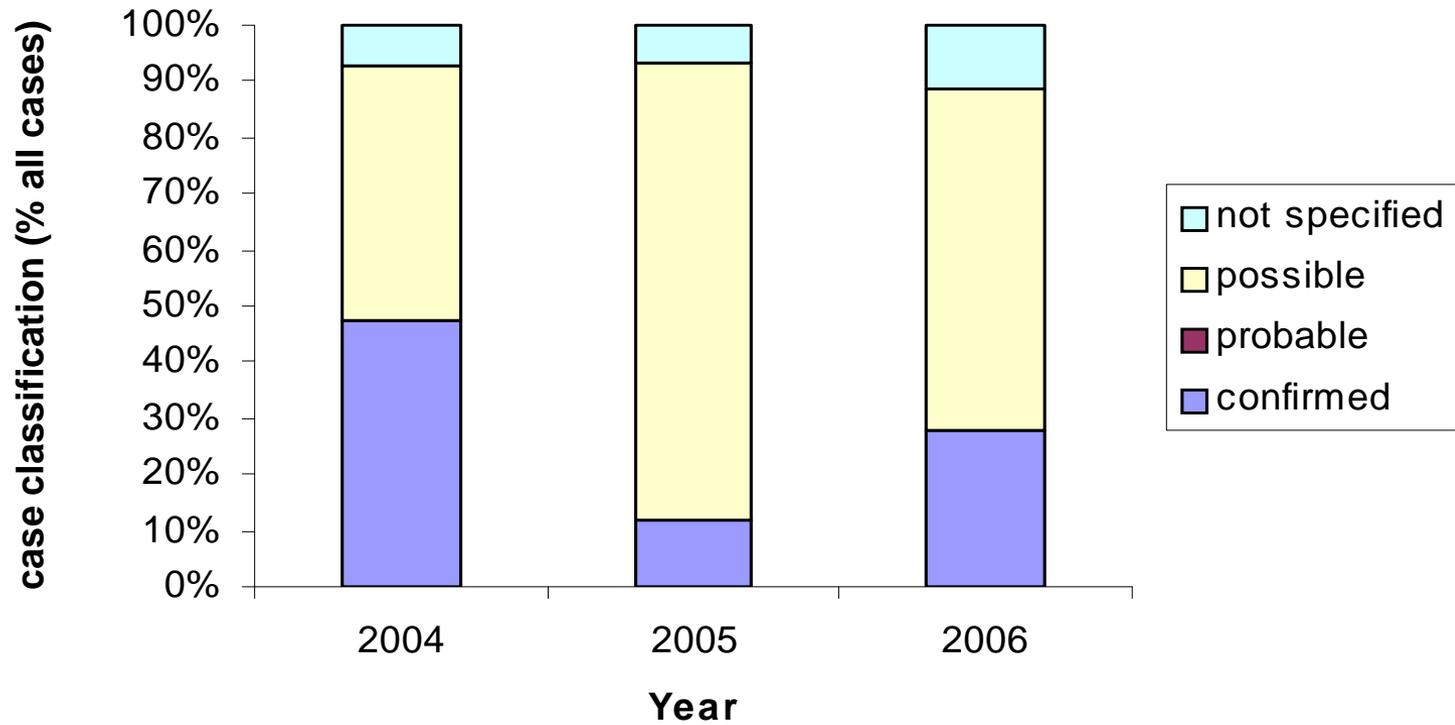
Data item	Data available	2004 (n=330)	2005 (n=93)*
<b>Hospitalisation status</b>	Information provided	54%	41%
	Known hospitalised	23%	13%
<b>Laboratory result</b>	Information provided	47%	26%
	Lab confirmed	44%*	46%
<b>Vaccination status</b>	Information provided	55%	63%
	Unvaccinated	78%**	61%†

\*Among the children < 1 year of age, 28 of the 96 cases reported (29%) were lab confirmed

\*\* 51 (36%) of those unvaccinated were aged less than one year, and therefore would not normally have been recommended measles vaccination.

