

# Qld Health reaches child blood lead level testing target

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**Queensland Health says it has reached its target for blood testing children in Mt Isa, in north-west Queensland, for elevated lead levels.**

- [Map: Mount Isa 4825](#)

Spokesman John Piipsanen says it has tested 403 children over the past year and of the 380 samples analysed, 45 had elevated lead levels.

He says it now has a statistically relevant sample size to write a report and make recommendations based on the evidence.

"Some of the things became really clear early on ... and basically it gave us a heads up ... we created fact sheets and got information out to the public and I suppose now is [the time] to formalise that and find out what really comes from intense scrutiny from our epidemiologists of the results," he said.

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