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An October Kaiser Family Foundation poll found one of the key reasons that parents cite for not vaccinating their children against COVID-19 is the concern that the vaccines might, someday, affect the child's fertility. The poll found:

Parents of 5-11-year-olds cite a range of concerns when it comes to vaccinating their children for COVID-19, with safety issues topping of the list. More than seven in ten parents of 5-11-year-olds say they are "very" or "somewhat" concerned that not enough is known about the long-term effects of the COVID-19 vaccine in children (76%) or their child might experience serious side effects from the COVID-19 vaccine (71%).

Additionally, two-thirds say they are concerned the vaccine may negatively impact their child's fertility in the future, despite the CDC stating there is no evidence that the COVID-19 vaccines cause fertility problems.

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