

# Half of Those Diagnosed with COVID-19 Have Been Vaccinated



UK: Vaccinated people who have taken at least one dose of the Pfizer or AstraZeneca vaccine make up 47% of new COVID-19 cases, according to a symptom-tracking app. Israel reports that half of the most serious new COVID cases are among people fully vaccinated, with the majority having received the Pfizer vaccine. Authorities admit that the vaccine does not prevent contagion but does slightly reduce symptoms. Professor Gabi Barbash, former Director-General of the Health Ministry, challenged that narrative and said “No one really knows how effective the vaccine is, not even for preventing serious illness.” An investigation showed that, out of a population of 9-million people, only 27 who were hospitalized and diagnosed with COVID-19 were seriously ill. –GEG

Excerpt:

Vaccinated people make up half of all new Covid cases. This fact is known thanks to scientists from King’s College in London. According to the Daily Mail:

*Vaccinated Britons now make up almost half of Covid cases in the country, a symptom-tracking study suggested today – but there are signs the third wave may have already peaked.*

*King’s College London scientists estimated 33,118 people were catching the virus daily in the week ending July 10, compared to 33,723 in the previous seven-day spell.*

*But 47 per cent of cases are among those who have received at*

least one dose of the Covid vaccine, surging upwards from around a quarter at the start of June.

This does not mean the jabs do not work. Scientists have always been honest that they are not perfect and millions will still be vulnerable to infection even after getting both doses.

Infections are rising fastest among young Britons – many of whom have only received one dose. But the ZOE app counts these people as ‘vaccinated’ even though they are not yet fully protected by two doses. A second dose of all vaccines has been shown to be much more effective than a first dose against the Indian ‘Delta’ variant.

Professor Tim Spector, who leads the study run with health-technology firm ZOE, said the shift in trend was likely because the virus was ‘running out’ of non-jabbed Britons to infect, with nearly 90 per cent of adults having now received at least one dose.

Studies show a single dose is less effective at preventing infection, although it still drastically slashes the risk of hospitalisation and death. Jabs are also slightly weaker against the Indian variant, which triggered the third wave.

It comes after a study last night suggested elderly Brits given AstraZeneca’s vaccine are less likely to have Covid antibodies than those who had Pfizer’s. Rigorous trials also showed the British-made jab was slightly weaker.

Coronavirus cases were rising rapidly throughout June, with the easing of restrictions blamed for sparking a third wave – although some scientists believe Euro 2020 led to a surge in infections.

Infections in Scotland have halved in the past fortnight, according to estimates by the King’s app. The fall, which coincided with the national team being knocked out of the

major football tournament early, has fuelled hope that England's outbreak will eventually fall, too.

Professor Spector said they were seeing infections 'plateau' across the country but the rate of decline was slower than during the second wave. Earlier this week, he predicted they may have already peaked.

Despite the claims that cases have hit peaked, official figures show the UK is on the brink of breaching the 50,000 case mark, meaning infections are closing in on levels seen during the darkest days of the second wave.

Some 48,533 positive tests were registered today, up by 49.2 per cent on last week and the highest figure since January 14 (48,682). Deaths have risen by 80 per cent in a week, with today's count (63) the most since 70 were posted on March 26.

However, scientists have raised concerns the Covid symptom study – which relies on daily reports from more than a million Britons – is no longer a 'reliable enough guide'.

No other survey has yet to point to a downturn in cases for Britain as a whole, although official Department of Health statistics do back up the claims that Scotland's outbreak is shrinking.

Britain yesterday recorded more than 42,000 cases for the first time since mid-January, when the second wave was beginning to die down. Ministers fear this could hit the 100,000 figure before August.

It came as Test and Trace figures published today found cases had surged by 43 per cent in the week to July 7, with 194,000 new infections recorded over the seven-day period.

Scientists in Israel are saying the same thing as scientists in the U.K. Specifically, Israeli scientist Professor Barbash notes that HALF of the most serious COVID cases are among

people FULLY vaccinated.

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