





# Are the Unvaccinated to Blame?

COVID-19 seriously sickens or kills only a few who aren't old, obese, or sick. The young and healthy, and even the old and healthy, easily survive it. Those with one or more comorbidities such as obesity, cancer, diabetes, hypertension, kidney disease, and pulmonary or cardiovascular disease face serious trouble.

Yet a 24-7 propaganda campaign launched when the "pandemic" began last year terrified almost everyone who wasn't compromised, despite the data. Elected officials and government bureaucrats, aided by the leftist mainstream media, manufactured a mass panic. Mothers feared hugging their children. Intelligent people believed that standing closer than six feet to someone for a few seconds meant almostcertain death. The affianced took vows and kissed through masks, and others overcome with fear wore masks in their cars — by themselves. Having locked down the economy and persuaded *healthy* Americans to quarantine at home, government officials easily stampeded millions into lining up for experimental vaccines. The jab would save us all.



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Such is the religious zeal with which elected officials proselytize the vaccines that we are now to believe in a "pandemic among the unvaccinated," as one of President Joe Biden's medical bureaucrats called it. Huffed Kay Ivey, the GOP governor of Alabama, "It's time to start blaming the unvaccinated." With guilt, of course, must come something else: a sentence. Catholic writer Mark Shea wants the "murder-suicide cult" of the unvaxxed brutally punished.

But those who would bully, ostracize, and punish the unvaccinated aren't telling us something. The vaccines that almost 165 million Americans have received have two problems. One, a significant number of fully vaccinated Americans and others around the globe have contracted the virus; and two, more Americans have died or suffered troubling illnessees after receiving the COVID vaccines than the number of average annual reported deaths caused by all other vaccines combined.

Nonetheless, mandatory vaccination might be ahead.







# **Breakthrough Cases**

The trouble with the claim that the mid-summer SARS-Cov-2 infection surge is only or mainly among the unvaxxed is this: It isn't true. One or more variants of the original strain for which the vaccines were created are infecting thousands of the vaccinated. The culprit, the media report, is mainly the Delta Variant.

Alex Berenson, a former writer for the *New York Times* who tracks the numbers, explained in a blog post:

Testing shows that many cases are in vaccinated people (and no country with two-thirds of its adults vaccinated with two doses, like Britain, could have an increase like this unless vaccinated people were also being infected).

In early July, Israel reported that the vaccines appeared to have fallen to 64 percent effectiveness. An independent analyst reported that effectiveness had fallen below 30 percent by the end of the month.

Now advocates are trying to minimize the significance of the fact that vaccinated people are becoming infected by arguing that they are not being hospitalized or dying.

That theory is also falling apart. The number of people hospitalized with severe Covid in Israel has more than doubled since late June. And an Israeli government advisor acknowledged July 5 that more than half of serious Covid cases were occurring in "fully vaccinated" people.

Data from England and Scotland show similar trends. In Scotland, hospitalizations have risen more than fivefold in the last several weeks. And more than half the people who died of Covid in the last week of June were fully vaccinated.

In the United States, the situation is similar. Even in states where more than 60 percent of residents are vaxxed, infections are rising significantly. As of this writing, in Massachusetts, where 64 percent are fully vaxxed, infections have jumped 219 percent, the *New York Times* reported. In 67-percent vaxxed Vermont, infections have risen 129 percent. In 63-percent vaxxed Connecticut, infections are up 225 percent.

News and government reports provide more details. The Boston Herald reported August 1:

The latest breakthrough case count [in Massachusetts] shows that 6,373 fully vaccinated people have tested positive for the virus out of more than 4.3 million fully vaccinated individuals, or 0.15%.

The 6,373 infections is as of July 24 - a jump of 1,923 cases during the previous two weeks. That averages out to 137 daily infections during those weeks amid the delta variant uptick.

The fully vaccinated cases have been making up about one-third of the state's overall reported cases as daily infection tallies near 500 on average.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), July 30:





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During July 2021, 469 cases of COVID-19 associated with multiple summer events and large public gatherings in a town in Barnstable County, Massachusetts.... Approximately three guarters (346; 74%) of cases occurred in fully vaccinated persons.

