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I assumed before I started Part 2 on the USA there would be more and better data than Canada. Boy was I wrong as it is actually far worse. My searches came back dominant on Fact Check, mostly against some Facebook post that said deaths were lower in 2020. It was very difficult to find good raw data, it seemed search was pushed into the same direction. What is worrisome is that data is obviously heavily censored in the US, more so than Canada.

John Hopkins University is considered an authority on Covid-19 and when they published an article in November 2020 that Covid-19 was causing **no more deaths than normal**, they were <u>forced to remove the</u> article from their website newsletter.

<u>However. It is still archived here on their google drive</u> I could not copy and paste any of it so I took a screen shot of a few paragraphs. I encourage you to read it, this is John Hopkins University.

Surprisingly, the deaths of older people stayed the same before and after COVID-19. Since COVID-19 mainly affects the elderly, experts expected an increase in the percentage of deaths in older age groups. However, this increase is not seen from the CDC data. In fact, the percentages of deaths among all age groups remain relatively the same.

"The reason we have a higher number of reported COVID-19 deaths among older individuals than younger individuals is simply because every day in the U.S. older individuals die in higher numbers than younger individuals," Briand said.

Briand also noted that 50,000 to 70,000 deaths are seen both before and after COVID-19, indicating that this number of deaths was normal long before COVID-19 emerged. Therefore, according to Briand, not only has COVID-19 had no effect on the percentage of deaths of older people, but it has also not increased the total number of deaths.

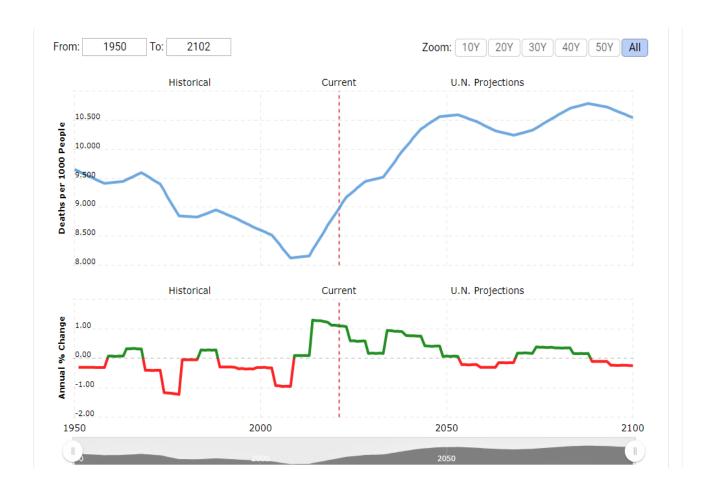
These data analyses suggest that in contrast to most people's assumptions, the number of deaths by COVID-19 is not alarming. In fact, it has relatively no effect on deaths in the United States.

More on the John Hopkins article further on.

This is something very good and honest I came across, my bold highlighting. We could not have made a more wonderful environment for this virus to take off than we have right now," said Michael Osterholm, director of the Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy at the University of Minnesota. "We are not driving this tiger, we're riding it. And the first time we may be able to drive it is with widespread use of the vaccine, and we're not there yet."

IMO the lockdowns and restrictions do very little to control the virus. Politicians would like you to believe that their actions bring down the counts, but in reality they are just reacting to them and have absolutely no influence. What you are really seeing is government reaction to what the virus does. Like I have said all along, there would be a big spike up in flu season. In many cases, governments with the most restrictions were hit the hardest, like the UK and California. The virus does what it does and government reacts. It is silly to think what government brings virus numbers down, they just take credit for it.

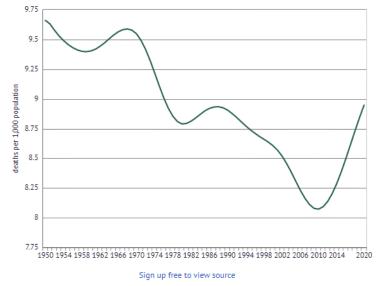
UN data and projections show the same as Canada, that death rates are increasing in the US because an aging population.



