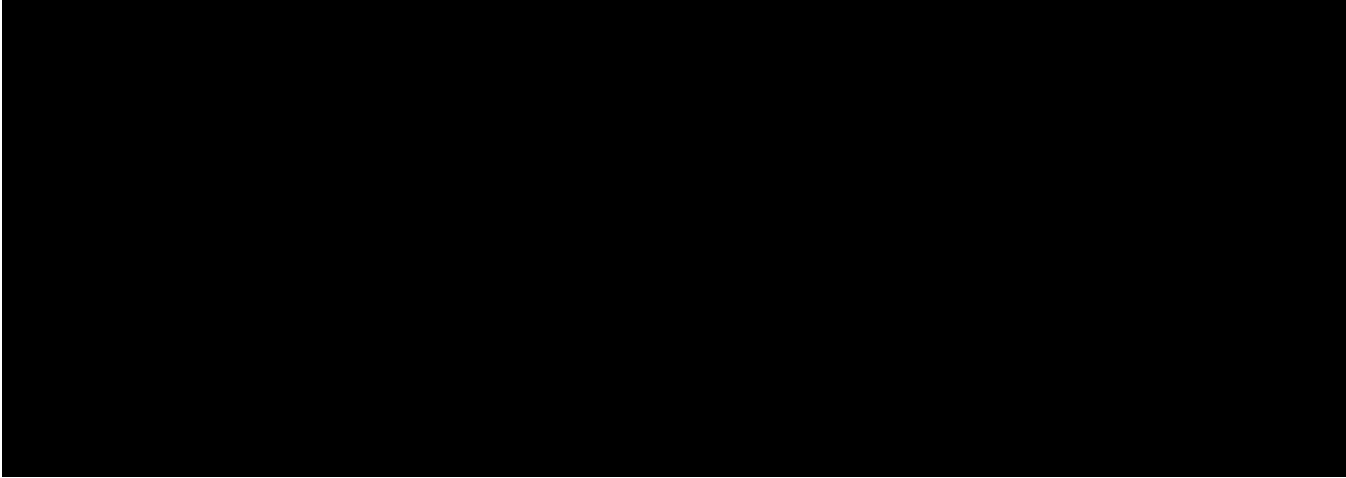


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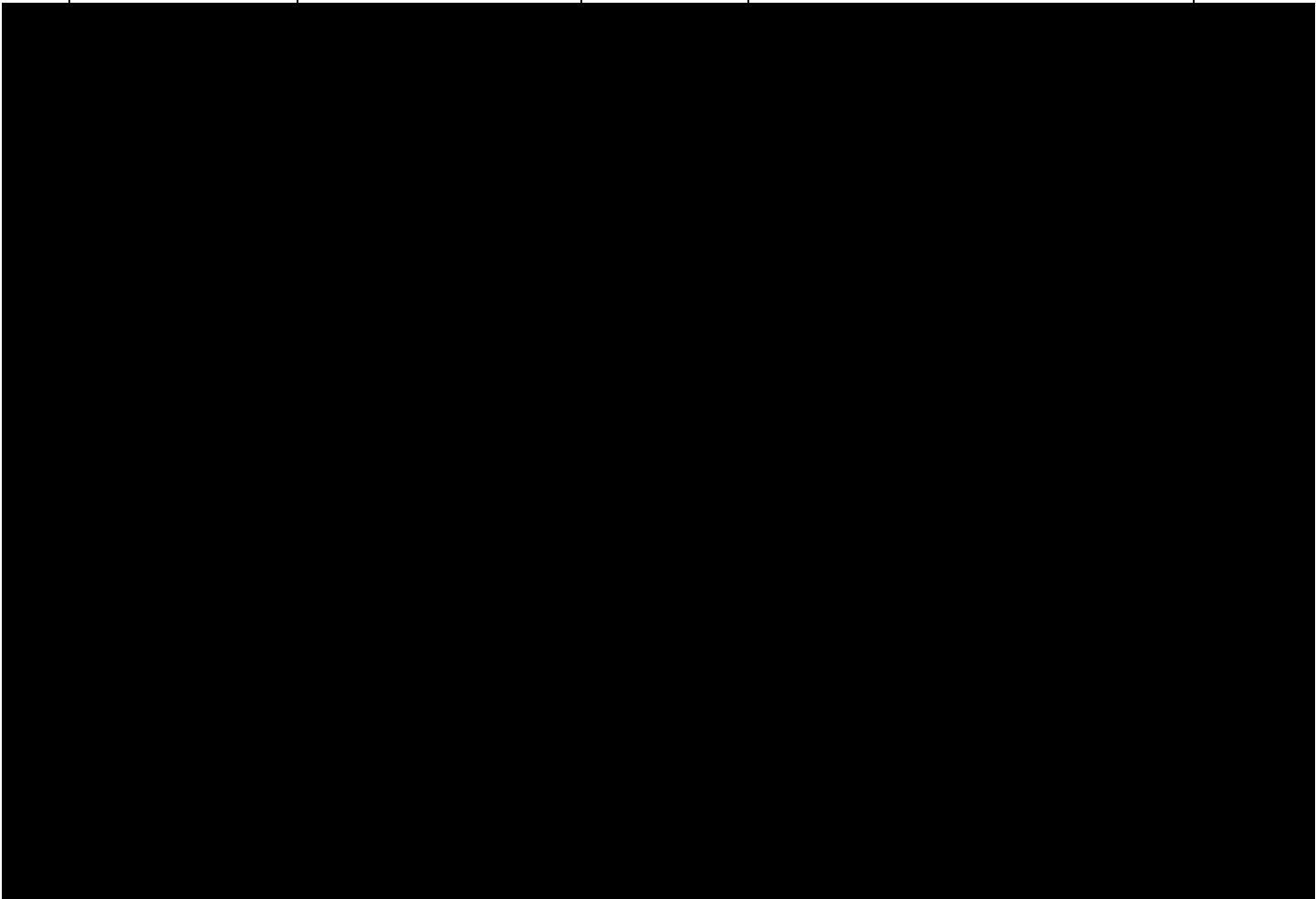
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Medicine	Adverse reaction	Reports in database (Sole Suspected)	Comment
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Hepatitis B vaccine	Guillain-Barre syndrome (GBS)	4 (4)	GBS is in the PI.
	Multiple sclerosis (MS)	2 (1)	Both MS reports were submitted this period. 222849 is of a 15 year girl diagnosed 3 months after HBV vaccination and 1 month after tetanus vaccination. 222489 is of a woman diagnosed 10 months after HBV vaccination. MS is in the PI.



