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# COVID-19 Press Briefing

October 13, 2021



# Daily Change in COVID-19 Cases, US

January 22, 2020 – October 8, 2021

TOTAL Cases Reported Since 1/22/20

44,217,318

NEW Cases Reported to CDC on 10/8/21

106,296

Change in 7-Day Case Average

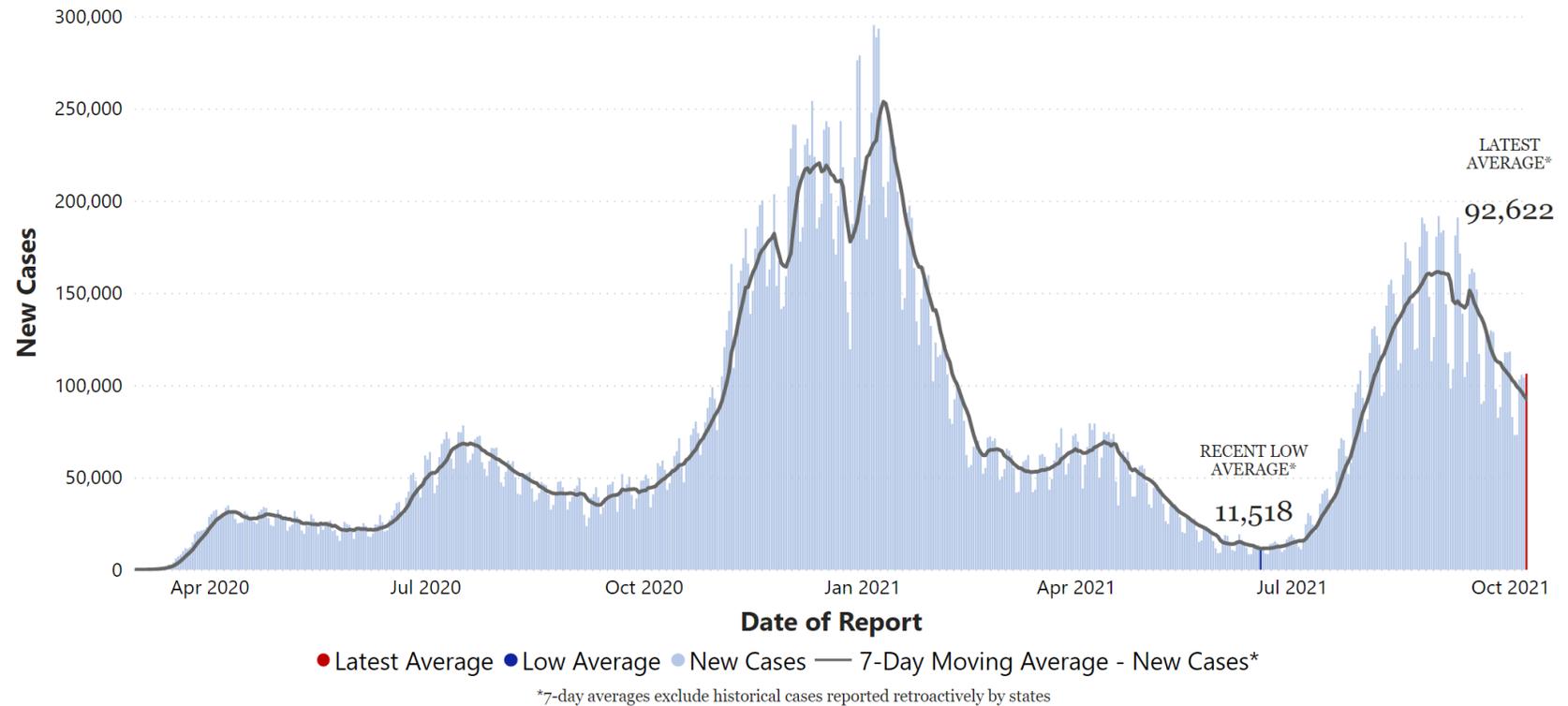
-11.7%

Current 7-Day Case Average (10/2/21 - 10/8/21)

92,622

Prior 7-Day Case Average (9/25/21 - 10/1/21)

104,934



# New Admissions of Patients with Confirmed COVID-19, US

August 1, 2020 – October 7, 2021

Patients Currently Hospitalized with COVID on 10/7/21

57,409

New Admissions on 10/7/21

7,033

Peak in New Admissions (1/5/21)

