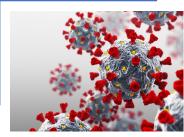


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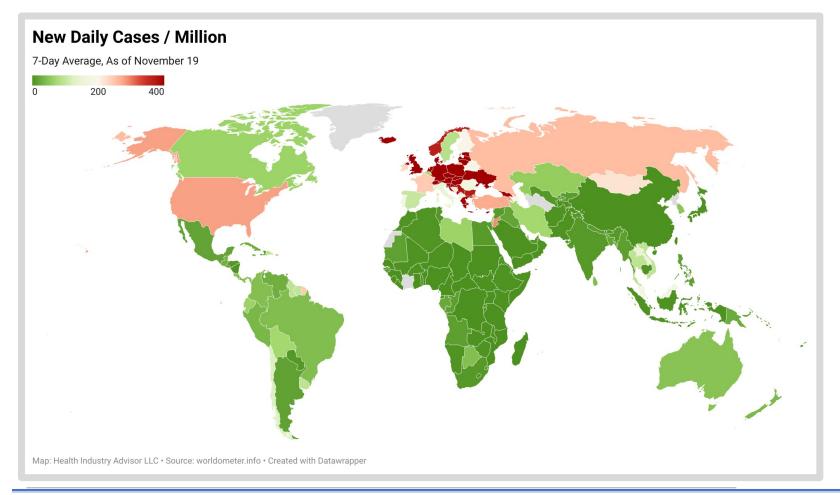
Covid-19 "Vital Signs"

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Newly Detected Cases / Million

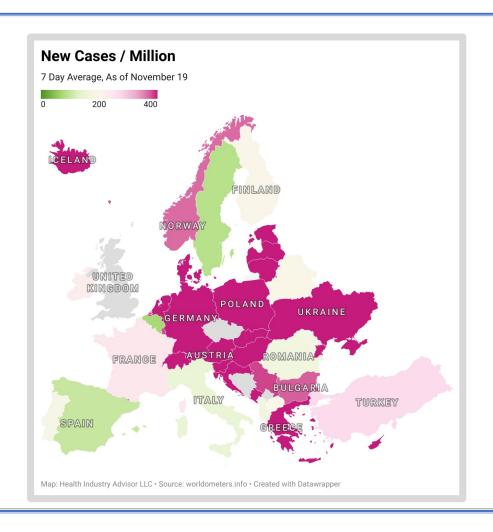
Europe is seeing the highest new case rates currently. Rates are generally low in mny other parts of the world.





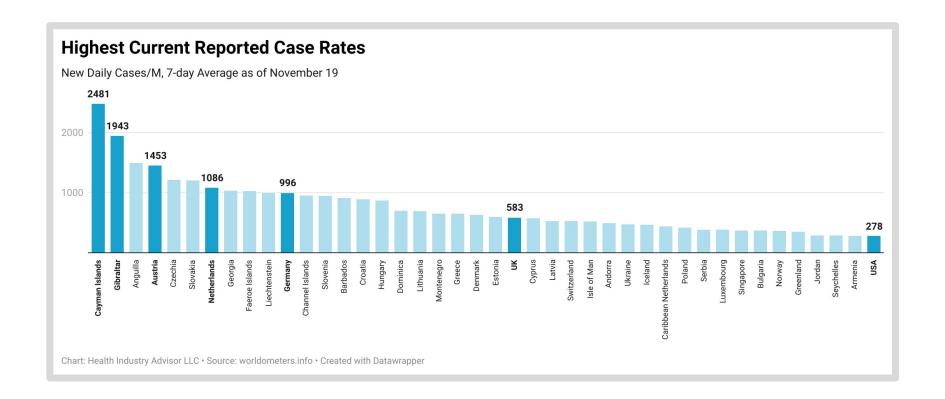
Newly Detected Cases / Million

Countries in Eastern Europe suffer with the highest rates of new cases per capita at this time.



