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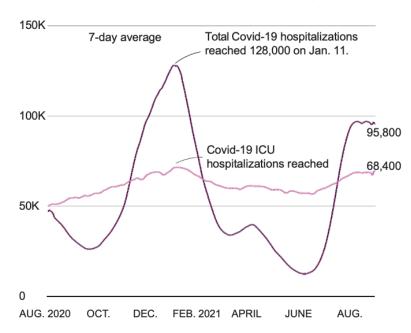
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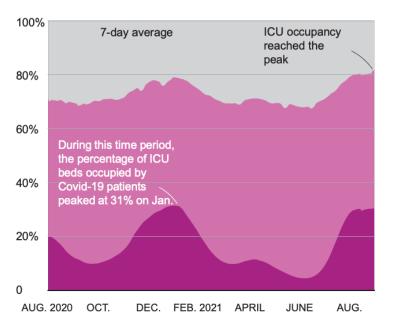
ICU beds in the U.S. are filling up as the number of hospitalized Covid-19 patients climbed to nearly 100,000 in the past few weeks. The ICU occupancy reached 80% as of Sept. 9, the highest level since the data was first reported nationwide in mid-July last year, according to a POLITICO analysis of figures compiled by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Meanwhile, nearly 30% of ICU beds are occupied by patients with confirmed Covid-19, a level not seen in eight months.

Covid-19 hospitalizations in the U.S. close to 100,000 NUMBER OF PATIENTS WITH CONFIRMED COVID-19, AS OF SEPT. 9

ICU occupancy in the U.S. reached its peak of 80% as of Sept. 9 PERCENTAGE OF ICU BEDS OCCUPIED





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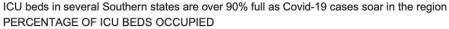


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ICUs are filling up in Southern states

Covid-19 patients are overwhelming ICU beds across the country, particularly in the South. In Alabama, hospitals have run out of ICU beds as ICU occupancy reached 100% in late August. Meanwhile, Georgia, Texas, Florida, Kentucky and Arkansas are all among states where ICU occupancy exceeded 90% as of early September.







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