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Cough in children

Children commonly get coughs. By far the most common cause is a viral respiratory infection such as a [cold](#), [bronchiolitis](#), [bronchitis](#) and [the flu](#). See the following pages for information about what else can cause coughs and when to be concerned or seek medical help.

The following video from the Ministry of Health talks about how to recognise a bad cough, and what to do about it.



HealthInfo recommends the following pages

- [KidsHealth – Cough](#)

Information about coughs in children, developed by the Paediatric Society of New Zealand and the Starship Foundation.

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See also:

[Over-the-counter cold medicines and children](#)

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