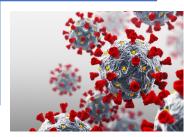


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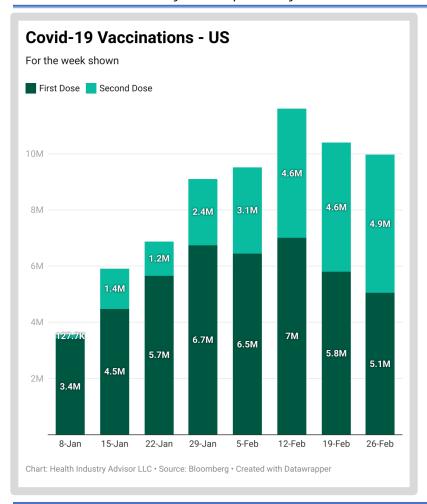
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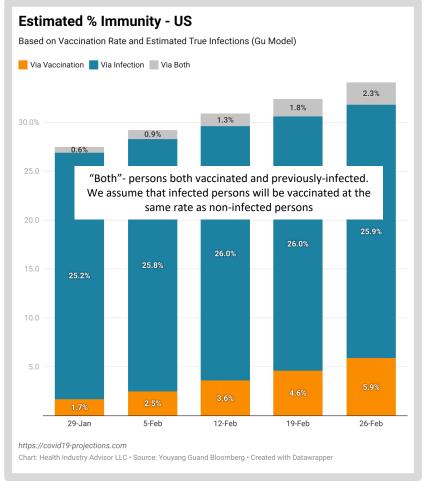
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Vaccination and Immunity Status - US

Vaccinations slowed for the second, likely due to last week's widespread snowstorms and deep-freeze in Texas

Estimated immunity surpassed one-third of the US population, still mostly coming from a prior infection





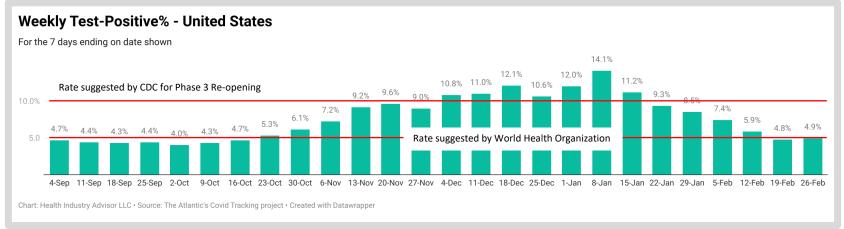




Covid-19 Testing

Testing declined for the sixth straight week, suggesting that fewer people are concerned about a recent exposure. Test-positivity met the World Health Organization's guidance – for the first time since mid-October.



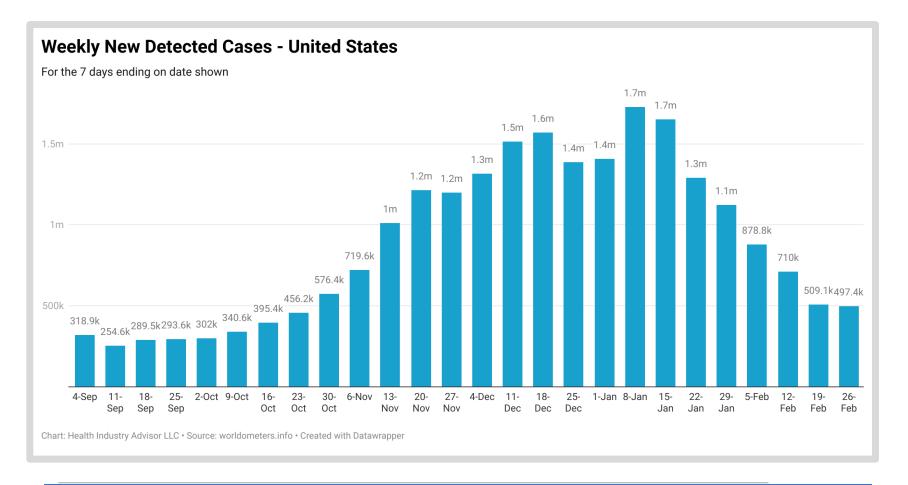






Newly Detected Cases

New cases dropped for the seventh successive week, plunging to just 30% of the early-January peak. The week-over-week slowdown eased, however, from recent weeks.

