

# No True Scotsman: Lockdown as social and political phenomenon

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## 101 commentators who urged harder Covid lockdowns



Prof. Devi Sridhar   
@devisridhar

Reflecting how a colleague in China told me last March that if U.K. did early & hard lockdown, case finding & managed isolation, & border measures, we could be through COVID by June & back to normal domestic life. Said as much in this interview back then.

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Dr. Tom Frieden   
@DrTomFrieden

This reflection from an American teaching in Chengdu—where Covid lockdowns were strictly enforced—examines the nuances of life in China and how the country was able to crush the curve. [bit.ly/30Sd6pL](https://bit.ly/30Sd6pL)

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**Jerome Adams** ✓  
@JeromeAdamsMD



Replying to [@karol](#)

You don't really want to know an answer to this question. You want to be contrary. New Zealand. Singapore. China- where the virus started. All maintained lower rates than we did pre-vaccine. They had surges but quickly controlled them. Not just with masking but with mitigation.

6:29 AM · Feb 1, 2022 · Twitter for iPhone

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# Bill Gates: Millions more will die in this pandemic, and 'freedom' hinders the disappointing U.S. response

Published: Aug. 22, 2020 at 8:53 a.m. ET

By Shawn Langlois

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Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates GETTY IMAGES



Quentin Dempster   
@QuentinDempster

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Dr Fauci says Australia leads the world on COVID pandemic counter measures: stop super spreading by HARD LOCKDOWN. Yes it hurts lots for people-driven economies .. but it works. Thanks @australian for putting this story on the front page.

@DanielAndrewsMP



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**Dr. Rochelle Walensky:** Well, that's actually my biggest challenge with it is. I think that this is what Sweden tried to do. This was their plan. What we know from Sweden is that their death rate, their per capita death is 591 per million that rivals the United States at 593 per million, to give you a sense of what lockdowns were able to do in other countries. And I mean, really strict lockdowns. In China, their death rate is three per million. So when you look at what Sweden was trying to do and what they are trying to emulate in Sweden, it didn't work. They were unable to protect them.



**Eric Feigl-Ding**  @DrEricDing · Apr 25, 2021

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While people die by the tens thousands in a former colony (India ) , anti-mask/lockdown & #COVID-deniers in London  protest selfishly & shamelessly, while NHS staff watch in utter horror.

If you will stand w/ NHS staff, use hashtag [#IstandwithNHSstaff](#)



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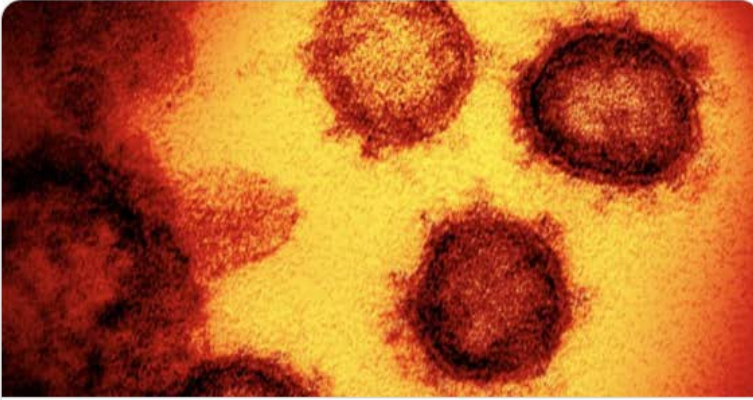




MSNBC  
@MSNBC

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Dr. Michael Osterholm says that if the US doesn't extinguish "most of the virus activity by doing a hard lockdown and then letting our foot off the brake ever so slowly ... what we're seeing right now will seem as if it's just another day at the park."



msnbc.com

Pandemic expert: We have a second and final chance to contain COVID-19  
John Barry, an expert on the 1918 flu pandemic, says the nation has a second and final chance to get the coronavirus pandemic under control - but officials ...

10:17 PM · Jul 16, 2020 · SocialFlow

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IAN M. MACKAY, PHD  
@MackayIM

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I think it's worth noting-especially for those insisting nowhere has been able to control Delta-that QLD has left its 2nd Delta-driven short hard lockdown behind it. It *can* be done.  
The key difference to other places though is the speed with which that lockdown is enacted.

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Dr. Angela Rasmussen   
@angie\_rasmussen

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Now before you say BUT ANGIE, they don't work! They haven't worked! No more lockdowns!...

They haven't worked because people haven't been doing them. People aren't staying home. People got together for the holidays. People refuse to wear masks. Etc.

11:16 AM · Jan 2, 2021 · Twitter for iPhone

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Dr Ellie Murray, ScD   
@EpiEllie

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One problem with COVID is that people are constantly seeing (&using) words they dont actually understand.

