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# **Nebraska Statewide Infectious Disease Updates**

**August 20, 2024**



# Nebraska Updates

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# Nebraska Infectious Diseases Society 2024 Annual Meeting

**When:** August 23, 2024 (8am-5pm)

**Where:** Thompson Alumni Center  
6705 Dodge St, Omaha, NE 68182

**Who:** Infectious diseases providers and  
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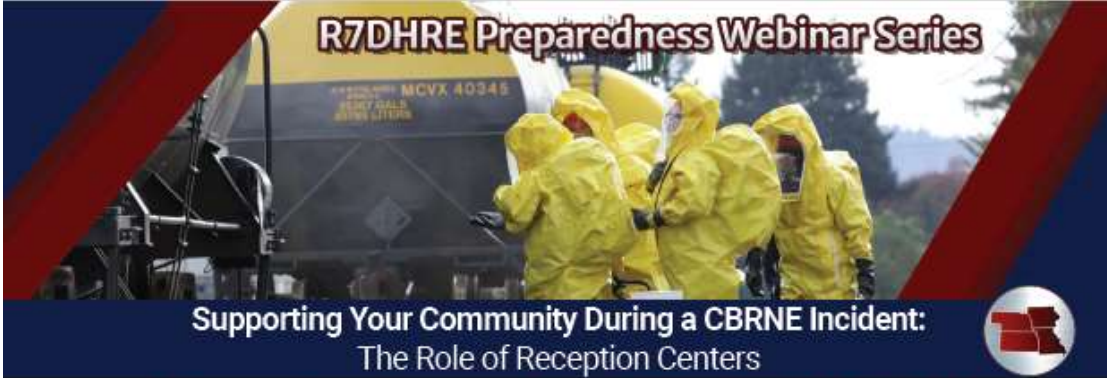


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Supporting Your Community During a CBRNE Incident:  
The Role of Reception Centers



**Thursday, September 5th @ 1PM, CST**

*This Zoom webinar will be presented by: Angela Leek, PhD, CHP & Frank Rutar, MS, CHP*

This session will explore how communities use reception centers to support citizens impacted by a range of incidents, including chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear (CBRN) incidents. The discussion will highlight how existing reception center plans can be adapted for CBRN situations while identifying areas where plans should be augmented to ensure the availability of proper resources and expertise for effective support during CBRN incidents. The R7DHRE Radiation Specialty Team will review the crucial role of Community Reception Centers (CRCs) during a radiological incident, provide a template for communities to update their plans, and share valuable training information and resources.

### Objectives:

- Identify the types of support and reception centers typically used to aid communities affected by natural disasters or other incidents.
- Examine the key aspects of CBRN incidents that necessitate specialized adaptations to support center operations.
- Describe the fundamentals of establishing and operating a Community Reception Center (CRC) for a radiological incident.
- Demonstrate available templates and resources to review and adapt existing reception center and CBRN plans, ensuring effective community support.

This webinar on Zoom is designed for physicians, nurses, first responders, healthcare coalitions, public health, emergency managers, federal and state partners and other professionals throughout Region 7 (IA, KS, MO, and NE) and beyond. Continuing education credits will be provided.



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# COVID-19 (and Other) Update

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# WHO Director-General declares mpox outbreak a public health emergency of international concern



14 August 2024 | News release | Reading time: 3 min (789 words)

## Media Contacts

“This PHEIC determination is the second in two years relating to mpox. Caused by an Orthopoxvirus, mpox was first detected in humans in 1970, in the DRC. The disease is considered endemic to countries in central and west Africa.

In July 2022, the multi-country outbreak of mpox was declared a PHEIC as it spread rapidly via sexual contact across a range of countries where the virus had not been seen before. That PHEIC was declared over in May 2023 after there had been a sustained decline in global cases.”



# Human Monkeypox



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## More Monkeypox Rash Photos

Photo Credit: NHS England High Consequence Infectious Diseases Network



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Review

# Differences in pathogenicity among the mpox virus clades: impact on drug discovery and vaccine development

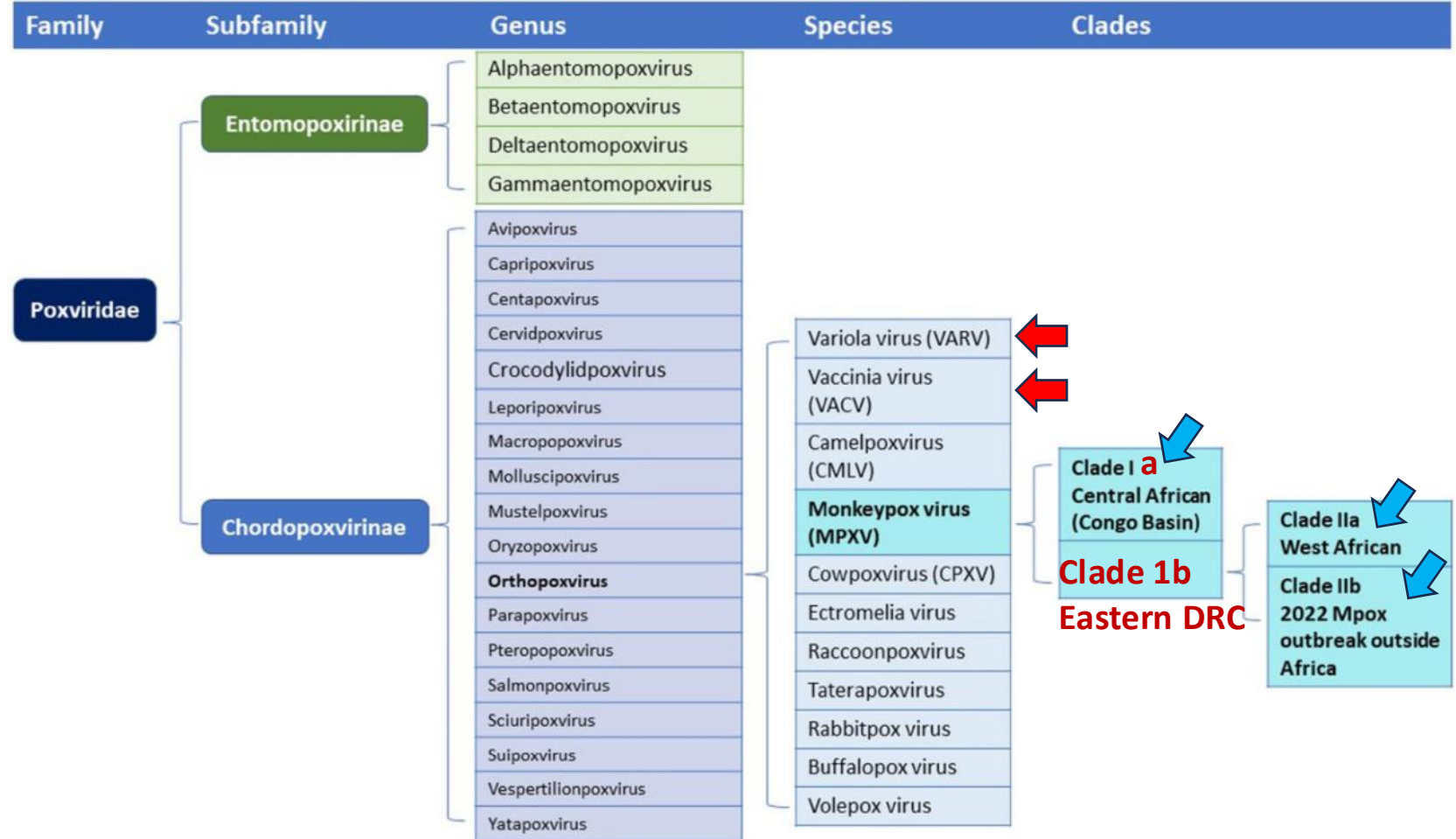
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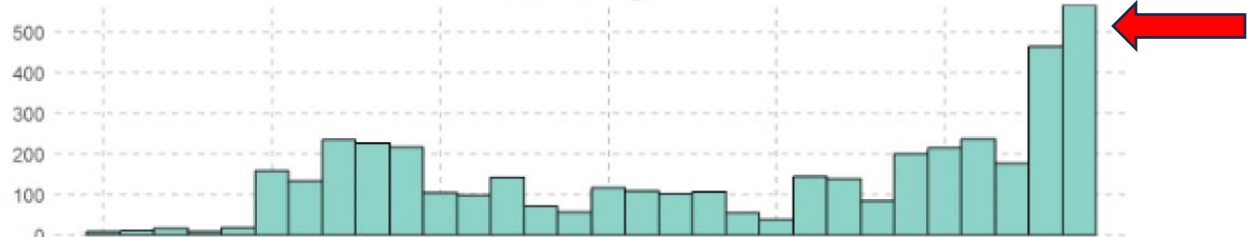
# Multi-country outbreak of mpox

External Situation Report 35, published 12 August 2024

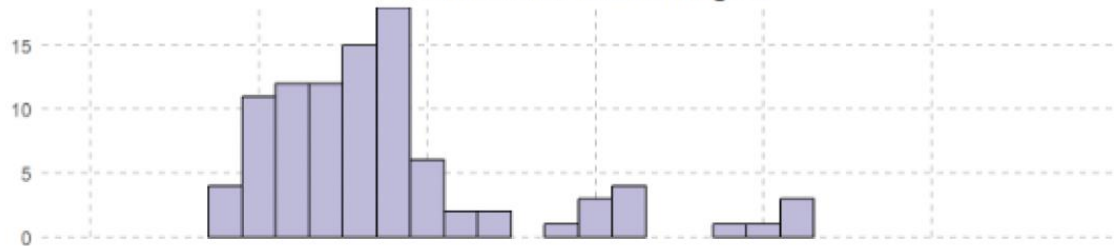
Data as received by WHO from national authorities as of 30 June 2024

REPORTING PERIOD: 1 January 2022 – 30 June 2024		
Laboratory-confirmed cases	Deaths	Countries/areas/territories
99 176	208	116
Mpox long-term risk assessment (as of August 2024) <sup>1</sup>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo and neighbouring countries</b>, affecting mostly adults and spreading predominantly through sexual contact (linked to clade Ib): <b>HIGH</b>.</li><li>• <b>Areas of the Democratic Republic of the Congo where mpox is endemic</b>, affecting mostly children and spreading through multiple modes of transmission (linked to clade Ia): <b>HIGH</b>.</li><li>• <b>Nigeria and countries of West, Central and East Africa where mpox is endemic</b>, affecting children and adults and spreading through multiple modes of transmission (linked to clades I and II): <b>MODERATE</b>.</li><li>• <b>All countries in Africa and around the world</b>, where outbreaks affect mainly men who have sex with men and spread predominantly through sexual contact (linked to clade IIb): <b>MODERATE</b></li></ul>		

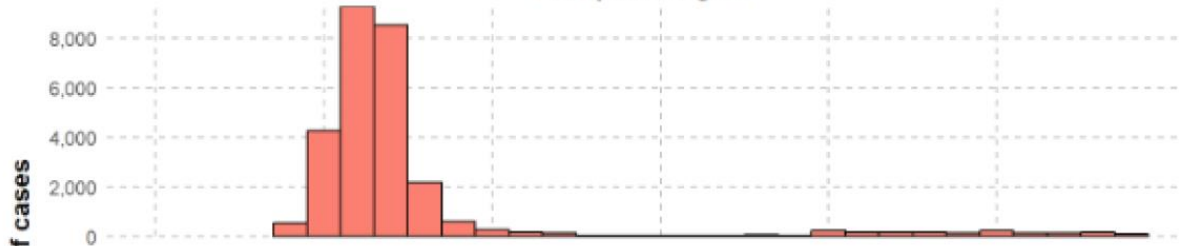
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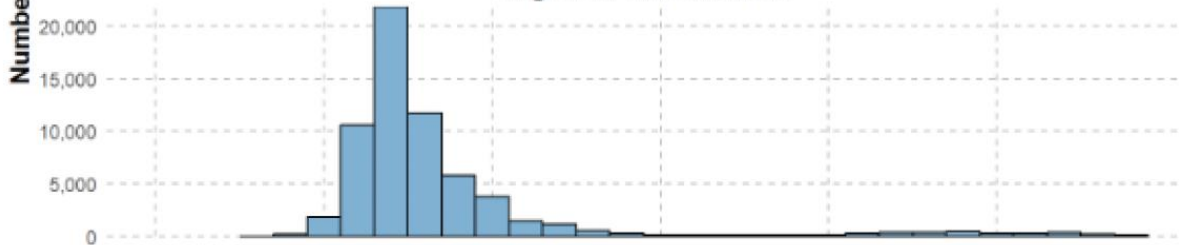
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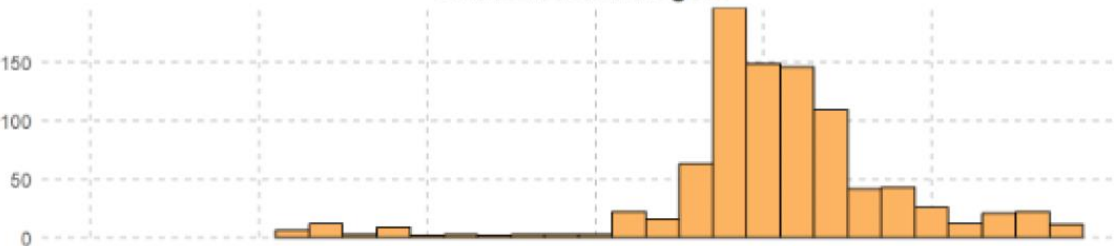
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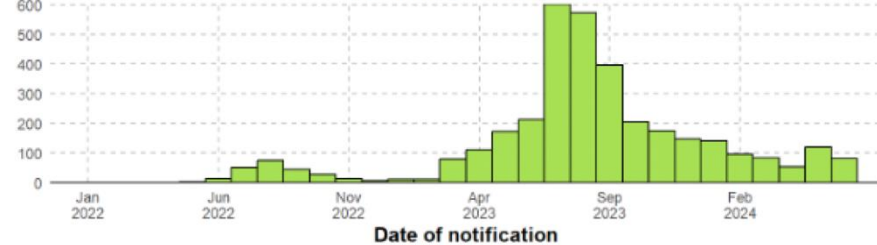
**Region of the Americas**



