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U.S. caught the most migrants in two decades at U.S.-Mexico border in March

WASHINGTON (Reuters) -U.S. authorities caught more than 171,000 migrants at the U.S. border with Mexico in March, according to preliminary data shared with Reuters, the highest monthly total in two decades and the latest sign of the mounting humanitarian challenge confronting President Joe Biden.

Slideshow (2 images)
The preliminary March arrest totals at the U.S.-Mexico border represent the highest monthly level since April 2000, when border patrol agents caught more than 180,000 migrants.

The total includes about 19,000 unaccompanied migrant children and 53,000 family members traveling together, the figures show. Single adults made up roughly 99,000 of the total.

The Biden administration is struggling to house newly arrived unaccompanied children, who are exempted from expulsion under a COVID-19 health order known as Title 42. Children have been backed up in crowded



U.S. border enforcement reports in March that showed only 14-16% of family members were expelled on those days.

A CBP spokesman said official statistics would likely be released

picture."

Peck said the department's policy is still to expel families "and in situations where expulsion is not possible due to Mexico's inability to receive the



border stations and processing centers for days.

The shelter system that houses the children has been overwhelmed and U.S. officials have scrambled in recent weeks to open emergency shelters, including sites in convention centers in Dallas and San Diego.

Central American and Mexican migrants have made up the bulk of arrivals in recent months, in keeping with trends in recent years.

The March figures show a 178% increase in the number of migrant

While Biden said last week that the "vast majority" of families are being sent back to Mexico under Title 42, U.S. government data suggests that is not the case.

families caught at the border

More than half of the 19,000 family members caught at the border in February were not expelled, according to public U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) data, with many released into the United States to pursue immigration court cases.

Reuters also obtained three daily



next week and declined to comment further.

U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) spokeswoman Sarah Peck said last week that given fluctuating migration flows, "one day or week of statistics doesn't reflect the full

families, they are placed into removal proceedings."

U.S. border agents have encountered more repeat crossers in the past year compared with recent



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The Time To Act Is Now

On Friday April 2nd, Congressman Al Green came to Houston's Chinatown and hosted a news conference with local and state elected officials as well as community leaders to condemn anti-Asian violence and discrimination. This press event was hosted in front of a local Asian SPA in expression of solidarity for Asian business owners in the Asian community at-large who have been negatively impacted by the increase in anti-Asian sentiment.

I participated in the press conference and I told Congressman Green that it was just about one year ago when he came to Chinatown and since then we





have had more one-half million people We demand that our federal who have lost their lives and local law enforcement and a lot of our local businesses have heavily. Today this hate government's relief fund sentiment really gives us needs to benefit all our even more pain. I told my locally owned small busicommunity brothers and nesses. sisters that we have one proposal and demands: we need to be hope and our future. united to get more people involved in our community and let them have more

than resources and information. agencies give us more suffered protection and the federal

two America is our home, our























Editor's Choice



Former Minneapolis police officer Derek Chauvin sits in front of a picture of George Floyd, displayed during Chauvin's trial on murder and manslaughter charges in the death of Floyd in Minneapolis, Minnesota, March 29, 2021 in this courtroom sketch from a video feed of the proceedings. REUTERS/Jane Rosenberg



en's Institute clears floral tributes from a makeshift memorial for murdered woman Sarah Everard from the Clapham Common Bandstand in London, Britain, April 1, 2021. London police acted appropriately at a vigil for the woman earlier this month, an independent watchdog said, after the force was criticised for a heavy-handed approach which saw mourners



Sokuluk in Chui Region, Kyrgyzstan March 30, 2021. Kok-Boru is a traditional Central Asian game similar to polo, in which horsemen try to drop the headless carcass of a goat in an oppo-

Kyrgyz riders take part in a Kok-Boru regional competition during snowfall in the village of



Cats are pictured at Ernesto's sanctuary for cats in Idlib, Syria. REUTERS/Khalil Ashawi



A Palestinian demonstrator scuffles with an Israeli border policewoman during a protest marking "Land Day" in Sebastia near Nablus, in the Israeli-occupied West Bank March 30, 2021.



A family takes a picture at the Oscar Mayer Wienermobile during a visit to "The Flower Fields", as California opens up from the pandemic, in Carlsbad, California. REUTERS/ Mike Blake

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COVID-19 U.S. Death Toll: Imagining What 500,000 Lost Lives Look Like



Compiled And Edited By John T. Robbins, Southern Daily Editor

The US has topped over 500,000 deaths in the Covid-19 pandemic

It will be the latest grim milestone for a country that has by far the highest death toll in the world from the virus.

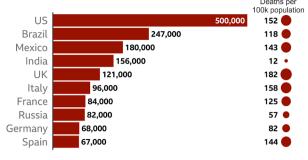
The US has seen more than twice as many deaths as the next hardest-hit country, Brazil But it is also one of the most populous countries.

In terms of deaths per 100,000 population, it ranks ninth, behind countries like the UK, Czech Republic, Italy and Portugal, according to Johns Hopkins University.