† 17% were aged >15 months and would have been eligible for MMR

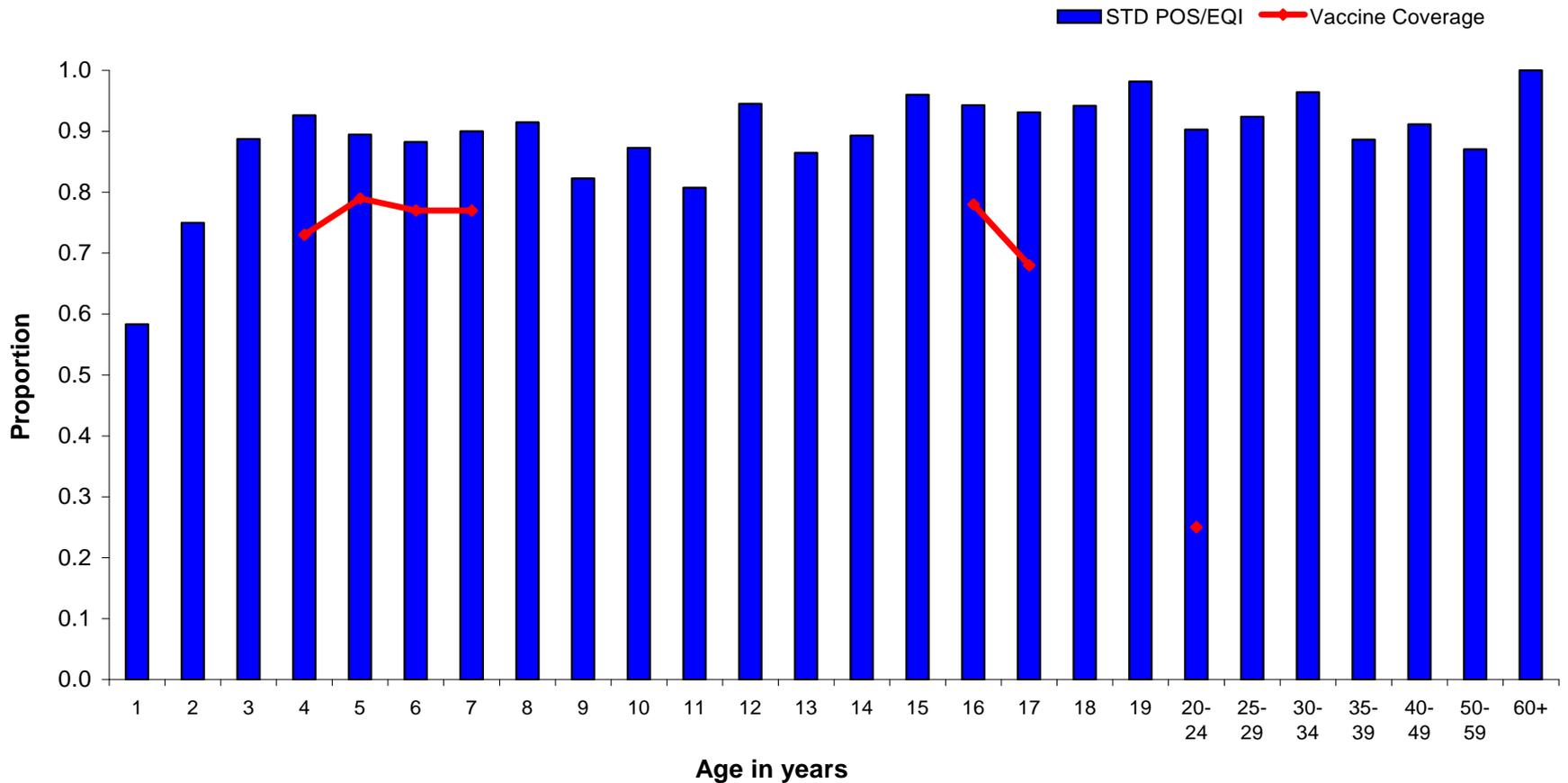
# Measles case classifications, ROI 2004-2006