### The CDC, July 29:

As of July 26, 2021, more than 163 million people in the United States had been fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

During the same time, CDC received reports from 49 U.S. states and territories of 6,587 patients with COVID-19 vaccine breakthrough infection who were hospitalized or died.

### And San Jose Mercury News, July 24:

A Bay Area News Group analysis shows not only are cases rising fast in much of the Golden State, they are soaring in many urban counties that boast high vaccination rates.

Five California counties have both a higher percentage of their eligible residents fully vaccinated and a higher average daily case rate than the statewide average: Los Angeles, San Diego, Alameda, Contra Costa and San Francisco. The five counties with falling case rates — Modoc, Glenn, Lassen, Del Norte, San Benito — have below-average vaccination rates.

Vaxxed staffers for President Biden and House Speaker Nancy Pelosi contracted the virus. So did six vaccinated Democratic members of Texas's state legislature, who flew to Washington, D.C., to avoid a vote on a GOP voter-fraud and ballot-security bill. The Asiatic pathogen also infected vaxxed Capitol Hill staffers, as it did Representative Vern Buchanan, a GOP congressman from Florida.

Apropos of Berenson's work, the *Times of Israel* has reported that 56 percent of new cases in the country are among the vaxxed. In a second story, the newspaper reported that the vaccine apparently loses effectiveness after about six months, given that breakthrough cases have occurred mostly in those vaccinated in January 2021.







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**Trouble across the pond:** Though England boasts a high COVID-19 vaccination rate, nearly half of the new COVID cases are among vaccinated individuals. This worries some scientists. (*Photo credit: heyengel/iStock/Getty Images Plus*)

At least 47 percent of new virus cases in England as of mid-July were among the partially or fully vaccinated, the *Daily Mail* reported, and more than 100 sailors aboard a British aircraft carrier contracted the virus after two jabs, as did the country's health minister.

"This is worrying me quite a bit," mRNA vaccine inventor Robert W. Malone tweeted about breakthrough data from Europe. No wonder "scientists have backed proposals for Covid boosters in the autumn after blood tests on hundreds of people revealed that protective antibodies can wane substantially within weeks of second vaccine shots being given." As Britain's leftist *Guardian* reported:

Falls in antibodies after vaccination are expected and do not necessarily mean people are more vulnerable to disease, but the researchers are concerned that if the declines persist the effectiveness of the vaccines may diminish....

"We know levels of antibodies start high and drop substantially," said Prof Rob Aldridge, an infectious disease epidemiologist at University College London. "We're concerned that if they carry on dropping at the rate we've seen, the protective effects of the vaccines will start to drop too, and the big question is, when is that going to happen?"...

Prof Matthew Snape, a vaccinologist at Oxford University, said: "Studies such as this do not in themselves provide evidence of waning protection from vaccines but are really important to help us understand what's going on if population-based studies showed any drop-off in protection with increasing time since immunisation.

"A decline in antibodies in the blood following immunisation is to be expected, and does not necessarily correspond to an increased risk of disease. Protection against infection could well be down to whether or not there are antibodies.... However, it's clear that ongoing protection from vaccines for months to years after immunisation can't be assumed, hence the importance of ongoing vigilance for any increase in breakthrough infections."

None of this means the vaccines "don't work." Even if they don't provide complete protection against all SARS-Cov-2 variants, they lessen the severity of infections. The question is for how long. They might not be as effective long-term as fully-tested vaccines for other diseases.

As well, the vaccines are *experimental*. Aside from not knowing how long they provide protection, we don't know what the side effects might be a year from now, one reason some Americans don't want to risk the inoculation.

The point is, a claim from Governor Ivey, which others blithely repeat — "the new cases of Covid are because of unvaccinated folks" — is risibly false.

## **Vaccine Adverse Events**

Data about the vaccines show not only large numbers of breakthrough cases but also an inordinate number of adverse events compared to other vaccines.