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**Western Pacific Region**



Source: WHO



**DRC**  
**Population: 100 million\***



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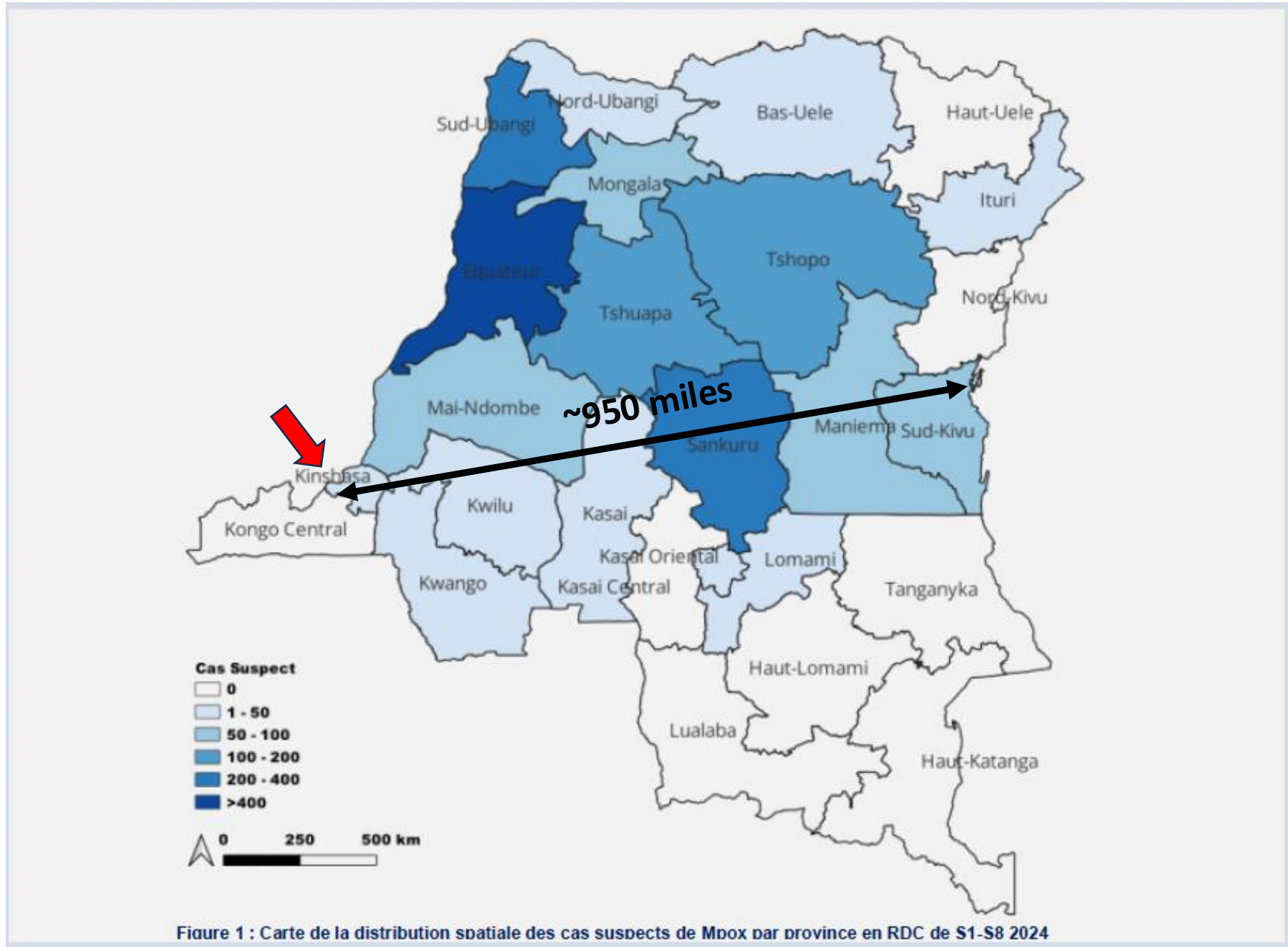


Figure 1 : Carte de la distribution spatiale des cas suspects de Mpox par province en RDC de S1-S8 2024

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## Sustained human outbreak of a new MPXV clade I lineage in eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo

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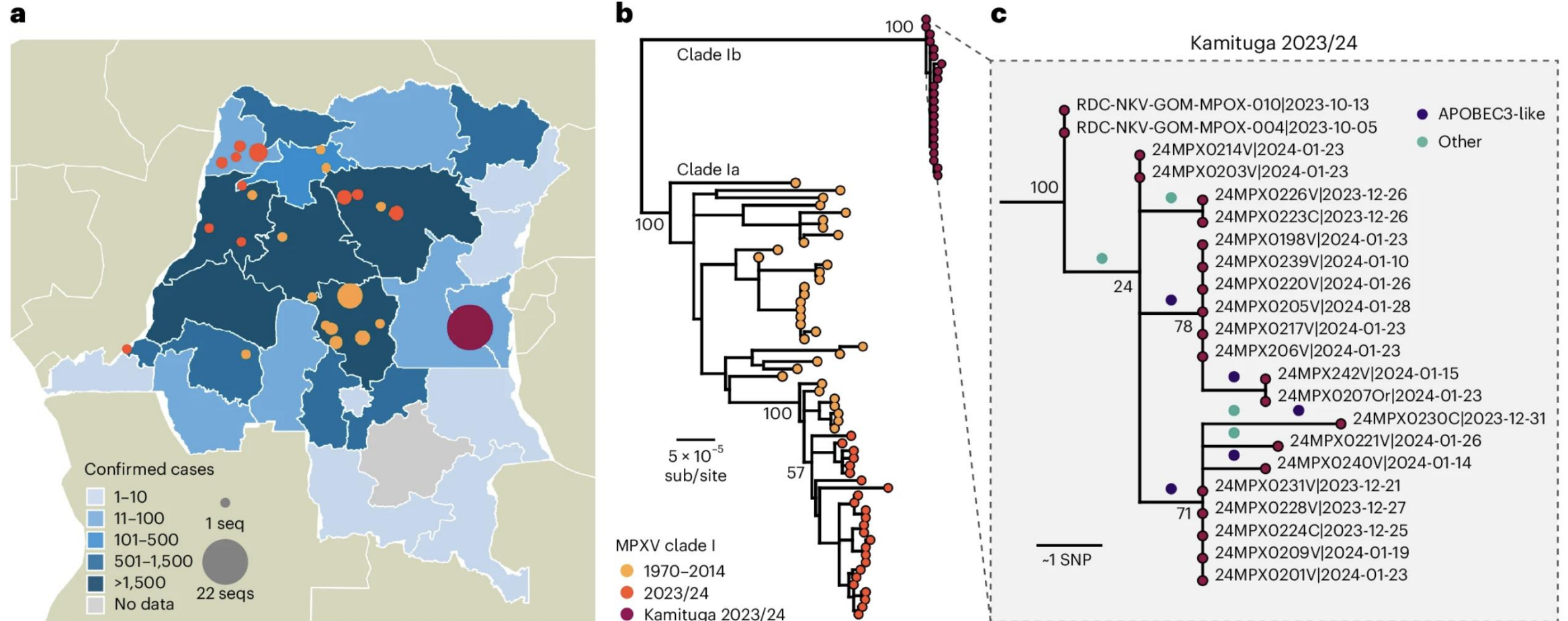
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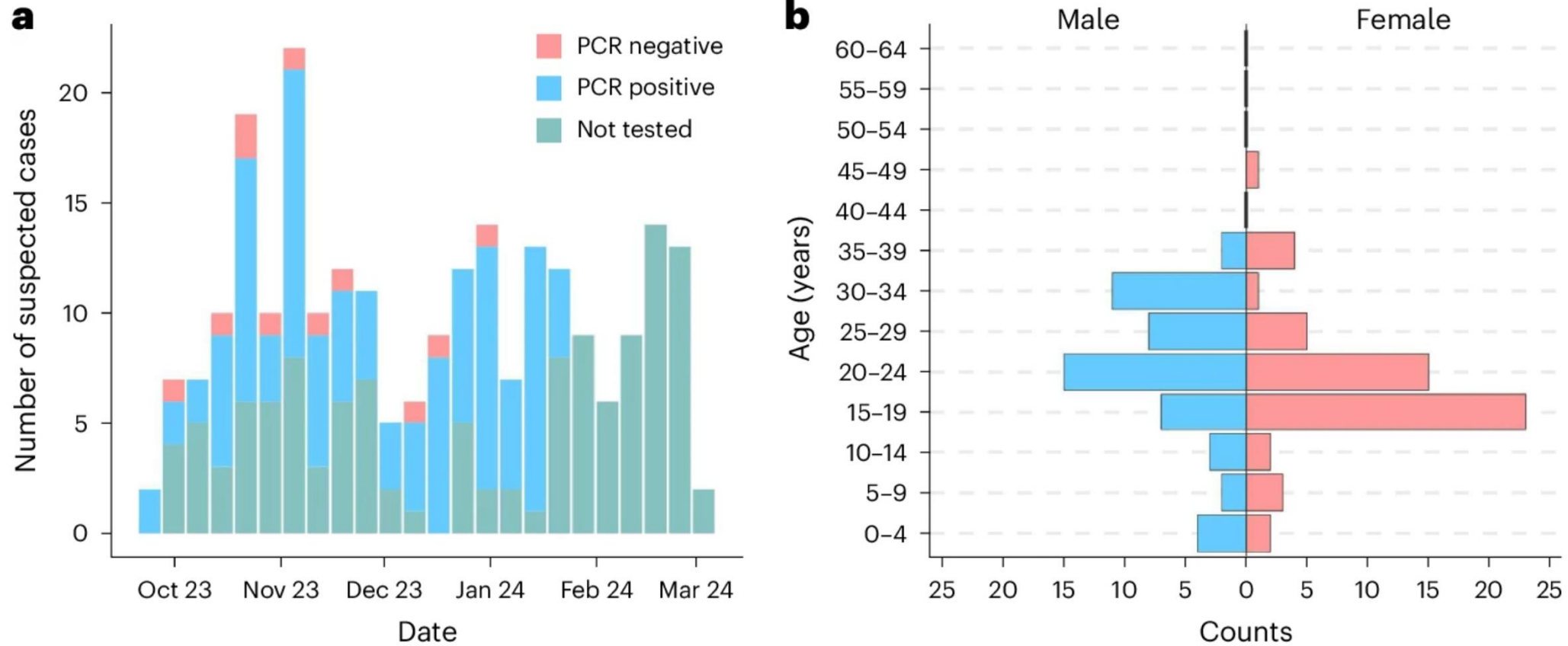
# Fig. 1: Mapping number of reported mpox cases and genomics analysis, Kamituga, DRC.

From: [Sustained human outbreak of a new MPXV clade I lineage in eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo](#)



## Fig. 2: Epidemiologic curve and mpox cases disaggregated by age and sex, Kamituga, DRC.

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**a**, Epidemiologic curve of Kamituga mpox outbreak (October 2023 to March 2024), DRC. **b**, Counts of suspected mpox cases disaggregated by age and sex (male in blue, female in pink).