# Measuring sero-immunity

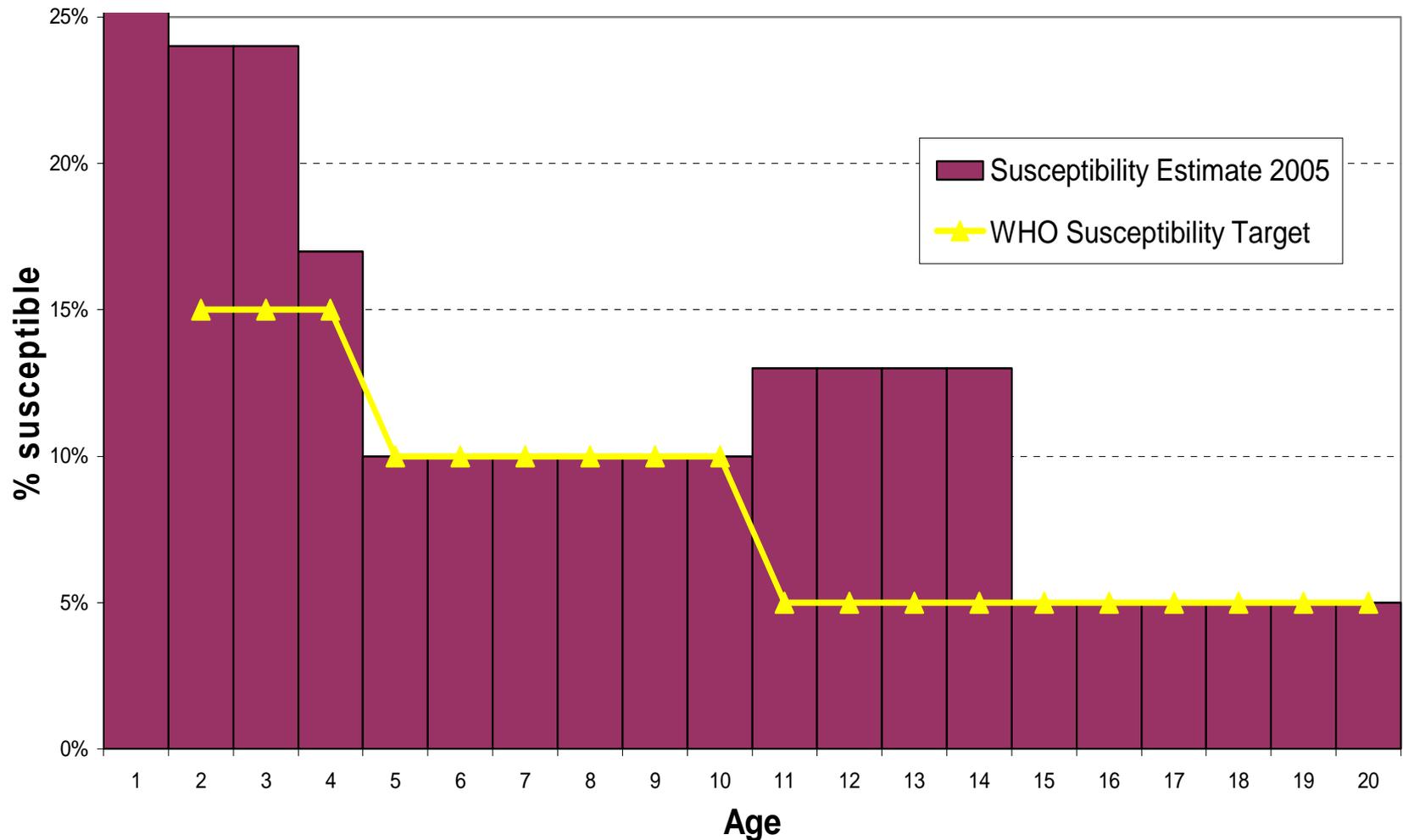
- Age stratified standardised serological survey
- Can identify susceptibility gaps in the population
- European Sero-epidemiology Survey 2 (ESEN2) 2003

