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*Number of Children With or Without Proof of Vaccinations*

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | Girls | Boys |
| Grade | With | Without | With | Without |
| 3 | 25 | 50 | 20 | 40 |
| 4 | 25 | 50 | 30 | 60 |
| 5 | 20 | 40 | 30 | 40 |
| Total | 70 | 140 | 80 | 140 |

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## Limitations

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