Highest Rates of New Detected Cases / Million

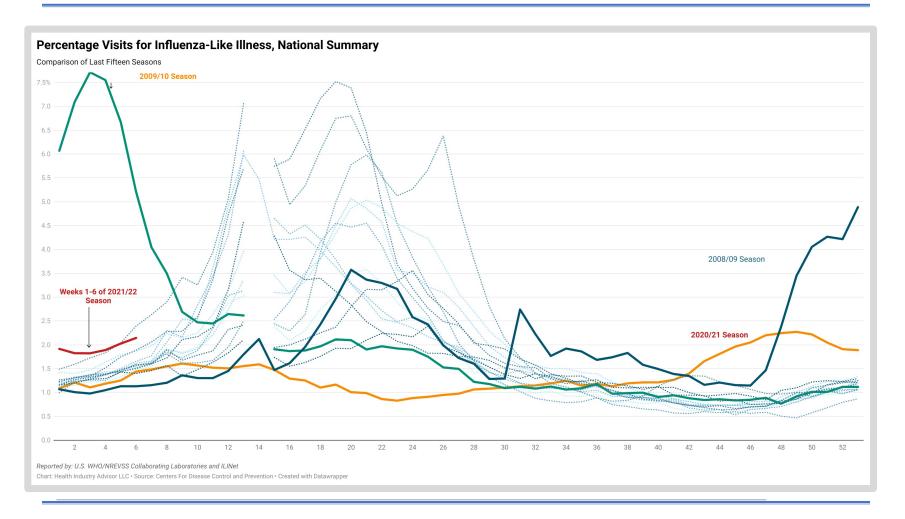
Case rates in the United States rank 42^{nd} globally. United Kingdom rate is double that of the United States.





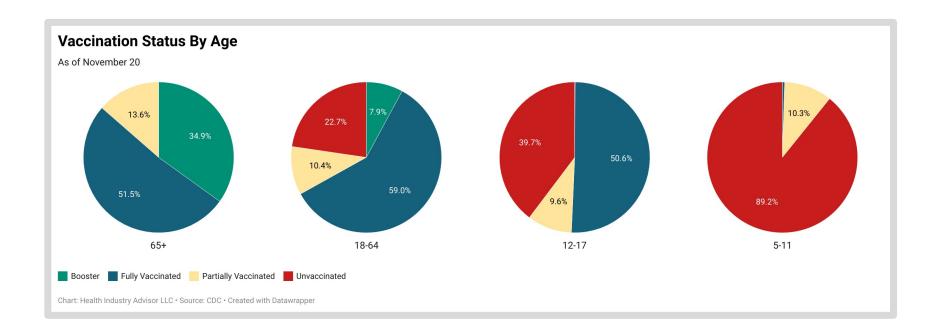
Comparison of Flu Seasons

The United States' flu visit rate exceeds the rate for the comparable week during all but two of the last fifteen seasons. The peak of the typical flu season lies ahead of us.



Vaccination Status By Age — United States

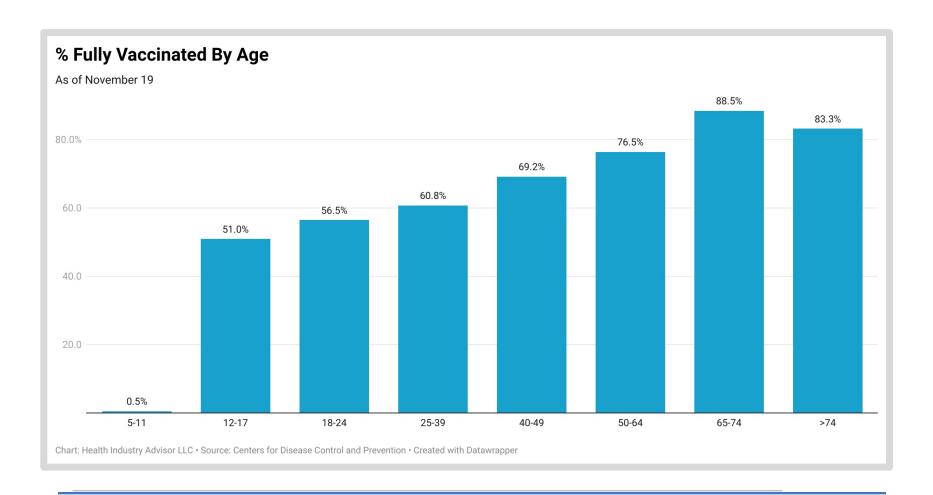
More than one third of senior citizens received their booster shots at this point. Among 5-to-11-year-olds, one-in-ten received an initial vaccine already.