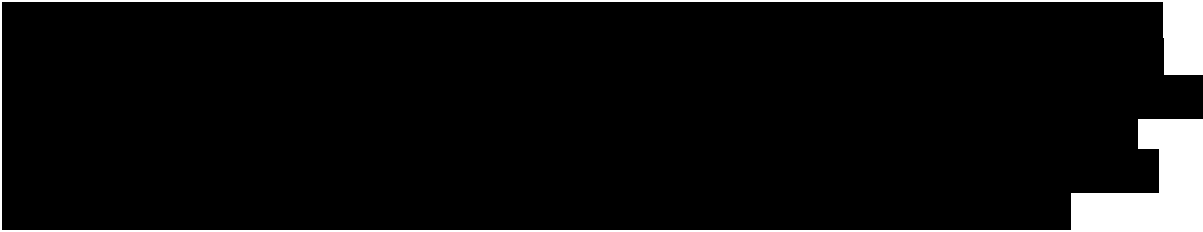
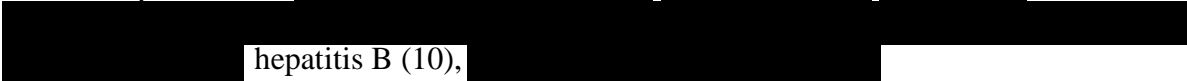


10.2 Vaccine reports

During the 6-week period from 1 October to 15 November 2006, 112 reports of vaccine adverse reactions were lodged. This represents about 15% of the reports lodged for the period.

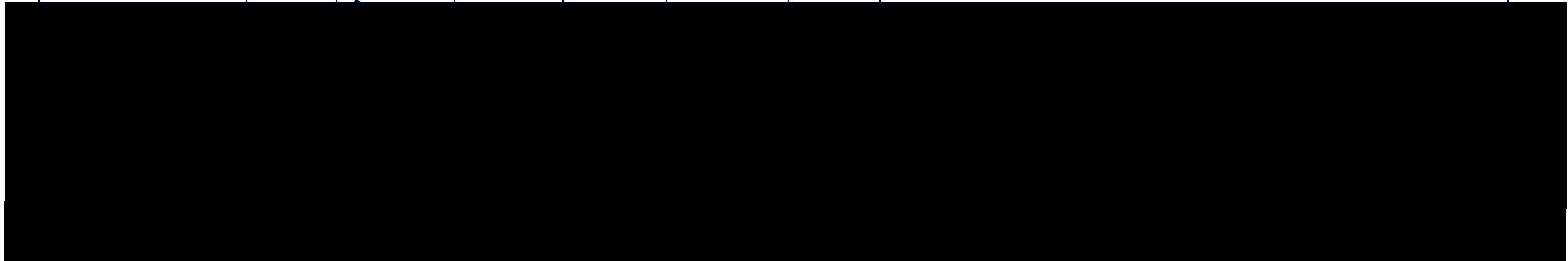
Of the 112 reports, 88 related to children and 24 to adults. The vaccines associated with five or more reports were:

hepatitis B (10),



About 58% of the reports were received from States, Territories or Local Government; 35% were received from health professionals; 9 of the reports were received from sponsors; 4 were from consumers and 2 were from the Australian Vaccination Network.

Vaccine	Inject. site	Urticaria /rash /pruritus	Convulsion seizure	Fever/pyrexia	Dyspnoea/apnoea	HHE	Others of potential interest / comments
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Hepatitis B	2	2	0	0	0	0	2 x MS (222489, 222849); SLE (222492); GBS (222754); rheumatoid arthritis (222493); psoriasis (222495); musculoskeletal stiffness
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10.2.2 Hepatitis B vaccine and Guillain-Barre syndrome

Report 222754

This report involved a 14 year old boy who experienced loss of balance and lost the ability to walk 3 days after receiving hepatitis B vaccine. He was diagnosed with Guillian Barre Syndrome, but this was not confirmed with lumbar puncture. He received 7 day's physiotherapy and recovered suddenly after day 7.

