

FRANCE

Decision-Making

Stakeholders: Expert working group, National Immunisation Technical Advisory Group (NITAG), social insurance, Ministry of Health

Introducing a new vaccine: The NITAG makes recommendations based on two primary criteria: medical service proven by the vaccine (SMR) and the added value brought to the medical service by the vaccine (ASMR). Once these two factors are estimated, the price is discussed and fixed within the medico-economic committee, including negotiation between the manufacturer and social security members.

Ministry of Finance Involvement: No. The Ministry of Finance is not directly involved in the public health and vaccination strategy to maintain operational independence.

Financing

Primary Funding Sources for NIP: Funded through the French public insurance system (Social Security), most vaccines are reimbursed up to 65%, and private insurance usually covers up to 95%.

Financial Mechanisms for Sustainability: Once a vaccination program is recommended and funded, it will not be stopped unless a significant issue arises.

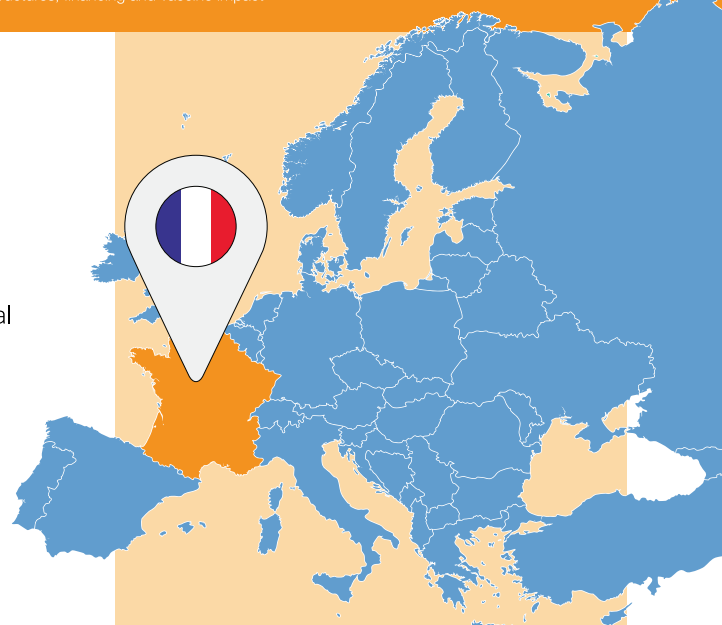
Influence of Public-Private Partnerships: While the private sector is involved in the early research stages, public authorities handle price negotiations for vaccines.

Critical Financing Challenges: Economic pressures, insufficient political and competing national priorities.

	Yes	No
Ministry of Finance Involvement		✓
Ringfencing		✓
Financial Mechanisms for Sustainability		✓
External Funding Sources		✓
Influence of Public-Private Partnerships		✓

Landscape

There are no immediate planned shifts in the funding strategy, but the economic situation and European requirements may influence future decisions. At the time of writing, the COVID-19 vaccination has not returned to national routine financing following the pandemic.



Centralised Health System



12%

of GDP spent on healthcare



5.5%

of healthcare budget is spent on prevention



60%

Over-65 influenza vaccination coverage (2021)

Adult vaccination (18+) recommendation against 13 diseases:

COVID-19
Diphtheria
Tetanus
Pertussis
Poliomyelitis
Pneumococcal disease
Meningococcal disease
Measles
Mumps
Rubella
HPV
Influenza
Herpes Zoster

All are government funded

