



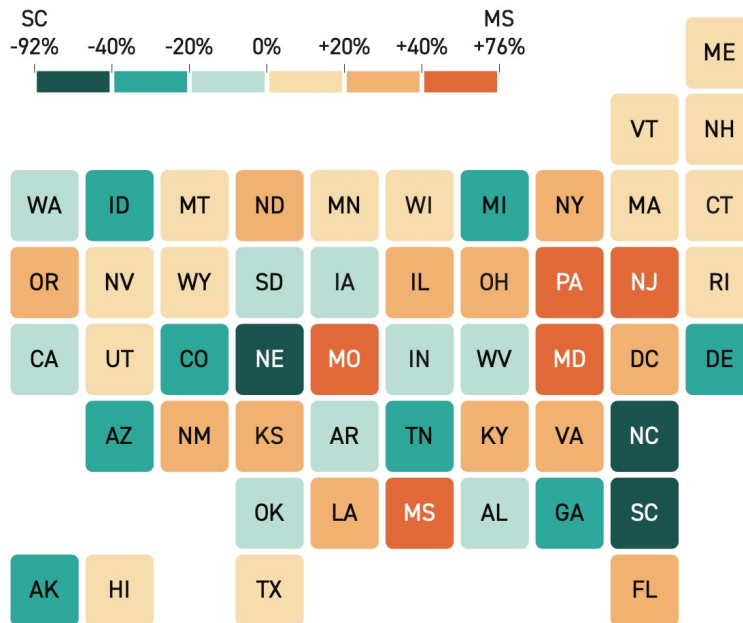
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31 states report uptick in Covid cases during first week of April as BA.2 spreads

From April 3 to 10, there was a 12% increase in the average number of new Covid-19 cases across the U.S. Mississippi saw a 76% increase — from three to five COVID-19 cases per 100,000 residents — the highest increase of any state. The BA.2 variant currently makes up more than half of all cases, according to CDC estimates. While hospitalization and death rates remain low, the recent surge in cases is leading Philadelphia and some universities to revisit mask mandates.

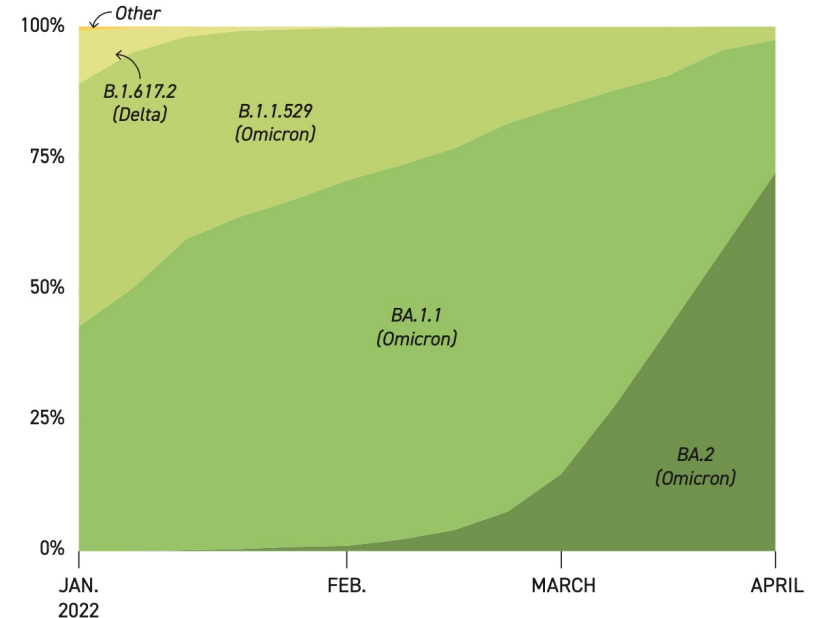
Average daily Covid-19 infections are up in most states

PERCENT CHANGE IN SEVEN-DAY AVERAGE OF NEW COVID-19 CASES PER 100,000 PEOPLE, FROM APRIL 3 TO 10



BA.2 makes up 72 percent of current cases

MOST COMMON VARIANTS, FROM THE WEEK ENDING JAN. 1 TO APRIL 2



*Data from the CDC Nowcast model estimates variant proportions that are retroactively adjusted. The 95 percent prediction intervals for the most recent week ending April 2 are: For BA.2, 68.1 to 75.9 percent. For BA.1.1, 21.9 to 29.1 percent. For B.1.1.529, 2.0 to 3.2 percent.

Sources: CDC, POLITICO staff reports



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The latest in pandemic news

- Philadelphia became the first major city to reinstate mask mandates on Monday, in response to the increase in Covid-19 cases. Colleges and universities, like Columbia University in New York and Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., are also beginning to reimpose indoor mask rules.
- The \$10 billion Covid-19 aid bill is still stalled in the Senate. Senators will revisit it after a two-week spring break.
- 82% of Americans 5 years and older have received at least one dose of a vaccine.



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