One of these is "lockdown". Just about no one in the US has actually experienced a real lockdown.

If you're outside the US, tell us what your lockdown was like for you.

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Dr. Lisa Iannattone  
@lisa\_iannattone



Use the translate button to read this thread on Portugal. With a real lockdown and lots of rapid testing they decreased daily cases by \*98% in 33 days\*. Most of the country currently lives without risk. The forever restrictions and continued illness/deaths are a policy \*choice.\*

**Thomas Pettinger** @KI\_in\_med · Apr 27, 2021

Portugal war eines der am schwersten von der #B117-Welle getroffenen Länder. Die Fallzahlen stiegen dramatisch ehe die 2. Welle überhaupt endete. Dann wurden Anfang 2021 zum falschen Zeitpunkt Schulgebäude wieder geöffnet und das Gesundheitssystem kollabierte.

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David Fisman  
@DFisman



We'll do it too late in the misguided belief that that will help the economy. That surge and delayed lockdown will do more damage to the economy than a proactive, responsible shut down will do.

Anyway, it's too bad, but pretty predictable at this point.

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**Irfan Dhalla** ✓  
@IrfanDhalla



Most ever cases.  
Most ever hospitalizations.  
Most ever ICU admissions.

We need a stricter lockdown, a ban on non-essential travel, and better [#TestTracelsolateSupport](#).

And, while it pains me to say this, I recommend keeping schools virtual in hotspots for at least a month.



**Prof. Christina Pagel** ✓  
@chrischirp



Replying to [@ScienceShared](#) [@cfinnecy](#) and 3 others

I think our strategy would get to elimination. Strict lockdown until zero cases is one (quicker) way of doing it.

4:57 PM · Apr 29, 2021 · Twitter for Android

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**Dr Zoë Hyde** ✓  
@DrZoeHyde



Unfortunately, the situation has developed into a major crisis, because the government of New South Wales (the state with the large outbreak) wanted to preserve “freedom” and resisted a lockdown.

That decision backfired badly.

Only a [#ZeroCOVID](#) strategy can deliver freedom.

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Isaac Bogoch   
@BogochIsaac



3/ What would it actually take to \*operationalize\* [#COVIDzero](#) in Canada? How do we get to (or near) zero cases & maintain it?

\*\*\*It would take prolonged & full lockdown (3-5 months based on current burden?) where [#COVID19](#) is crushed, then ongoing supports to suppress this\*\*\*

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Tomás Ryan   
@TJRyan\_77



The Tánaiste [@LeoVaradkar](#) has it backwards. A "[#ZeroCovid](#)" suppression strategy means less time in restrictions, and can be achieved with a shorter more effective lockdown.

Is he open to having the Government's 'strategy' equally interrogated? Let's put everything on the table.



Richard Chambers  @newschambers · Mar 23, 2021

Tánaiste fairly tears into ZeroCovid - says it's as much a slogan as a strategy to some people.

He says he wants to see tougher interrogation of the advocates for it on what exactly they want.

Taoiseach comes in and says ZeroCovid means a much longer lockdown than we have now.

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Professor Susan Michie ✓  
@SusanMichie

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If we had followed your strategy, we would in all likelihood have had only one early lockdown. If we follow the strategy now, we can avoid future lockdowns - its called [#ZeroCovid](#) - for details see reports from [@IndependentSage](#)



Prof. Devi Sridhar ✓ @devisridhar · Jan 25, 2021

It's strange to be misrepresented as 'pro-lockdown' when everything I've been writing & saying since Feb has been about how to "avoid" lockdown/release cycles. Which means don't try to stay within healthcare capacity (which forces reactive lockdowns). Crush the curve.

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Bruce Arthur ✓  
@bruce\_arthur

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The only times in the last year where Ontario experienced anything resembling real lockdown was spring 2020, when everyone was terrified, and Jan. 6 on when the stay-at-home was implemented. The rest has been halfass theatre.



thestar.com

Opinion | Advice for Doug Ford: Sometimes the middle of the road is where you ... Everyone wants to save the economy; the smart people say, deal with your public health first, Bruce Arthur writes.

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Yaneer Bar-Yam  
@yaneerbaryam

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Soft lockdowns in France and Germany.

Why not a hard lockdown and get rid if it fast?

IMF says it is better economically and no doubt it is better health wise.

[msn.com/en-us/news/wor...](https://msn.com/en-us/news/wor...)

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Mike Gibbs 🇷🇺🇺🇦  
@Mikeggibbs

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Who thinks it would have been worth enduring a hard total lockdown in early December when we knew a \*flash mass infection event\* infecting most of the population was certain?