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# Mpox Caused by Human-to-Human Transmission of *Monkeypox Virus* in the Democratic Republic of the Congo with Spread to Neighboring Countries

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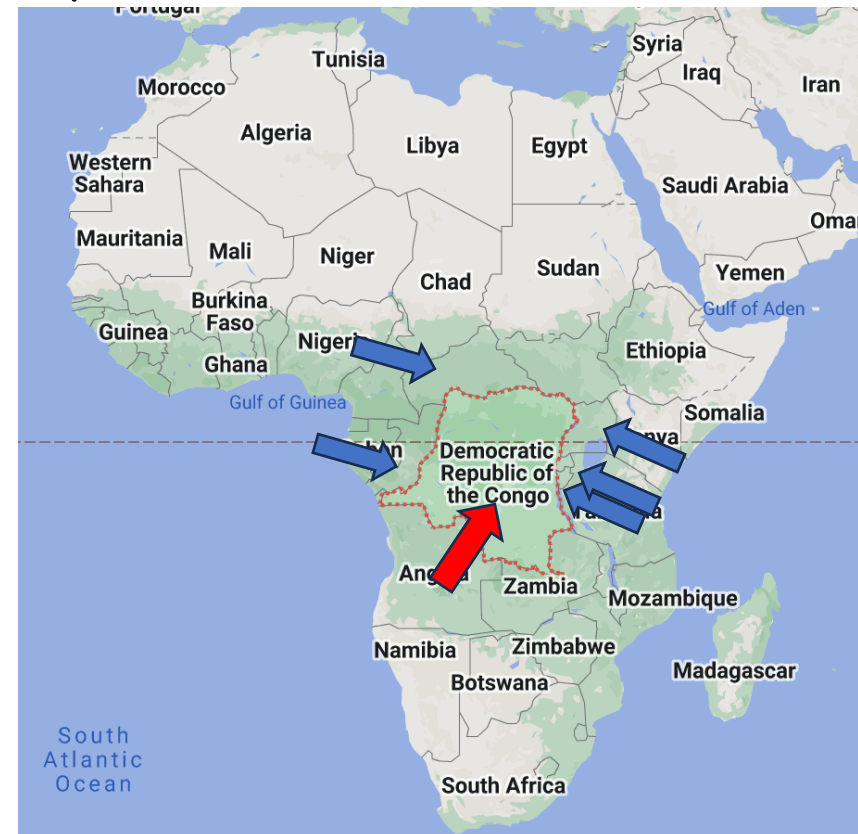


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Clade I MPXV is endemic in DRC and several other Central African countries, and cases are reported annually. **More than 22,000 suspect cases, with more than 1,200 suspected deaths, have been reported in DRC since January 1, 2023, a substantial increase from the median 3,767 suspect [clade I mpox cases reported annually in DRC](#) during 2016–2021.**

# MPOX CLADE 1 Spread per HAN

- Republic of the Congo (ROC) and Central African Republic (CAR).
  - “While clade I mpox is endemic in ROC and CAR, the epidemiologic pattern of recent cases suggests a possible link to DRC.”
- Burundi
- Rwanda
- Uganda

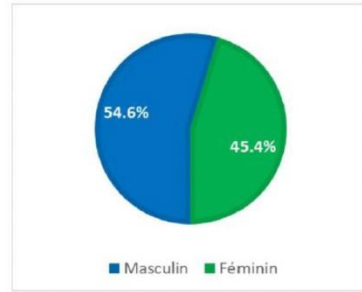
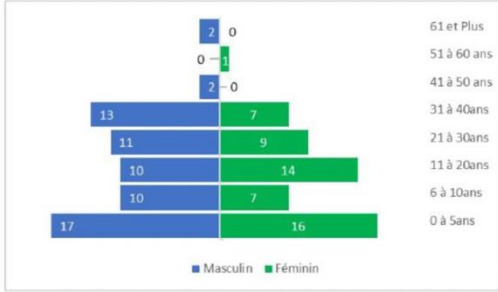


**Table 1. Age distribution of reported mpox cases and deaths in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, 1 January to 26 May 2024 (n=7 851).**

Age group (years)	Reported cases (n, % of total)	Deaths (n, % of total)	Case fatality ratio (%)	Crude OR of death (95% CI)	P-value
<1	897 (11)	77 (20)	8.6	3.8 (2.6-5.3)	<0.001
1 - 4	2 193 (28)	163 (42)	7.4	3.2 (2.4-4.3)	<0.001
5 - 15	2 164 (28)	81 (21)	3.7	1.6 (1.1-2.2)	<0.001
>15	2 597 (33)	63 (16)	2.4	1	-
Total	7 851	384	4.9	-	-

*Source: National mpox integrated disease surveillance data, Democratic Republic of the Congo.*

#### IV. Distribution of cases by sex and age group



#### 2. Distribution of cases by health district

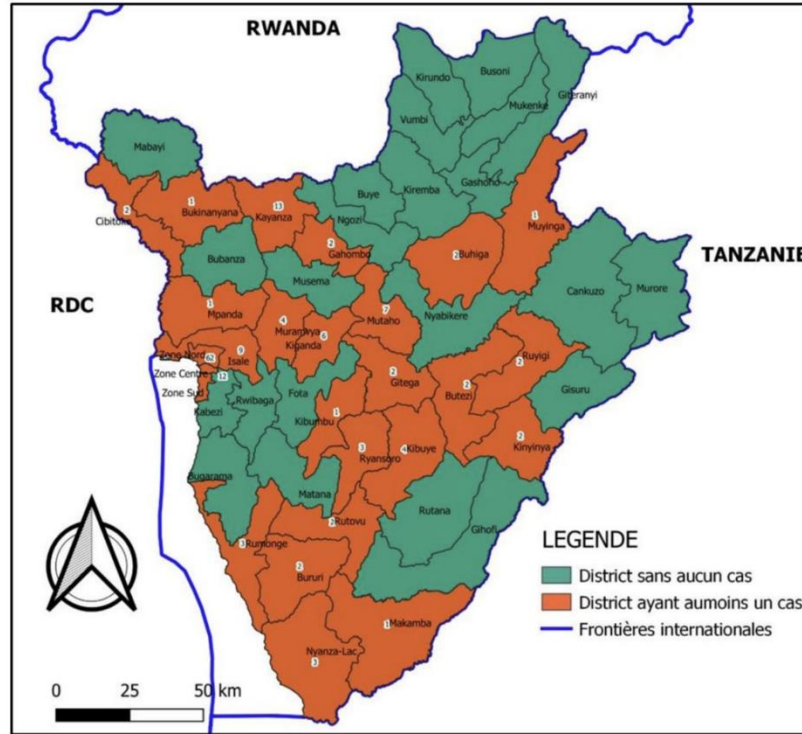
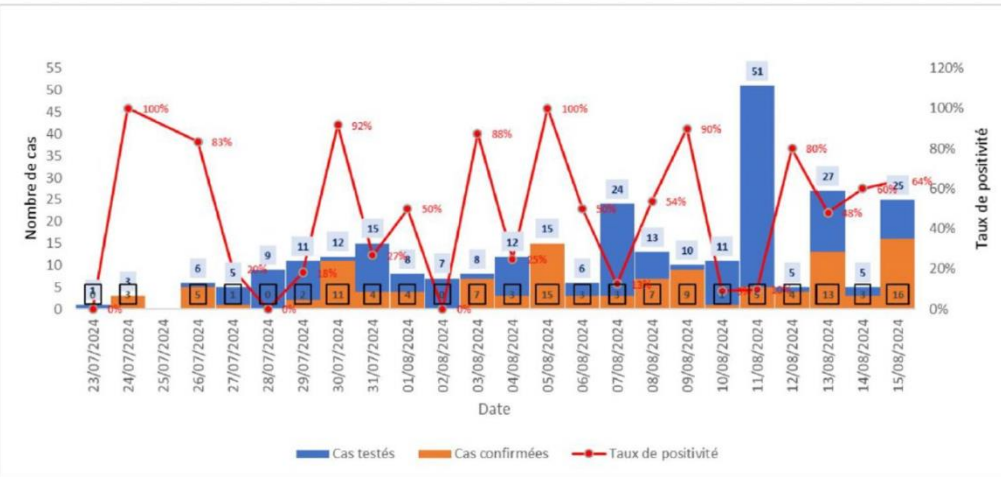


Fig2. Distribution of cases by sex and age group

Fig3. Proportion of cases by sex

As of August 15, 2024, the total number of confirmed cases of MPox is 119, of which 45.4% are female and 54.6% are male. The age groups most affected are those from 0 to 5 years and 11 to 20 years with proportions of 48.5% and 35.3% respectively.

#### V. Daily evolution of cases



**Krutika Kuppalli, MD FIDSA** @KrutikaKuppalli

The #mpox situation in #Burundi is really concerning - update from Aug 19th

Confirmed cases :

- 160 (a few days ago was 103)
- 46.9% female
- younger persons most affected

New suspect cases:

- 33, across 10 health districts

Deaths:

- None to date

Test positivity 160/403 (39.7%)

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## Asia Prepares For Mpox Cases After Sweden Finds Dangerous Strain

- Travelers from affected countries face heightened surveillance
- Pakistan, Philippines detect cases likely linked to 2b strain

By Bloomberg News

August 20, 2024 at 12:17 AM CDT



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# Ongoing mpox outbreak in Kamituga, South Kivu province, associated with monkeypox virus of a novel Clade I sub-lineage, Democratic Republic of the Congo, 2024

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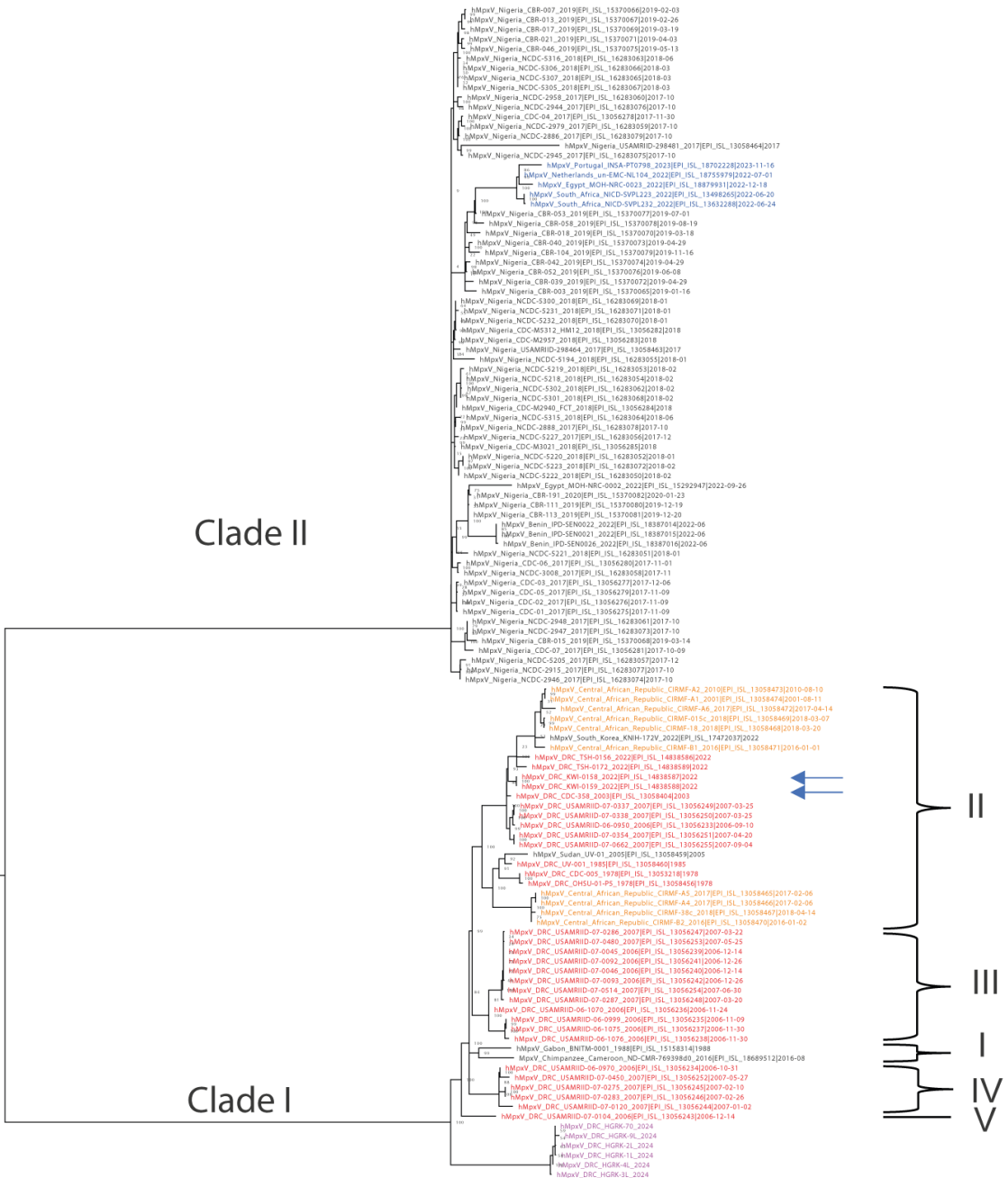
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“The study involved patients from South Kivu province in the territory of Mwenga, who were hospitalised in the Kamituga hospital, which is in the Kamituga health zone”