Vaccination Status By Age

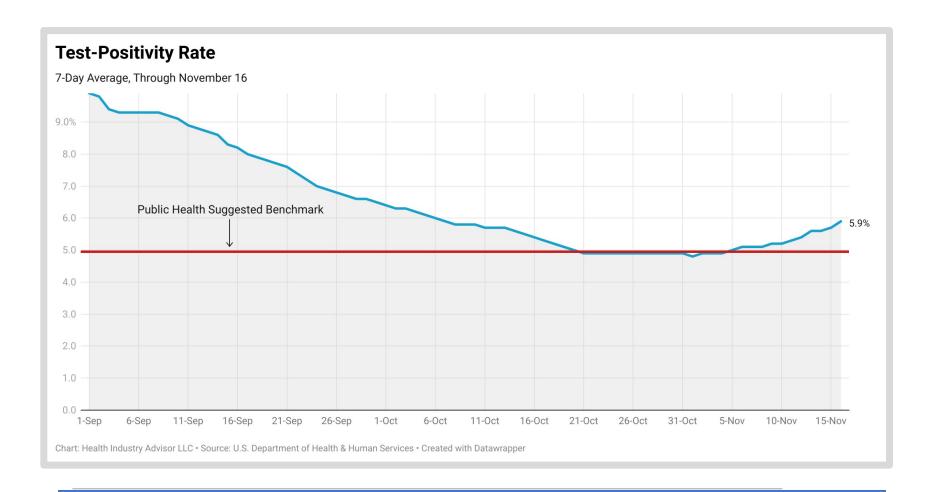
Vaccine status increases with age, at least through age 74. Teenagers and younger adults hesitate more than others, with half un- or under-protected from the virus.





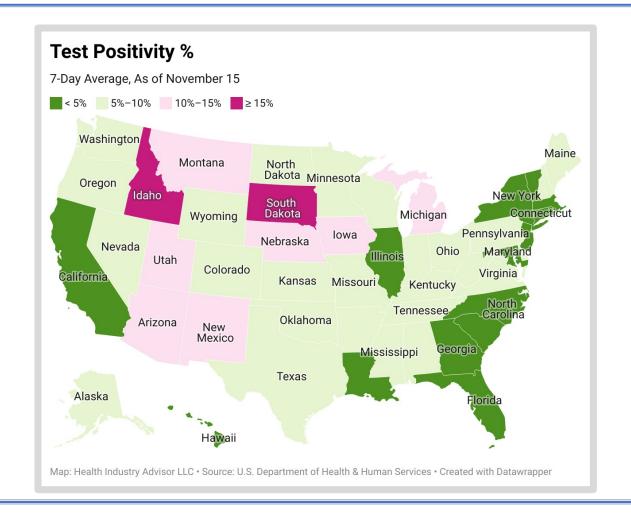
Test-Positive Rate

The test-positive rate recently moved above the suggested 5% benchmark set by public health officials .



7-Day Average Test-Positivity %

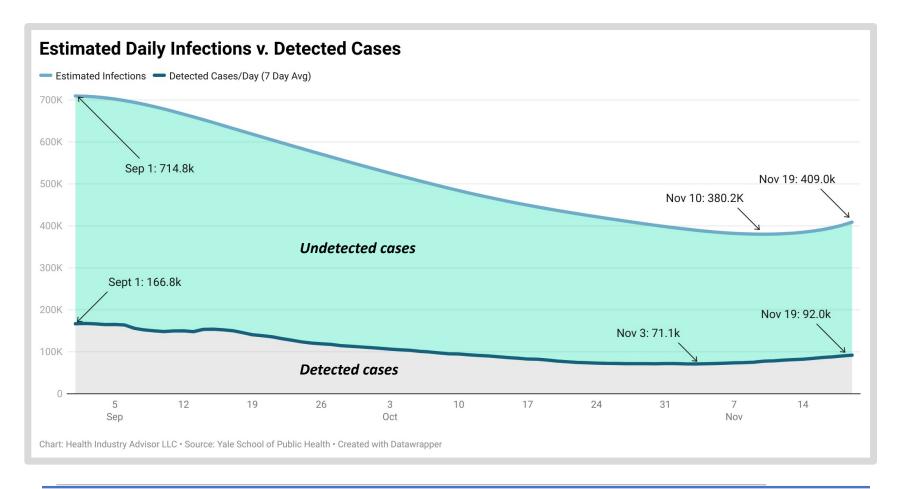
And Idaho South Dakota posted the highest test-positivity rates of all states last week. Several Midwest and Mountain States experienced higher-than-desirable rates.