A hard lockdown would have meant a good chunk of positive Ontarians....would be negative today!

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Dr. Deepti Gurdasani  
@dgurdasani1

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Please. The only people who've been silenced are the casualties of Heneghan's promoted policies- remember he advised our PM not to lockdown in Oct '20 - a decision that cost thousands of lives. The people who're silenced are the dead.



theguardian.com

How do you stop fake news about Covid? Not by silencing scientists who ask di...



Dr. Brian Goldman  
@NightShiftMD

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Some provinces are looking for an easy way out. There is no easy way out. We need a hard lockdown lasting at least 4 weeks and probably longer.

Kelly Grant @kellygrant1 · Nov 14, 2020

Would a Canadian province ever take steps like these? I'm not sure we would or should. But I think Melbourne's experience is a good reality check for the two-week circuit-breaker crowd. [theglobeandmail.com/canada/article...](https://theglobeandmail.com/canada/article...)

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Aug. 8, 2020



Australia's short-lived freedom from COVID was hard-won. With the Delta variant now surging, it's time to enact the same measures — including lockdowns and border closures — that achieved near elimination of the virus.



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@JohnRoss43



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**John Ross** @JohnRoss43 · Jan 24, 2021



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**Chen Weihua (陈卫华)** @chenweihua



China state-affiliated media

Replying to @JohnRoss43

It was real lockdown. Not the lax one in Europe or US.

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**James Palmer** @BeijingPalmer · May 5, 2020



Americans, I hate to remind everyone of this, but we haven't been through a lockdown. We've been through an extremely partial and spotty version of a lockdown, without some of the critical steps needed to make it work, and thus plateau'd the numbers rather than reduced them.

12 361 1,260



**James Palmer** @BeijingPalmer



Because of the utter lack of federal leadership or national coordination, we've taken most of the pain without most of the gain, and we can either do a real lockdown + centralized quarantine or - more likely - stumble along this path for many painful months.

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@peterdaou



I spent years of my childhood in and out of Beirut bomb shelters under rocket fire. THAT is a real lockdown.

But you rightwingers/libertarians swarming my tweet would rather watch hundreds of thousands die because you don't want to stay home for a few months??



**Peter Daou** ✓ @peterdaou · Oct 30, 2020

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**EricaJoy** ✓  
@EricaJoy



this is the most frustrating part of the panorama. had we all done a real lockdown for like 3 weeks back in march, things would be hella normal today.



**Tami Sawyer** ✓ @tamisawyer · Jan 17, 2021

Lockdown likely could have been over (and shorter) if we ever really locked down. [twitter.com/NateSilver538/...](https://twitter.com/NateSilver538/)

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Dr Oz on the CCP's brutal **lockdowns** in Wuhan

"We have to copy what they did. Take their blueprint and repeat it here in this country"



From **The Constitutionalist**

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# We Can't Beat COVID-19 Without a 6-Week Lockdown

A Harvard professor gives you his urgent take.

**MH** BY [JASON SILVERSTEIN](#) SEP 17, 2020



 **Yoni Freedhoff**, MD   
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3 choices. 1) Continue current level of restrictions for months longer and hope variant doesn't interrupt drop. 2) Relax current level of restrictions far too soon & set up third wave. 3) Implement actual lockdown & bolster test/trace/isolate & social supports to prevent next one

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**Dr Zubaida Haque**  
@Zubhaque



Someone needs to explain to Health Sec Sajid Javid, that THE REASON we have had long lockdowns is because his govt have repeatedly failed in suppressing the virus and taking action early. And letting the virus rip & cases rise will mean MORE lockdowns and restrictions; not less



**BBC News (UK)** @BBCNews · Jul 3, 2021

Covid-19: Compelling health argument for easing lockdown - Javid  
bbc.in/3hgIQNs

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It's quite terrifying to think that many in the [#freedomrally](#) in Melbourne don't care if it's a super spreader event, because of the chance that it will make Dan Andrews' hard lockdown strategy look like it failed. [#Freedumb](#)

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All Australians should strongly support Premier Berejiklian & Dr Chant to implement an effective hard lockdown across Sydney. They need an expression of national solidarity to stare down the culture warriors in their midst. It is right for NSW, for Australia, and for our economy.



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Diane Abbott MP  
@HackneyAbbott

Advice from @IndependentSage means within just 6 weeks or a little more we would have a dramatically improved situation.

We did it before. The situation did improve rapidly during the March lockdown, but was ended too soon.

Other countries have reached #ZeroCovid

So can we.

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Former PM of Australia. Pres @AsiaSociety @AsiaPolicy. Chair @Murdoch\_RC @NationalApology. 'The Avoidable War' out now. Father of 3 great kids w/ Thérèse.