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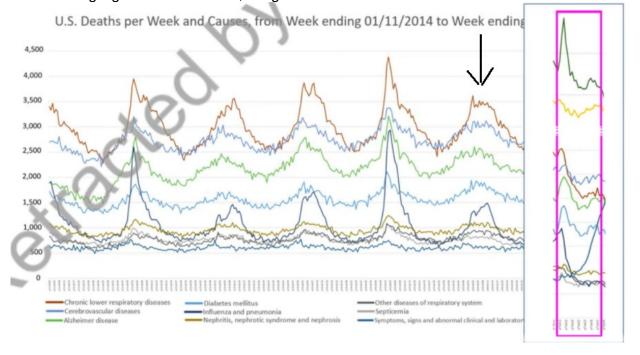
This is similar what I showed for Canada and confirms UN data that the death rate is increasing every year as the population ages. The death rate has been inching up about 1% to 1.5% every year since 2014. **Note that 2020 just shows the normal increase and in fact a bit lower than the previous 5 years.** Supports what John Hopkins University reported.

What is United States of America death rate?



DATE	VALUE	CHANGE, %
2020	8.9	1.19 %
2019	8.8	1.29 %
2018	8.7	1.35 %
2017	8.6	1.37 %
2016	8.5	1.31 %
2015	8.4	1.21 %
2014	8.3	1.02 %
2013	8.2	0.82 %
2012	8.1	0.54 %
2011	8.1	0.25 %
2010	8.1	-0.09 %
2009	8.1	

We can surmise with certainty that the number of the deaths in the US each year is rising. The Hopkins University was very interesting and concluded there was more deaths from Covid-19 in the elderly simply because most deaths each year are elderly. We get older and die, this is not rocket science, but Hopkin's conclusion, there was no more deaths than other years was very surprising. Genevieve Briand at Hopkins looked at 2020 during the seasonal period where Covid-19 deaths exceeded deaths from heart disease. This seemed unusual because heart disease has always been the leading cause of death. Historically there has always been a seasonal increase in deaths from all causes. When Briand compared 2020 to 2018 instead of the expected large increase in all causes. There was a significant decrease in deaths from heart disease and in fact a decrease in all categories. Details on this screen shot chart are difficult to see. I highlighted with an arrow, the general decline in deaths from other causes.



The John Hopkins University used CDC data.

This was confirming my believe that Covid-19 **related** deaths were exaggerated because the cause was actually from something else. I than tried to confirm this with other data sources. I came across monthly numbers from the Michigan state health department. I thought that perhaps at a state level, the numbers were not skewed or adjusted yet. I will not show the chart of data here but my calculations are below. First I calculated **average monthly numbers in 2019**, **pre Covid-19**. I than calculated **monthly numbers from March 2020 when Covid-19 started to November 2020**. They indicate that data may not be complete and accurate for 2 or 3 months until all reporting is in. So I ignored Dec. 2020 and Jan/Feb. 2021. A nine month sample should be a good comparison. Flu season is the seasonal influenza numbers.

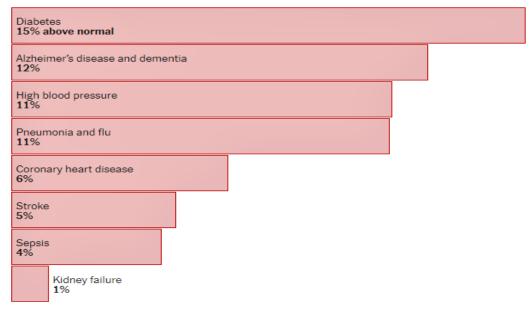
Flu Season	Covid	Septice m	Flu	Stroke	COPD	Heart	Cancer	Total	
146	0	95	137	425	501	2104	1718	8151	2019
99	922	102	147	562	443	2156	1708	9555	2020

The data was conflicting. Heart disease was up some instead of down. The biggest difference was the large increase in stroke related deaths. There was a decline with flu, but their flu numbers are also included with pneumonia. I also learned pneumonia causes about 14 times as many deaths as flu (influenza). So Michigan numbers seem to confirm the disappearance of influenza.

I than decided to look into heart disease related deaths and that is where I found the smoking gun. I now know where and how they are exaggerating the Covid-19 related deaths in the US.

There is big increase in the number of deaths with other diseases, probably because people can't get in for treatment or **most likely that they have been afraid to go in.** This is from a <u>December NY Times article</u> looking at March 14 to November 14 2020 data.. The Times has been providing enormous coverage on Covid-19. There numbers are conservative compared to other sources I found.

Deaths attributed to other causes above normal



Note: Data are from March 15 to Nov. 14. Not all causes are included. Deaths from external causes, such as suicides and drug overdoses, are not available because investigations are still underway in most cases.