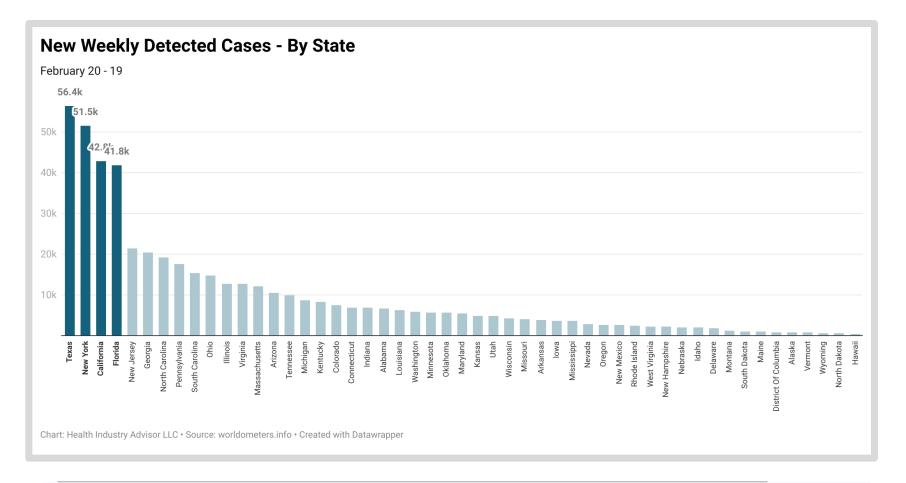






Newly Detected Cases - By State

California, Florida, New York and Texas accounted for 39% of all new cases in the US over the past seven days.

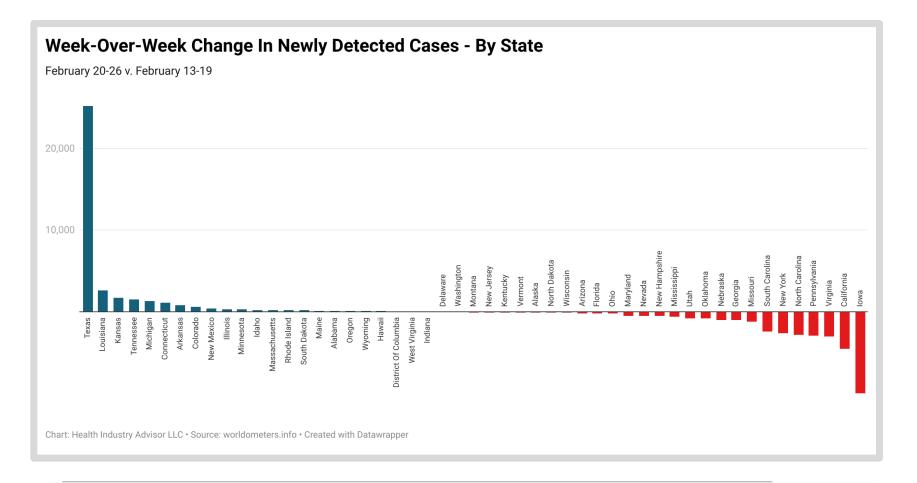






Week-Over-Week Change in Newly Detected Cases

Texas detected 45,000 additional new cases last week than the prior week – raising a red flag about the impact of the prior week's deep freeze on case reporting delays.

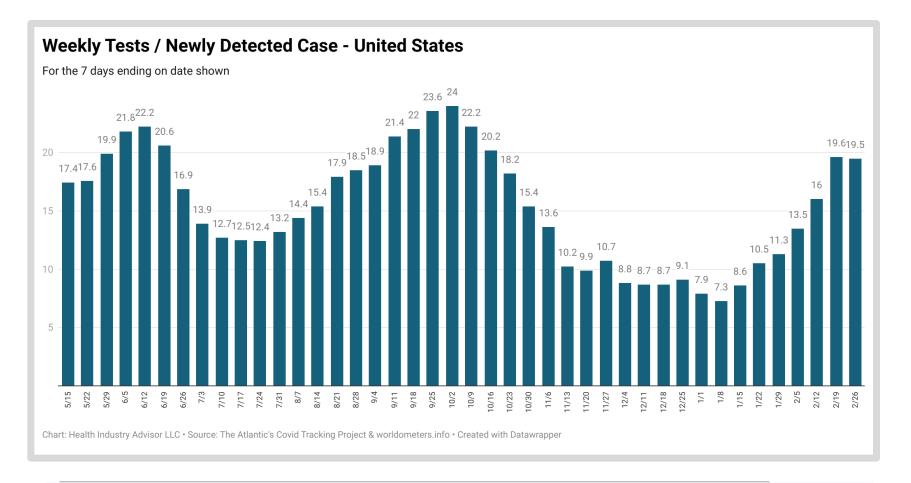




Covid-19 "Vital Signs"