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**Timm Bruch** ✓  
@TimmCTV

One more thing: if there was a real lockdown, you wouldn't be able to go to the "End the Lockdowns" Rodeo. You'd be locked down.

4:18 PM · May 1, 2021 · Twitter for iPhone

176 Retweets 22 Quote Tweets 1,115 Likes



**Prof Shafi Ahmed PhD FRCS** ✓  
@ShafiAhmed5

1 case of Covid in Perth, Western Australia today. The first for 10 months. The response? Full lockdown for 5 days including mandatory facemasks. This is how you protect the people. Makes a mockery of UK PM saying "We did everything we could"

12:55 AM · Jan 31, 2021 · Twitter for Android

18.9K Retweets 825 Quote Tweets 78.2K Likes



**Dr Abe**  
@AbeOudshoorn

Today Ontario topped 3,000 cases of [#COVID19](#). Statistically, 232 of these people will be hospitalized and 63 will die.

Once again real people are paying the price for our leaders not taking this pandemic as seriously as we must.

We need paid sick leave and a real lockdown now.

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Ananyo Bhattacharya  @Ananyo



If you believe a word of the Imperial report—and you should—the inescapable, appalling conclusion is we need a hard, hard lockdown until a good proportion of most vulnerable are vaccinated 1/



Ananyo Bhattacharya  @Ananyo · Jan 1, 2021

Cases of new variant of Covid grew rapidly during the November lockdown. More transmissible in under 20s. And we've yet to see consequences of illicit Xmas and NY eve gatherings. [twitter.com/MRC\\_Outbreak/s...](https://twitter.com/MRC_Outbreak/s...)

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Ukraine officials investigating Russia's possible use of chemical weapons in Mariupol



Bloomberg Opinion  @bopinion · Jan 26, 2021



You might be under the impression that California is in **full lockdown** mode. It certainly should be, given the overcrowded hospitals and shortage of intensive-care beds.

Yet it seems that in Los Angeles County, nobody has told the shoppers



[bloomberg.com](https://www.bloomberg.com)

Why Don't California Retailers Care About Covid?

Crowded stores contrast sharply with New York in March.

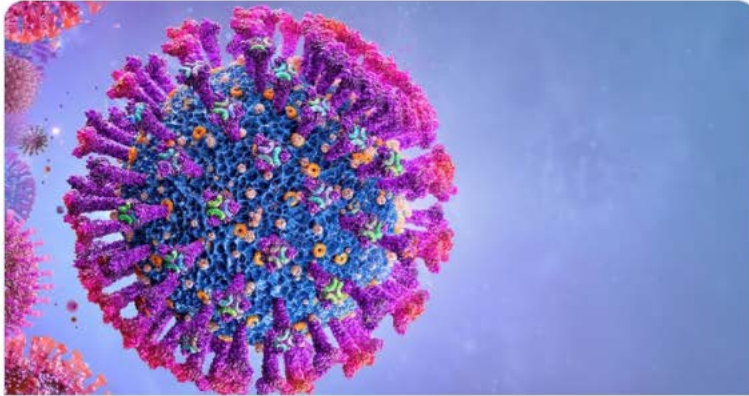




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Sydney avoids 4000 cases, but lockdown must be broadened | InSight+ - #ZeroCOVID still a must for Sydney @BurnetInstitute @KnowC19\_Burnet



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Sydney avoids 4000 cases, but lockdown must be broadened - InSight+  
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provide novel strategic information on  
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Luke Bailey  
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Do you want to spend 6 months able to go to a few more shops and maybe meet some friends in the park, or stick with another 6 weeks of actual lockdown and be able to get hammered in an actual pub afterwards

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We live in a hellworld of our own  
making, but at least the memes are  
good. head of digital of @theipaper.  
(He/him, so I have a podcast)

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Paul Bongiorno  
@PaulBongiorno



The NSW premier @GladysB must listen to the AMA and instigate a real lockdown and define essential businesses.

This is as pathetic as the initial response from Donald Trump and Boris Johnson

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# Belgium needs a short 'real' lockdown, warns expert

Sunday, 21 March 2021



Credit: Jules Johnston/The Brussels Times

**Belgium needs a short but real lockdown to bring the coronavirus figures back down, according to professor and dean of the health faculty at VUB Dirk Devroey.**



Emily Deans MD   
@evolutionarypsy

Replying to @laufertlaw @911CORLEBRA777 and 2 others

A real lockdown for 2 months, with government subsidizing business, universal masking, right at the beginning, would have bought us more time for testing and tracing and made all this much better.

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Ximena González  
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Can we just get a real lockdown and stop dragging this situation further? These half-assed measures are obviously useless.

