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# How a once-obscure government database turned into a weapon for anti-vaxxers | Nieman Journalism Lab

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> You may not be familiar with [the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System, or VAERS](). Co-managed by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Food and Drug Administration, VAERS was established in 1990 to detect possible safety problems with vaccines.
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> Unfortunately, the anti-vaccine movement has used this once-obscure database to spread [misinformation about the Covid-19 vaccine]().
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