Test Efficiency: Tests Per Case Detected

Test efficiency remained relatively high last week, following a six-week improvement. It required ~20 tests to detect a new case the past two weeks week, up from a low of only 7 tests in early January.

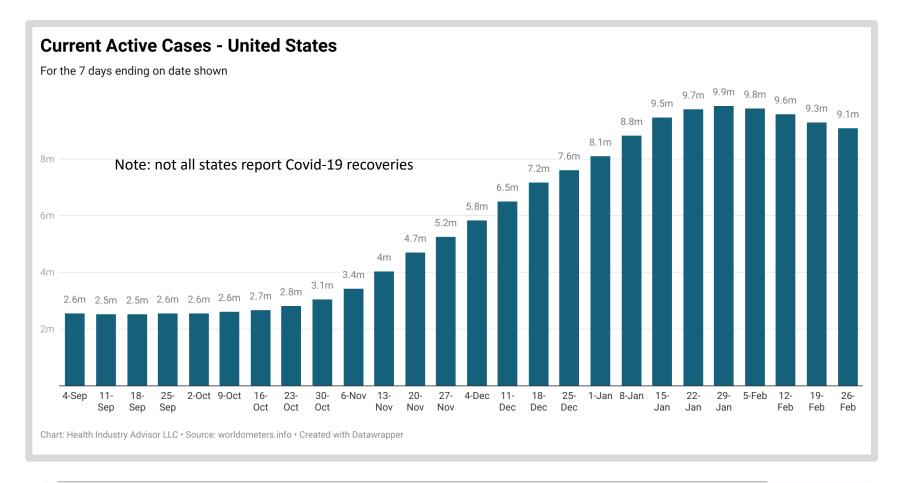






Active Cases

The number of Active Cases eased for the fourth straight week, as recoveries outpaced newly-detected cases

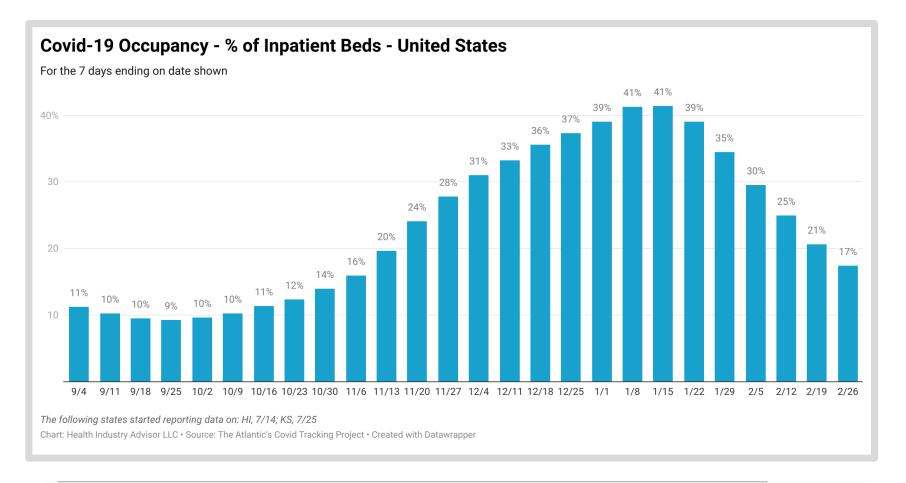






Covid-19 Hospital Occupancy

Covid-19 patients spent fewer days in the hospital for the sixth straight week, falling nearly 60% in that time. Covid-19 occupancy fell to its lowest rate since early-November.