4:24 PM · Apr 29, 2021 from Calgary, Alberta · Twitter for iPhone


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Summer Brennan ✓  
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Yes, this is why we are on lockdown again. And I mean real lockdown—no take-out restaurants, stay within 1km of your home, outside for essential activities only.

 Eric Feigl-Ding ✓ @DrEricDing · Nov 7, 2020  
HOSPITAL CRISIS IN FRANCE: #COVID19 is now so bad, WhatsApp groups of ER staff in Paris: "There are 15 patients in the corridors, we do not know where to put them, we keep watch until 4 am, if it continues like this, we are going to crash", fears ER staff. leparisien.fr/info-paris-ile...

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Omar Ghraieb ✓  
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Nearly 1K #coronavirus cases in #Gaza in one day, still no total lockdown. Death toll spiking dramatically. Yet, people remain careless. Its becoming a broken record by now. #CoronaVirusUpdates

12:07 PM · Dec 15, 2020 · Twitter for Android

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Zoe Daniel ✓  
@zdaniel



Sydney, you need proper, hard lockdown. Also the problem with redirecting vaccine is, what happens when we get another outbreak seeded from NSW? What a mess. This whole thing is just a complete shitshow.

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Diederik Gommers, chairman of the Dutch association for ICU doctors, calls for a hard lockdown as cases continue to rise, says hospitals are approaching "code black"

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**Jay Beecher**  
@Jay\_Beecher



Enforce a REAL lockdown, ban all flights, close the borders, drag migrant boats back to France, manufacture PPE etc in the UK, focus on mass testing (S.Korea did the right thing; we haven't yet) -& this whole thing could be put to bed far sooner than it will on our current course.

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Other than total lockdown, none of the measures are 100% effective. It has always been about risk management, not risk elimination.

But that just means now is the absolute WORST time to be talking down the measures we do have.

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Jennifer Gunter   
@DrJenGunter



I hate to say this but I think we need a 3-4 week hard lockdown including no air travel. I'm despondent at the time we have wasted, and I know we have no leadership to do this. But otherwise it is just going to be whack-a-mole with hot spots.

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Cheri DiNovo   
@CheriDiNovo



So Australia had fines, a real lockdown but in [#Toronto](#) + [#Ontario](#) this isn't going to happen according to [@JohnTory](#) + [@fordnation](#) The 12 BILLION isn't mentioned, the mainstream press have backed off holding them to account IT'S UP TO US [#lockdown](#) [#CloseSchoolsNOW](#) [#stayhome](#)

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Malgorzata (Gosia) Gasperowicz  
@GosiaGasperoPhD



Decisive \*financially supported\* 7-weeks lockdown would get us to sustainable normalcy [#COVIDzero](#) [#ZeroCovidAB](#) and nip the UK variant epidemic in the bud.

Thank you Angela Stewart [@CityNewsYEG](#) for interviewing me for this article!



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The UK has never really done a strict lockdown, preferring to focus on the economy over health since the pandemic began, but most people would gladly stay at home if they could afford to (and were allowed to). So many businesses are considered critical when they really aren't.

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Andreas Eenfeldt, MD  
@DrEenfeldt



Here we go. In the last three days (May 18,19,20) Sweden has had more COVID deaths per capita than any other country in the world.

So much for the alternative strategy with no real lockdown. It certainly comes at a cost, measured in extra lives lost.

[ourworldindata.org/grapher/covid-...](https://ourworldindata.org/grapher/covid-...)

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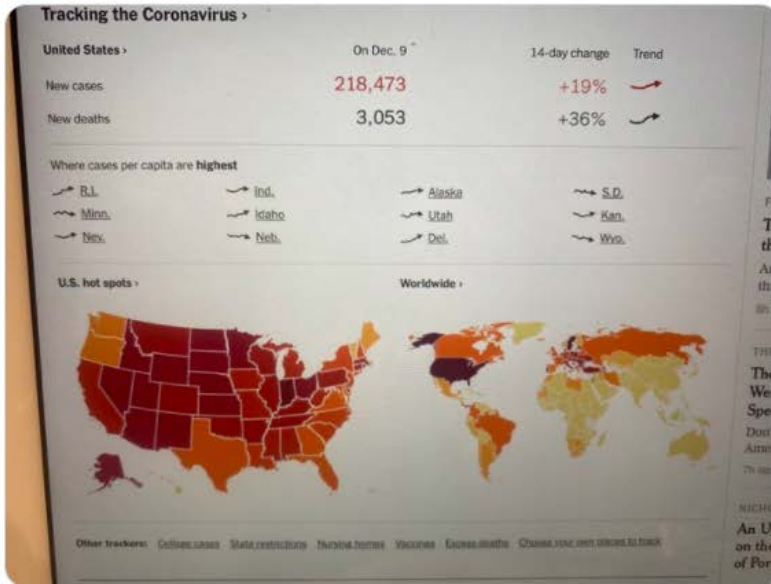


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Our American friends need hard lockdown .. NOW. Record 3000+ daily deaths. Vaccine remains a hope but it will take many months to deploy. Please, dear friends, lock down now and by mid to late January you can suppress COVID and save many lives. @nytimes



11:56 PM · Dec 9, 2020 · Twitter for iPhone

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Your occasional reminder that if we actually instituted a lockdown - like, a real lockdown - we could get rid of this thing in 3-4 weeks.

