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Data released today by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) included 463,457 reports of injuries and deaths, across all age groups, following COVID vaccines — an increase of more than 25,000 compared with the previous week.

The data comes directly from reports submitted to the <u>Vaccine</u> <u>Adverse Event Reporting System</u> (VAERS), the primary government-funded system for reporting adverse vaccine reactions in the U.S.

Every Friday, <u>VAERS</u> makes public all vaccine injury reports received as of a specified date, usually about a week prior to the release date. Reports submitted to VAERS require further investigation before a causal relationship can be confirmed.

Data released today show that between Dec. 14, 2020 and July

9, 2021, a total of <u>463,457 total adverse events</u> were reported to VAERS, including <u>10,991 deaths</u> — an increase of 1,943 over the previous week. There were <u>48,385 serious injuries</u> reported during the same time period — up 7,370 compared with the previous week.



## Search Results

#### From the 7/9/2021 release of VAERS data:

## Found 463,457 cases where Vaccine is COVID19

Event Outcome	^ ↓	
	Count	Percent
Death	10,991	2.37%
Permanent Disability	9,274	2%
Office Visit	82,534	17.81%
Emergency Room	56	0.01%
Emergency Doctor/Room	59,347	12.81%
Hospitalized	30,699	6.62%
Hospitalized, Prolonged	82	0.02%
Recovered	164,784	35.56%
Birth Defect	256	0.06%
Life Threatening	8,831	1.91%
Not Serious	184,318	39.77%
TOTAL	† 551,172	† 118.93%

In the U.S., <u>333 million</u> COVID vaccine doses had been administered as of July 9. This <u>includes</u>: 135 million doses of <u>Moderna's</u> vaccine, 184 million doses of <u>Pfizer</u> and 13 million doses of the <u>Johnson & Johnson</u> (J&J) COVID vaccine.

Of the 10,991 deaths reported as of July 9, 22% occurred within 48 hours of vaccination, 15% occurred within 24 hours and 37% occurred in people who became ill within 48 hours of being vaccinated.

This week's data for 12- to 17-year-olds show:

- <u>14,003</u> total adverse events, including <u>866 rated as</u> <u>serious</u> and <u>14 reported deaths</u>. Two of the nine deaths were suicides.
- The most recent reported death includes a 13-year-old boy (VAERS I.D. <u>1431289</u>) with a previous history of COVID who suffered cardiac arrest and died 17 days after vaccination with Pfizer.

Other reports include two <u>13-year-old boys</u> (VAERS I.D. <u>1406840</u> and <u>1429457</u>) who died two days after receiving a Pfizer vaccine, three 15-year-olds (VAERS I.D. <u>1187918</u>, <u>1382906</u> and <u>1242573</u>), three 16-year-olds (VAERS I.D. <u>1420630</u>, <u>1225942</u> and <u>1386841</u>) and three 17-year-olds (VAERS I.D. <u>1199455</u>, <u>1388042</u> and <u>1420762</u>).

- 2,040 reports of anaphylaxis among 12- to 17-year-olds with 99% of cases. attributed to Pfizer's vaccine, 1.1% to Moderna and 0.2% (or four cases) to J&J.
- <u>377 reports</u> of myocarditis and pericarditis (heart inflammation) with <u>373</u> attributed to Pfizer's vaccine.
- <u>65 reports</u> of blood clotting disorders, with <u>64</u> attributed to Pfizer and <u>1 attributed to Moderna</u>.

This week's total VAERS data, from Dec. 14, 2020 to July 9, 2021, for all age groups combined show:

- 23% of deaths were related to cardiac disorders.
- 50% of those who died were male, 45% were female and the remaining death reports did not include gender of the deceased.
- The <u>average age</u> of death was 75.
- As of July 9, <u>2,857 pregnant women</u> reported adverse events related to COVID vaccines, including 1072 reports of miscarriage or premature birth.
- Of the <u>5,049 cases of Bell's Palsy reported</u>, 63% were attributed to Pfizer vaccinations, 35% to Moderna vaccine and 5% to J&J.