**A. Single nt mismatch with CDC-recommended generic reverse primer**

	<b>GCTATCACATAATCTGGAAGCGTA</b>	<b>G2R_G_Reverse_Primer</b>
194834	.....A.....	194857 mpox_2L
194834	.....A.....	194857 mpox_9L
194834	.....A.....	194857 mpox_1L
194834	.....A.....	194857 mpox_3L
194834	.....A.....	194857 mpox_70
194834	.....A.....	194857 mpox_4L

**B. Absence of target sequence for CDC-recommended Clade-I-specific real-time PCR**

	<b>TTCGTTTCTGATCCAGGTAGACA</b>	<b>C3L_Forward_Primer</b>
19782	-----	19805 mpox_2L
19782	-----	19805 mpox_9L
19782	-----	19805 mpox_1L
19782	-----	19805 mpox_3L
19782	-----	19805 mpox_70
19782	-----	19805 mpox_4L
	<b>ATCAATGATTAACGGAGATGCC</b>	<b>C3L_Reverse_Primer</b>
19706	-----	19729 mpox_2L
19706	-----	19729 mpox_9L
19706	-----	19729 mpox_1L
19706	-----	19729 mpox_3L
19706	-----	19729 mpox_70
19706	-----	19729 mpox_4L
	<b>TCCGGTACCGGTACATTTAGCATATATGGG</b>	<b>C3L_Probe</b>
19743	-----	19772 mpox_2L
19743	-----	19772 mpox_9L
19743	-----	19772 mpox_1L
19743	-----	19772 mpox_3L
19743	-----	19772 mpox_70
19743	-----	19772 mpox_4L

The monkeypox virus outbreak strain in South Kivu lacks the target sequence used for identifying Clade I viruses



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# Real-time PCR assay to detect the novel Clade Ib monkeypox virus, September 2023 to May 2024

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Sample number	MPXV real-time PCR targets and respective Cq values			
	CDC MPXV (G2R_G)	CDC Clade I (C3L)	Clade Ib (dD14-16)	CDC Clade II (G2R_WA)
<b>Skin lesion</b>				
1	31.99	ND	32.01	ND
2	31.44	ND	32.18	ND
3	22.81	ND	22.97	ND
4	30.82	ND	31.28	ND
5	26.28	ND	26.29	ND
6	20.52	ND	20.39	ND
7	14.35	ND	14.62	ND
8	13.5	ND	13.4	ND
9	ND	ND	ND	ND
10	30.65	ND	30.58	ND
14	14.53	ND	14.65	ND
15	20.18	ND	21.07	ND
16	10.81	ND	13.16	ND
17	11.07	ND	11.64	ND
18	34.69	ND	34.6	ND
19	17.72	ND	18.25	ND
20	22.37	ND	23.63	ND
21	28.47	ND	28.5	ND
22	13.86	ND	13.72	ND
23	16.43	ND	16.46	ND
24	19.21	ND	19.63	ND
25	11.82	ND	13.09	ND
26	16.25	ND	17.03	ND
27 <sup>a</sup>	18.25	ND	17.78	ND
28	17.97	ND	17.23	ND

# Mpox Summarized

- Explosion of Clade 1 viruses centered around DRC
  - Unclear mix of Clade 1a vs Clade 1b
  - Clade 1b transmitted sexually and human to human
  - Overall high CFR (4-6%)
- MAYBE Clade 2b cases mixed in in DRC
- Clade 1 cases (presumed Clade 1b) now spreading to bordering countries and single detected case in Europe
- Current CDC generic MPX test will detect Clade 1a, but Clade 1 specific assay will not

H5N1 Interlude...

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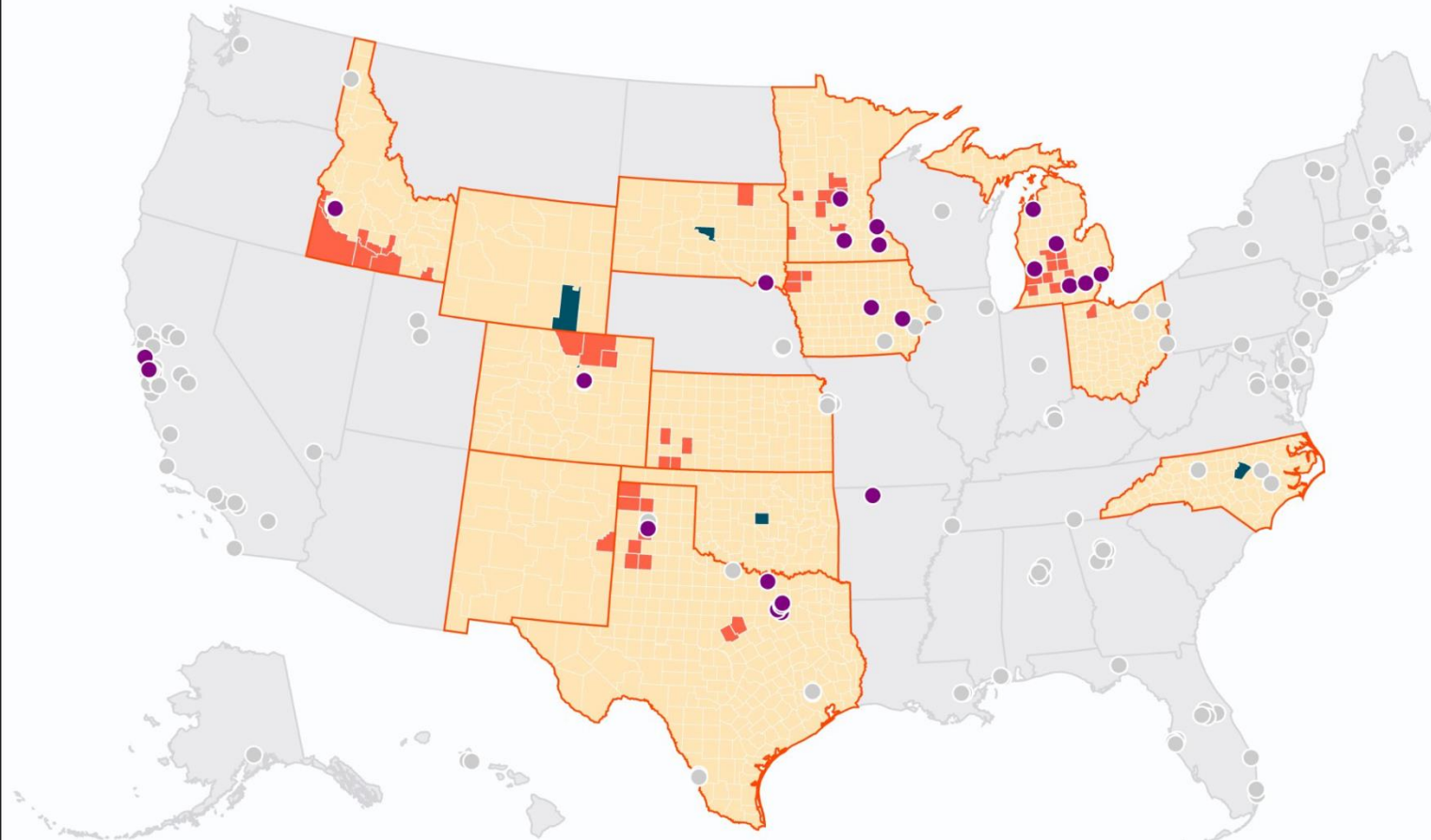
As bird flu spreads in cats, cows and other animals, it has more opportunity to adapt to easily infect humans

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# U.S. H5 Wastewater Surveillance and H5N1 Livestock Detection (2024)



### WWSCAN Sites

- H5 detected
- H5 not detected

### H5N1 in Livestock

- Confirmed affected states
- Confirmed affected counties

### Data Confidentiality Measures

- Some herd infections are reported to WAHIS with altered locations to protect privacy. These include Colorado (Broomfield), Wyoming (Albany), South Dakota (Hughes), Oklahoma (Oklahoma), and North Carolina (Wake).

Data Source: WastewaterSCAN (WWSCAN), World Animal Health Information System (WAHIS)

Map by [FluAlert.org](https://FluAlert.org) / [@FluAlert\\_](https://twitter.com/FluAlert_)



**H5N1 Update:** WastewaterSCAN detected H5 marker in 27 sites across 9 states since May. As of Aug 7, 13 states reported H5N1 in livestock since March. Below map integrates wastewater and livestock data for a comprehensive view.

Data: [@WOAH](https://twitter.com/WOAH), [@WastewaterSCAN](https://twitter.com/WastewaterSCAN)  
[#H5N1](https://twitter.com/FluAlert_) [#BirdFlu](https://twitter.com/FluAlert_)

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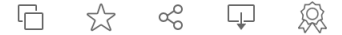
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# Wastewater Data for SARS-CoV-2

WastewaterSCAN: <https://data.wastewaterscan.org/tracker/>

National Wastewater Surveillance System: <https://data.cdc.gov/Public-Health-Surveillance/NWSS-Public-SARS-CoV-2-Wastewater-Data/2ew6-ywp6>

Most facilities only report a few times a week, so editing the **Map Date** is critical to seeing the most recent risk level for your county. A z-score is a statistical measure that quantifies the distance between a data point and the mean (average) of a dataset. The further a data point is from the average, the higher (or lower) the z-score. In relation to wastewater, low z-scores mean that the level of a specific pathogen in a sample is very low compared to the average amount (which falls around substantial-to-high sample levels).

WastewaterSCAN data obtained via data licensing agreement. Many thanks to the work of Dr Marlene Wolfe at Emory University, Dr Alexandria Boehm at Stanford University, and Amanda Bidwell at WastewaterSCAN.

Contact: <https://data.wastewaterscan.org/about>

Other Publications: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1k0jRAu-CIWpKrNFub4V4fXAAMBe3P3Rv54bEMhtOR68/edit>

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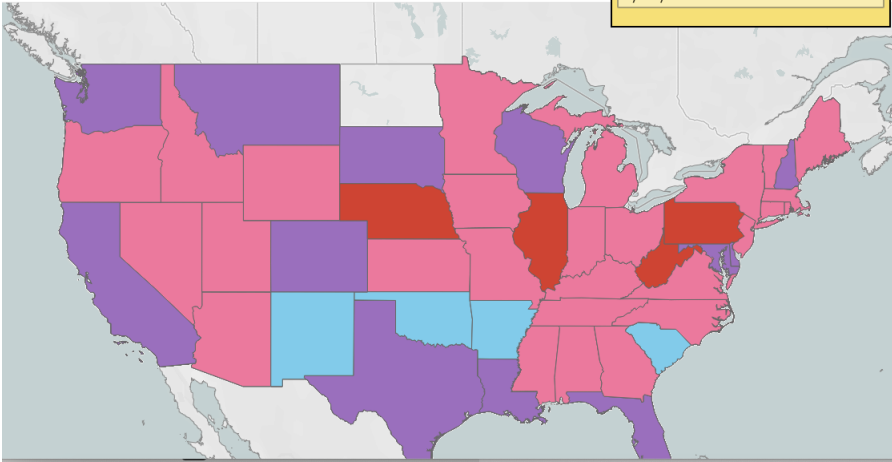
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## State Risk Levels

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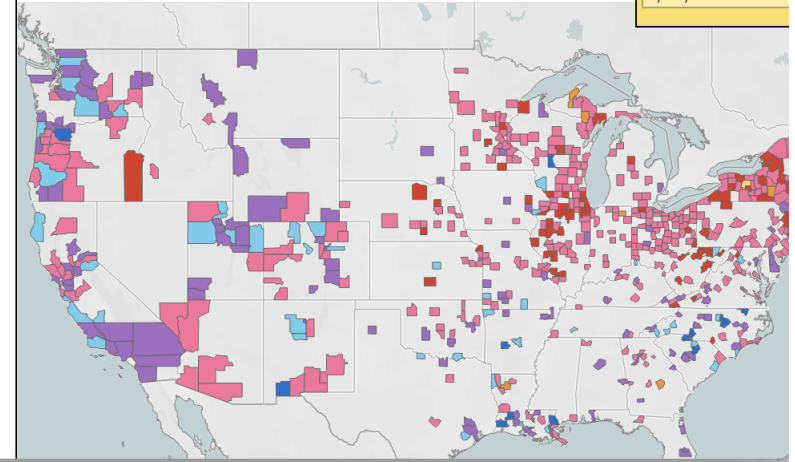
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## SARS-CoV-2 Wastewater Risk Scores

