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## CDC: Life Expectancy Dropped in 2021

The life expectancy of Americans fell by almost a year in 2021, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The COVID pandemic, “unintentional injuries” (drug overdoses and suicides), heart disease, and chronic liver disease are noted as the main negative contributing factors, the agency observed in its [provisional analysis](#) posted on Wednesday.

Robert Anderson, chief of mortality statistics at the CDC’s National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), which issued the report, [signaled](#) that there were “other causes of death as well,” which were “probably related to the pandemic, but not directly to the virus.”

From the report:

The decline of 0.9 year in life expectancy between 2020 and 2021 was primarily due to increases in mortality due to COVID-19 (50.0% of the negative contribution), unintentional injuries (15.9%), heart disease (4.1%), chronic liver disease and cirrhosis (3.0%), and suicide (2.1%)

Life expectancy has dropped for Americans of all races, albeit at a different rate. Among whites, the decline in 2021 was one year — from 77.4 in 2020 to 76.4. Among blacks, the drop was 0.7 years, from 71.5 to 70.8. Hispanics experienced a smaller decline, from 77.9 to 77.7 years. Among Asians, life expectancy also dropped by much less than a year, from 83.6 to 83.5 years.

Covid is said to be “the leading cause” negatively affecting life expectancy in general and for three of the five race groups analyzed. “Mortality due to COVID-19 contributed 54.1%, 35.0%, and 21.4% to the decline in life expectancy for the non-Hispanic White, non-Hispanic Black, and non-Hispanic AIAN populations, respectively,” detailed the CDC researchers.

### Botched Stats

It is hard to objectively verify deaths attributed to Covid alone when so many “Covid” deaths occurred in people with multiple co-morbidities.

Even Covid-“positive” people who died in [car crashes](#) or [were shot](#) were counted as “Covid deaths.”

There are other factors that cast reasonable doubt on the reports’ conclusions. One is the infamous unreliability of PCR tests (see [here](#) and [here](#)) that, being set to be unreasonably sensitive by the CDC and FDA, often produced false-positive results.

The other factor that contributed to the overcounting of Covid deaths was the CDC’s financially



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incentivizing hospitals to count Covid deaths of people “with Covid” as “Covid death.” That much was [admitted](#) by former CDC Director Robert Redfield back in August of 2020.

Redfield [acknowledged](#) during a U.S. House hearing that the Covid mortality rate could be inflated because hospitals receive a monetary gain by classifying deaths as being Covid-related when the virus didn’t cause the death. Earlier in July 2020, Brett Grier of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) stated that he believes financial incentives may have resulted in higher Covid death rates.

The CDC explicitly gave the hospitals wide discretion in classifying the deaths. Its [guidance](#) read, “In cases where a definite diagnosis of COVID-19 cannot be made, but it is suspected or likely (e.g., the circumstances are compelling within a reasonable degree of certainty), it is acceptable to report COVID-19 on a death certificate as ‘probable’ or ‘presumed.’”

Medicare — the federal health insurance program for Americans 65 and older — was legally designated to pay hospitals \$13,000 per patient for each Covid case, and \$35,000 for each patient put on ventilators, per the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

Such guidance, paired with generous incentives, led to purely bizarre death reports. For example, gunshot victims were counted as Covid deaths (see [here](#) and [here](#)), and so were car crash victims (see [here](#)).

Redfield’s successor, Dr. Rochelle Walensky, added to the confusion surrounding Covid statistics by suggesting in January 2022 that the numbers are incorrect. “In some hospitals that we’ve talked to, up to 40 percent of the patients who are coming in with COVID-19 are coming in not because they’re sick with COVID, but because they’re coming in with something else,” she [revealed](#).

Shortly after, Walensky [acknowledged](#) that more than 75 percent of Covid deaths occurred in people suffering with “at least” four pathological conditions, or co-morbidities.

In such a situation, the real Covid death toll is likely much lower than that assessed by the federal government.

### **“Unintentional Injuries”**

As for the rise in “unintentional injuries” such as drug overdoses, the CDC seemingly [connected](#) them with the pandemic response (most of all, lockdowns) back in December 2020, when thousands of people lost their jobs and savings, and children were out of schools. That was arguably man-caused, not virus-caused.

The other part of the excess likely occurred due to uncured illnesses. *The New American* [reported](#) back in April of 2021 that health experts were raising an alarm about the excess deaths that were happening because people were too afraid to go to the emergency room, even for serious health issues unrelated to Covid. Cardiovascular disease and cancers that were not identified and treated in a timely manner increased the preventable mortality. The same goes for diabetes. [Suicides](#) and [domestic violence](#) were also on the rise.

### **Excess Mortality and Covid Shots**

The rise in excess mortality noted in the CDC report has contributed to the shorter life expectancies noted above. Indeed, 2021 was the year when experimental Covid shots were rolled out and then mandated for many Americans by the Biden administration and major corporations.



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Notably, all-cause mortality for working-age Americans increased by 64 percent in the second half of 2021, resulting in the loss of 61,000 lives. The spike in deaths coincided with the government mandates and with federal authorization of boosters. The data was corroborated by Indiana-based insurance company OneAmerica, which reported that death rates among people aged 18-64 were up 40 percent from pre-pandemic levels in the third quarter of 2021.

Finally, how well did the vaccines work in preventing Covid deaths?

According to the CDC, in 2021, the country lost [500,000](#) more people than “expected,” with nearly half “due to Covid.” By the end of 2021, 62 percent of Americans were “fully vaccinated,” and 21 percent were boosted. As noted in a pre-print [German study](#) posted last week, “One would expect that a vaccination reduces excess mortality and possible negative side-effects are overcompensated by the positive effect of the immunisation. Obviously the contrary happened.”

But if the “contrary” outcomes are happening and shots are causing excess mortality and thus reducing life expectancy, why are they still being strongly recommended by the CDC to be taken by everyone, including six-month-old infants?

While the CDC stubbornly insists that Covid shots are “safe,” numerous world-class scientists and practicing physicians have [been raising the alarm](#) over the deadly side effects of the shots.



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