- 445 reports of <u>Guillain-Barré Syndrome</u>, with 51% of cases attributed to Pfizer, 37% to Moderna and 17% to J&J.
- 127,421 reports of anaphylaxis with 48% of cases attributed to Pfizer's vaccine, 45% to Moderna and 7% to J&J.
- 9,471 reports of blood clotting disorders. Of those, 4,998 reports were attributed to Pfizer, 2,845 reports to Moderna and 1,582 reports to J&J.
- <u>1,991 cases</u> of myocarditis and pericarditis with <u>1,336</u> cases attributed to Pfizer, <u>599 cases</u> to Moderna and <u>52</u> cases to J&J's COVID vaccine.

# Experts warn of 'huge risk' as Moderna launches COVID vaccine trials for pregnant women

Moderna will study its <u>COVID vaccine</u> in pregnant women, according to a posting on <u>ClinicalTrials.gov</u>. The observational study, expected to begin July 22, will enroll about 1,000 females over age 18 who will be studied over a 21-month period.

Women who <u>received a Moderna vaccine</u> during the 28 days prior to their last menstrual period, or at any time during pregnancy, are eligible.

The <u>brief summary</u> of the trial states the main goal is "to evaluate the outcomes of pregnancy in females exposed to the <u>Moderna</u> COVID-19 vaccine (mRNA-1273) during pregnancy."

Currently, the CDC <u>says</u> pregnant women can get a <u>COVID</u> <u>vaccine</u>. But the agency also acknowledges there is limited data available about the safety of COVID vaccines for people who are pregnant.

"Pregnant women are taking what may be a huge risk with the COVID vaccine," said <u>Jennifer Margulis</u>, Ph.D., author of "<u>Your Baby</u>, <u>Your Way</u>." Margulis said in an email to <u>The Defender</u>, there is no evidence COVID vaccines are safe, but <u>ample</u>

evidence suggesting it is dangerous to expose pregnant women and unborn babies to drugs and interventions that can disrupt immunity.

Lyn Redwood, RN, MSN and president emerita of <u>Children's</u> <u>Health Defense</u>, said it's "bass-ackwards to release the vaccine to pregnant women before doing a clinical trial or proper animal studies."

## FDA added warning to J&J vaccine of 'serious but rare' autoimmune disorder

On July 13, the FDA <u>added a new warning</u> on J&J's (Janssen) COVID vaccine to <u>include information</u> pertaining to an observed increased risk of <u>Guillain-Barré Syndrome</u> (GBS) following vaccination.

According to an <u>FDA news release</u>, GBS is a neurological disorder in which the body's immune system damages nerve cells, causing muscle weakness or, in the most severe cases, paralysis.

Based on an analysis of VAERS data, there have been 100 preliminary reports of GBS following vaccination with J&J's vaccine. Of these reports, 95 were serious and required hospitalization. There was one reported death.

While the cause of GBS is not fully known, it often follows infection with a virus and has been <u>linked to other vaccines</u>. The FDA concluded the benefits of the vaccine outweigh any danger, but included the proviso in fact sheets about the drug for providers and patients.

The CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) is expected to <u>discuss the GBS cases</u> during an upcoming meeting, the CDC said.

Coroner says vaccine not to blame for man's death after

#### Pfizer- wife not convinced

A healthcare worker who <u>died</u> four days after his second dose of Pfizer's COVID vaccine was killed by heart disease, according to the <u>Orange County</u>, <u>California coroner</u>.

As <u>The Defender reported</u> this week, Tim Zook, an x-ray technologist at South Coast Global Medical Center in Santa Ana, was hospitalized Jan. 5 — just hours after being vaccinated. Zook's wife, Rochelle, <u>told the Orange County Register</u> her husband's health rapidly deteriorated after receiving his second dose of Pfizer's vaccine. He died Jan. 9.

An <u>autopsy report</u> released Wednesday found Zook's heart was severely enlarged, thicker than normal and dilated. "There is a focus of severe coronary artery disease," according to the report, which also said Zook's heart valves showed mild-to-moderate calcium deposits.

The autopsy report concluded the official cause of death was "hypertensive and <u>atherosclerotic heart disease</u> with severe <u>cardiomegaly</u> [enlarged heart] and heart failure."