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Using an "all-locations" search parameter, as of July 31, CDC's Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System records nearly 500,000 adverse events after the COVID vaccine, including:

- 11,940 deaths;
- 11,198 life-threatening events; and
- 40,991 hospitalizations.

More than 65,000 people have landed in the emergency room.

Using a search parameter for the "United States/Territories/Unknown" returns 481,594 events, including 5,612 deaths, 7,279 life threatening events, and 25,297 hospitalizations.

The events include the potentially fatal conditions myocarditis and pericarditis, inflammation of the heart muscle and lining of the heart. As of July 26, the CDC had received 1,194 reports of the two conditions and had confirmed 699, particularly in teenage boys.

Frighteningly, the number of adverse events exceeds the combined total for all vaccines since at least 1990, when CDC began the reporting system.

CDC insists that the vaccines, two of which monkey with RNA, are "safe and effective" despite those data. "The known and potential benefits of COVID-19 vaccination outweigh the known and potential risks." Malone isn't so sure, at least when it comes to young people. "I don't think the benefits outweigh the risks in that cohort," Malone told Fox talker Tucker Carlson of 18- to 22-year-olds. "The risk-benefit analysis is not being done."

Continued Malone, "My concern is I know there are risks but we don't have access to the data. And so, I am of the opinion that people have the right to decide whether to accept vaccines or not, especially since these are experimental vaccines."

Perhaps more worrisome is that governments at all levels, along with big business, seem ready to mandate the jab by forcing Americans to carry "vaccine passports" to enter stores and businesses or board trains and airplanes. To carry out your daily routine, you'll have to prove you're vaxxed. New York city now requires proof of vaccination for all workers and customers of gyms, restaurants, and entertainment venues.

Banks, groceries, and other businesses display signs that "require" customers to wear a mask if they aren't jabbed, yet customers needn't prove it in most places. How long that will hold true is unknown. A good guess though, is not long at all. Businesses in California have already begun requiring customers to prove they're vaxxed.

Pro-vaxxers are even ready for mandates and penalties for refuseniks. Consider the aforementioned Shea, who cited Psalm 32:8-11, and then Proverbs 26:3: "A whip for the horse, a bridle for the donkey, and a rod for the back of fools."

"About half the country, some due to ignorance and poor education, some due to pig-headed selfish spite, some due to paranoid fear, some due to boneheaded stupidity, some due to tribal hatred of Liberals, are avoiding or absolutely refusing to be vaccinated," Shea began his jeremiad. "The epicenter of this is the MAGA 'prolife' Murder/Suicide Cult."

Thus has Shea planted the idea that the unvaxxed are murderers.





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#### He continued:

I have no trouble at all with the state and corporate America richly rewarding the vaccinated and punishing the stupidly unvaccinated. Vaccine passes, barring the unvaccinated from businesses, restaurants, theatres, sporting events. Punishing places like [the restaurant that banned the vaxxed] with closure for health code violations, vaccine requirements for school and work and travel are all great ideas. Employers can and should imitate Biden, who recently made vaccination compulsory if you want to work for the Feds.

There should also be tax breaks for the vaccinated and penalties for the unvaccinated. Lower insurance for the vaxed, higher premiums for the unvaxed. Also, as the City of New York recently required, there should be weekly testing for the unvaxxed....

Also, people should face fines and penalties for deliberately spreading disinformation and lies about vaccines and public health, particularly if they work in media.

Shea helpfully included a World War II wanted-for-murder poster that was part of the "loose lips sink ships" propaganda campaign.

Thus are the unvaxxed not just to be hectored, bullied, and vilified — and dehumanized. If Shea and his ilk get their way, the "murder/suicide cult" will hear the hob-nailed boot of a Jab KGB kicking in the door, or feel the thudding lash of a blackjack to the back of the skull at a police station in the middle of the night.

For those tempted to agree with this proposal for fear of the virus, a caution: If the government-industrial complex can mandate compliance on this vaccine, other intrusive mandates will follow. So will punishment for those who refuse to obey.

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