

# Do You Really Understand Your Risk of Dying From COVID?

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## STORY AT-A-GLANCE

- › Polls taken in 2020 and 2021 revealed Americans were wildly confused and misinformed about their true risk of dying from COVID
- › Based on a new preprint analysis by professor John Ioannidis, there's no reason for anyone to live in fear anymore, regardless of your age, as your risk of dying from COVID is – and always was – minuscule across the board
- › Before the COVID jabs were rolled out, if you were 19 or younger, your risk of dying of COVID was 0.0003%; only 3 per 1 million infected with COVID at this age ended up dying. Between ages 60 and 69, the infection fatality rate was 0.501%, i.e., 1 out of 200 infected died
- › Emerging evidence suggests the shots are causing immune deficiency in some people, thereby actually raising their risk of dying from SARS-CoV-2 infection, even with the now-milder strains
- › The real-world risk of dying from COVID-19 based on published data from the Irish census bureau and the central statistics office for 2020 and 2021 is as follows: For people under 70, the death rate was 0.014%; under 50 years of age, it was 0.002%, which equates to a 1 in 50,000 risk, or about the same as dying from fire or smoke inhalation. Under 25 years of age, the mortality rate was 0.00018%, or 1 in 500,000 risk of dying from COVID

Do you really understand your risk of dying from COVID-19? According to The Hill,<sup>1</sup> a poll taken in mid-August 2020 showed “Americans have a significant misunderstanding of

the risk of death from COVID-19 when it comes to different age groups.”

On average, Americans were under the impression that people under the age of 44 made up about 30% of deaths, when the actual figure was less than 3%. At the time, 58% of those polled who were between the ages of 18 and 24 also said they feared “significant health consequences” were they to get infected, when in reality this age group accounted for a mere 0.1% of COVID deaths.

Similar stats were found in April 2021, when the Washington Examiner reported on polls showing “COVID-19 alarmism” had resulted in 18- to 24-year-olds being the “most anxious about resuming normal life — despite being by far the least at risk from COVID-19.”<sup>2</sup>

At the time, the reported death rate among this group was 0.006%, yet half reported being nervous about interacting socially. Meanwhile, in the highest-risk group, those 55 and older, only 31% were nervous about social interactions; 65% were not.

Has anything changed? Anecdotally, it seems mask wearers these days are primarily young (and seemingly healthy) people, while the majority of older individuals have embraced the freedom to breathe freely again.

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## **Pre-Job Infection Fatality Rates**

Ioannidis’ paper,<sup>3,4</sup> posted on the preprint server medRxiv October 13, 2022, looked at pre-job national seroprevalence studies to ascertain the age-stratified infection fatality rate (IFR) of COVID-19 in people between the ages of birth and 69. As noted in the abstract:

*“The infection fatality rate (IFR) of COVID-19 among non-elderly people in the absence of vaccination or prior infection is important to estimate accurately,*

*since 94% of the global population is younger than 70 years and 86% is younger than 60 years.*