This totally conflicts with the main stream data coming out of the CDC that reports declines in other causes of deaths (chart page 3 from Hopkins).

There is no doubt the Covid-19 deaths in the US are heavily exaggerated. Perhaps they are claiming these deaths from other diseases are Covid-19 related because people did not come for treatment because of Covid-19 fear? I could not sleep at night if I adjusted numbers this way.

Further proof was an article at heathline on a study with heart disease deaths during Covid-19. According to the study, New York City experienced the largest relative increase in deaths due to ischemic heart disease at 139 percent, and a 164 percent increase in hypertensive disease, during the pandemic. This is more than a double in the number of deaths and closer to triple with hypertensive disease. The study indicated 5.5 times increase in the number of out of hospital cardiac arrest deaths in New York. They also confirmed a large drop in hospitalization for heart problems. Obvious a lot of people took their chances at home, fearing to contract covid-19 at the hospital.

I found dozens of studies and articles confirming the huge increase in heart disease deaths during Covid-19. Here is a sample and quote from one of many

Experts predict the global burden of cardiovascular disease will grow exponentially over the next few years as the long-term effects of the current COVID-19 pandemic evolve.

"COVID-19 has taken a huge toll on human life worldwide and is on track to become one of the top three to five causes of death in 2020. But its influence will directly and indirectly impact rates of cardiovascular disease prevalence and deaths for years to come," said Salim S. Virani, M.D., Ph.D., FAHA, chair of the writing committee for the 2021 Statistical Update and an associate professor in cardiology and cardiovascular research sections at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas. "Research is showing that the unique coronavirus can cause damage to the heart. Importantly, we also know people have delayed getting care for heart attacks and strokes, which can result in poorer outcomes."

My bold highlight of the above quote

The other end of the smoking gun

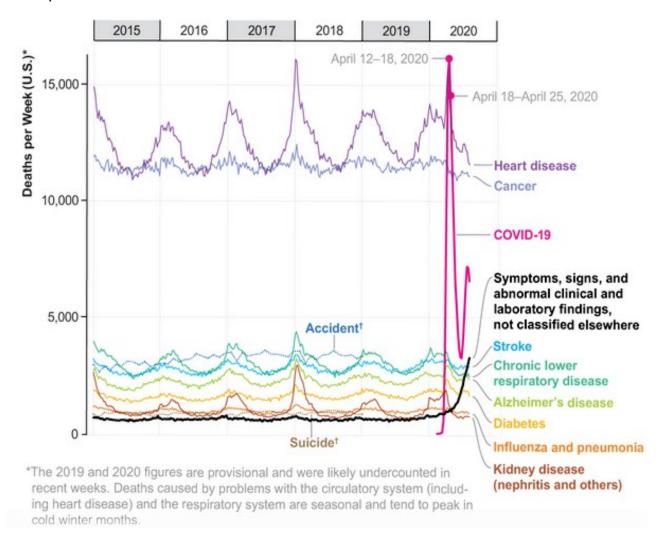
The chart on the next page is <u>from Scientific American article</u> where they use the main stream data from Centre of Disease Control (CDC). The data is to October 2020

The spike in Covid-19 is predominant on the chart, but look at Cancer and Heart Disease.

Cancer deaths at lowest level for the past 5 years. Can you really believe that?

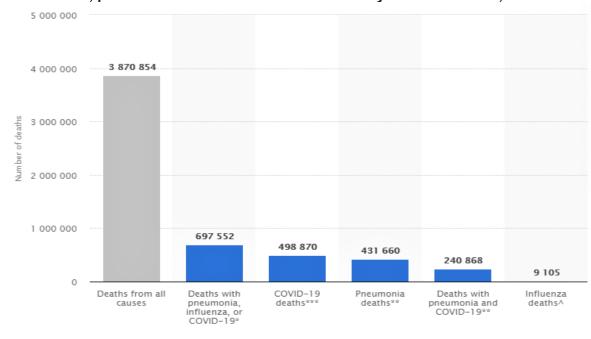
The evidence I presented from Michigan state Health Department and the countless articles that document a large increase in heart disease deaths don't show at all in the CDC data. In fact heart disease deaths show a steady decrease during the pandemic approaching their seasonal lows. You cannot find better evidence that the CDC data is being manipulated or adjusted or what ever you want to call it.