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I'm amazed at how people are taking the images from Wuhan partying as proof that the virus is a conspiracy... instead of as proof that a total lockdown actually works. Selective memory is scary.

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By doing everything possible to avoid real, meaningful restrictions, Doug Ford \*guaranteed\* the need for a hard lockdown. Remember that if you're grumpy about what's coming.

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**Bartley Kives**   
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Roussin: We can't handle any more cases  
Billeck: Why not a real lockdown, then?  
Roussin: We need the public to step up  
Me: But they're not. Why not tougher rules?  
Roussin: We can't just have rules.

11:27 AM · Nov 16, 2020 · Twitter Web App

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**Jane Merrick**   
@janemerrick23



Jenrick told Today: "I'm sure that we could or would have done some things differently with the benefit of hindsight" - except there were plenty saying at the time there needed to be fuller restrictions - eg BMJ/HSJ. Members of Sage. I asked Hancock on 23/12 why not full lockdown

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Seems clear now that if you have one person with Covid at a school or camp, others will get sick, no matter how much distancing or masking or hygiene theater you commit to. That's why it was crucial to get the numbers down with a long, hard lockdown IN THE SPRING.

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Ukraine says 'tens of thousands'



Brian Klaas   
@brianklaas

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Presumably this will be a hard lockdown this time. The case rates/hospitalizations are out of control right now, made much worse by the new, more contagious variant. Buying any time now will save huge numbers of lives, as vaccinations for millions are imminent.



Lewis Goodall   
@lewis\_goodall · Jan 4, 2021

NEW: PM to make televised address to the nation at 8pm this evening setting out further measures. Parliament to be recalled.

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@AndreaHorwath

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One MPP kicked out of a PC caucus where other members share Baber's dangerous views isn't going to stop the spread.  
Not unless Ford listens to experts calling for a real lockdown with paid sick leave, more long-term care staff, isolation facilities and on-site workplace testing.

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Judy Melinek M.D.   
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Thread 


We have to have a coordinated response & get to [#ZeroCOVID](#)

“Living with the virus” means not only dying with it, but continued illness & long term economic impact. US needs a lockdown, financial support & new administration now. Stay in your pod for Thanksgiving!



Eric Feigl-Ding   
@DrEricDing · Nov 12, 2020

 This is so DEVASTATING—

29% of hospitalized #COVID19 patients died in 38 Michigan s during hospitalization (24%) or within 60 days of discharge (5%).



Chico Harlan   
@chicoharlan



The U.S. had a squishy, half-measure lockdown that didn't slow the virus, but it got all the economic pain of a real lockdown that would have.



Heather Long   
@byHeatherLong · Jul 30, 2020

BREAKING: The US economy had its worst quarter on record in Q2.

GDP fell at a 32.9% annualized rate in Q2.  
That means the economy shrank by ~10%.

This is the result of the Great Lockdown. It was done to fight the coronavirus, but at a great cost.

5:35 AM · Jul 30, 2020 · Twiterrific for Mac

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Julien Mercille   
@JulienMercille



Very important polls on [#cblive](#) tonight: overwhelming popular support for the obvious:

- Hotel quarantine
- One last lockdown to end them all
- Manage the border with North

Exactly [@ISAGCOVID19](#)'s [#ZeroCovid](#) plan, which means simply: "Do whatever is possible to get toward Zero"

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By this morning it was clear there is an urgent case for a total lockdown, total schools closure and a new furlough scheme. What did the Tories do? Dithered. What did their outriders do? Demeaned the deaths over-60s with "conditions". By tonight - no action. Remember that...

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Relying on companies that have little regard for their employees and only focus on their own profits to act responsibly is not going to work. This reverence for the market is sheer lunacy in the midst of a pandemic.

We need a real lockdown. Now. Please! 5/5

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Here's the Plan:  
Vaccines out of freezers  
Into arms of teachers, grocery store employees, and other essential workers  
24 hour clinics with every Med professional vaccinating  
Paid sick days  
Real lockdown  
NOW  
Am I missing anything?  
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Steven Newman  
@newman\_se



Replying to @davidfrum

My wife and I are willfully stranded in New Zealand. We have been part of a real lockdown. The US has not experienced a real lockdown. From here we observe a coalition of unorganized politicians who are chasing their tails at the command of a lunatic named [@realdonaldtrump](#).