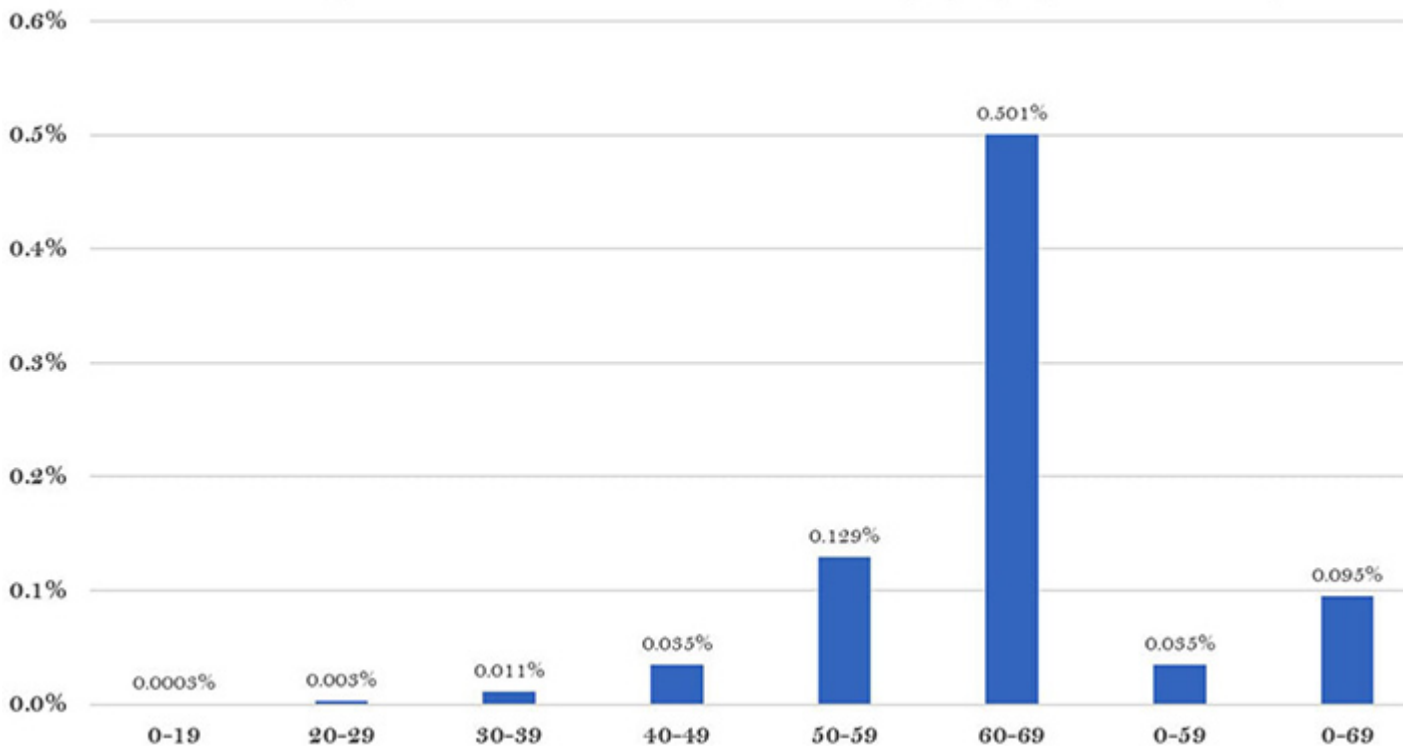
*In systematic searches in SeroTracker and PubMed ... we identified 40 eligible national seroprevalence studies covering 38 countries with pre-vaccination seroprevalence data.*

*For 29 countries (24 high-income, 5 others), publicly available age-stratified COVID-19 death data and age-stratified seroprevalence information were available and were included in the primary analysis.”*

Based on these data, the authors came up with the following median IFRs:

Birth to 19 years: 0.0003% = 3 out of 1,000,000 infected were dying	20 to 29 years: 0.003% = 3 out of 100,000 infected were dying
30 to 39 years: 0.011% = 1.1 out of 10,000 infected were dying	40 to 49 years: 0.035% = 3.5 out of 10,000 infected were dying
50 to 59 years: 0.129% = 1.3 out of 1,000 infected were dying	60 to 69 years: 0.501% = 1 out of 200 infected were dying