The black line that has a sharp rise is not conclusive yet, so perhaps they will eventually make an adjustment upwards for heart disease. However this does nothing about the misinformation being reported up to now.



Perhaps the CDC feels they have a legitimate reason to call heart disease Covid-19. If Covid-19 was not out there, these heart disease victims would have sought out medical attention and survived, so they are Covid-19 related deaths. However this is what is known as manipulating data for a required outcome.

The CDC now appears to be lumping Covid-19 numbers with influenza. They call this new number the PIC (pneumonia, influenza, or COVID-19) rate. If they just use this number in the future, it will make it more difficult to find out **the real** Covid-19 numbers. I commented that pneumonia, historically has 14 times the death rate of influenza. The chart next page is from statista that breaks it out from January 2020 to March 5, 2021



US Covid-19, pneumonia and influenza deaths January 2020 to March 5, 2021

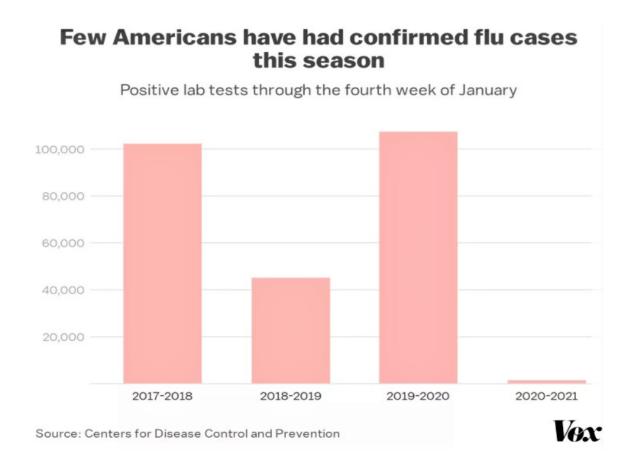
Note that pneumonia is not far off the death rate as Covid-19, especially if you consider that we now have better treatments for Covid-19 now compared to the first several months of Covid-19 in 2020. Hopefully the CDC does not just lump this all together in the future as the 'PIC number'.

Next, on to the influenza irregular data.

A NY Times article claims flu cases were higher. This <u>article on healthline in December</u> says they are lower. What is noteworthy is that a lot more flu vaccines went out for this season, as of late November 2020 it was 188 million compared to in the 160s million previous years.

As strange as it may be, the <u>regular flu has dissappeared in the US this year.</u> The Centre for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) says that as of January 30, there have been just 1,316 positive flu cases in its clinical surveillance network since September. Around this time last year, it had logged 129,997 positive flu cases in the same time frame.

It is the same thing I said about Canada. This is -99% decrease of influenza, a statistical impossibility. Again, perhaps a -50% or even -70% would be believable, not -99%. I have no doubt that many influenza cases were counted as Covid-19. Another big factor, people were afraid to go for treatment in clinics or hospitals because they might catch Covid-19. Unless they felt they were on their death bed, they did not seek treatment, compared to other years where many people with coverage would rush to hospitals for mild to medium flu symptoms.



A very important thing that has been missing or not talked about is a projected Covid-19 infection rate. Thus far main stream has been putting out the number of positive Covid-19 test results and than using the number of reported deaths to come up with a death rate. **This is very very flawed.**

Forget the fact that the number of Covid-19 deaths is exaggerated, you have to have a projected number of Covid-19 cases beyond test results. They have been providing that data for decades on influenza and I am happy to see the American Health Organization is providing projections on Covid-19.

I added up their daily projections of Covid-19 infection for December, the 31 days added up to 8,493,170 projected Covid-19 infections. Positive test results for the month were about 6 million. Personally I believe there are a higher number of unconfirmed cases, but lets use the America Health number. Next I added up the reported deaths for 31 days, but starting 20 days later from January 20 to February 19, 2021. The 20 day lag may not be perfect science but as good as any and in between 17 and 21 noted by American Health. The number of Covid-19 deaths reported was 85,634.

This is a death rate of 1.01%

Considering Covid-19 death numbers are exaggerated. It is probably around 1/2 %.