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Just to note there has never been a real lockdown across the United States. People confused about what a lockdown is should consult with relatives in other countries.



Aaron Rupar ✓ @atrupar · Jul 29, 2021

Rep. Dan Crenshaw is on Fox News telling Americans not to comply with any more "lockdowns" or "mandates" stemming from the ongoing (and currently worsening!) pandemic



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 **Neel Kashkari** ✓  
@neelkashkari

Want to open schools? Do a hard lockdown now for 6 weeks to get the virus under control then open schools late September. I haven't heard any other strategy to reopen safely that sounds remotely plausible given rampant spread in many areas. [wsj.com/articles/want-...](https://www.wsj.com/articles/want-...) via @WSJ



 **Kai Kupferschmidt** ✓  
@kakape

Was on @dwnews again tonight and I'll just leave my answers here...

1. "What is needed to stop the spread if a hard lockdown is not programmed anymore?"  
"That's a little bit like asking what's needed to avoid this accident if we assume we don't use the brakes..."



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# America Never Did a Real Lockdown

And we're still not.

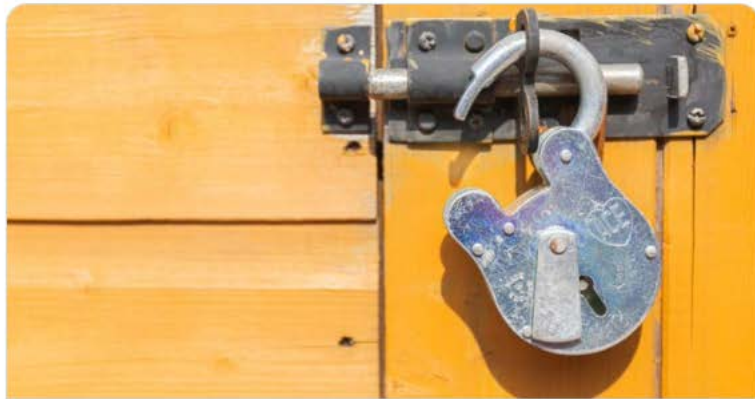
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Umbereen S. Nehal, MD, MPH  
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People doing [#COVID19](#) [#SciComm](#): please use correct terminology. The U.S. has \*never\* done a lockdown. If we \*had\* we would not have had >800K Americans dead. We have always done sloppy, half implemented guidance & NOT enforced those nebulous "guidelines"



slate.com  
America Never Did a Real Lockdown  
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TIME · 4 hours ago





Johnathan Spencer Perkins  
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Fine, I'll say it. We should go into strict lockdown again. Sorry, team.

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Tyler Watt 🇨🇦  
@tylerwatt90

If the Ford government truly wanted to “limit mobility” they would have done a real lockdown at the beginning of the third wave. Dragging us in and out of half-measured lockdowns that aren’t even based on evidence has hurt our health & economy. #onpoli



globalnews.ca  
'We wanted to limit mobility': Doug Ford defends outdoor amenity closures de...  
'I listen to everyone, but I listen to Dr. Williams. He's the chief medical officer and he believes that people need to limit mobility. They need to stay home,' ...

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Melbourne Uni epidemiologist Tony Blakely says Sydney should be looking at a “really **hard lockdown**” which “should be harder than what Melbourne used last year” - including shutting food takeaway and construction sites [smh.com.au/national/nsw/s...](https://www.smh.com.au/national/nsw/s...)

 **The Sydney Morning Herald**

What does a really hard lock down look like? Arguably, New Zealand over did it last year for a virus with a reproductive rate of 2.5 (remember the good old early days of this pandemic), but now it is just the ticket. It means that essential actually means essential services only are open. Getting takeaways, be it food or coffee, is not essential. Keeping construction sites open is not essential. Everything that can be done to reduce mobility and the opportunity for the virus to (fleetingly) jump from one citizen to the next has to be done. Every extra bit of effort matters.

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**Alfons López Tena**    
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US failure to contain the coronavirus has been met with astonishment and alarm in Europe — “Don’t they care about their health? They need a real lockdown. We’ve discovered a country that is very fragile, a public health system that is nonexistent”

 abc3340.com  
US hits 5 million confirmed virus cases, Europe is amazed  
ROME (AP) — With confirmed coronavirus cases in the U. S. hitting 5 million Sunday, by far the highest of any country, t...

3:29 PM · Aug 9, 2020 · Twitter for iPhone

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Responses referring to me as a "lockdowner" are hilarious. Ohio never had a real lockdown.