### COVID-19 pre-vaccination IFR in the non-elderly by age (Ioannidis *et al.*)



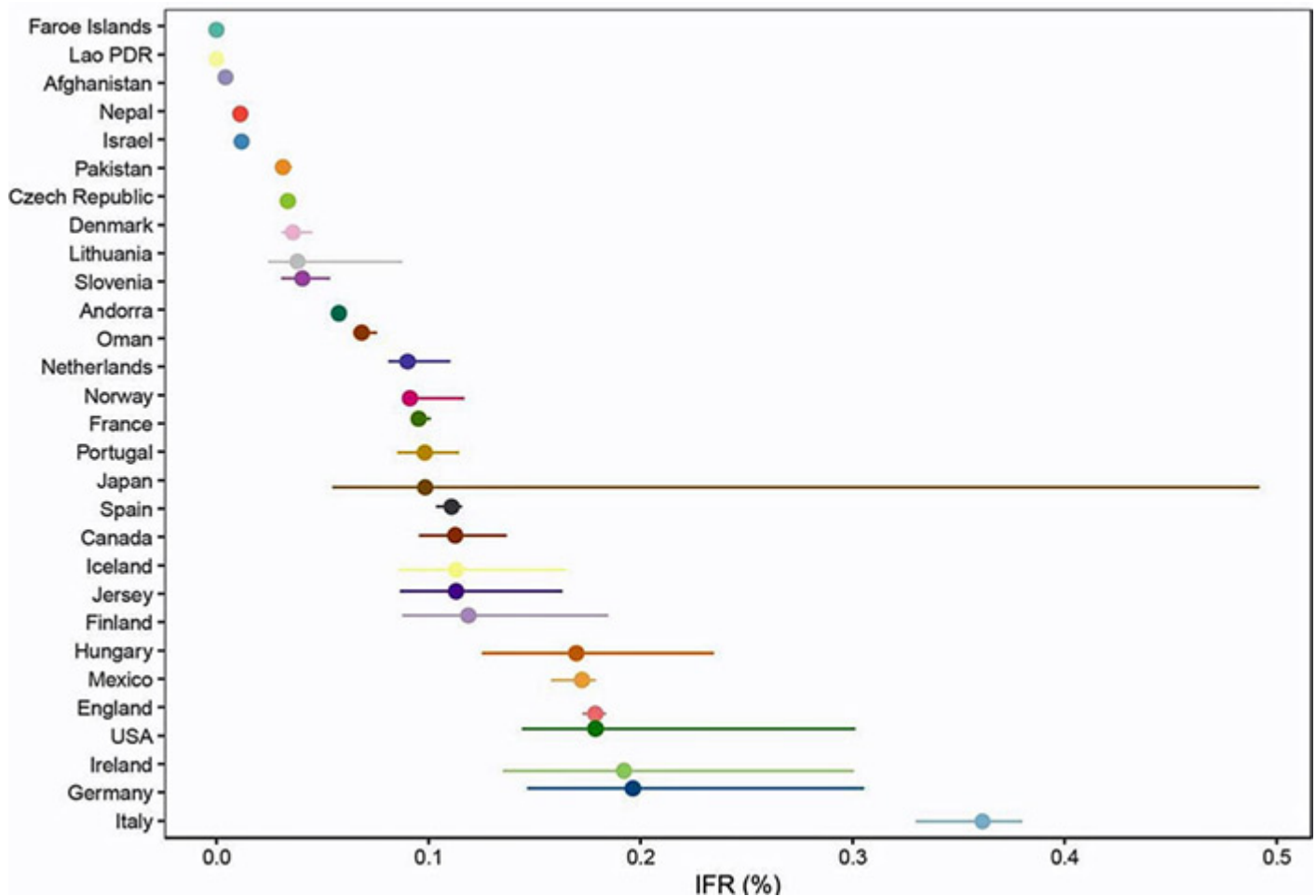
Source: Ioannidis *et al.*<sup>5</sup>

Overall, the median IFR for all age groups combined (birth to 69 years) was 0.095%, with an interquartile range of 0.036 - 0.125%. Limiting the age range to between birth and 59, the median IFR was even lower, just 0.035%, with an interquartile range of 0.013 - 0.056%.

In other words, before the COVID jabs came along, out of 10,000 infected people under the age of 59, three died. Looking at the full age spread – birth to 69 – 7 in 10,000 infected individuals died. According to the authors:<sup>6</sup>

*“At a global level, pre-vaccination IFR may have been as low as 0.03% and 0.07% for 0-59 and 0-69 year old people, respectively. These IFR estimates in non-elderly populations are lower than previous calculations had suggested ... Large differences did exist between countries and may reflect differences in comorbidities and other factors.”*

The graph below illustrates the ranging IFRs across populations in different countries.



