Vaccines Work

These bubbles are sized according to the annual number of cases in Ireland during the pre-vaccine era versus 2018. It is clear that significant progress has been made. However, we must not become complacent. We need to keep vaccine update at 95% to stop outbreaks of these serious infectious diseases.

Ireland, 1950
(annual disease cases in Ireland)

- Measles: 7006
- Pertussis: 3612
- Diphtheria: 136
- Polio: 201
- Rubella: 151

Ireland, 2018
(annual disease cases in Ireland)

- Measles: 76
- Pertussis: 117
- Diphtheria: 0
- Polio: 0
- Rubella: 0

Reference:
- www.hpsc.ie
- www.hse.ie/eng/health/immunisation/hcpinfo/guidelines

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