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Data released today by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) showed the total number of reports (including foreign and U.S.) of deaths following COVID vaccination, across all age groups, [surpassed 12,000](#).

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

Every Friday, [VAERS](#) 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 30, 2021, a total of [545,338 total adverse events](#) were reported to VAERS, including [12,366 deaths](#) – an increase of 426 over the previous week. There were [70,105 reports of serious injuries](#), including deaths, during the same time period – up 7,003 compared with the previous week.






Search Results

From the 7/30/2021 release of VAERS data:

Found 545,338 cases where Vaccine is COVID19

Table

 Event Outcome	Count	  Percent
Death	12,366	2.27%
Permanent Disability	14,251	2.61%
Office Visit	92,526	16.97%
Emergency Room	56	0.01%
Emergency Doctor/Room	67,985	12.47%
Hospitalized	45,902	8.42%
Hospitalized, Prolonged	134	0.02%
Recovered	185,537	34.02%
Birth Defect	324	0.06%
Life Threatening	12,193	2.24%
Not Serious	219,562	40.26%
TOTAL	† 650,836	† 119.35%

† Because some cases have multiple vaccinations and symptoms, a single case can account for multiple entries in this table. This is the reason why the Total Count is greater than 545338 (the number of cases found), and the Total Percentage is greater than 100.

Excluding “[foreign reports](#)” filed in VAERS, [443,201 adverse events](#), including [5,739 deaths](#) and [35,881 serious injuries](#), were reported in the U.S.

In the U.S., [344.9 million](#) COVID vaccine doses had been administered as of July 30. This [includes](#): 139 million doses of [Moderna’s](#) vaccine, 193 million doses of [Pfizer](#) and 13 million doses of the [Johnson & Johnson](#) (J&J) COVID vaccine.

Of the 5,739 U.S. deaths reported as of July 30, [13% occurred](#) within 24 hours of vaccination, [19% occurred](#) within

48 hours of vaccination and [34% occurred](#) in people who experienced an onset of symptoms within 48 hours of being vaccinated.

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

- [15,741](#) total adverse events, including [947 rated as serious](#) and [18 reported deaths](#). Two of the nine deaths were suicides.

The most recent reported deaths include a 15-year-old boy (VAERS I.D. [1498080](#)) who previously had COVID, was diagnosed with cardiomyopathy in May 2021 and died four days after receiving his second dose of Pfizer's vaccine on June 18, when he collapsed on the soccer field and went into ventricular tachycardia; and a 13-year-old girl (VAERS I.D. [1505250](#)) who died after suffering a heart condition after receiving her first dose of Pfizer.

- Other deaths include two [13-year-old boys](#) (VAERS I.D. [1406840](#) and [1431289](#)) who died two days after receiving a Pfizer vaccine, a 13-year-old boy who died after receiving Moderna (VAERS I.D. [1463061](#)), three 15-year-olds (VAERS I.D. [1187918](#), [1382906](#) and [1242573](#)), five 16-year-olds (VAERS I.D. [1420630](#), [1466009](#), [1225942](#), [1475434](#), and [1386841](#)) and three 17-year-olds (VAERS I.D. [1199455](#), [1388042](#) and [1420762](#)).
- [2,323 reports](#) of anaphylaxis among 12- to 17-year-olds with 99% of cases attributed to [Pfizer's vaccine](#).
- [406 reports](#) of myocarditis and pericarditis (heart inflammation) with [402 cases](#) attributed to Pfizer's vaccine.
- [77 reports](#) of blood clotting disorders, with all cases attributed to Pfizer.