Risk Level	Descriptor	Z-Score Minimum	Z-Score Maximum	Risk Level
Minimal	Below		-2.296	Minimal
Very Low	Between	-2.296	-1.531	Very Low
Low	Between	-1.531	-1.148	Low
Moderate	Between	-1.148	-0.765	Moderate
Substantial	Between	-0.765	-0.128	Substantial
High	Between	-0.128	0.765	High

## County Risk Levels

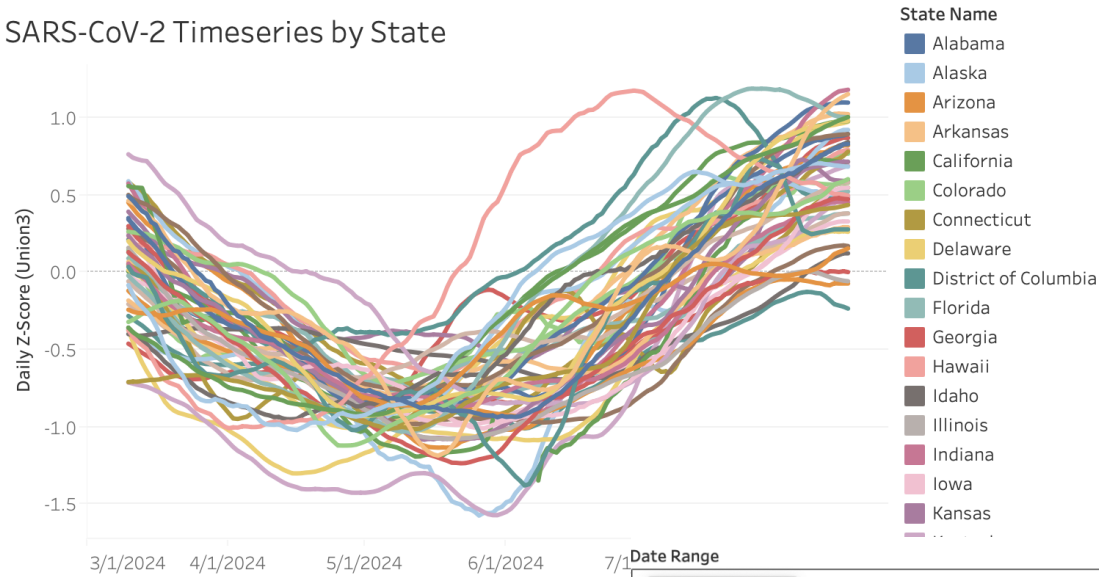
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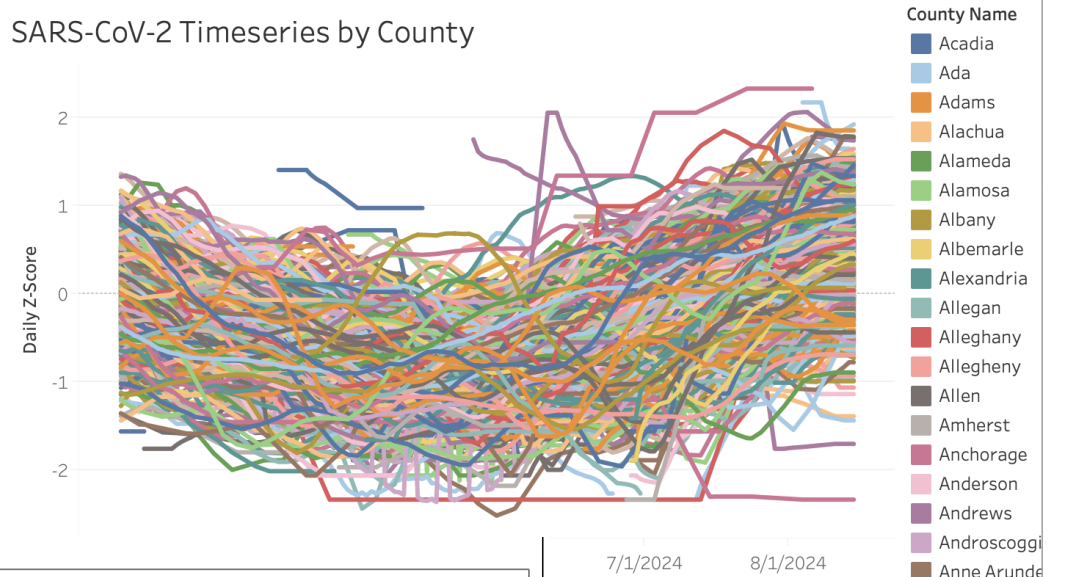
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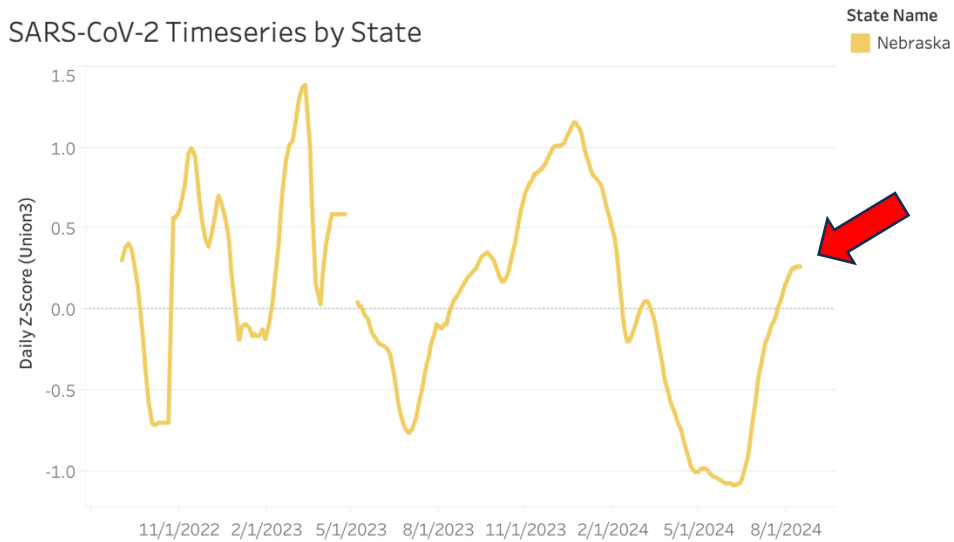
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Brief Report

# Evidence from whole genome sequencing of aerosol transmission of SARS-CoV-2 almost 5 hours after hospital room turnover

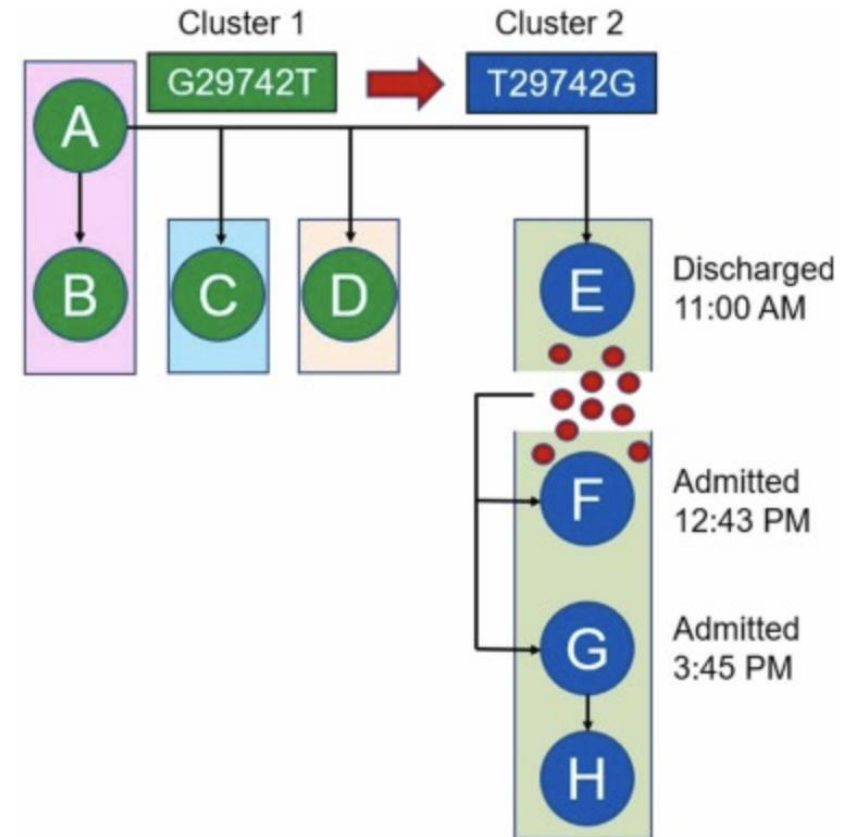
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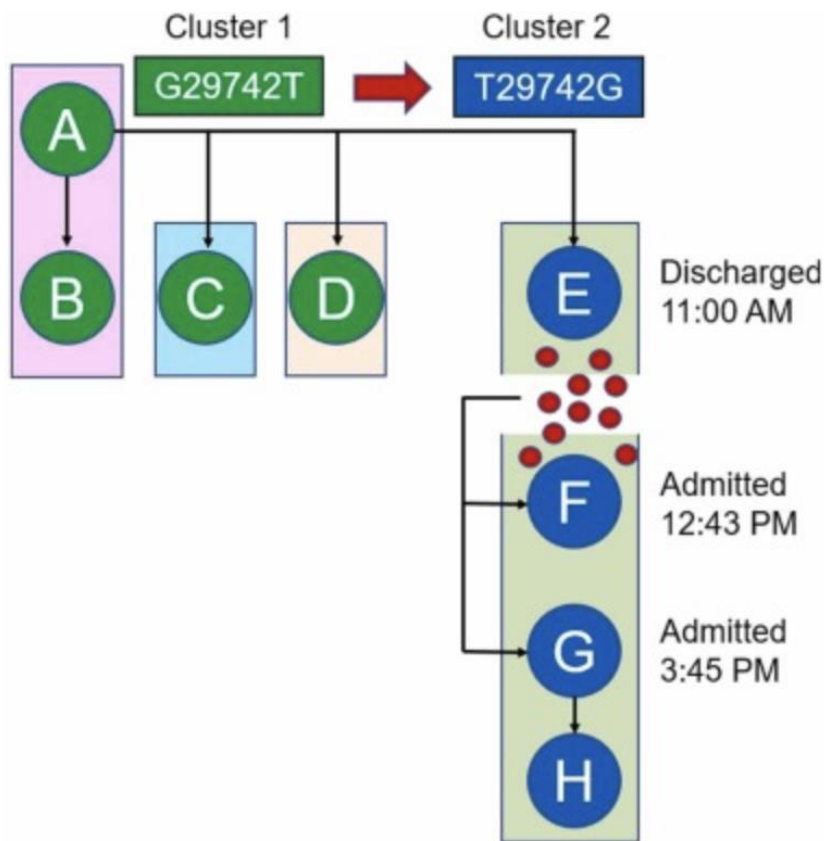
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- Patient A: asymptomatic COVID detected on pre-discharge PCR test (Ct = 26; Outbreak Day 0).
- Person B: asymptomatic COVID-19 on Outbreak Day 5 (Ct = 18).
- Patient E was discharged at 11:00 AM on Outbreak Day -3. Prior to the next admission, the room underwent a standard hospital clean with a quaternary ammonia compound and without ultraviolet disinfection. During this time, the room remained empty with the door open. Two patients without prior contact with Patient E were admitted that same day to the room previously occupied by Patient E: Patient F at 12:43 PM and Patient G at 3:45 PM.