3:26 PM · Feb 10, 2022 · Twitter for Android

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We lived through the world's longest and strictest #COVID19 lockdown in Melbourne. 🇺🇸 It was hard but I highly recommend Canada 🇨🇦 take this approach, by @grahamBarron [theglobeandmail.com/opinion/articl...](https://theglobeandmail.com/opinion/article...) via @GlobeDebate #CovidZero



**Ishaan Tharoor** ✓  
@ishaantharoor



Totally absent in the US conversation about lockdowns is any recognition that what most US governors put into place, even Cuomo in NY, was actually considerably more lax and never a real "lockdown" akin to what we've seen in parts of Europe and Asia.

7:59 AM · May 11, 2020 · Twitter Web App

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**Michael Schull**  
@docschull



This is not normal. This is not a solution. This is out of control. It's only a question of how bad the situation will be allowed to get before there is a stay-at-home order and real lockdown. And that's a terrible question to ponder.



**Anthony Dale** @AnthonyDaleOHA · Apr 4, 2021

Over the next 5 days 88 critically ill COVID patients are to be transferred out of GTA hospitals with very high ICU occupancy. These hospitals need "urgent relief" to ensure equitable access to life saving critical care services for these very sick patients . #onhealth #onpoli

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14) The worst part is... we KNOW how to end this. N95s for the whole population. Cheap rapid tests deployed to homes for the whole population. And a HARD LOCKDOWN to bring infections down. Please, stop it with the half measures and LISTEN TO SCIENCE.

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I just woke up thinking...

What if we had just done a two week hard lockdown in March 2020?

And now I'll never sleep again.

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But it's far too easy to blame the pandemic and the seemingly eternally shifting lockdown rules on "covidiot" just not following the rules.

The real problem, it seems to me, is that we've never had a real lockdown, and that government policy has been totally chaotic.

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...

Every day remind yourself: we could cautiously return to school, sports, restaurants in six weeks--if we only had the courage to do a real lockdown, w/ real financial support. Every day we're six weeks away from sanity, if only we'd reach for it. Today that's September 27.

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It's been clear for some time that the tiers system isn't working.

In Lambeth, new #COVID19 cases shot up from 120 cases per 100,000 on 02 Dec to 774 per 100,000 by 24 Dec.

We need a #ZeroCovid strategy, starting with a national lockdown & full financial support for all.

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Claudia Webbe MP   
@ClaudiaWebbe

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The UK has never properly locked down.

Of course we need a national lockdown as a zero covid solution is the only way.

That absolutely must include closing schools and include financial support for all to stay safe.

10:11 AM · Jan 3, 2021 · Twitter for iPhone



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**bruce hawker**  
@brucehawker2010

@BradHazzard, how dare you blame the community for COVID when you and @GladysB Berejiklian refused to have a hard lockdown. Sydney is almost two months into this outbreak thanks to your government's collective incompetence and weakness.



smh.com.au  
Hazzard rejects calls for harder lockdown as cases climb  
"The real problem remains: it doesn't matter what orders you put in place if people ignore them," the Health Minister said.



**Alheli Picazo**  
@a\_picazo

For all the concern about the mental health of people enduring what aren't even real lockdown measures, expressed by those opposed to meaningful interventions, there seems to be a complete absence of consideration for those whose mental health has been shattered by loss. #cdnpoli

2:12 PM · Nov 25, 2020 · Twitter Web App

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**Charlie Stross**  
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The UK needs a universal hard lockdown at this point because if we don't, by this time next year we won't have healthcare, never mind an NHS. If we'd PROPERLY FUNDED the NHS and had an adequate staff/patient ratio in previous years, we wouldn't be here now.

3:03 AM · Dec 29, 2020 · Tweetbot for iOS

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George Aylett   
@GeorgeAylett



This is what we could've had if we maintained a strict lockdown earlier, enforced mass testing at airports, ensured proper financial support for people and the government had clear messaging which didn't change frequently.

We need a zero COVID strategy.



Jim Pickard  @PickardJE · Jan 25, 2021

meanwhile in covid-free New Zealand, a music festival at the weekend

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Jeremy Farrar   
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Approach being proposed by President-elect Joe Biden's Covid-19 advisory panel "a four to six week lockdown could bring the pandemic under control". Learn from Europe- delay means harsher, deeper, longer measures



Brianna Wu   
@BriannaWu



This is your daily reminder that your kids can attend school in the fall if we act now.

We do a real lockdown of the US for 6 weeks and pay people to stay home. It will be short term pain, but in the end we'll all be healthier.

[nyti.ms/30jTV7Y](https://nyti.ms/30jTV7Y)

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