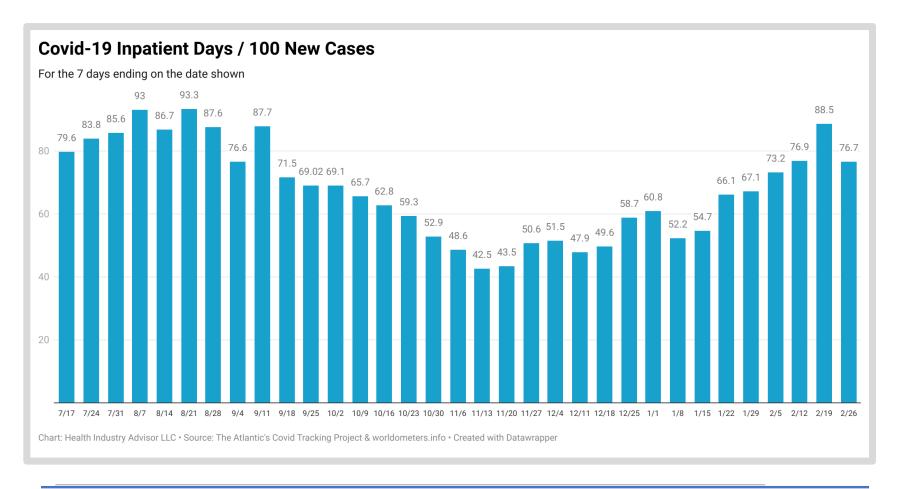






Covid-19 Patient Days / 100 New Cases

Newly-detected cases declined faster than Covid-19 census over the past month. Given the lag from new case detection to hospital discharge, Covid-19 census should decline even further in the coming weeks.

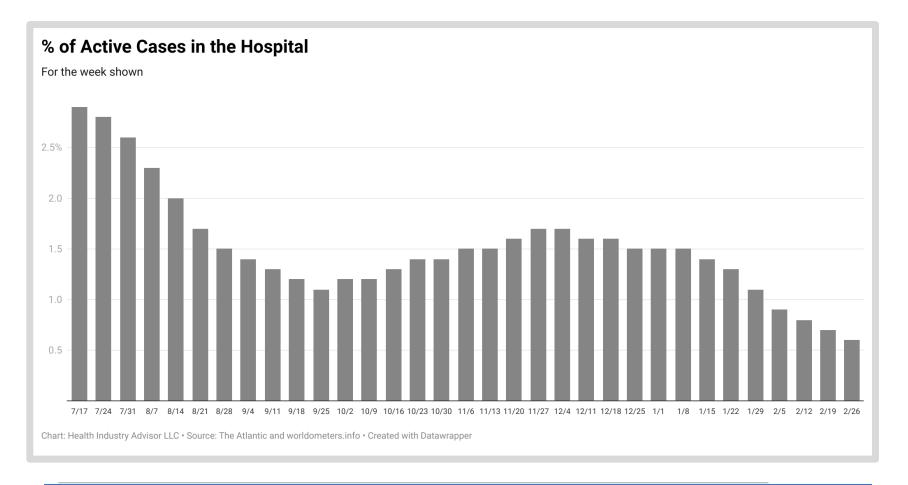






Hospitalized Covid-19 Patients / Active Cases

Active Covid-19 cases increasingly are recovering outside hospitals – more so than at any other time during the pandemic

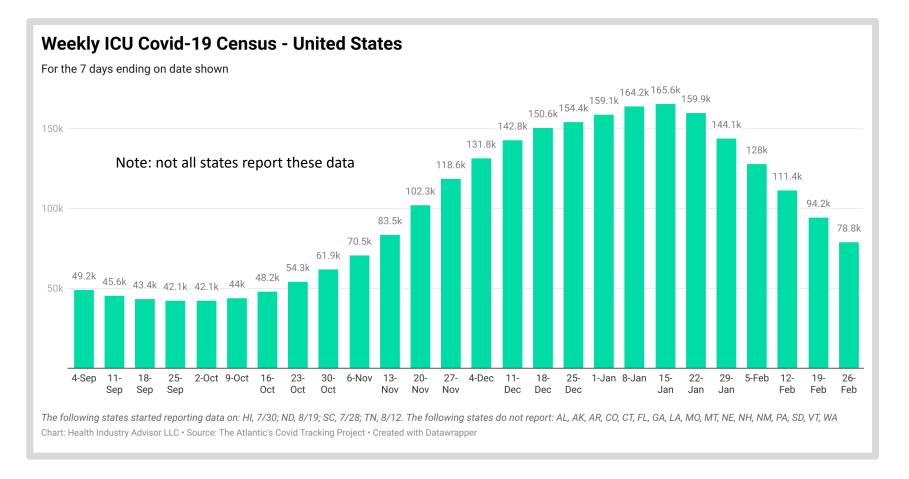






Covid-19 ICU Patient Days

Covid-19 ICU patient days declined for the sixth straight week,. There were fewer Covid-19 patients in the ICU last week than any week since the first week of November.