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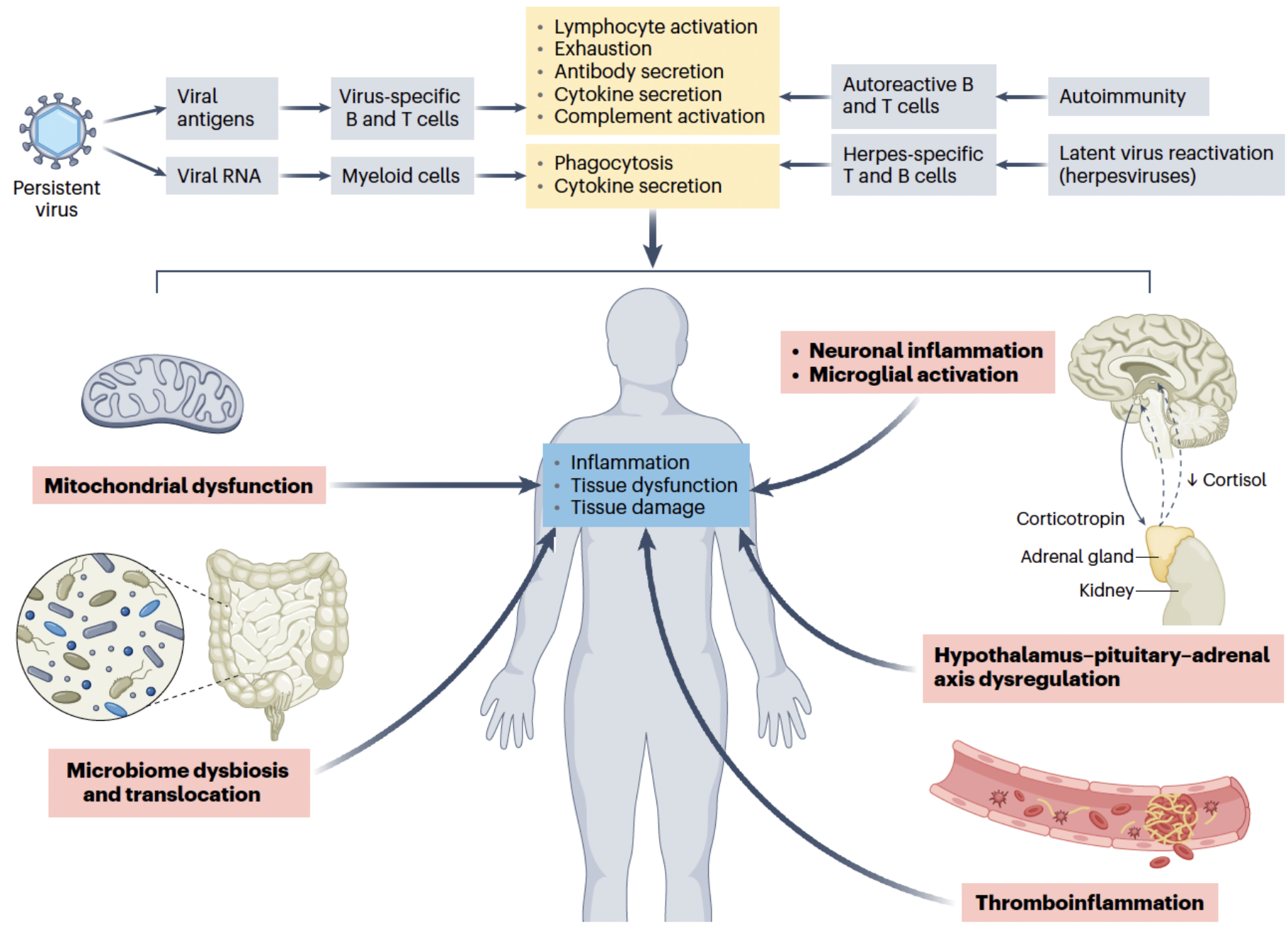
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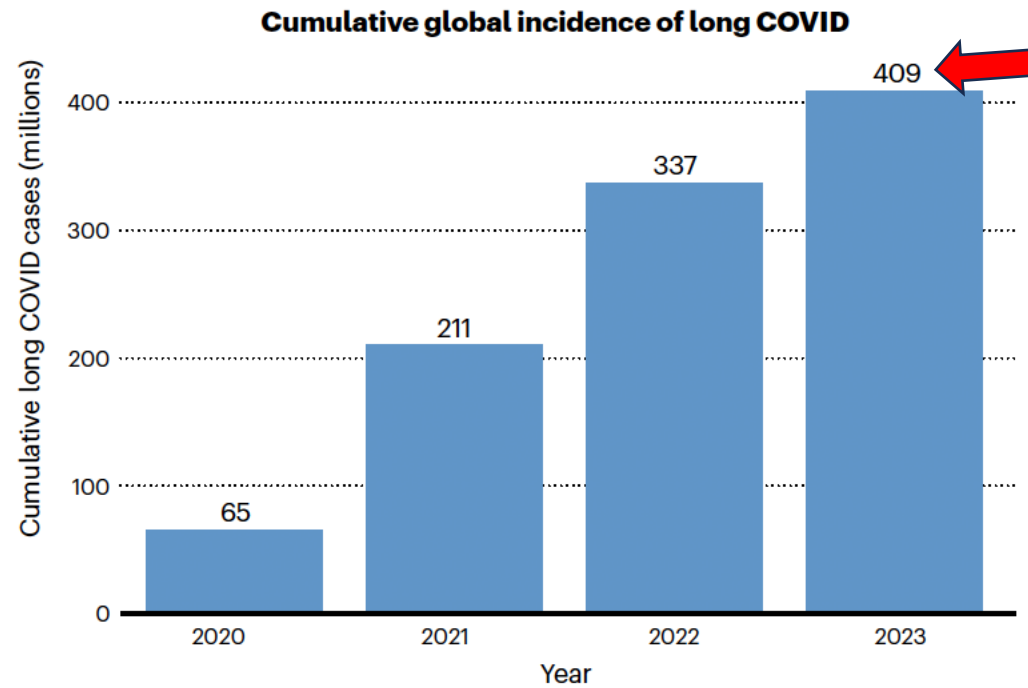
## Long COVID science, research and policy

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**Table 1 | Estimated impact of long COVID on national economies in 2024<sup>a,b</sup>**

	Brazil	France	Japan	Saudi Arabia	Spain	Taiwan	United Kingdom	United States
<b>Hours lost for those that exit the workforce (in millions)</b>	508.8	182.8	1,100	442.4	106	230.4	158.9	953.6
<b>Hours lost for those that reduce work hours (in millions)</b>	196.6	72.5	442.4	163.3	41.1	86	61.7	366.3
<b>Hours lost for those that continue working after acute infection (in millions)</b>	97.9	40	222	65	20.7	36.3	31.3	177.5
<b>Total work hours lost (in millions)</b>	803.3	295.1	1,800	670.7	167.8	352.7	251.8	1,500
<b>GDP loss due to long COVID (in billions of US dollars)</b>	11	21	72.2	24.4	7.8	12.2	15.5	152.6
<b>Percentage GDP loss due to long COVID</b>	-0.50%	-0.60%	-1.60%	-2.30%	-0.50%	-1.5%	-0.50%	-0.50%

<sup>a</sup>Data from ref. 170. <sup>b</sup>The eight countries were selected on the basis of data availability.



## Characterization of change in cognition before and after COVID-19 infection in essential workers at midlife

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- Longitudinal discontinuity modeling - change in cognitive performance
  - 276 COVID-19 cases vs 217 participants who did not have COVID-19
  - Four domains of cognition using data collected before and after the pandemic.
- Essential workers (mainly first responders) enrolled in an occupation-based study of cognitive aging.
  - Computer-assisted neuropsychological assessment battery between 11/2015–12/2019 w/ follow-up collected between 3/2020–2/2023.

Table 1. Participant Characteristics stratified by COVID-19 status (n=493) <sup>a</sup>

Characteristics	CONTROL GROUP (n = 217)	INCIDENT COVID-19 GROUP (n = 276)	P value
Age, mean (SD), years	58.1 (7.3)	56.0 (6.6)	<0.01
Body mass, kg/m <sup>2</sup> , mean (SD)	30.9 (5.6)	30.9 (4.8)	0.97
	(N) %	(N) %	
<b>Gender</b>			
Female	(17) 7.8	(13) 4.7	
Male	(200) 92.2	(263) 95.3	0.15
<b>Ethnicity/Race</b>			
White	(171) 78.8	(226) 81.9	
Black	(6) 2.8	(4) 1.5	
Hispanic	(16) 7.4	(19) 7.0	0.34
Other/unknown	(24) 11.1	(27) 9.8	
<b>Educational attainment</b> <sup>a</sup>			
Less than High School	(9) 4.2	(8) 2.9	
High School	(40) 18.4	(51) 18.6	
Some college	(99) 45.6	(143) 52.0	
University degree	(63) 29.0	(67) 24.4	0.60
Unknown	(6) 2.8	(6) 2.2	

**Vaccination Status at the onset of COVID-19**

Vaccinated, Complete	N/A	(17) 6.2	
Vaccinated, Partial	N/A	(2) 0.7	N/A
Unvaccinated	N/A	(247) 89.5	
Unknown	N/A	(10) 3.4	

**Vaccination Status as of 12/2022**

Vaccinated, Complete	(170) 78.4	(162) 58.7	<0.01
Vaccinated, Partial	(12) 5.5	(32) 11.6	
Unvaccinated	(15) 6.9	(66) 23.9	
Unknown	(20) 9.2	(66) 23.9	

**COVID-19 Hospitalization** <sup>b</sup>



Hospitalized	N/A	(23) 10.2	<0.01
Non-hospitalized	N/A	(248) 89.9	

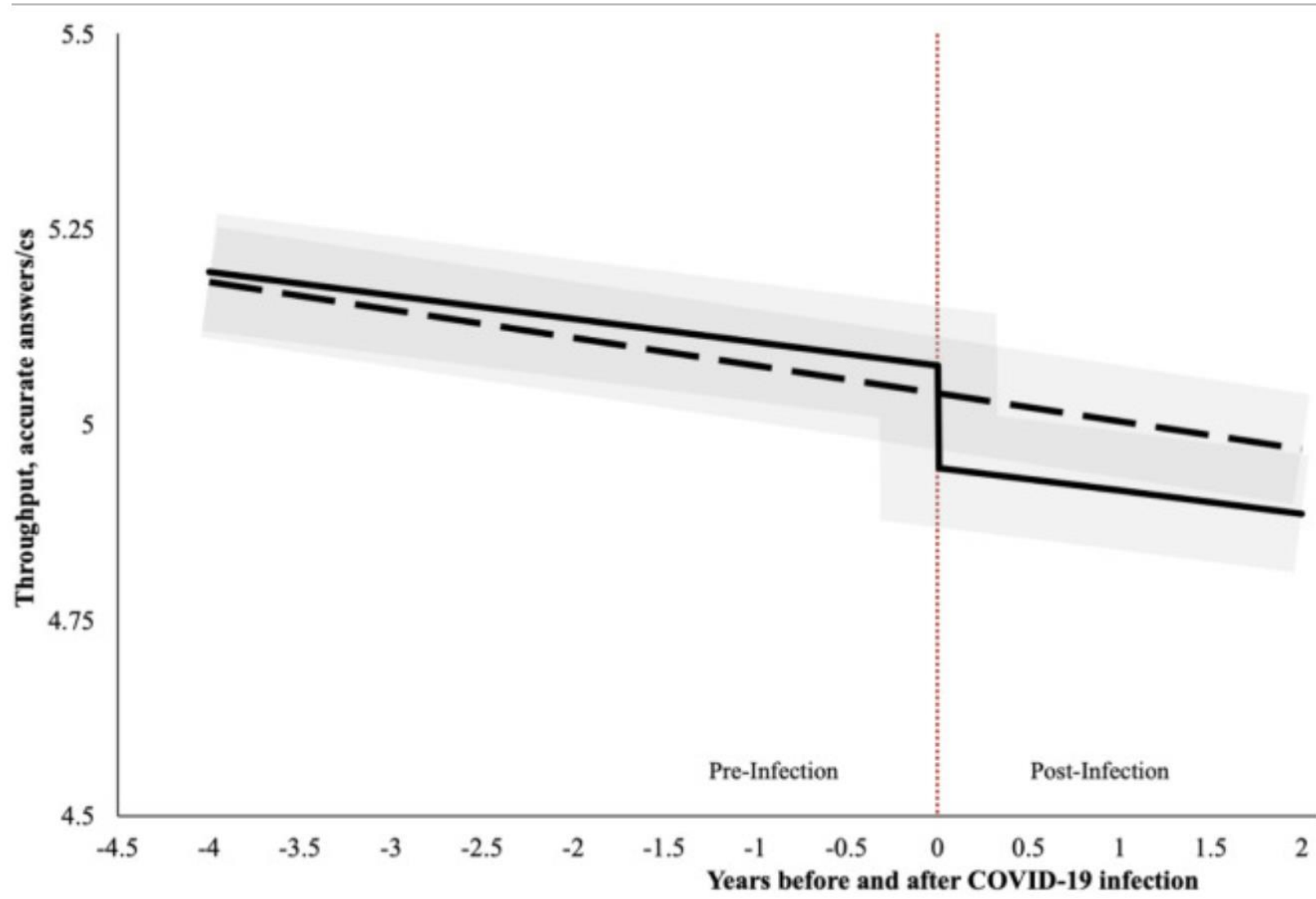
**ICU Admission Status**

ICU admission	N/A	(3) 1.1	
No ICU admission	N/A	(248) 89.9	0.10

Table 3. Longitudinal degree of association between COVID-19 onset versus cognitive performance for the whole sample and stratified by COVID-19 Severity and the presence of post-acute sequelae of COVID-19