This week's total U.S. VAERS data, from Dec. 14, 2020 to July 30, 2021, for all age groups combined, show:

- 21% of deaths were related to cardiac disorders.
- 54% of those who died were male, 43% were female and the remaining death reports did not include gender of the deceased.
- The [average age](#) of death was 73.2.
- As of July 30, [2,636 pregnant women](#) reported adverse events related to COVID vaccines, including 912 reports of [miscarriage or premature birth](#).
- Of the [2,533 cases of Bell's Palsy](#) reported, 50% were attributed to [Pfizer](#) vaccinations, 43% to [Moderna](#) and 6% to [J&J](#).
- 483 reports of [Guillain-Barré Syndrome](#), with 40% of cases [attributed to Pfizer](#), 35% to [Moderna](#) and 24% to [J&J](#).
- [121,452 reports of anaphylaxis](#) with 44% of cases attributed to [Pfizer's vaccine](#), 48% to [Moderna](#) and 8% to [J&J](#).
- [8,048 reports](#) of blood clotting disorders. Of those, [3,428 reports](#) were attributed to Pfizer, [2,910 reports](#) to Moderna and [1,665 reports](#) to J&J.
- [2,018 cases](#) of myocarditis and pericarditis with [1,275 cases](#) attributed to Pfizer, [667 cases](#) to Moderna and [71 cases](#) to J&J's COVID vaccine.

FDA eyes full approval of Pfizer vaccine by early next month

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has accelerated its timeline to fully approve Pfizer's COVID vaccine – planning to complete the process by the beginning of September, people familiar with the effort told [The New York Times](#).

President Biden said last week he expected a fully approved vaccine in early fall. But the FDA's unofficial deadline is

Labor Day or sooner, according to The Times.

The agency said in a statement its leaders recognized approval might inspire more public confidence and had “taken an all-hands-on-deck approach” to the work.

The FDA’s move is expected to kick off more [vaccination mandates](#) for hospital workers, college students and [federal troops](#).

Federal regulators have been under growing public pressure to fully approve Pfizer’s vaccine ever since the company filed its application on May 7.

Vaccinated may play key role in aiding evolution of more dangerous COVID variants

According to research [published](#) last week in Scientific Reports, vaccinated people may [play a key role](#) in helping SARS-CoV-2 variants evolve into those that evade existing COVID vaccines.

Researchers [identified](#) three specific risk factors that favor the emergence and establishment of a vaccine-resistant strain. They are: a high probability of initial emergence of the resistant strain; a high number of infected individuals; and a low rate of vaccination.

However, the analysis also showed the highest risk for establishing a vaccine-resistant strain occurs when a large fraction of the population has already been vaccinated but the transmission is not controlled.

“When most people are vaccinated, the vaccine-resistant strain has an advantage over the original strain,” Simon Rella of the Institute of Science and Technology Austria, [told CNN](#). “This means the vaccine-resistant strain spreads through the population faster at a time when most people are vaccinated.”

The data is consistent with a [study](#) released last week by the

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention which showed vaccinated people may transmit the [Delta variant](#) – now responsible for 80% of [COVID](#) cases in the U.S. – just as easily as the unvaccinated.

Delta variant more transmissible, not more deadly

As [The Defender reported](#) Aug. 3, World Health Organization (WHO) officials said they are still trying to understand why the Delta variant is more transmissible than the original COVID virus strain.

As COVID—especially Delta variant—surges among fully vaccinated, Brian Hooker, Ph.D., said the more variant deviates from original sequence used for vaccine, the less effective vaccine will be on variant.

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“There are certain mutations in the Delta variant that, for example, allow the virus to adhere to a cell more easily,” said Dr. Maria Van Kerkhove, WHO’S technical lead on COVID, at a press briefing July 30. “There are some laboratory studies that suggest that there’s increased replication in some of the modeled human airway systems.”

The CDC warned lawmakers July 29 of new research indicating the Delta strain is more contagious than chickenpox. The variant also appears to have a longer transmission window than the original COVID strain, and may make older people sicker, even if they’ve been fully vaccinated, [CNBC reported](#).