According to CDC data, the majority of deaths, 81% are 65 years age and over, so if you are under 65 the death rate is about 0.1%

In my opinion, why would people under 65 risk experimental vaccines if your survival rate if you get Covid-19 is 99.9%

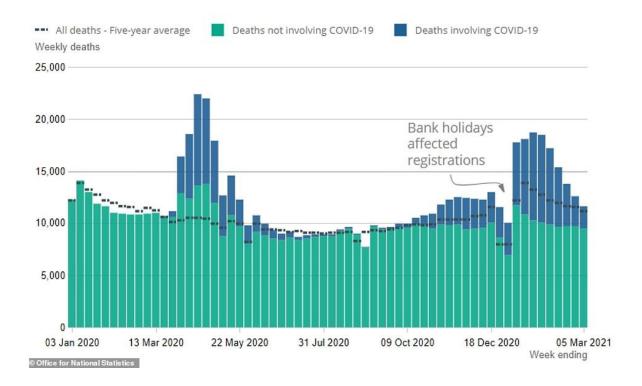
To put in another perspective and using CDC data. They show 507,227 deaths **involving** Covid-19. I highlight 'involving' because this would include those with underlying health issues that could cause their death without Covid-19. CDC reports deaths from all causes at 3,895,460. This means that deaths **involving** Covid-19 are only 13% of total deaths.

I have been following news in the UK for many years at a major publication called the dailymail.co.uk. The reason I do this, is because news from this source on the US and Canada is much less biased and censored. They don't care so much if their news is negative or does not fit the North American story line.

On Monday and Tuesday, significant news came out in the UK that confirms my theories above. Take note that the UK was one of the worse hit countries with Covid-19, on par with the US. Lots of wonderful charts in a study released Tuesday. This article highlights UK Covid-19 deaths are declining and now deaths from influenza and pneumonia are higher than Covid-19

Figure 3: Deaths not involving COVID-19 were below the five-year average in Week 9

Number of deaths registered by week, England and Wales, 28 December 2019 to 5 March 2021



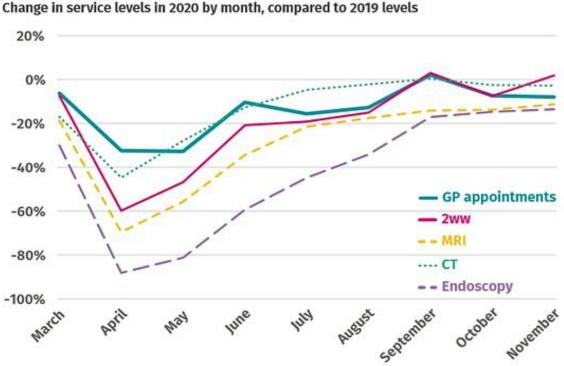
This report in the UK confirms my theory that deaths from other causes has soared and a bigger problem than Covid-19. It also proves governments should have poured money into health care and not so much in hand out checks. Of course the checks get them more votes but at the expensive of our lives.

Horrifying impact of pandemic on the NHS laid bare: Major report warns damage done to non-Covid care threatens a 'decade of disruption.

The Institute for Public Policy Research (IPPR) found there have been 31 million fewer GP appointments than usual since the pandemic began, with people with long-term conditions hit hardest.

An additional 4,500 avoidable cancer deaths are expected this year alone because of disruptions to screening, diagnostic tests and treatments.

And extra 12,000 avoidable heart attacks and strokes are likely over the next five years, the State of Health and Care report adds.



There was 5,600 excess cardiovascular deaths last year, the majority of which were 'attributable to

healthcare disruption caused by the pandemic'. The proportion of cancers diagnosed while still highly curable has dropped from 44 per to cent 41 per cent, undoing eight years of progress on colorectal cancer survival

rates, six years for breast cancer and two years for lung cancer.

Checks on patients with severe mental illnesses have fallen below a third of their target levels and 235,000

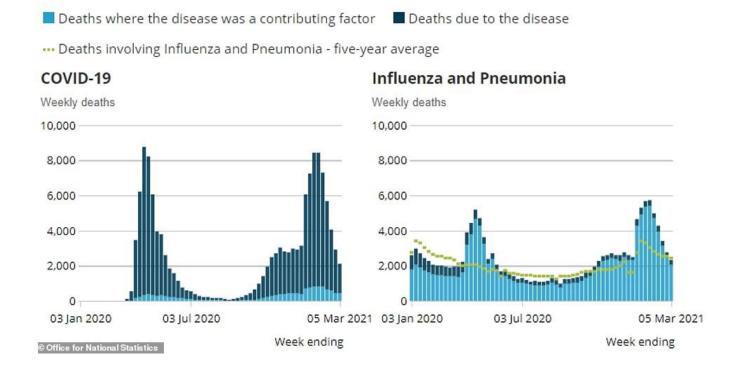
fewer people have been referred for psychological therapies.