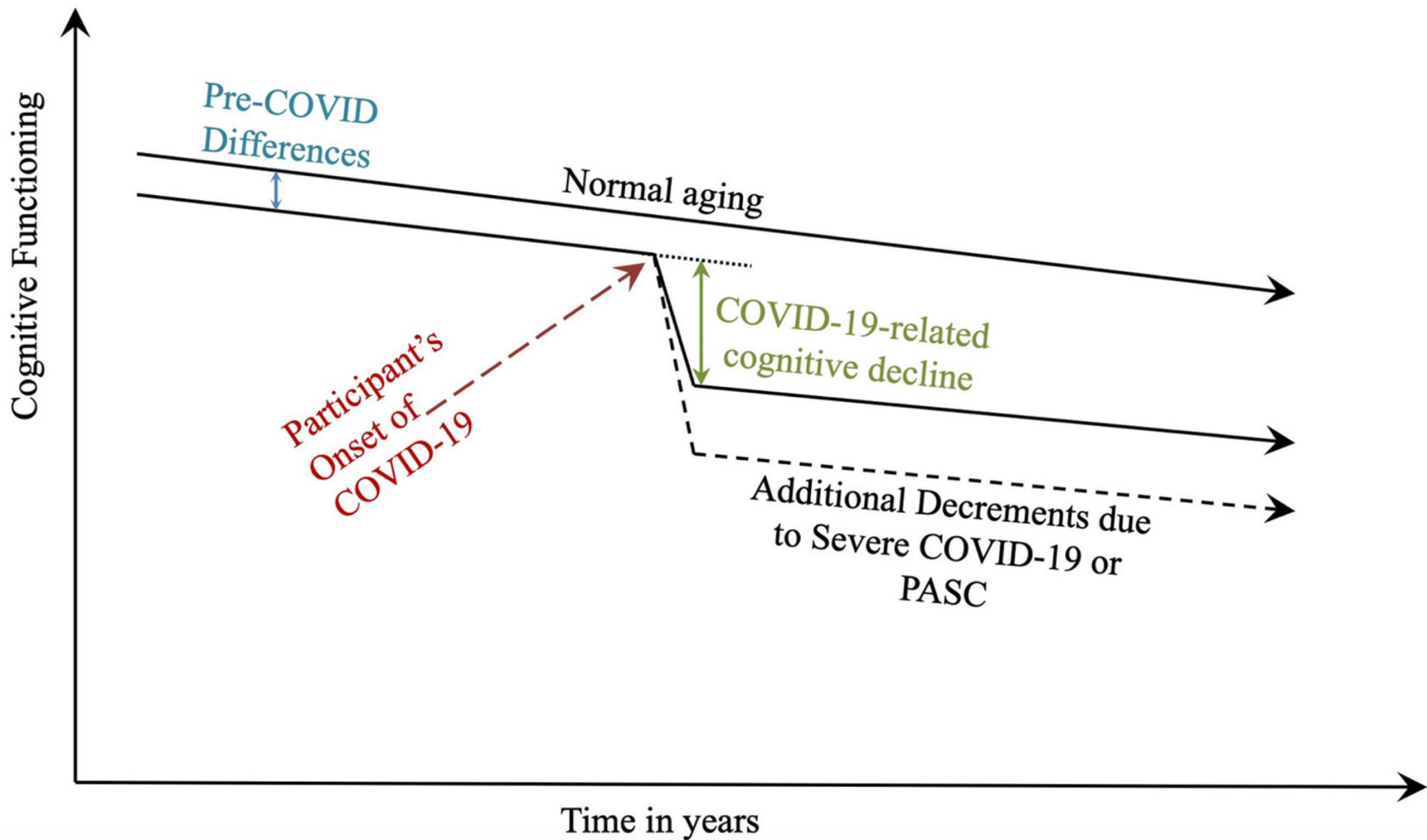
**A. Incidence of Any COVID-19**

<b>Cognitive Domain</b>	<b>Std. Coef.</b>	<b>Age Eq. Yrs.</b>	<b>Coef.</b>	<b>Std. Err.</b>	<b>P</b>
Throughput	<b>-0.168</b> 	<b>10.59</b>	<b>-0.146</b>	<b>0.000</b>	<b>0.001</b>
Visual Memory	<b>-0.150</b> 	<b>16.51</b>	<b>-0.023</b>	<b>0.008</b>	<b>0.004</b>
Reaction Speed	-0.072	6.26	-0.084	0.001	0.161
Processing Speed	-0.074	6.73	-0.001	0.000	0.154



Risk Table	Years Before COVID-19 Diagnosis									Years After COVID-19 Diagnosis			
	≤-3.5	-3.49, -3.0	-2.99, -2.5	-2.49, -2.0	-1.99, -1.5	-1.49, -1.0	-0.99, -0.5	-0.49, -0.02	0.0, 0.49	0.5, 0.99	1.0, 1.49	1.5, 1.99	
No COVID-19	13	25	24	84	35	74	41	82	98	39	66	28	
COVID-19	61	64	59	84	73	71	60	72	117	51	30	20	
<b>Total Observations</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>48</b>	







# FDA may greenlight updated Covid-19 vaccines as soon as this week, sources say



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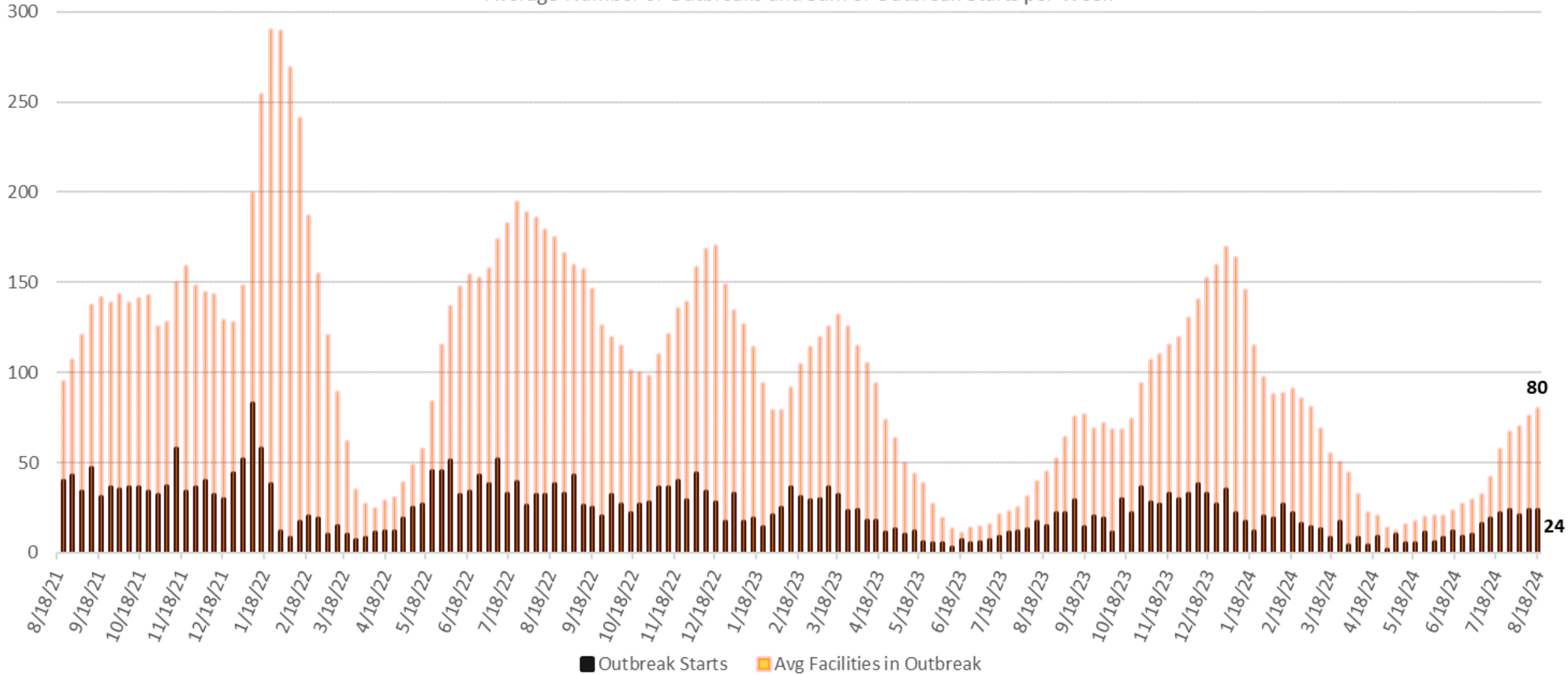
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# Nebraska LTC Facilities in COVID Outbreak by Week

Average Number of Outbreaks and Sum of Outbreak Starts per Week

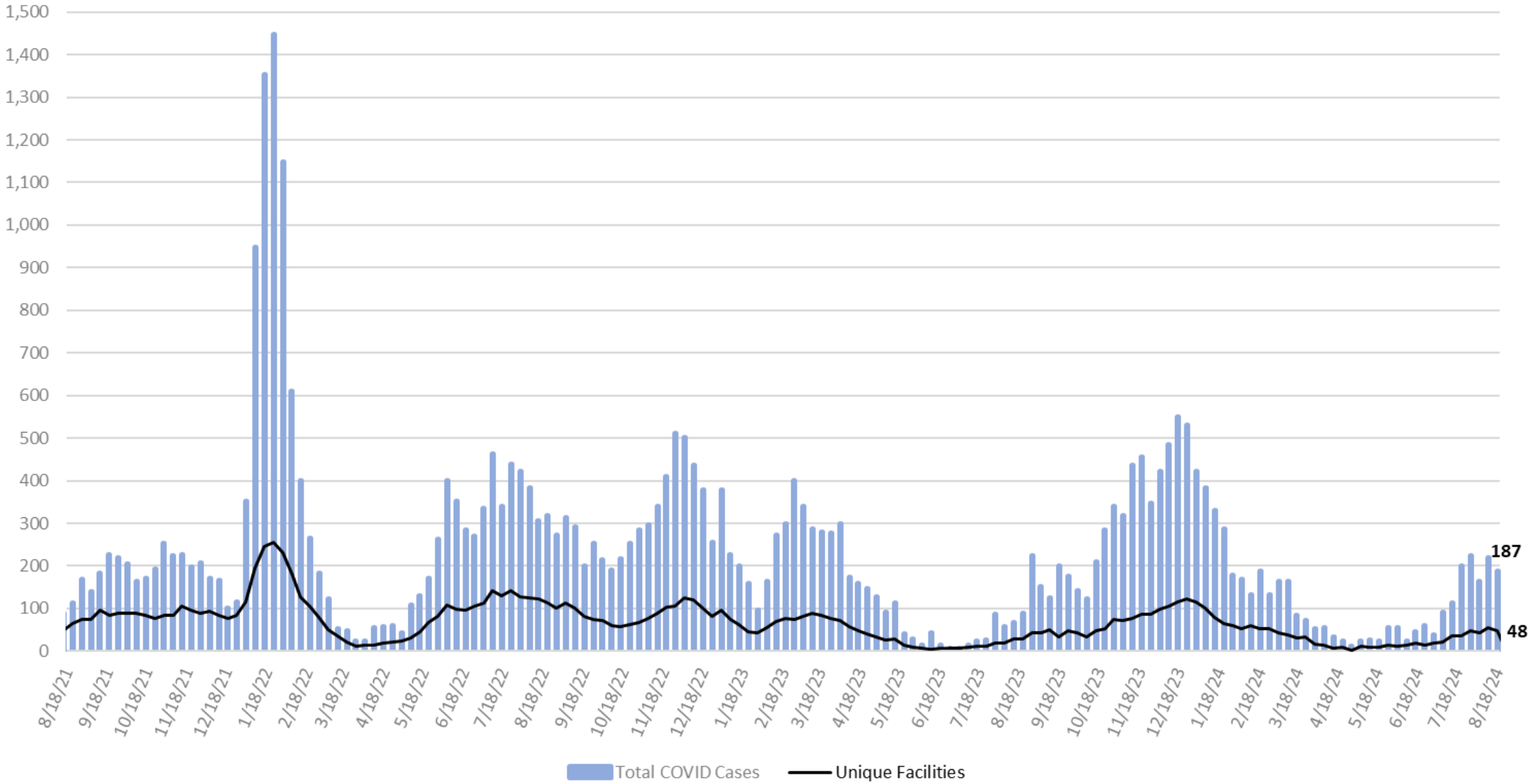


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# Nebraska LTC Resident & Staff COVID Cases & Facilities by Week