Estimated Daily Infections & New Case Rates – U.S.

Reported case rates began rising early this month, increasing 7% during this time. Estimated infections started rising a week later than reported cases. However, these infections surged 30% already. Both measures remain lower than their earlier, Delta peaks.

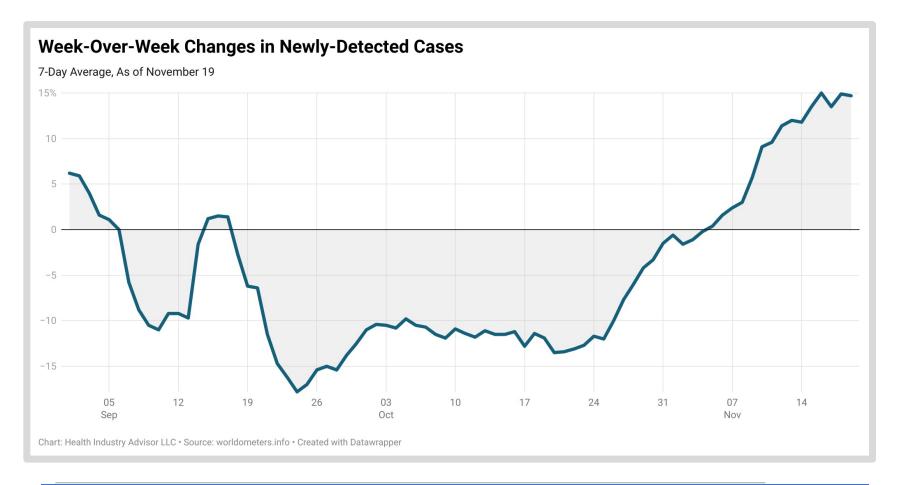






Week-Over-Week Changes in New Cases – U.S.

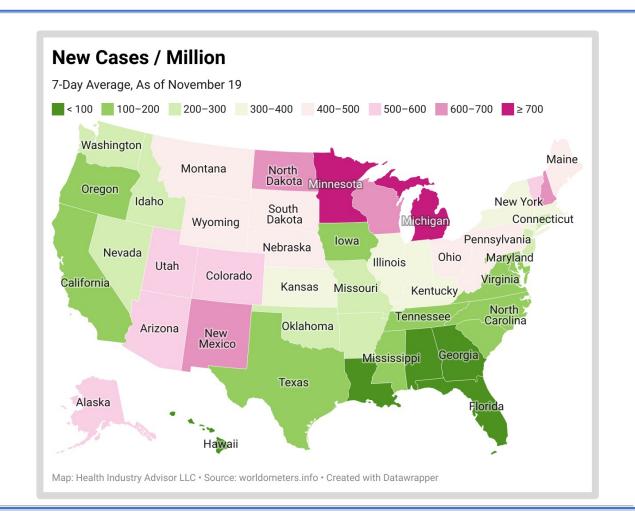
New cases increased week-over-week all month. However, the rate of increase seemed to level off last week.





New Daily Cases Per Capita By State

Michigan and Minnesota posted the highest new case rates of all states last week. New Mexico, New Hampshire, North Dakota, and Wisconsin suffered with high rates as well.





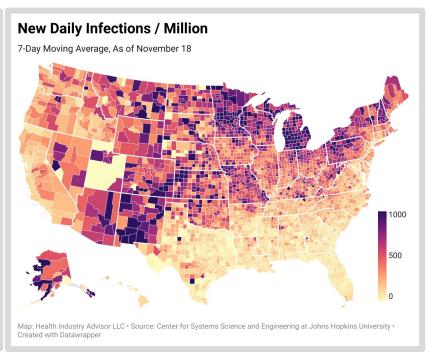
New Daily Cases Per Capita By State - Relative to Delta Peak

States experiencing high case rates now did not suffer nearly as much during the peak of the Delta wave. Conversely, the states hit hardest during the Delta peak are in better position today.