Top 10 countries by coronavirus deaths

Per capita figures show differences in the scale of outbreaks



Note: Country death totals have been rounded to the nearest 1,000 Source: Johns Hopkins University, 22 February

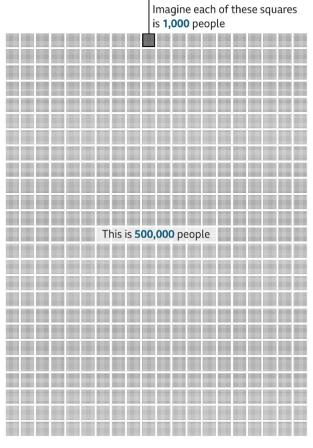
The first known US death from the virus came on 6 February 2020

That means that over one-half million lives have been lost in just over one year, more than the US death tolls from World War I, World War II and the Vietnam War combined.

What does 500,000 people look like?

This is 1,000 people

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To put that into perspective...

- ☐ If every death came from the city of Atlanta, nearly its entire population would be wiped out.
- ☐ If you held a minute's silence consecutively for every person who has died from Covid in the US, it would take 347 days, almost a full year, to honour them all.
- ☐ The death toll equals the total crowd from four days of the Coachella Music Festival, one of the biggest annual music gatherings in the US.
- ☐ And it is nearly five times the attendance at the most highly attended Super Bowl ever - at the Rose Bowl in California, in 1977 (103,985)

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Death Came In Three Waves

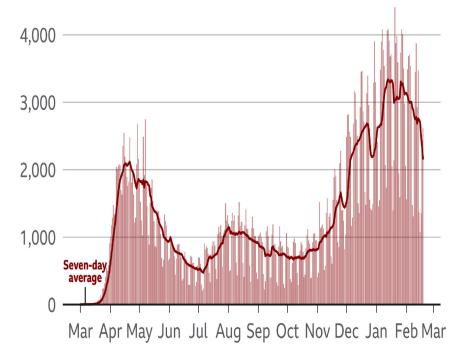
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The first wave in the spring began as most of the country went into lockdown and was followed by a second albeit less severe wave in the period from late summer to early

A devastating third surge over the past three months had communities reeling over the holidays.

Deaths remain high, but they are falling

Number of daily reported coronavirus deaths in the US



Source: COVID Tracking Project

BBC

How does Covid compare with cancer?

It is among the leading causes of death in the US.

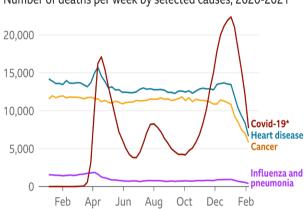
Last year, it was the third leading cause of death overall, with only heart disease and cancer claiming more US lives. At times, most notably during the third wave of cases, it spiked higher than both heart

disease and cancer. The death toll in the US is more than 10 times higher than the number of Americans

who died from influenza and pneumonia the year before the pandemic.

Covid has been the leading cause of death in the US in recent months

Number of deaths per week by selected causes, 2020-2021



*Data for Covid-19 includes deaths where other causes may have also been cited Source: US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Life expectancy in the US fell by a full year in the first half of 2020, a change experts say was fuelled by the pandemic. The average life expectancy for the entire population dropped to 77.8 years, according to a report by the Centers for Disease

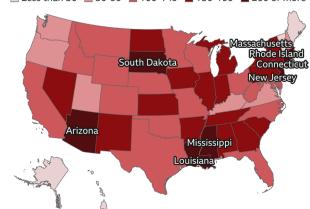
Taking a closer look at the 500,000 Covid-19 spared no part of the country

At the start of the pandemic, it was largely concentrated in a few large cities with diverse communities of colour, like New York and Detroit.

But towards the end of last year, some of the least populated US states - including North and South Dakota - saw some of the worst outbreaks, not just in America, but in the world.

Which states have been hit the hardest?

Total deaths linked to coronavirus per 100,000 people Less than 50 ■ 50-99 ■ 100-149 ■ 150-199 ■ 200 or more



Source: COVID Tracking Project

Racial Minorities Hit Hard Racial minorities - except for Asian Americans - were more

likely to die of the virus than white Americans. Black people

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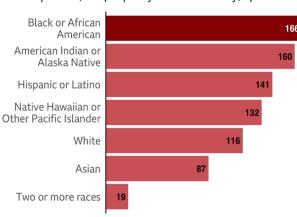
have been dying at 1.4 times the rate of white people. Indigenous communities in particular were the hardest hit per



Data suggests these racial disparities are often informed by community-level social factors, such as a higher likelihood that people of colour may work in essential occupations, rely on public transport and live in crowded housing.

Black people have died at 1.4 times the rate of white people in the US

Deaths per 100,000 people by race or ethnicity, up to 16 Feb



Note: Rates are not age-adjusted and some are underestimated due to lack of data



U.S. President Joe Biden And Wife Remembering The 500,000 Victims Of The Pandemic.