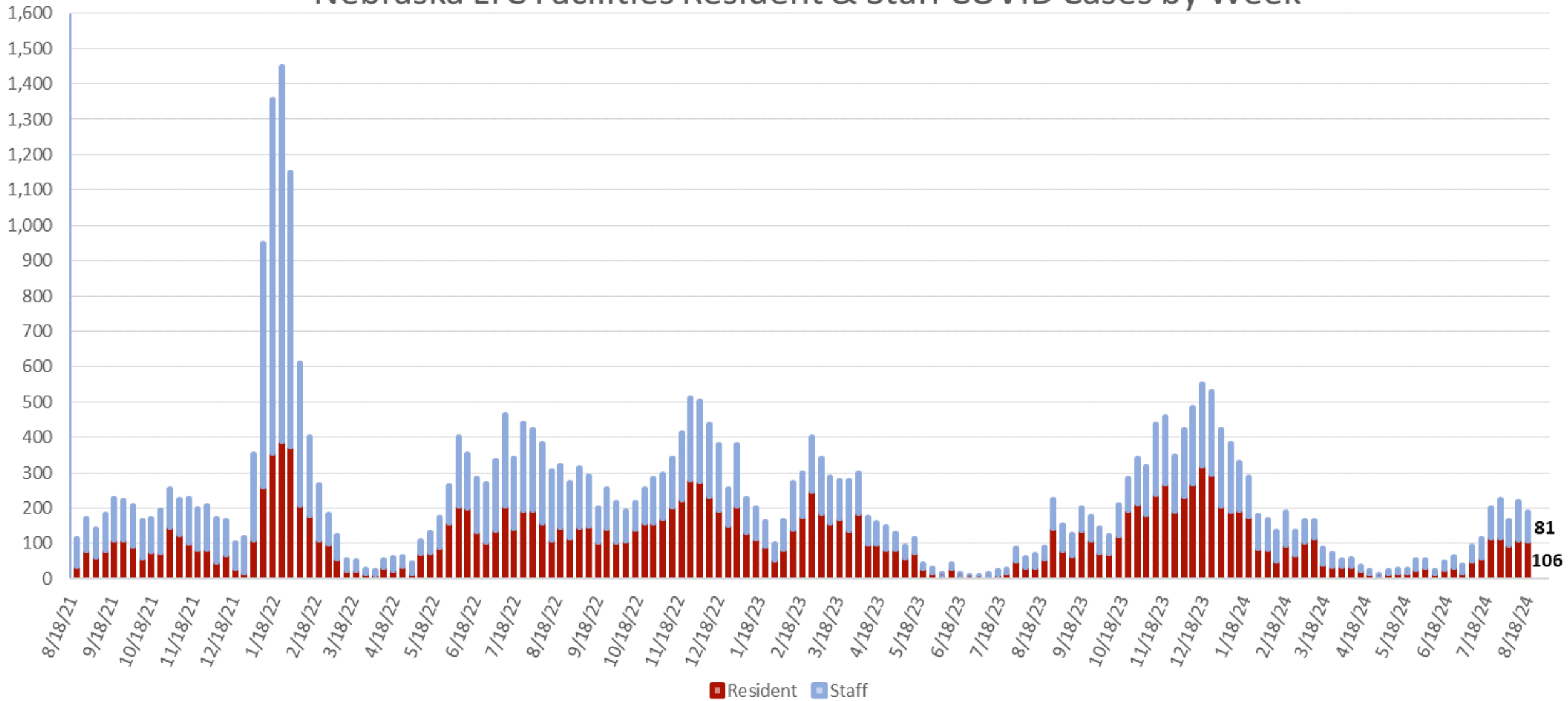


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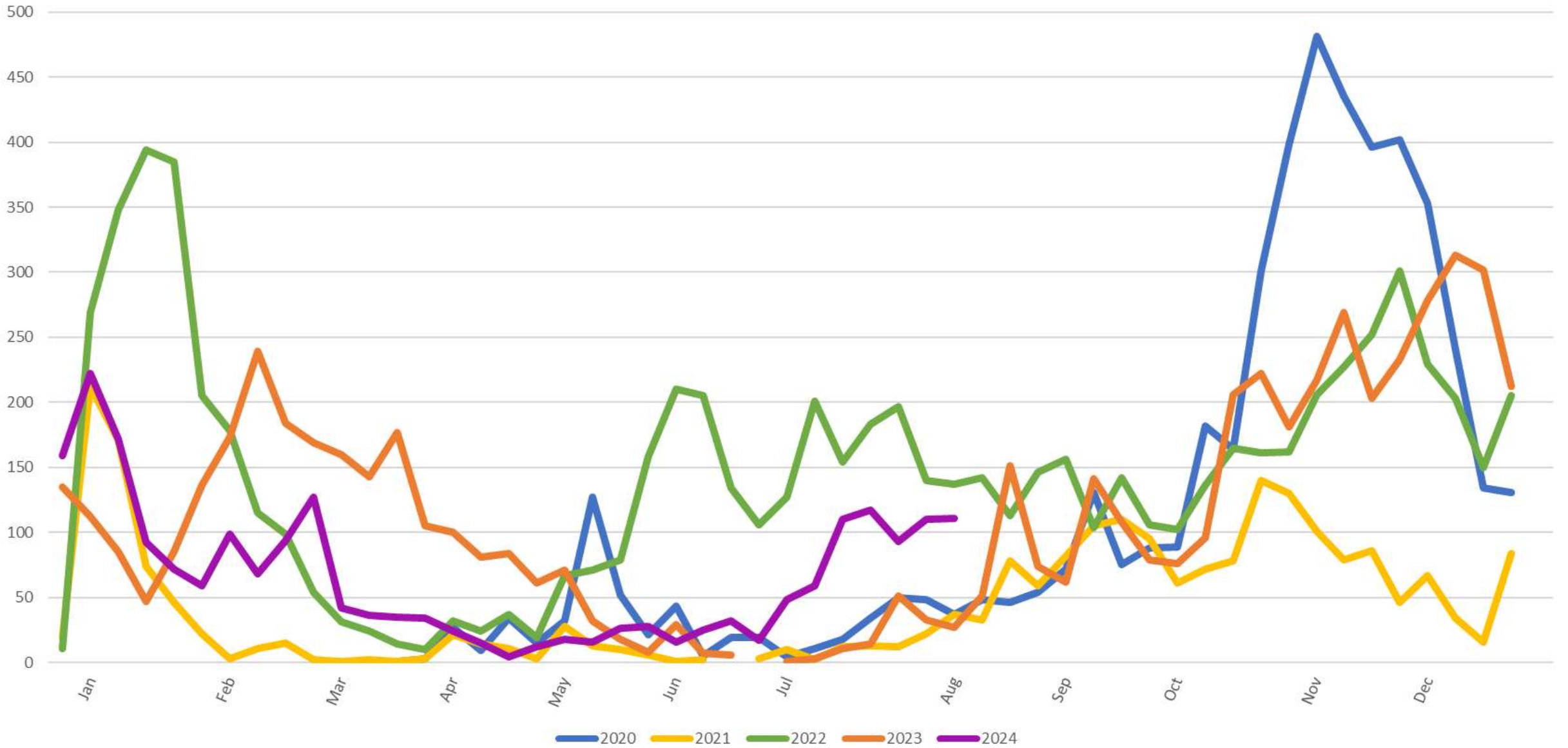


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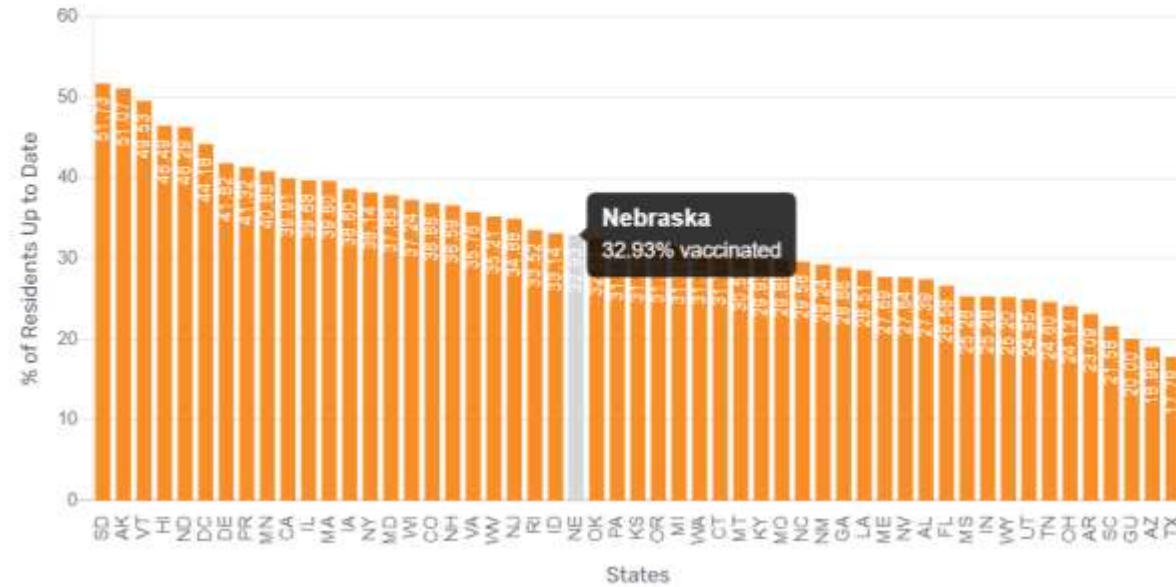




# CMS Nursing Home Data

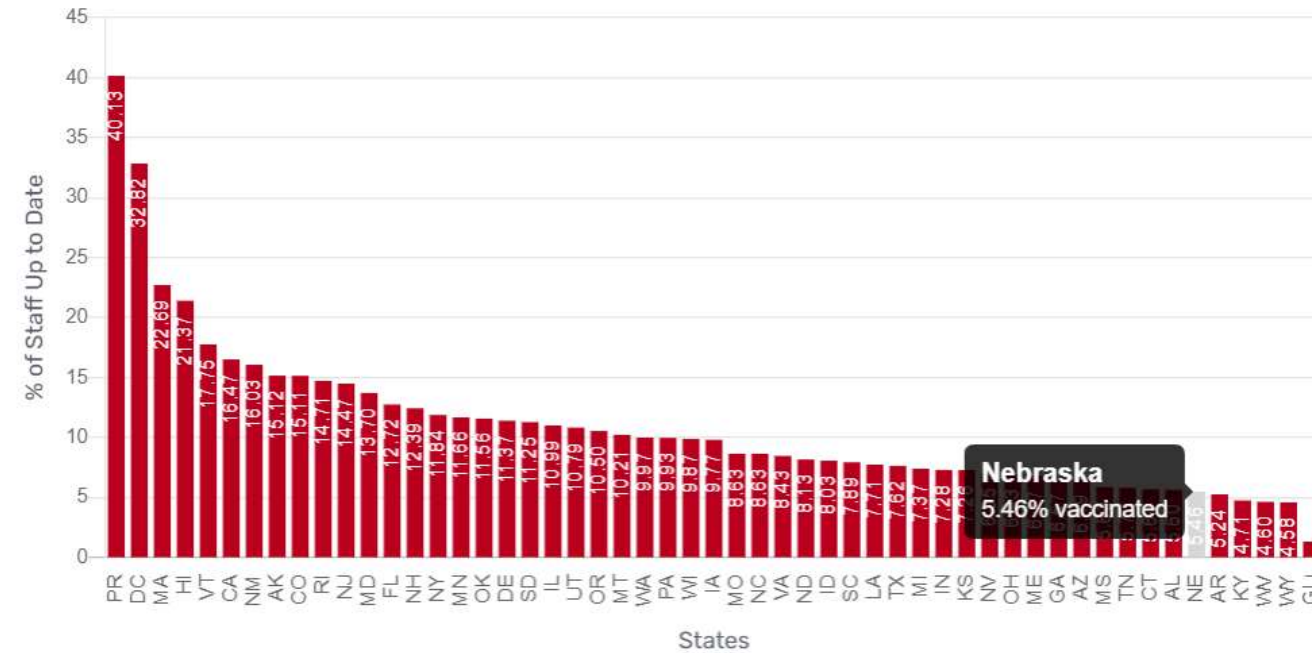
Percentage of Current Residents Up to Date with COVID-19 Vaccines per Facility

This shows the average percentage among facilities who have reported vaccination data in the current or prior week.



Percentage of Current Staff Up to Date with COVID-19 Vaccines per Facility

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