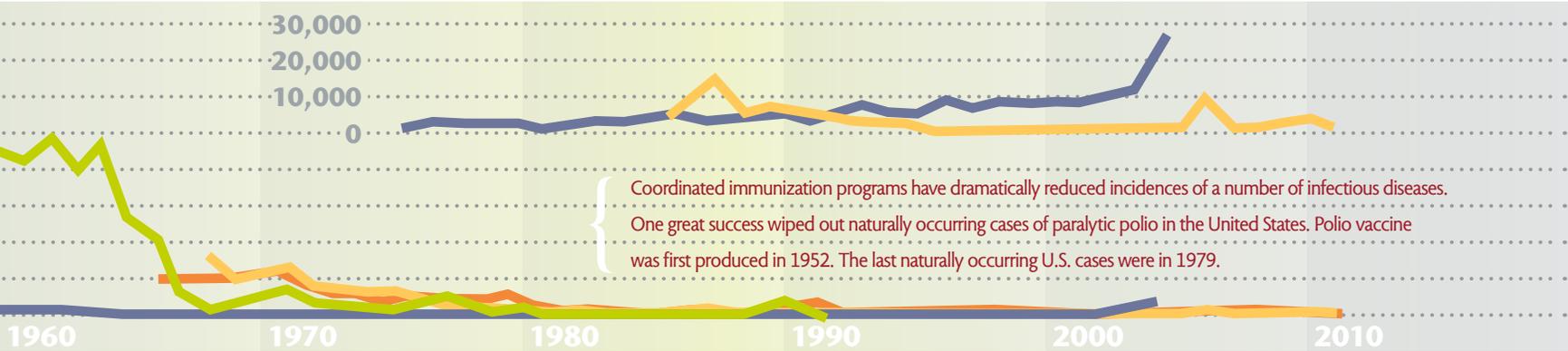
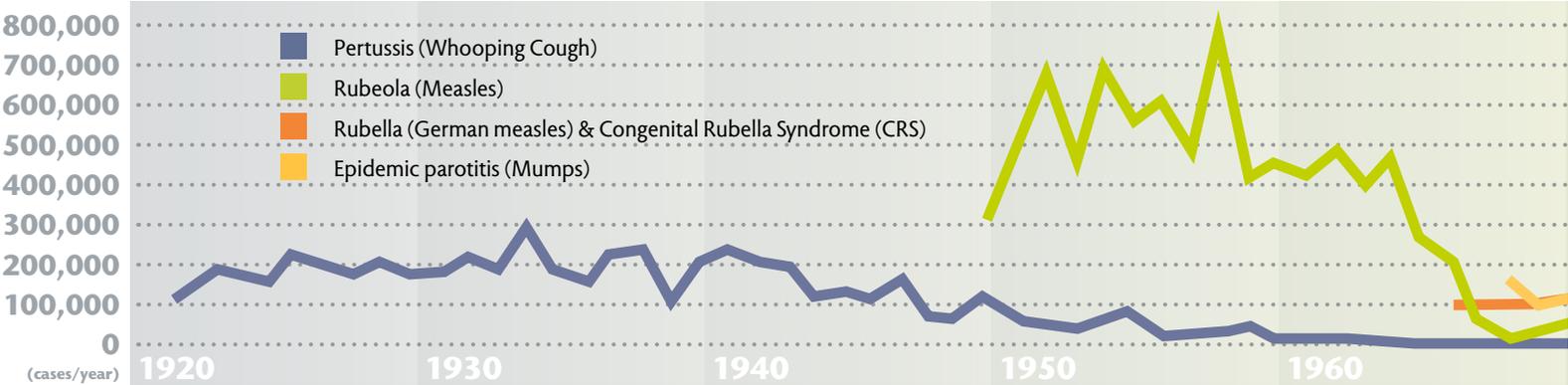


*Defeating disease – the efficacy of vaccines in the US*



Coordinated immunization programs have dramatically reduced incidences of a number of infectious diseases. One great success wiped out naturally occurring cases of paralytic polio in the United States. Polio vaccine was first produced in 1952. The last naturally occurring U.S. cases were in 1979.