As reported by the Daily Sceptic,<sup>7</sup> “The significantly higher values for the top seven [countries] suggest some of the difference may be an artifact of, for example, the way COVID-19 deaths are counted, particularly where excess death levels are similar ...”

Wide variations in IFR between countries for the same age groups were also found, which they postulate may be due to:<sup>8,9</sup>

- Data artifacts, such as inaccurate measures of seroprevalence or inaccurate recording of deaths
- Presence and severity of comorbidities – For example, in the U.S., obesity affects 41.9% of the population, compared to just 2% in Vietnam and 4% in India
- Prevalence of frailty (number of elderly living in nursing homes)
- Differences in health care management and societal support
- Prevalence of drug problems

## Pre-Jab COVID Survival Rates

Presenting this same data as COVID survival rates in the pre-jab era (i.e. 2020, before the rollout of the COVID shots) instead of fatality rates, you get the following:

Birth to 19 years: 99.9997% survival rate	20 to 29 years: 99.997% survival rate
30 to 39 years: 99.989% survival rate	40 to 49 years: 99.965% survival rate
50 to 59 years: 99.871% survival rate	60 to 69 years: 99.499% survival rate

Now, these numbers were all prior to the COVID jabs. Emerging evidence suggests the shots are causing immune deficiency in some people, thereby actually raising their risk of dying from SARS-CoV-2 infection, even with the now milder strains.

## Real-World Comparisons of Risk Using Irish Data

It's important to understand that when you're dealing with a risk that is but a fraction of a percent, the real-world hazard is so small it's really pointless to worry about.

As a follow up to Ioannides' new paper, Ivor Cummins, founder of TheFatEmperor.com, decided to review the real-world risk of dying from COVID-19 based on published data from the Irish census bureau and the central statistics office (CSO) for 2020 and 2021 (see video above<sup>10</sup>).

In other words, these data are based on actual deaths, not projections or estimates. He also compares it to the risk of suffering other causes of death, such as accidental poisoning or falling off a ladder. Here's a summary of Cummins' findings:

- Under 70 years of age (i.e., ages birth through 69), 600 out of 4.4 million (0.014%) died of COVID. This equates to a 1 in 7,500 risk of dying from COVID, or approximately the same as your risk of death from accidental poisoning

- In the 50 to 60 age group, 130 died out of 600,000 (0.022%), which equates to a 1 in 5,000 risk
- Under 50 years of age, 70 died out of 3,4 million (0.002%), which equates to a 1 in 50,000 risk, or about the same as dying from fire or smoke inhalation
- Under 25 years of age, fewer than five deaths were recorded in a population totaling 1.65 million. Since no number is specified, Cummins settled on three deaths to make his calculation, which gives us a mortality rate of 0.00018%. This equates to a 1 in 500,000 risk of dying from COVID if you're under 25, or one-fourth the risk of dying from falling down stairs or off a ladder

Keep in mind that these deaths are not confirmed as being due to severe COVID infection. They're people who died with a COVID positive PCR test, so the real-world risks are likely to be even lower if you're healthy and have no comorbidities such as obesity, diabetes and preexisting heart disease.

In all, only 150 Irish people died from COVID during 2020 and 2021 who had no underlying health conditions contributing to their deaths, meaning they truly died from COVID and nothing else.

## **Lockdowns Cannot Account for Low Death Rates**

Cummins has also published a draft paper titled "Evidence For and Against the Effectiveness of Lockdown Policies."<sup>11</sup> He points out that during 2020 and 2021, there was massive PCR positivity across the Irish population, so lockdowns were NOT the reason for why the death toll was so low.

