

The Failure of “Vaccine Passports”

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With vaccine effectiveness down to just 60%, the case for “vaccine passports” implodes.

SPR and some other independent expert groups [warned very early on](#) that “vaccine passports” – promoted by [Bill Gates and his ID2020 alliance](#) – are doomed to fail (from a medical perspective), simply because covid vaccines cannot achieve sterilizing immunity (i.e. prevent infection and infectiousness), especially not against [new coronavirus variants](#).

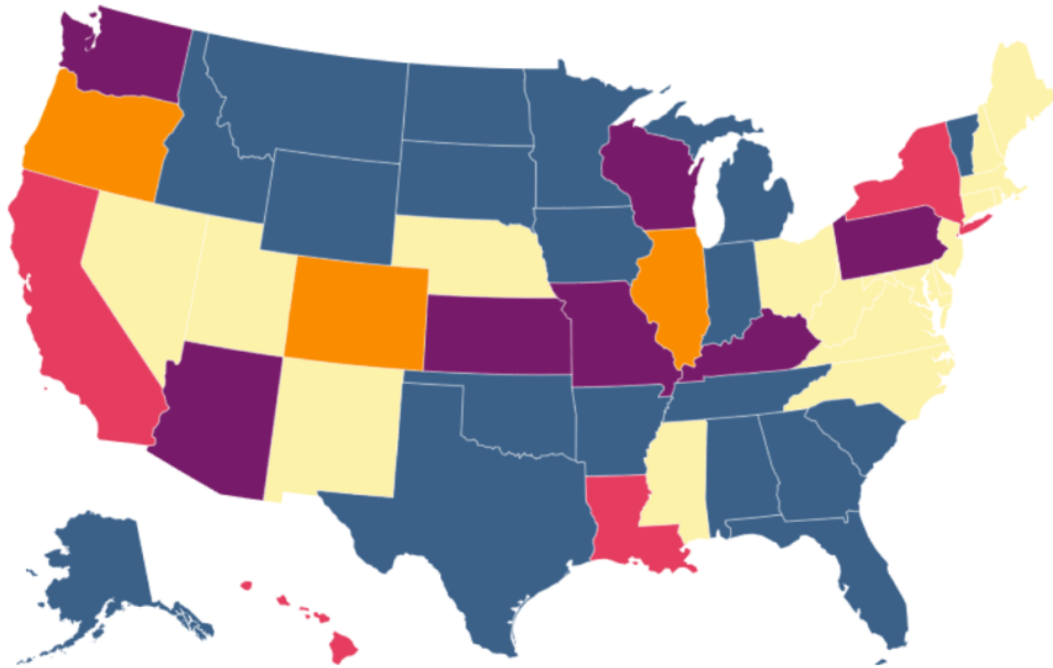
New data from Israel now confirms that the effectiveness of mRNA vaccines against infection and even against mild symptoms caused by the Indian variant has already [dropped to just 64%](#), while effectiveness against severe disease remains above 90%. The effectiveness of DNA adenovector vaccines like AstraZeneca is likely already below 60% (against infections).

In a particularly remarkable case, a vaccinated Israeli caught the Indian variant in London, infected another vaccinated person in Israel, who infected another vaccinated person, who infected [about 80 students](#) at a high school party. In all likelihood, most of these transmissions occurred [pre-symptomatically](#), i.e. without people knowing they were infected and infectious.

Vaccine passports in the US

How rollout—or bans—of vaccine credentials are happening, state by state

■ active ■ under consideration ■ no position ■ ban proposed ■ banned



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The status of “vaccine passports” in the US ([Technology Review](#))

As the above map shows, many US states have already banned “vaccine passports”, though people may still require them for international travel. In the UK, the situation remains somewhat uncertain, whereas the EU and several Asian countries remain [determined](#) to implement their “vaccine passport” schemes. Israel phased out its “green pass” in June, but there are talks of [“reactivating”](#) it.

After face masks, lockdowns and “contact tracing apps” (inserted into [three billion](#) mobile phones by Google and Apple), “vaccine passports” are yet another major “failure” in the international response to the coronavirus pandemic. Instead, the goal should be to achieve vaccine protection against severe disease in the high-risk group, avoid [vaccine casualties](#) in the low-risk group, and make progress in the research and use of effective and affordable [early treatment options](#).

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