# Irish population (%) with measles immunity, by age group (ESEN2) 2003



# European Sero-epidemiology (ESEN2) data for modelling\*

## Comparison of Susceptibility with WHO target

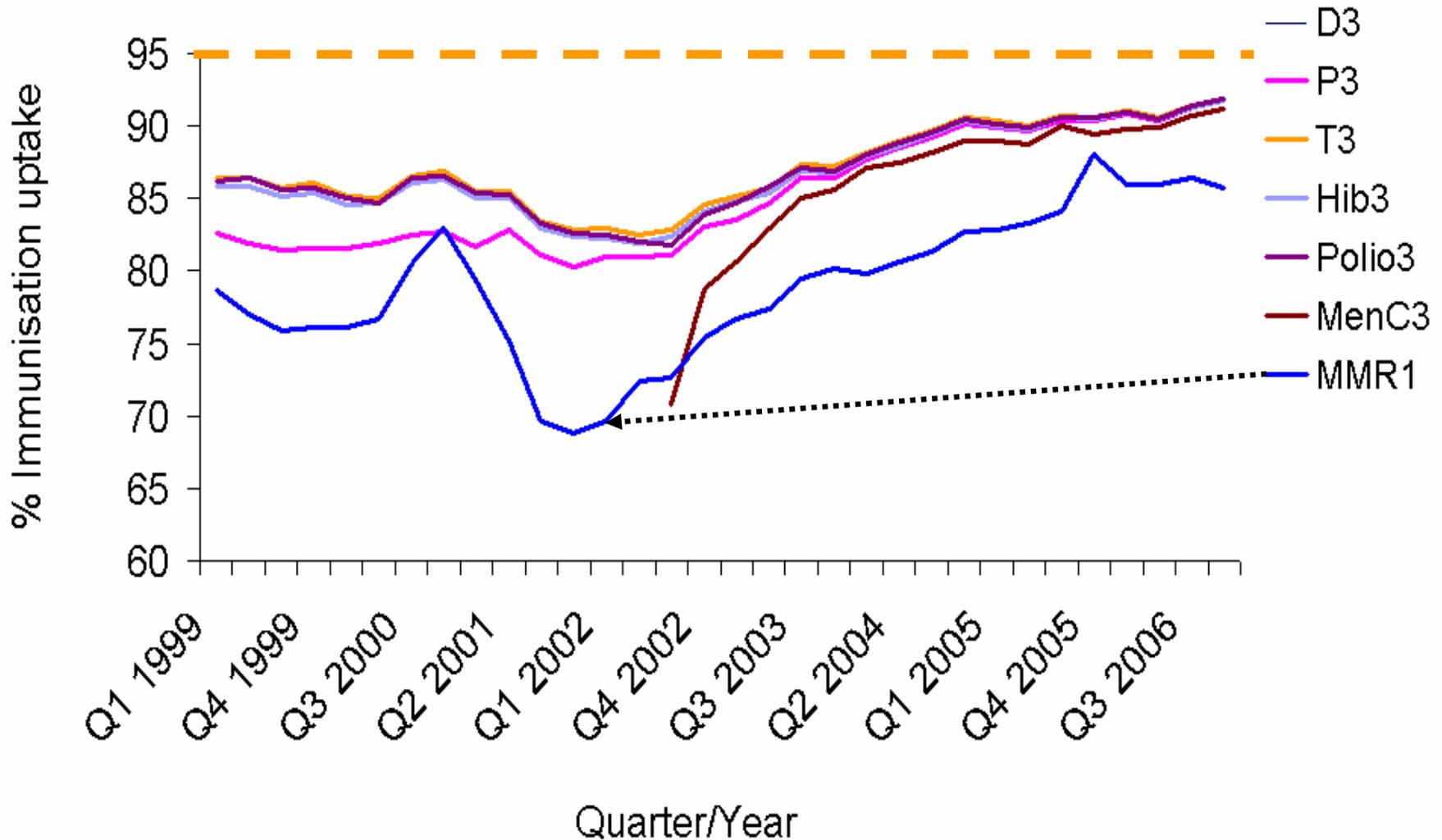


Source: Dr. Nigel Gay, Modelling unit, Cfi, HPA

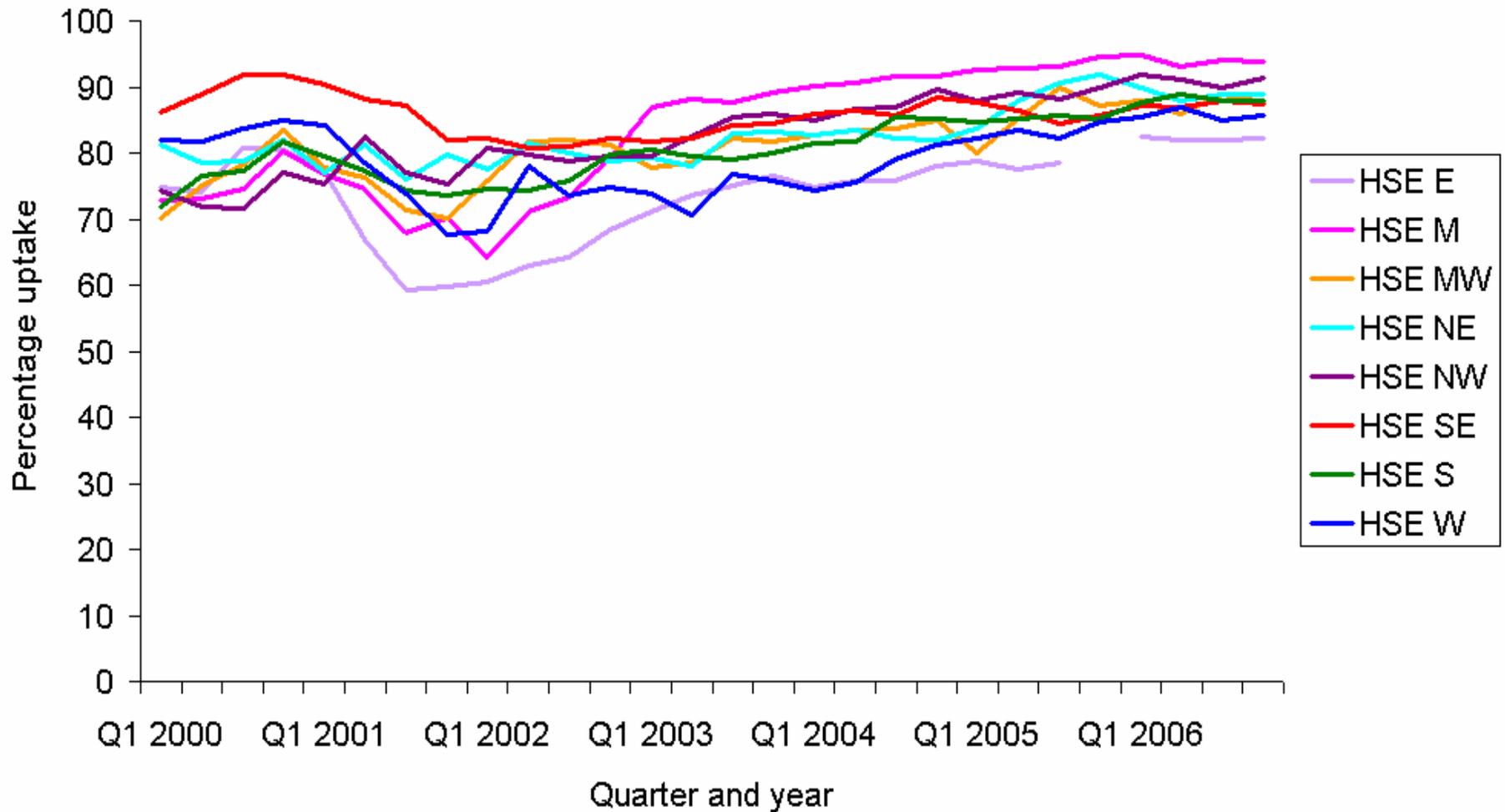
# MMR immunisation uptake

- Routinely measured at 24 months
  - HSE specific Immunisation information system(s)-computerised
  - HSE Area uptake data reported quarterly to HPSC
  - HPSC collates and publishes
  - Recent analysis by CCA/LHO
- No national data on MMR<sub>2</sub> uptake available
  - Some HSE Areas scanned records into local computer systems
  - Other areas records archived (paper based)

# Immunisation coverage at 24 months of age, all vaccines, 1999-2006



# MMR<sub>1</sub> coverage at 24 months, Q1,2000 to Q4,2006



# 95% uptake MMR in schools is achievable, HSE Midlands\*

	<b>Junior Infants</b>	<b>6th Class</b>
2001-2002	95.6%	94.04%
2003-2004	96.5	
