

# **COVID Vaccine Injury Reports Grow in Number, but Trends Remain Consistent**

Data released today by the CDC confirm several ongoing trends, including that 47% of deaths occurred in people who reported becoming sick within 48 hours of receiving a COVID vaccine, and 20% of deaths were cardiac-related.

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According to data released today by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the number of injuries and deaths reported to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) following COVID vaccines continues to climb.

Between Dec. 14, 2020, and Feb. 26, a total of 25,212 total adverse events were reported to VAERS, including 1,265 deaths and 4,424 serious injuries.

## From the 2/26/2021 release of VAERS data:

## Found 25,212 cases where Vaccine is COVID19

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entries in this table. This is the reason why the Total Count is greater than 25212 (the number of cases

found), and the Total Percentage is greater than 100.

# In the U.S., <u>70.45 million</u> COVID vaccine doses had been administered as of Feb. 26.

<u>VAERS</u> is the primary mechanism for reporting adverse vaccine reactions in the U.S. Reports submitted to VAERS require further investigation before confirmation can be made that the reported adverse event was caused by the vaccine.

According to the latest data, <u>1,136 of 1,265 reported deaths</u> were in the U.S. Of the total, 31% of the deaths occurred within 48 hours of vaccination, and 47% of deaths occurred in people who became ill within 48 hours of being vaccinated. Twenty percent of deaths were related to cardiac disorder.

Fifty-three percent of those who died were male, 45% were female and the remaining death reports did not include gender of the deceased. The <u>average age</u> of those who died was 77.8 and the youngest death confirmed was a 23-year-old.

As of Feb. 26, <u>180 pregnant women</u> had reported adverse reactions to COVID vaccines, including 56 reports of <u>miscarriage or premature birth</u>. None of the COVID vaccines approved for <u>Emergency Use Authorization</u> (EUA) have been tested for safety or efficacy in pregnant women. Yet health officials are urging pregnant women to get the vaccine, and many are enthusiastically doing so. As The Defender reported:

"Even without data from <u>Pfizer</u> or <u>Moderna</u> sufficient to inform vaccineassociated risks in pregnancy, <u>expectant</u> doctors, nurses and others appear eager for the shots, perhaps influenced by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, <u>which states</u> that 'neither a conversation with a clinician nor even a pregnancy test are necessary prerequisites."

The World Health Organization on Jan. 27 issued <u>guidance advising against</u> pregnant women getting Moderna's COVID vaccine — only to <u>reverse that guidance</u> two days later, as <u>The New York Times reported</u>. Pfizer <u>announced</u> last month that it was beginning COVID vaccine trials for pregnant women, but they don't expect the trials to wrap up until January 2023.

This week's VAERS data also included <u>1,414 reports of anaphylaxis</u>, with 60% of cases attributed to the <u>Pfizer-Bio-N-Tech</u> vaccine and 40% to Moderna, and 298 <u>reports</u> of Bell's Palsy.

As of Feb. 26, only the <u>Pfizer</u> and <u>Moderna</u> vaccines had been approved for emergency use in the U.S., but the U.S. Food and Drug Administration this week gave <u>Johnson & Johnson's</u> COVID vaccine approval for emergency use. The one-shot vaccine <u>started rolling out</u> this week.

On Mar. 3, The New York Times <u>reported</u> that some people are experiencing an "<u>angrylooking skin condition</u>" after their first dose of the COVID vaccine — with arms turning red, sore, itchy and swollen a week or more after the shot. Doctors <u>said</u> they wanted to share the information to "help prevent the needless use of antibiotics and to ease patients' worries and reassure them that they can safely get their second vaccine shot."

**Dr. Hooman Noorchashm**, an <u>accomplished surgeon</u> and patient safety advocate, wrote a second letter to the FDA urging the agency to require pre-screening for SARS-CoV-2 viral proteins in order to reduce <u>COVID vaccine</u> injuries and deaths. Noorchasm argued that at

least a fraction of the millions of already infected Americans — especially the elderly, frail and those with serious cardiovascular comorbidities — are at risk of being harmed by a dangerous exaggerated immune response triggered by the COVID vaccine, reported The Defender on March 3.

On March 1, <u>The Defender</u> also reported that 25% of residents in a German nursing home died after receiving the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine. Reiner Fuellmich and Viviane Fischer, attorneys and founding members of the German Corona Investigative Committee, interviewed a caregiver in a Berlin nursing home who described what happened during and after the rollout of Pfizer's COVID vaccine. <u>According to the FDA</u>, as part of a vaccine's EUA, it is mandatory that pharmaceutical companies and vaccination providers report "all serious adverse events, cases of Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome and cases of COVID-19 that result in hospitalization or death to VAERS."

In the UK, where only the Pfizer and AstraZeneca vaccines are being distributed, injuries related to both vaccines are coming into the government reporting system there.

As <u>The Defender reported</u> this week, between Dec. 9, 2020 (when the first <u>COVID</u> vaccine was administered in the UK) and Feb. 14, 2021, 402 deaths following COVID vaccines were reported to <u>YellowCard</u>, the UK government's system for reporting side effects to COVID-related medicines, vaccines, devices, and defective or falsified products. More reportes were associated with the <u>AstraZeneca</u> vaccine, not yet approved in the U.S., than with the Pfizer product. In a letter written to but not published by <u>The BMJ</u>, John Stone wrote:

"It is also remarkable how unfavorably the Oxford-AstraZeneca data compare with the Pfizer data. MHRA data show 26,823 reports related to Pfizer vaccines, including 77,207 reactions, and 31,427 reports related to Oxford-AstraZeneca, including 114,625 reactions.

"Thus the Pfizer reports run at  $\sim$ 3.2 per 1,000 while the Oxford-AstraZeneca reports run at  $\sim$ 4.6 per 1,000: which translates to 43% more reports associated with the Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine compared with Pfizer.

"However, the Pfizer reports have an average of 2.9 reactions per report compared with 3.6 for the Oxford-AstraZeneca (again Oxford 24% higher) — so the rate of reactions reported is actually 77% higher overall for the Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine."

According to "Electronic Support for Public Health-Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System," a research project focused on improving the quality of physician adverse vaccine event detection and reporting to the national Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS), fewer than 1% of vaccine adverse events are ever reported.

"Low reporting rates preclude or slow the identification of "problem" drugs and vaccines that endanger public health," <u>according</u> to researchers.

On March 3, KUTV <u>reported</u> that there was a lack of information on how and where to report vaccine side effects. "Nationally, there have been very few reports on possible side effects and where to report them. Here in Utah, guiding people to the right resources post vaccine has not been a priority," The news outlet said.

Children's Health Defense asks anyone who has experienced an adverse reaction, to any

vaccine, to file a report following these three steps.

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