Brian Hooker, Ph.D., P.E., [Children’s Health Defense](#) chief scientific officer and professor of biology at Simpson University, said while the Delta variant is likely more

transmissible, it's also likely less pathogenic.

"What we're seeing is virus evolution 101," Hooker said.

He explained:

"Viruses like to survive, so killing the host (i.e. the human who is infected) defeats the purpose because killing the host kills the virus, too.

"For this reason, new variants of viruses that circulate widely through the population tend to become more transmissible but less pathogenic. In other words, they will spread more easily from person to person, but they will cause less damage to the host."

Hooker said the more the variant deviates from the original sequence used for the vaccine, the less effective the vaccine will be on that variant, which could explain why fully vaccinated people are getting infected with the Delta variant.

But this isn't the case for natural immunity, Hooker explained:

"The vaccine focuses on the [spike protein](#), whereas natural immunity focuses on the entire virus. Natural immunity – with a more diverse array of antibodies and T-cell receptors – will provide better protection overall as it has more targets in which to attack the virus, whereas vaccine-derived immunity only focuses on one portion of the virus, in this case, the spike protein. Once that portion of the virus has mutated sufficiently, the vaccine no longer is effective."

Offspring band boots drummer for refusing to get vaccinated

Pete Parada, drummer for the Californian rock band Offspring, said he was [ousted from the band](#) because he refused to get a COVID vaccine, despite having already had COVID and acquiring [natural immunity](#).

In an [Instagram post](#), Parada said:

“Since I am unable to comply with what is increasingly becoming an industry mandate, it has recently been decided that I am unsafe to be around, in the studio and on tour. I mention this because you won’t be seeing me at these upcoming shows. I also want to share my story so that anyone else experiencing the agony and isolation of getting left behind right now knows they’re not entirely alone.”

Parada, who had [COVID](#) more than a year ago, said he was medically advised not to take the vaccine due to his “personal medical history and the side-effect profile” of COVID vaccines.

Parada has a history of [Guillain–Barré syndrome](#) (GBS), a serious but rare autoimmune disorder linked to [multiple vaccines](#), including [COVID vaccines](#).

Parada said he was confident he could handle the virus again, but he could not handle another round of post-vaccination GBS, which dates back to his childhood and has become progressively worse over his lifetime.

In a [series of tweets](#), Parada said he unequivocally supports [informed consent](#) – “which necessitates choice unburdened by coercion” – and does not find it “ethical or wise” to allow those with the most power, including government, corporations, organizations or employers to “dictate medical procedures to those with the least power.”

Nation’s largest employers mandate COVID vaccines

Some of the nation’s largest employers are mandating COVID vaccines, [The New York Times reported](#) this week.

[Tyson Foods](#) this week told its 120,000 workers in offices, slaughterhouses and poultry plants across the country they would need to be vaccinated by Nov. 1, as a “condition of employment.”

Microsoft, which employs roughly 100,000 people in the U.S., said it would require proof of vaccination for all employees, vendors and guests to gain access to its offices.

Last week, [Google](#) said it would require employees who returned to the company's offices to be vaccinated, while Disney announced a mandate for all salaried and non-union hourly workers who work on site.

[Walmart](#), the largest private employer in the U.S, Lyft and Uber mandated vaccines for white-collar workers but not for millions of frontline workers.

The moves brought praise from the White House.

"I want to thank Walmart, Google, Netflix, Disney, Tyson Foods for their recent actions requiring vaccination for employees," President Biden said in a press briefing on Tuesday. "Look, I know this isn't easy – but I will have their backs."

"Others have declined to step up," Biden said. "I find it disappointing."

151 days and counting, CDC ignores The Defender's inquiries

According to the [CDC website](#), "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, [The Defender](#) contacted the CDC with a [written list of questions](#) 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 many 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 144 days since we sent our first email to the CDC requesting information.

[Children's Health Defense](#) asks anyone who has experienced an adverse reaction, to any vaccine, to file a report following [these three steps](#).

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