2005-2006	96.7%	

**\*IMJ-2003 Volume 96 No. 9**

# Supplemental activities needed

- Provide all children with opportunity for second dose MMR

## Options

- Vaccine delivery
  - School based teams vs. GP practices
  - School based teams
- Age groups
  - Children aged
    - 11-14 years
    - 5-14 years
    - 4-18 years
      - ESEN2 study
      - Mumps outbreak 3<sup>rd</sup> level college students
- Comprehensive versus strategic?
  - Comprehensive - booster for all 4-18 years of age OR
  - Strategic - those lacking record MMR2

# Achieving measles elimination by 2010 – summary of requirements

- Routine MMR<sub>1</sub> and MMR<sub>2</sub> coverage  $\geq 95\%$ 
  - “Push and pull approach”
    - Increase awareness
    - Follow-up defaulters
    - Opportunistic vaccination
    - Mop-up clinics
    - Identify susceptibles before outbreaks
    - Rapid and routine submission of immunisations to HSE immunisation offices for data input and generation of defaulters
- Supplemental activity needed
  - School campaign for children 4-18 years of age
- Improve surveillance and control
  - Rapid reporting and investigation
  - Identification contacts
  - Vaccinate susceptibles
  - Coordination and allocation of resources
    - Particularly for outbreak situations



# WHO outcome indicators (Ireland's recent performance)

Measles incidence < 1 per 1 000 000 pop.

-2005, 2.4/100,000

Rubella incidence < 1 per 1 000 000 pop.

-2005, 0.4/100,000

CRS < 1 per 100 000 live births

-2005, 0/100,000

MMR2 coverage  $\geq$  95%

- MMR1 coverage Q4 2006 86%

- MMR2 coverage ?

# WHO performance indicators (Ireland's recent performance)

Programme performance indicators in elimination phase	Target
% weekly reports received	≥ 80% ✓
% of cases* notified ≤ 48 hours after rash onset	≥ 80% ?
% of cases* investigated ≤ 48 hours after notification	≥ 80% ?
% of cases* with adequate specimen** and laboratory results within 7 days	≥ 80% ?
% of confirmed cases with source of infection identified	≥ 80% ?