17,958

Change in 7-Day Average of New Admissions

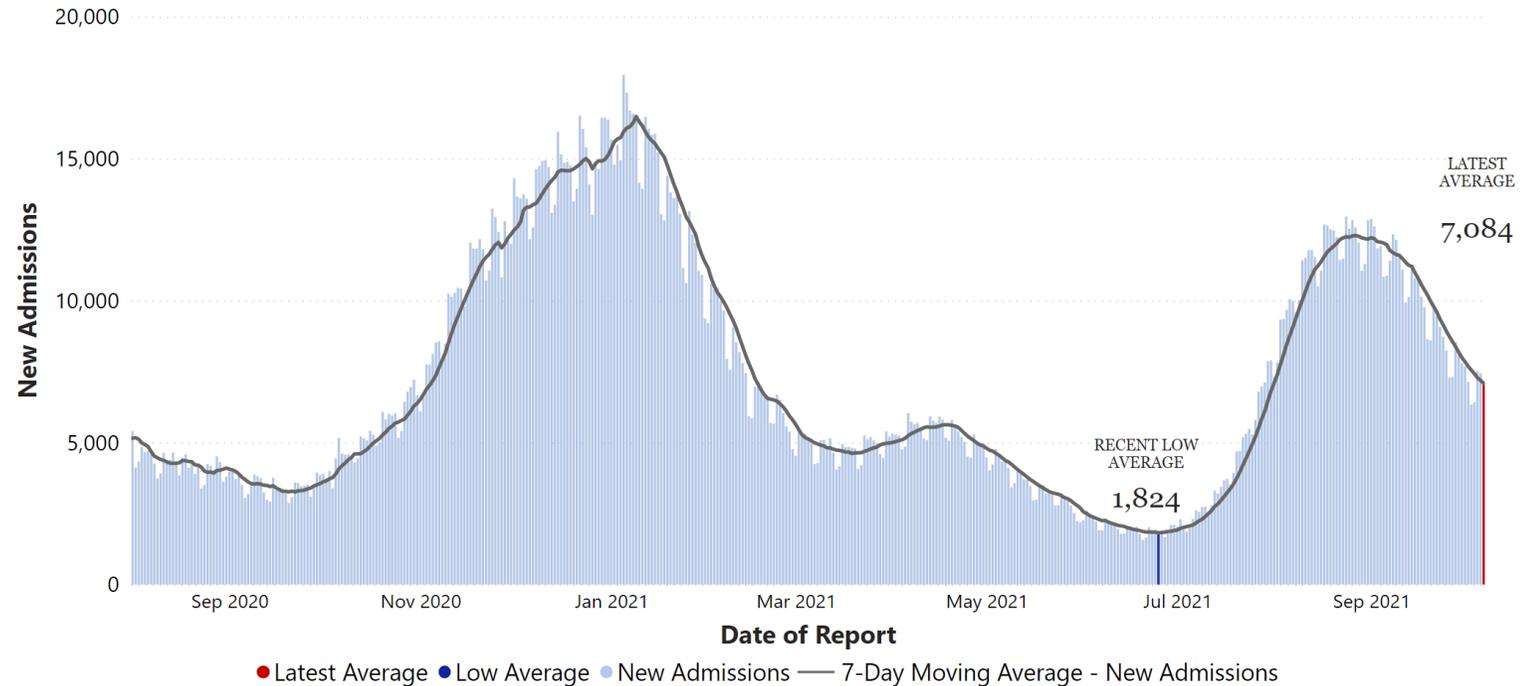
-11.4%

Current 7-Day Average of New Admissions (10/1/21 - 10/7/21)

7,084

Prior 7-Day Average of New Admissions (9/24/21 - 9/30/21)

7,998



# Daily Change in COVID-19 Deaths, US

January 22, 2020 – October 8, 2021

TOTAL Deaths Reported Since 1/22/2020

**711,020**

NEW Deaths Reported to CDC on 10/8/21

**2,196**

Change in 7-Day Death Average

**-4.5%**

Current 7-Day Death Average (10/2/21 - 10/8/21)

