

Foolish Policy

370,029 Americans were reported to have died from February 29th through December 31st of 2020 from COVID-19. Of those deaths, the elderly (75 years and older) bore the bulk of the deaths at approximately 192,415 or 52% of the total. Those elderly Americans represented those that were at greatest risk from the disease.

Now, if you look at the total number of COVID-19 cases in 2020 (20,869,521 cases) and subtract the total number of deaths in 2020 (370,029 deaths) that gives you the number of Americans who survived the disease and, as a result, gained natural immunity. That number is 20,499,029 or 6.2% of the population.

Let's now move forward to October 31 of 2021. We have experienced an additional 402,057 deaths from COVID-19. So, if you compare the number of deaths in ten months of 2020 to the first ten months of 2021 we have had 35,807 more deaths this year than in 2020.

Think about that for a minute in the following context:

- 1. We have had three vaccines against COVID-19 that have been deployed starting in late December of 2020. Roughly 70% of the U.S. population has received at least one dose of vaccine while 60% have received two doses.
- 2. 192,415 of the most vulnerable people (those over 75 years old) had been removed from the population by the consequence of their death in 2020.
- 3. We entered 2021 with 6.2% of the U.S. population having natural immunity to COVID-19, a form of immunity that by multiple studies has been shown to be extremely durable and effective against reinfection.

In spite of these facts—three vaccines available and deployed to a vast majority of the population, a large number of the vulnerable having been culled from the herd by their deaths, and 6.2% of the population being immune to the disease—we have MORE deaths this year than last year when the vaccines were not available, the most vulnerable were still alive and none of the population had natural immunity to the disease.

The only conclusion one can draw from these facts is that our public health measures have been a complete failure.

We are now told by the fear mongers that a new coronavirus variant has arrived on our shores with the name: Omicron.

What are the strategies to control the pandemic and this new variant? It seems the plan is for more of the same: vaccines, boosters, continued mask mandates, but now "free" at home tests.

It has been said that the definition of a fool is someone who continues to do the same thing over and over again expecting a different result. It is time to stop being foolish and revoke the mask mandates, vaccine mandates and other public health measures that have proven to be utterly ineffective against this pandemic.

Perhaps it is time to adopt the strategies employed by India, Indonesia and Japan that have all but ended the pandemic in their countries through the use of the inexpensive and effective drug Ivermectin and Vitamin D.

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