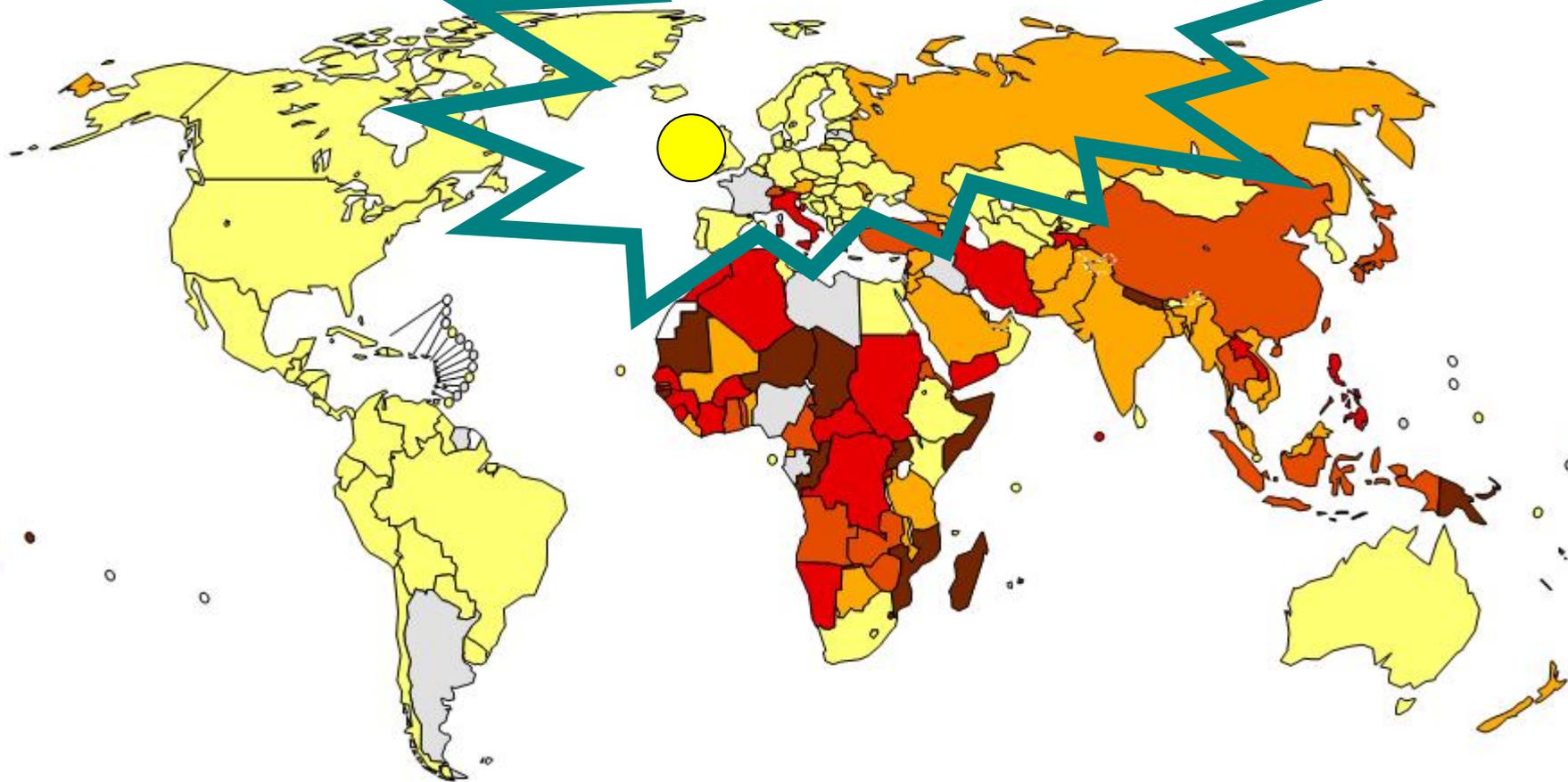
*\*all cases that meet the clinical definition*

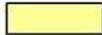
*\*\*An adequate specimen is a blood specimen collected within 28 days of the onset of rash*

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  - Population Health
    - SPHMs, SMOs, Surveillance scientists, ICNs

# Reported measles incidence rate per 100,000 population, 2005-2010



	<1 (88 countries or 46%)		10- <50 (26 countries or 14%)
	1- <5 (29 countries or 15%)		>=50 (15 countries or 8%)
	5- <10 (16 countries or 8%)		No data (18 countries or 9%)

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