September 2 – "Delta Peak"

New Daily Infections / Million 7-Day Moving Average, As of September 2 Map: Health Industry Advisor LLC • Source: Center for Systems Science and Engineering at Johns Hopkins University • Created with Datawrapper

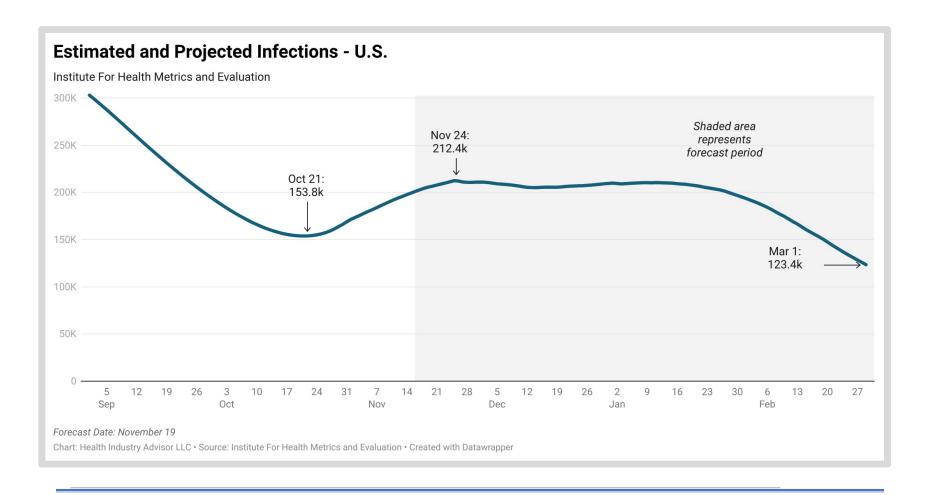
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Estimated Infections - IHME Projections

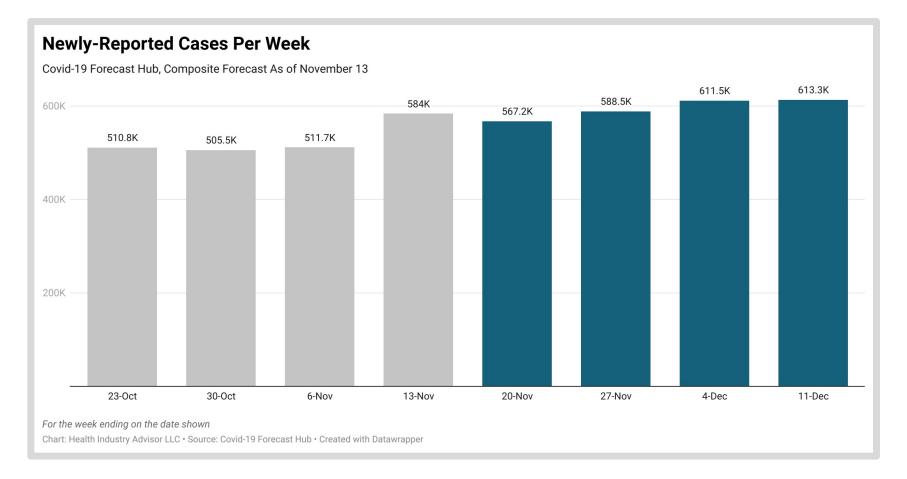
IHME's latest model (published November 19) anticipates that infections plateau this week through the end of January. These are not expected to reach the mid-August peak.





Covid-19 Cases: Ensemble Forecast

The ensemble this week predicts that infections increase modestly each of the next few weeks.