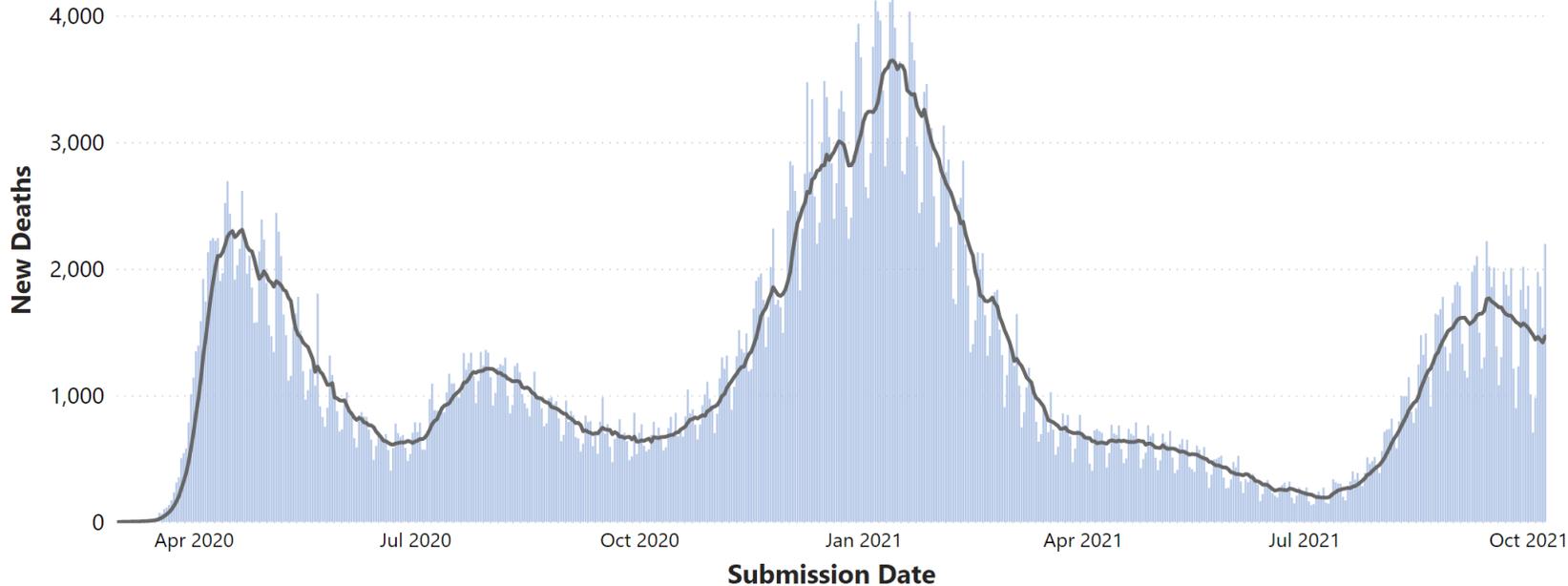
**1,466**

Prior 7-Day Death Average (9/25/21 - 10/1/21)

**1,534**

Forecasted Total Deaths by 10/30/21

**734,000 to 756,000**



● New Deaths — 7-Day Moving Average - New Deaths\*

\*7-day averages exclude historical cases reported retroactively by states



# Mask Requirements in K-12 Schools Limit COVID-19 Outbreaks

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**Two recent CDC reports demonstrate the impact of layered prevention strategies, including universal masking in schools:**

## COVID-19–Related School Closures and Learning Modality Changes — United States, August 1–September 17, 2021

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Posted Online September 24, 2021

## Association Between K–12 School Mask Policies and School-Associated COVID-19 Outbreaks — Maricopa and Pima Counties, Arizona, July–August 2021

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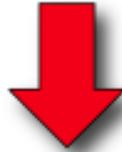
- Most (96%) schools have remained open for full in-person learning
- 1,800 schools have had school closures attributable to COVID-19 outbreaks, affecting 933,000 students
- 113 outbreaks in schools with no mask requirement compared to 16 outbreaks in schools with early mask requirements
- The odds of a school-associated COVID-19 outbreak in schools without a mask requirement were 3.5-times greater than in schools with early mask requirements