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## **Why Did so Many Die 'With' COVID?**

As of early May 2022, the official COVID death toll in the U.S. was reported as 1 million, and 4 out of 10 Americans polled claimed they knew someone who died of COVID.<sup>12</sup> But did they really die from COVID? That is the question. There's ample evidence suggesting the vast majority of so-called "COVID deaths" were of three main categories:

- 1. People who died of other causes but had a positive COVID test within the last month** – There were all sorts of incentives to mark non-COVID deaths down as COVID, from hospitals getting paid extra for each COVID patient<sup>13</sup> to families getting funeral expenses paid (up to \$9,000) for deceased family members who died from or with COVID.<sup>14,15</sup>
- 2. COVID patients were killed by incorrect and lethal "standard of care" treatment for COVID** – It started with routine use of ventilators, which was quickly recognized as killing rather than curing patients. According to Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) whistleblowers, 84.9% of Texans who were placed on ventilators died within 96 hours.<sup>16</sup> Yet the practice continues to this day.

Then came routine use of remdesivir, a failed Ebola drug with extreme toxicity, and denying patients basic nutrition and fluids. There are countless horror stories of people who had no symptoms of COVID when entering the hospital but were placed on this death protocol simply because they tested positive on PCR, and subsequently died from the treatment.

Attorney Thomas Renz has calculated<sup>17</sup> that hospitals, at a minimum, are making \$100,000 extra per COVID patient provided they do not deviate from the standard of care protocol, which includes lethal remdesivir and lethal ventilation, and bars the



use of life-saving options like hydroxychloroquine, ivermectin, vitamin D or anything else shown to effectively treat the infection.

In short, every patient who has tested positive has had a massive bounty on their head, and hospitals have cashed in by overtreating and mistreating patients. It's been estimated that 75% to 80% of all COVID deaths could have been prevented had early treatment with successful protocols not been vilified or outright banned.<sup>18</sup>

- 3. COVID (when it did play a significant role) primarily took out those already close to death, either because of their age or poor state of health** — For example, as detailed in [“The Truth Is Coming Out About COVID Deaths,”](#) the average age of death in the U.K. from COVID in 2021 was 82.5 years. Compare that to the projected life expectancy in the U.K., which is 79 for men and 82.9 for women.<sup>19</sup>

## **Release Any Vestige of Fear**

In closing, COVID-19 was never as dangerous as they made it out to be, and the virus has not gotten more lethal over time. It's gotten milder. More infectious, yes, but milder, being near-indistinguishable to the common cold. So, please, if you're still panicked about COVID, it's time to stop. It's safe to stop. It was a manufactured crisis from the start.

I encourage you to read Dr. Russell Blaylock's article, “COVID Update: What Is the Truth?” published in the April 2022 issue of *Surgical Neurology International*. Here's an extended excerpt from this excellent article in which he covers most if not all the basics:<sup>20</sup>

*“The COVID-19 pandemic is one of the most manipulated infectious disease events in history, characterized by official lies in an unending stream lead by government bureaucracies, medical associations, medical boards, the media, and international agencies.*

*We have witnessed a long list of unprecedented intrusions into medical practice, including attacks on medical experts, destruction of medical careers among doctors refusing to participate in killing their patients and a massive*

*regimentation of health care, led by non-qualified individuals with enormous wealth, power and influence ...*

*Neither Anthony Fauci, the CDC, WHO nor any medical governmental establishment has ever offered any early treatment other than Tylenol, hydration and call an ambulance once you have difficulty breathing. This is unprecedented in the entire history of medical care as early treatment of infections is critical to saving lives and preventing severe complications.*

*Not only have these medical organizations and federal lapdogs not even suggested early treatment, they attacked anyone who attempted to initiate such treatment with all the weapons at their disposal – loss of license, removal of hospital privileges, shaming, destruction of reputations and even arrest ...*

*Never in the history of American medicine have hospital administrators dictated to its physicians how they will practice medicine and what medications they can use.*