Rochelle Zook said she is not convinced her husband's death is unrelated to the vaccine. He was "quite healthy," she said shortly after her husband's death. Rochelle Zook preserved samples of her husband's tissue for future testing, hoping to learn more as data about vaccines emerge in years to come.

## Woman's sudden paralysis linked to J&J vaccine

A Houston woman spent 22 days in the hospital after getting a COVID vaccine and then developing GBS, <u>ABC 13 reported July 14</u>. After Jamie Walton got the J&J vaccine, she started feeling numbness and tingling in her feet and hands.

"I know my body and I knew something wasn't right, so I kept trying to go to different doctors and I kept being told, 'You're dehydrated. You're fine,'" Walton said. "One doctor told me I had anxiety."

The otherwise healthy woman ended up paralyzed from the waist down and lost her ability to walk. Walton went to the emergency room twice and met with several doctors before her diagnosis was confirmed. She was hospitalized for 22 days, had to learn how to walk again and do other basic movements. Her case was reported to VAERS.

## Pfizer fails to convince FDA on immediate need for boosters

Pfizer executives met privately this week with U.S. senior scientists and regulators to press their case for quick authorization of <u>COVID</u> booster vaccines amid pushback from federal health agencies who <u>last week said</u> the extra doses are not needed.

Officials said after the meeting that more data — and possibly several more months — would be needed before regulators could determine whether booster shots were necessary, <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/journal.org/">The Defender reported</a>.

The meeting was largely seen as a courtesy after Pfizer's <u>announcement</u> last week that it would seek <u>Emergency Use Authorization</u> for its booster shot led to unusual pushback from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and CDC.

# Woman with 'life-altering' injuries after COVID vaccine teams up with U.S. senators to demand answers

A Utah woman and two U.S. senators are teaming up to get answers from federal health agencies about <u>life-altering</u> <u>injuries</u> people have experienced after receiving a COVID vaccine, <u>The Defender reported</u> July 7.

<u>Brianne Dressen</u>, preschool teacher from Utah, was injured after participating in <u>AstraZeneca's</u> COVID vaccine clinical trial in November 2020. She accumulated more than \$250,000 in medical bills as a result of injuries she believes were caused by the vaccine.

After experiencing severe symptoms and neurological decline, Dressen spent months teaching herself how to walk, eat and form sentences again — all while she traveled in search of answers.

Dressen, along with other people who said they were injured by vaccines but "<u>repeatedly ignored</u>" by the medical community, participated last month in a <u>news conference</u> held by Sen. Ron Johnson (R-Wis).

Following the news conference, Johnson and Utah Sen. Mike Lee <u>wrote a letter</u> to the CDC and FDA after the agencies ignored requests for assistance and answers from families injured by COVID vaccines.

Lee and Johnson said widespread lack of acknowledgement of <u>adverse events</u> following receipt of a <u>COVID</u> vaccine has made it nearly impossible for some individuals to obtain the medical treatment they need, and that risks must be disclosed to the medical community and general public.

In the letter, Lee and Johnson asked the FDA and CDC about the adverse events suffered during clinical trials, disclosed in the FDA's Emergency Use Authorization Memorandum for the <u>Pfizer</u>, <u>Moderna</u> and <u>Johnson & Johnson</u> vaccines, as well as reported injuries from the U.S. AstraZeneca trial.

They also asked the CDC whether it is working with physicians and researchers at the FDA, National Institutes of Health or other medical research bodies to provide the various individuals who experienced adverse effects vaccine treatment and care.

# 130 days and counting, CDC ignores The Defender's inquiries

According to the <u>CDC website</u>, "the CDC follows up on any report of death to request additional information and learn more about what occurred and to determine whether the death

was a result of the vaccine or unrelated."

On March 8, <u>The Defender</u> contacted the CDC with a <u>written list</u> of <u>questions</u> about reported deaths and injuries related to COVID vaccines. We have made repeated attempts, by phone and email, to obtain a response to our questions.

Despite multiple phone and email communications with several people at the CDC, and despite being told that our request was in the system and that someone would respond, we have not yet received answers to any of the questions we submitted. It has been 130 days since we sent our first email to the CDC requesting information.

<u>Children's Health Defense</u> asks anyone who has experienced an adverse reaction, to any vaccine, to file a report following <u>these three steps</u>.

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