**Pandemic Phase of an Outbreak**



**Decline in Acceleration of Cases**



**Control**



**Elimination**



**Eradication**



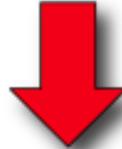
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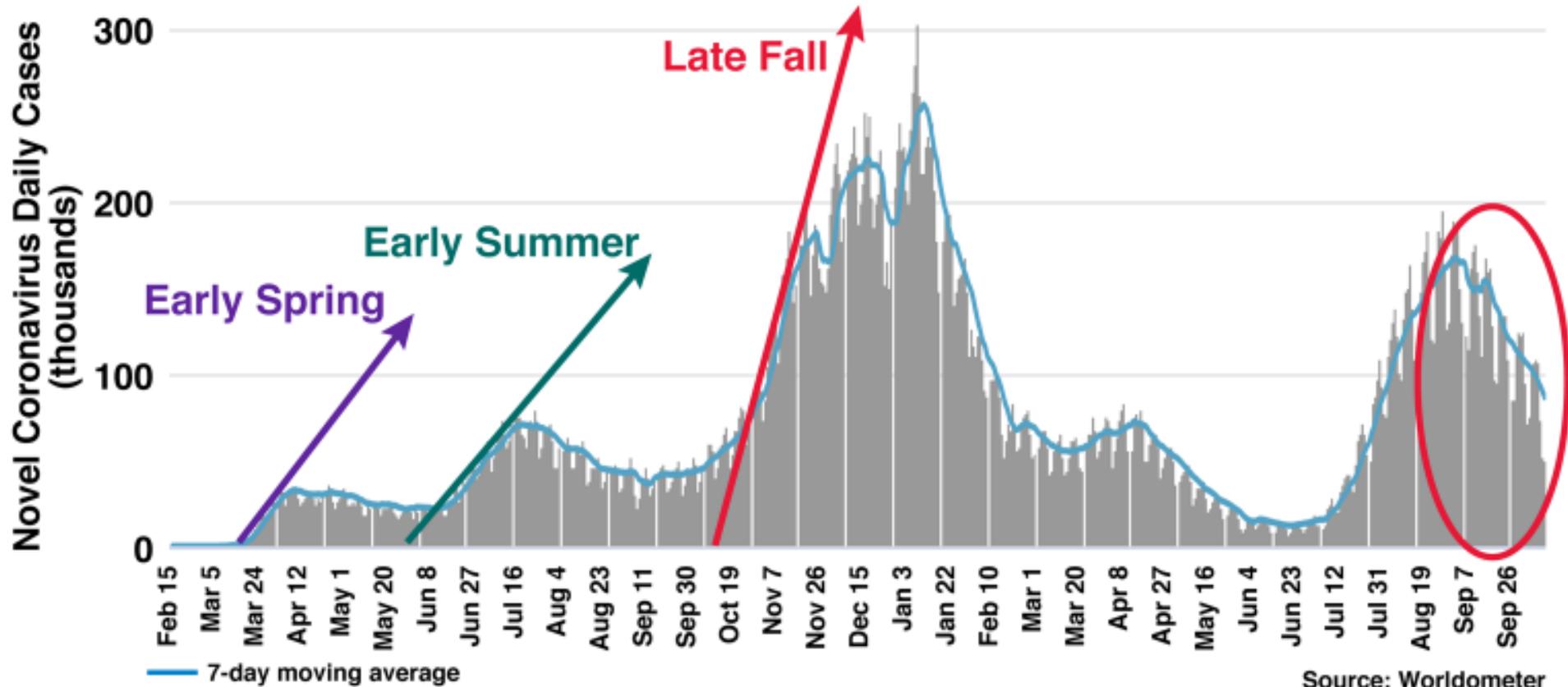
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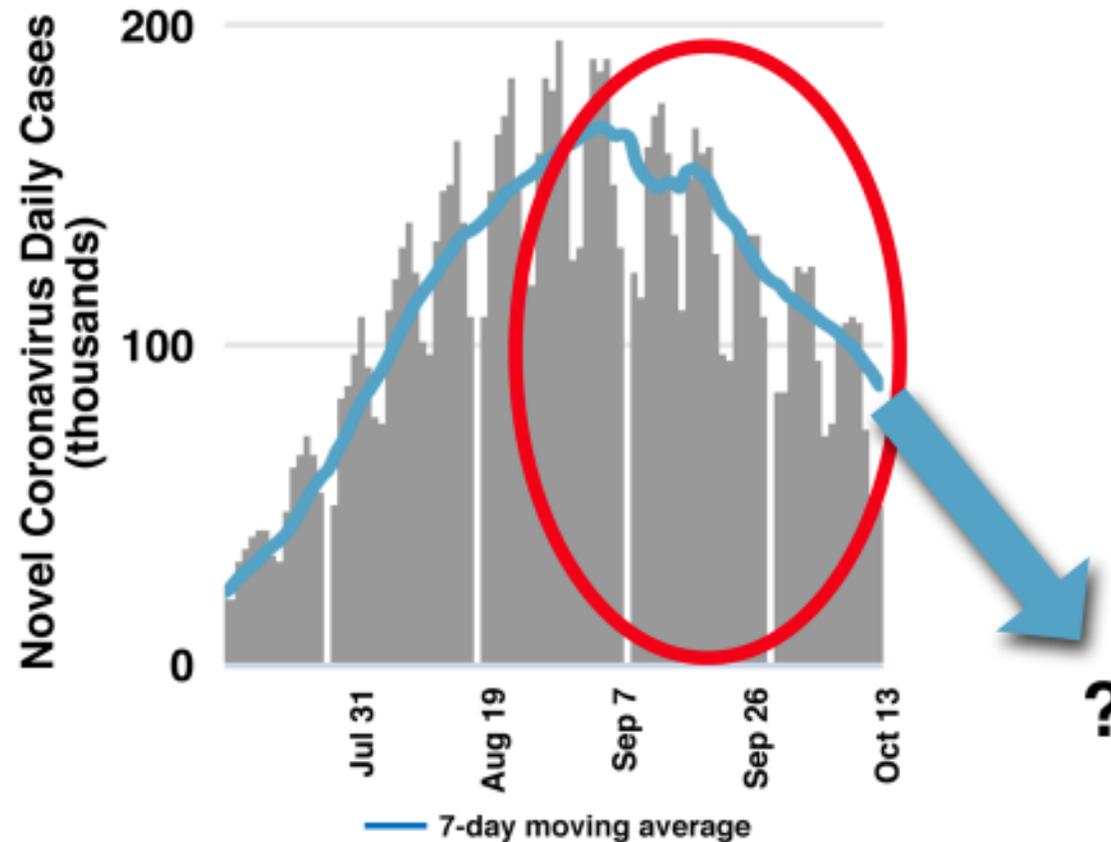
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# Daily New COVID-19 Cases Reported in the United States