Summary

I am starting off with this chart on Covid, influenza and pneumonia data from the UK. Influenza did not disappear as it is claimed in North America. The UK produces more accurate data on which they break down which disease was the cause of death or whether it was just a contributor. You can see that influenza and pneumonia had their normal seasonal surge. The data is probably available in North America but is not made available to the main stream, because they are just lumping everything together as Covid-19 related or involving Covid-19

Figure 2: The number of deaths involving COVID-19 decreased in Week 9

Deaths involving and due to COVID-19, and Influenza and Pneumonia, England and Wales, deaths registered in 2020 and 2021

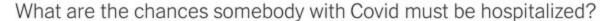


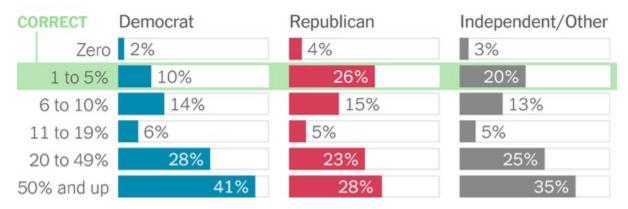
There is absolute proof that Covid-19 fear has caused a big surge in deaths from cancer, heart and drug over dose to name the three I dug up evidence on. Even the CDC admits drug over does deaths hit records in the US. The problem was much worse in Canada. Categorizing a lot of these as Covid-19 related or involving Covid-19 has exaggerated Covid-19 numbers by somewhere between 2 and 3 times.

The main stream media should take blame too. They pound the table all day long on these numbers with daily updates and never do any investigative reporting. The numbers are never put in proper context, in fact seldom are the words 'related' or 'involving' used. They report as Covid-19 deaths when as stats they are labelled as related or involving. Governments are doing the same thing, talking up Covid-19 and the numbers pretty much on a daily basis.

There are all kinds of problems with the PCR test used for Covid-19. That alone is giving many false positives that not only add to the positive test numbers, it adds to Covid-19 related deaths if somebody dies from some other cause but tested falsely positive.

This graph was published in the NY Times on Thursday and of course they spun the story as Republicans take more risk in regards to Covid-19. **There are just two facts this survey data proves.** First, more than twice as many Republicans than Democrats got the right answer. Second, in general no matter what the political bias, people are badly informed of the facts and explains why they may be so fearful of Covid-19, avoiding treatments they really need.





Lock downs and masks don't work, they are just reactions of politicians. And here is the latest data to prove it. Despite far fewer rules and restrictions, Florida lands nearly in the middle of all states on a variety of coronavirus metrics. The state has had about 3% more Covid-19 cases per capita than the US overall, but about 8% fewer deaths per capita. It is probably accurate that masks perhaps reduce the number of infections by around 3% to 5%.

<u>Florida governor DeSantis says</u>. **It's booming here because you can live like a human being.**" There is more in the article about how poorly California and New York have done with the toughest restrictions. I say again, their restrictions are the greatest because it is how politicians reacted.

Here is a great article by Dr. Scott Atlas at Stanford University. He was Special Advisor to Trump's Coronavirus Task Force. Back then, much of what he said was twisted and censored by media so it was difficult to know what he really believed. **Atlas did not take the job because he liked Trump, he was trying to help the country**. It's a long article and you should read, here are a few excerpts.

Professor Makary of Johns Hopkins School of Public Health just did the same, acknowledging in the Wall Street Journal on February 18, 2021 that "herd immunity is the inevitable result of viral spread and vaccination." Makary went on to celebrate what he called "the good news" – that "the consistent and rapid decline in daily cases since Jan. 8 can be explained only by natural immunity. Behaviour didn't suddenly improve over the holidays; Americans travelled more over Christmas than they had since March. Vaccines also don't explain the steep decline in January. Vaccination rates were low and they take weeks to kick in."