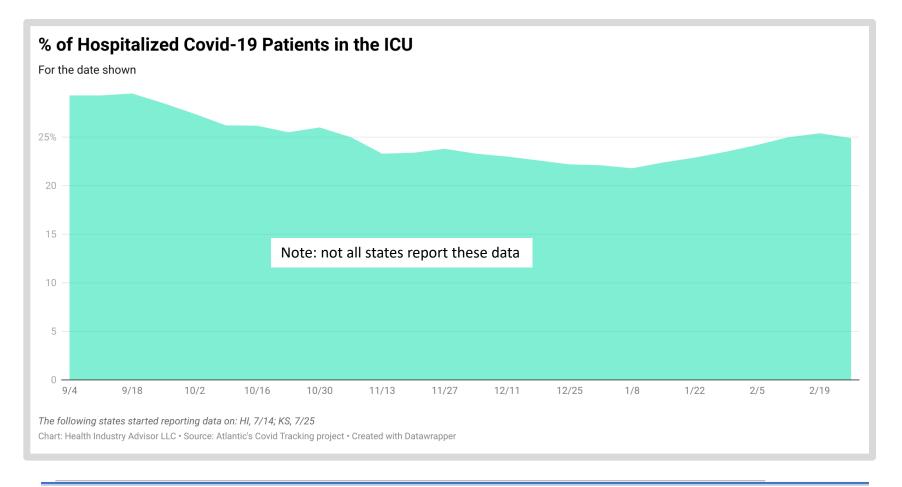






Mix of Covid-19 Patients: % in ICU

The % of Covid-19 patients requiring intensive care eased slightly last week.

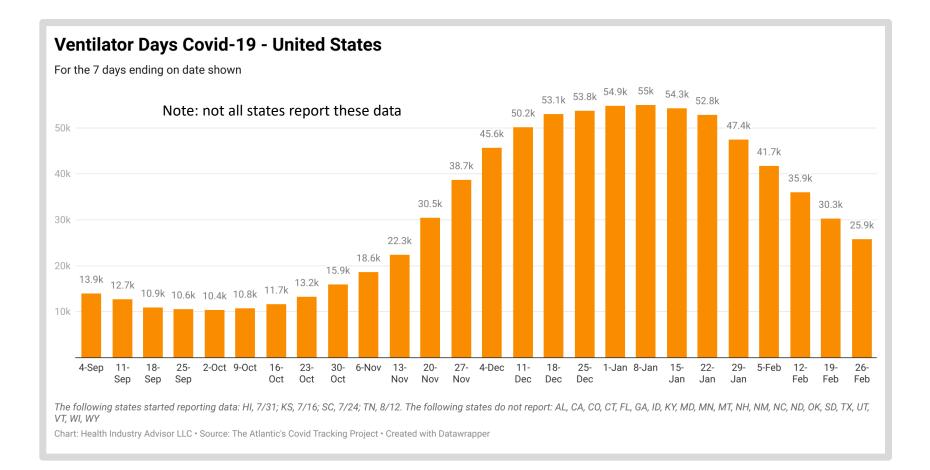






Covid-19 Ventilator Days

Covid-19 ventilator days dropped for the seventh straight week. There were 29,000 fewer Covid-19 ventilator days last week than the week of January 2-8.