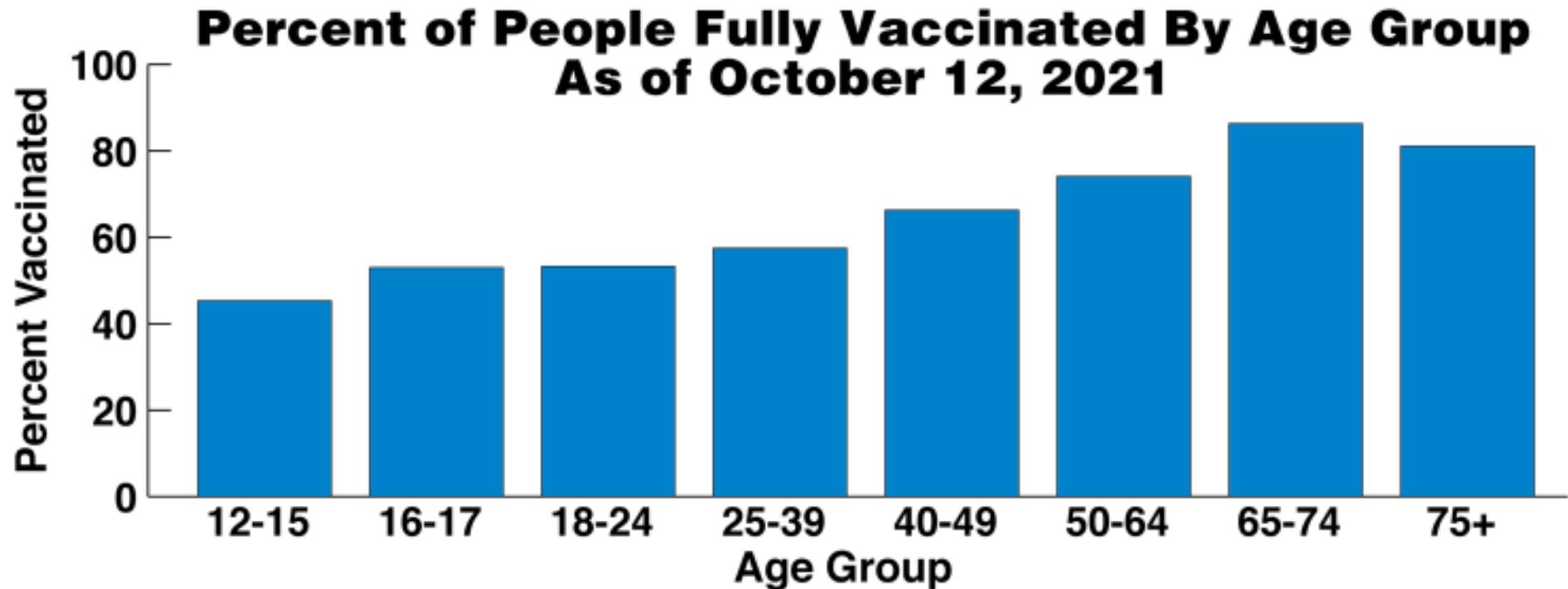
# Ending the Pandemic Phase and Controlling the COVID-19 Outbreak in the USA