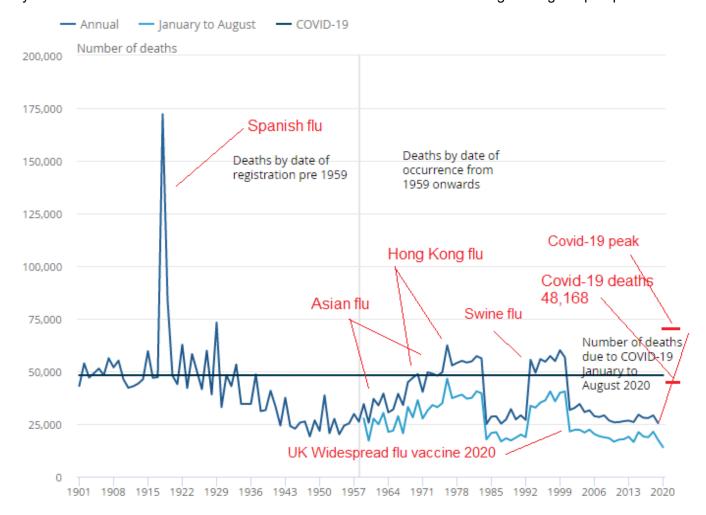
That intimidation has been effective – I know, I have received hundreds of emails from scientists and policy scholars all over the country, all over the world, telling me to never give up, but they are afraid to come

forward. And yes, even a number of infectious disease experts right here at Stanford are afraid to step forward publicly and say the truth.

Throughout this pandemic until December, the WHO's "Advice on the use of masks in the context of COVID-19" stated: "At present, there is no direct evidence (from studies on COVID19 and in healthy people in the community) on the effectiveness of universal masking of healthy people in the community to prevent infection with respiratory viruses, including COVID-19."

Scientific debate, the backbone of University studies is at risk, as Dr Scott Atlas puts it. At a minimum, university mottos, if such things matter – like Harvard's "truth," Stanford's "the winds of freedom blow," and Yale's "light and truth" – need to be explained to all faculty members at these universities.

I am going to wrap up with this <u>very good chart from the UK on Influenza and Covid-19</u>. My updates to the chart are in <u>red</u> to clarify events. Take note on the Covid-19 blue line, it is just one year 2020 (9 months), but they showed it from 1957 to show the 9 months increment movements. This gives a good perspective.



Influenza saw four major out breaks called different names. The big killer was the Spanish flu and is even worse than shown because the UK population then was about 42 million compared to 66 million today. Medicine was not nearly as far advanced back then either. The flu spikes called Asian and Hong Kong were worse then the current Covid-19. The 1990s surge was also worse than Covid-19 known as Swine flu. That said the final numbers for 2020 Covid-19 will come a bit higher than past flu increases as the 2nd wave hit the UK in November and peaked around January 18, 2021 (I show as Covid-19 peak, total 2020). I believe the UK data is more accurate than North America but there is some exaggeration.

Deaths will probably be highest in 2020 and although it did not really start until March 2020, our medical systems were not very good at treatment until many months after, that probably cut the death rate to less than half. The worst factor with Covid-19 was it's wide spread, affecting many more countries than past Influenza outbreaks like Swine and Hong Kong. Later in the article they show deaths by age group. For all ages it is 125.1 per 100,000. that is 0.125%, 8 times lower than US published numbers (1.01%) and way below the 1/2% I estimated. US data is exaggerated more than I estimated when comparing to UK. Can there really be 8 times more deaths in the US, compared to the UK?

No, there is no way to explain that much difference except to conclude that US Covid-19 deaths are heavily exaggerated. In Part 1, I highlighted all the government and big business that would benefit from exaggeration. In the US, there is one additional possibility.

2020 was an election year and there is a theory that Covid-19 numbers were pushed way up to make Trump look bad. Many Trump supporters believe this and is a good a theory as any. I hope it is true, because that will mean that there will be a huge decrease with the numbers under the Biden Administration. **Whatever you choose to believe, I have no doubt actual Covid-19 deaths are a fraction to what is reported in Canada and the US.** Is it 1/2, 1/4 or even 1/8th, take your pick.

A subscriber just sent me this on Saturday, hot off the press and this doctor has a lot of the same conclusions that I do.

Part 3, I am going to look at the road to recovery whether a fake recover from a fake pandemic, vaccines, herd immunity and the unprecedented law suits in the wings.

<u>Lawyers around the world are banding together</u> to argue what they say is the biggest fraud and encroachment on civil rights of all time. There has already been many court cases won against government actions. OK, I save this for part 3.

Please feel free to pass this around, there is no copyright. People need to learn the truth.