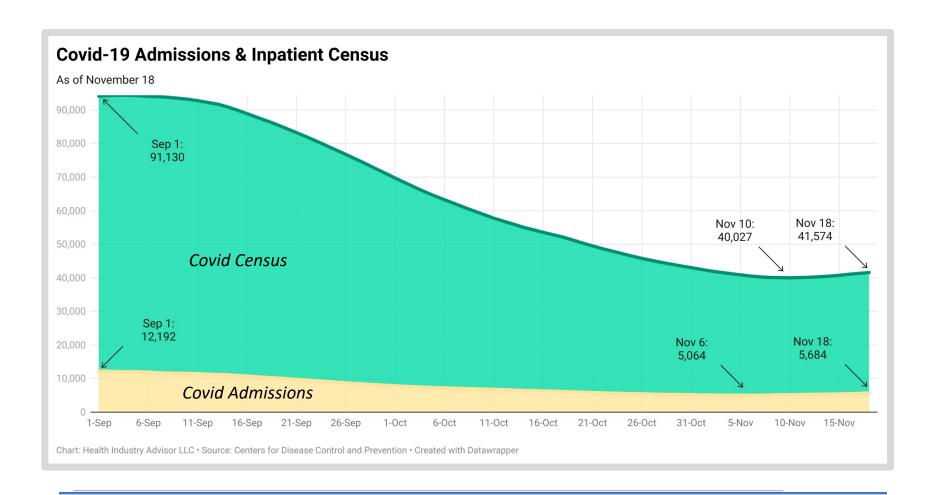






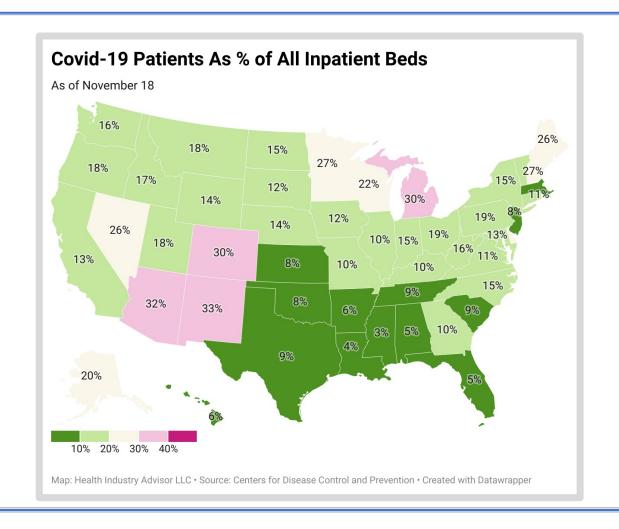
Inpatient Covid Admissions and Census

Covid admissions began rising early in November, increasing 12% already. Covid census started increasing shortly thereafter. Census is up 4% in the past two weeks.



Covid Hospital Occupancy By State

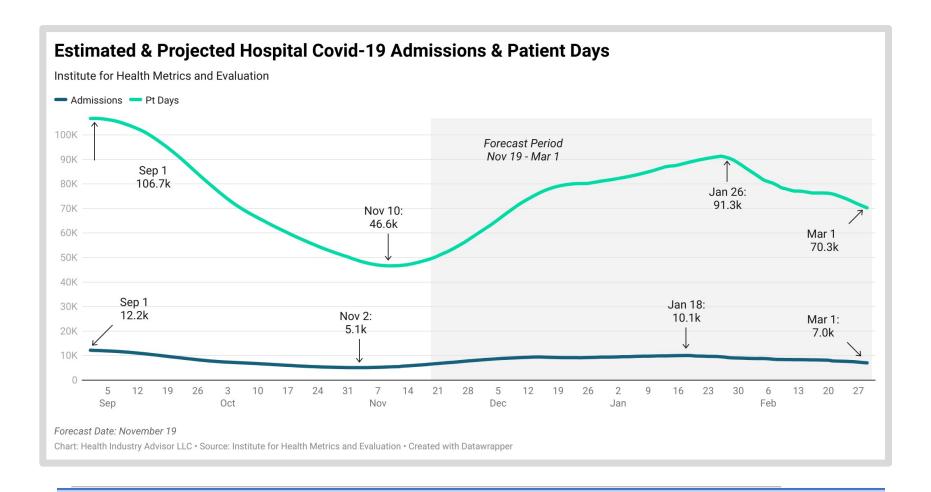
Covid hospitalization levels reached concerning levels last week in Arizona, Colorado, Michigan, and New Mexico. Rate remain relatively low in several heavily-populated states - California, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, and Texas