*The CDC has no authority to dictate to hospitals or doctors concerning medical treatments. Yet, most physicians complied without the slightest resistance ... It should be an embarrassment to the medical profession that so many doctors mindlessly followed the deadly protocols.”*

## **Big Money for the Hospitals**

Blaylock continues addressing the only rational reasons for why hospitals were following clearly lethal protocols passed down from on-high by medically illiterate bureaucrats:

*“The federal Care Act encouraged this human disaster by offering all US hospitals up to 39,000 dollars for each ICU patient they put on respirators, despite the fact that early on it was obvious that the respirators were a major cause of death ...*

*In addition, the hospitals received 12,000 dollars for each patient that was admitted to the ICU – explaining, in my opinion and others, why all federal medical bureaucracies (CDC, FDA, NIAID, NIH, etc) did all in their power to prevent life-saving early treatments. Letting patients deteriorate to the point they needed hospitalization, meant big money for all hospitals ...*

*It has been noted that billions in Federal COVID aid is being used by these hospital giants to acquire these financially endangered hospitals, further increasing the power of corporate medicine over physician independence ...*

*One must also keep in mind that this event never satisfied the criteria for a pandemic. The World Health Organization changed the criteria to make this a pandemic ...*

*The draconian measures established to contain this contrived ‘pandemic’ have never been shown to be successful, such as masking the public, lockdowns, and social distancing. A number of carefully done studies during previous flu seasons demonstrated that masks, of any kind, had never prevented the spread of the virus among the public ...”*

## **The Fact Check Scam**

Blaylock also reviews how truth has been suppressed while falsehoods have flourished during these COVID years:

*“The designers of this pandemic anticipated a pushback by the public and that major embarrassing questions would be asked. To prevent this, the controllers fed the media a number of tactics, one of the most commonly used was and is the ‘fact check’ scam ...*

*When sources are in fact revealed they are invariably the corrupt CDC, WHO or Anthony Fauci or just their opinion. Here is a list of things that were labeled as ‘myths’ and ‘misinformation’ that were later proven to be true.*

- *The asymptomatic vaccinated are spreading the virus equally as with unvaccinated symptomatic infected.*
- *The vaccines cannot protect adequately against new variants, such as Delta and Omicron.*
- *Natural immunity is far superior to vaccine immunity and is most likely lifelong.*
- *Vaccine immunity not only wanes after several months, but all immune cells are impaired for prolonged periods, putting the vaccinated at a high risk of all infections and cancer.*
- *COVID vaccines can cause a significant incidence of blood clots and other serious side effects.*
- *The vaccine proponents will demand numerous boosters as each variant appears on the scene.*
- *Fauci will insist on the COVID vaccine for small children and even babies.*
- *Vaccine passports will be required to enter a business, fly in a plane, and use public transportation.*
- *There will be internment camps for the unvaccinated (as in Australia, Austria and Canada).*
- *The unvaccinated will be denied employment.*
- *There are secret agreements between the government, elitist institutions, and vaccine makers.*
- *Many hospitals were either empty or had low occupancy during the pandemic.*
- *The spike protein from the vaccine enters the nucleus of the cell, altering cell DNA repair function.*
- *Hundreds of thousands have been killed by the vaccines and many times more have been permanently damaged.*
- *Early treatment could have saved the lives of most ... who died.*

- *Vaccine-induced myocarditis (which was denied initially) is a significant problem and clears over a short period.*
- *Special deadly lots (batches) of these vaccines are mixed with the mass of other COVID-19 vaccines.”*

Blaylock goes on to review COVID jab hazards, evidence of “hot lots,” the unprecedented lack of autopsies being done on people who die shortly post-jab, Pfizer’s deceptive trial practices, the shameful vilification of useful drugs, going even so far as to fabricate studies to make them look deadly, the dangers of the COVID jab during pregnancy, the skyrocketing excess mortality post-jab and much more.

It’s a fairly long article, but well worth reading through for a summary of where we’ve been — and where we’re headed.

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