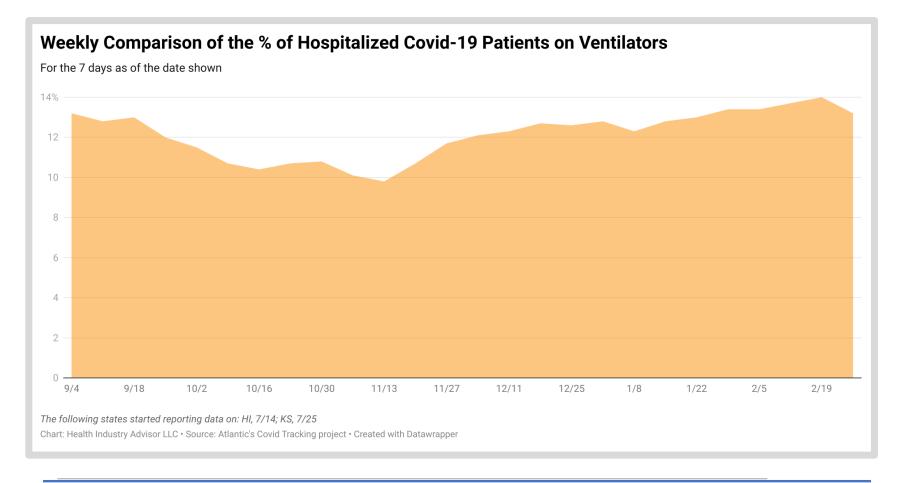






Mix of Covid-19 Patients: % on Ventilators

The % of Covid-19 patients requiring ventilator care declined last week, countering the pattern of recent weeks.

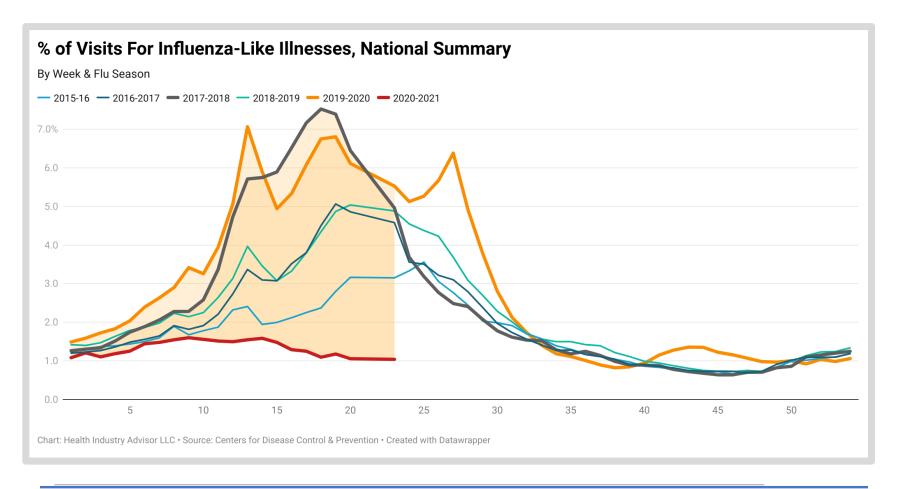






% of Visits Relating to Influenza

As we move past the normal peak of the flu season, we observe how mild this season was compared to each of the past several seasons.

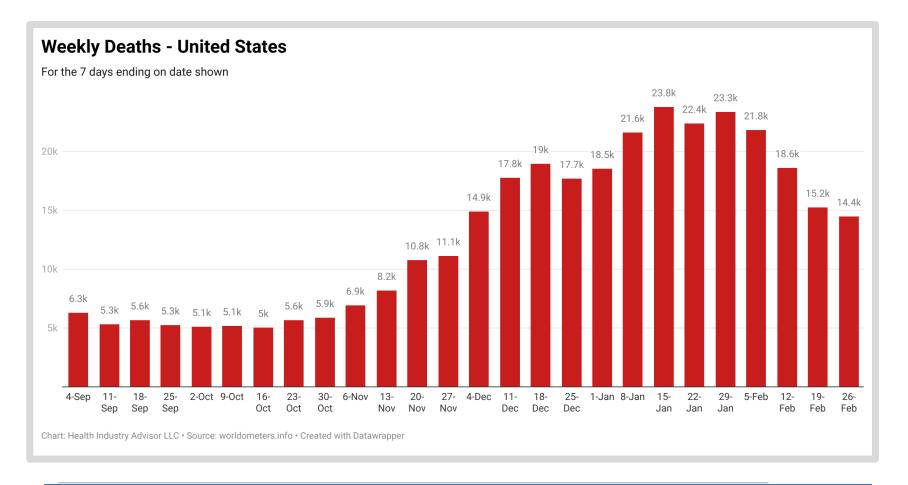






Deaths With Coronavirus

Tragically, too many people died with coronavirus last week. Still, there were fewer deaths with coronavirus last week than during any week since Thanksgiving week.







Sources

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