Covid-19 Inpatient Admissions & Census – IHME

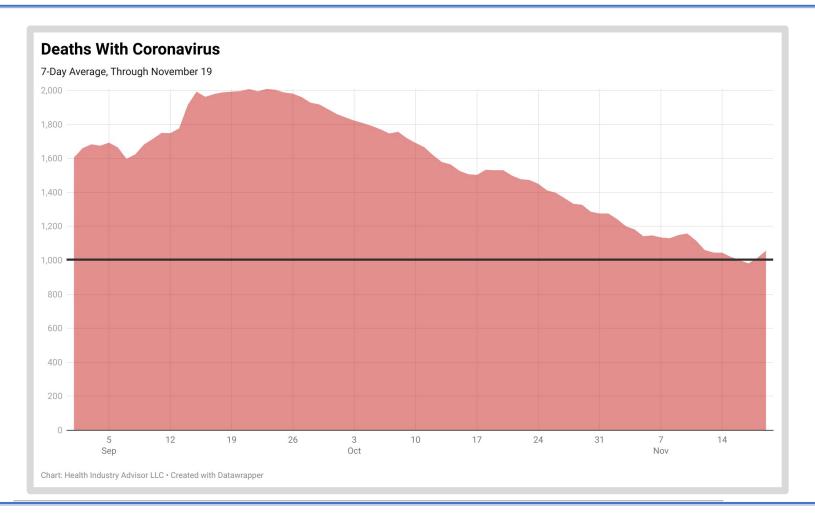
IHME anticipates rising Covid admissions and census for the next two months. Both estimates peak at nearly double levels posted early in November. Still, these estimates fall short of levels posted during the Delta peak.





Deaths with Covid-19

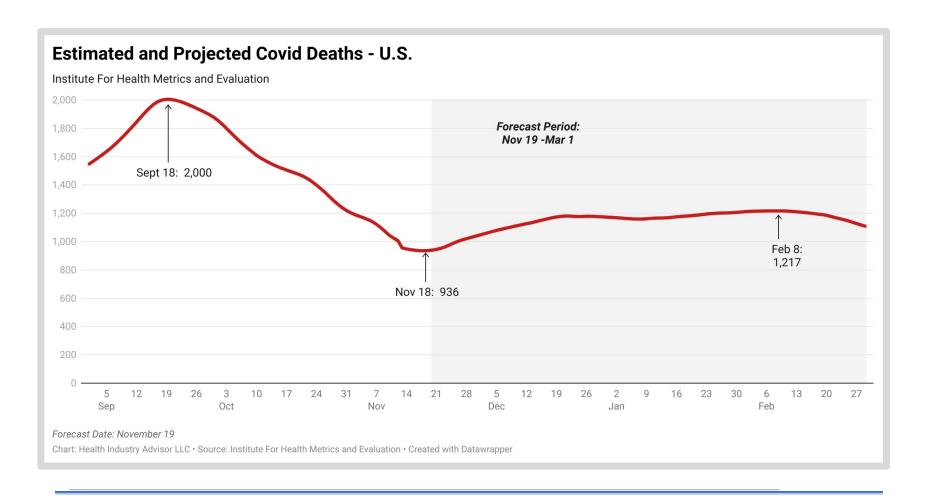
Deaths with Covid increased late last week. The current rate is slightly above 1,000 per day.





Deaths With Covid-19: IHME Projection

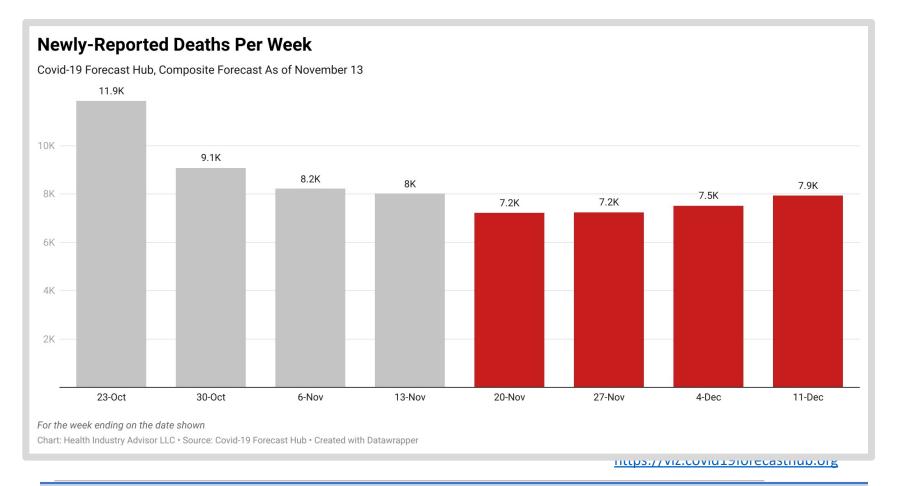
IHME's model predicts that Covid deaths will trend higher through early February.





Death Projections – Ensemble Forecast

The ensemble forecast predicts rising Covid deaths over the next few weeks.







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