Source: Worldometer



# COVID-19 Vaccination in the U.S.

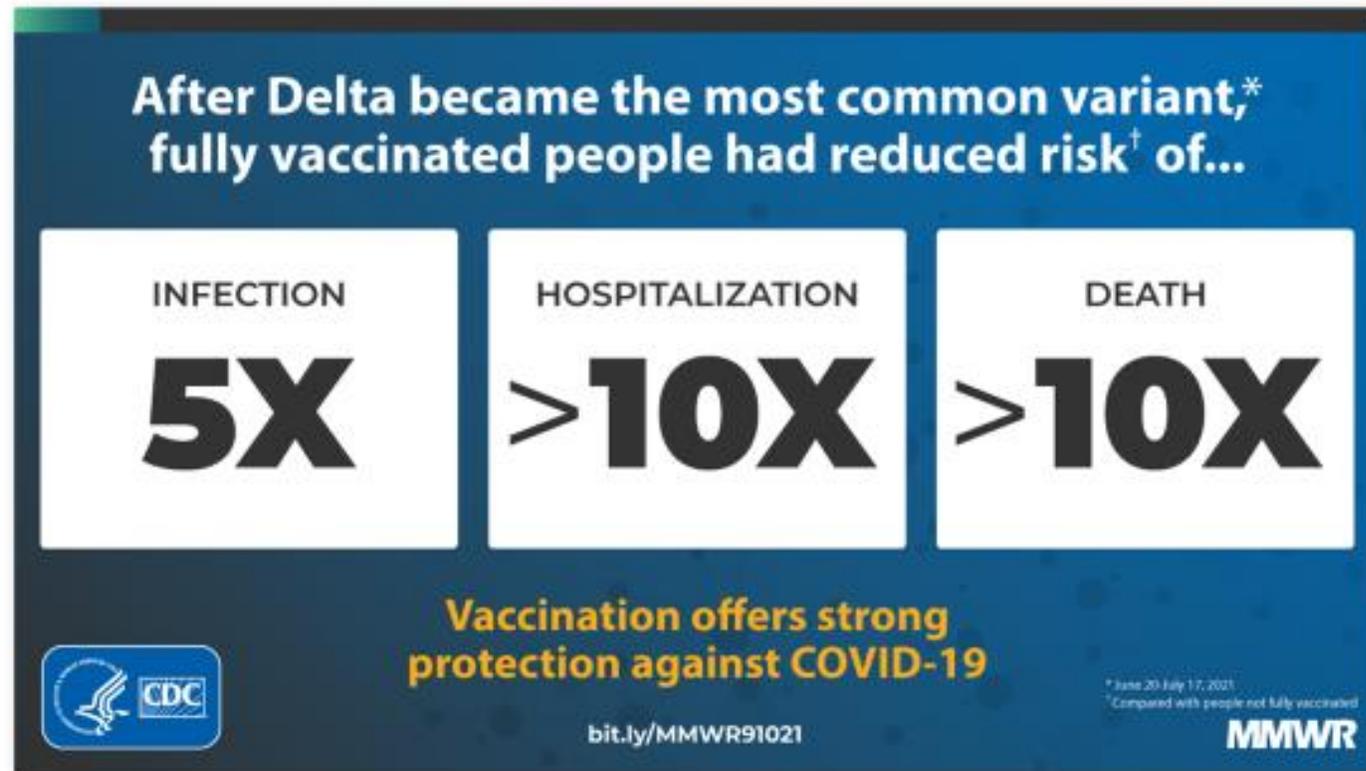


- >187M people fully vaccinated
- >7M received a booster dose
- ~66M eligible people remain unvaccinated

Source: <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#vaccination-demographics-trends>



# United States: Reduced Risk of Symptomatic COVID-19 Infection, Hospitalization and Death in Vaccinated versus Unvaccinated People



Source: *MMWR*, Sept. 17, 2021.

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