

K-12 Schools and COVID-19

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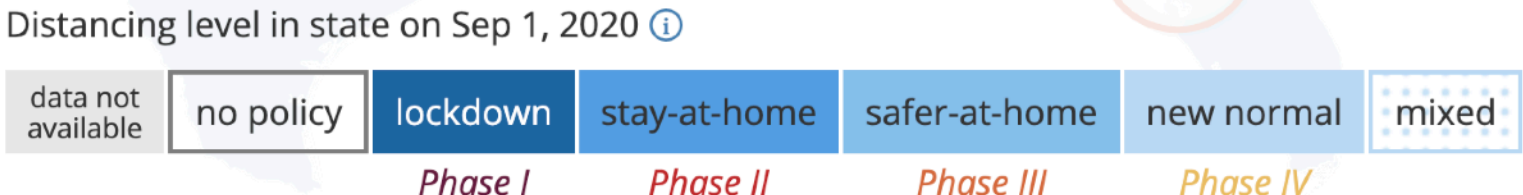
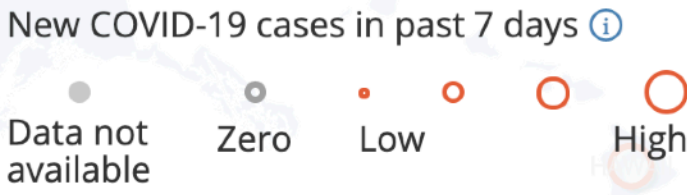
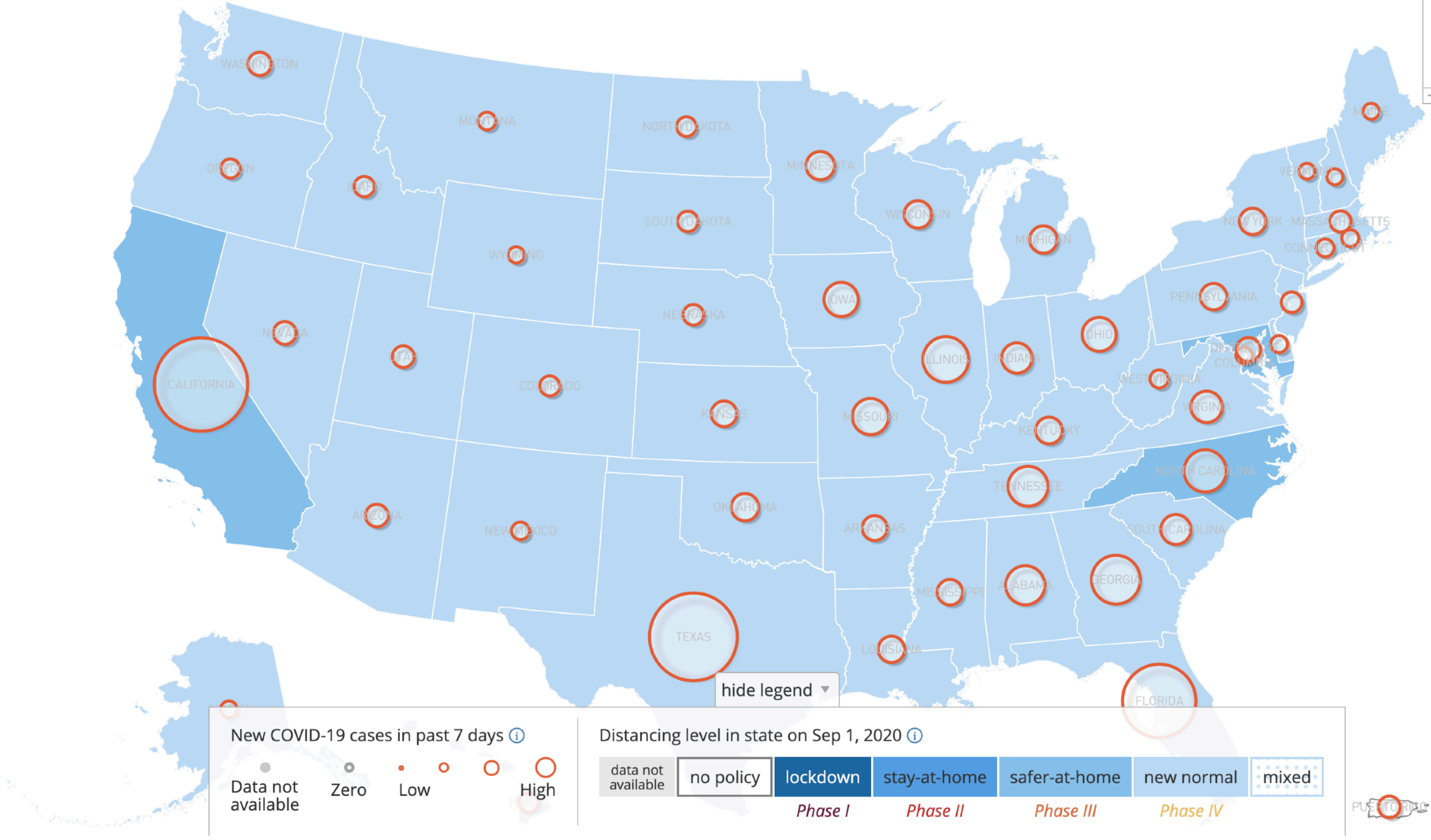
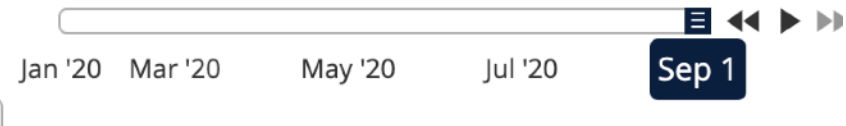
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Data for Sep 1, 2020
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View policies and cases over the course of the outbreak



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Unique ID	Authorizing level of government	Authorizing country name	Authorizing country ISO	Authorizing state/province, if applicable	Authorizing local area (e.g., county, city)	Authorizing role (e.g., official with authority)	Authorizing body (e.g., agency, office)	Affected level of government	Affected country name	Affected country ISO	Affected state/province (intermediate area)	Affected local area (e.g., county, city)	Policy relaxing or restricting	Policy category
7975	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	Vermont	N/A	Governor	Office of the Governor	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	Vermont	N/A	Other	Social distancing
34098	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	Utah	N/A	Governor	Office of the Governor	Local	United States of America (USA)	USA	Utah	Carbon County, UT; Tooele County, UT; Sevier County...	Relaxing	Social distancing
34194	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	New York	N/A	Governor	Office of the Governor	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	New York	N/A	Restricting	Social distancing
28030	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	Nevada	N/A	Governor	Executive Department	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	Nevada	N/A	Relaxing	Social distancing
355	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	Illinois	N/A	Governor	Executive Department	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	Illinois	N/A	Restricting	Social distancing
35120	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	Utah	N/A	Interim Executive Director	Department of Health	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	Utah	N/A	Restricting	Social distancing
34138	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	Utah	N/A	Governor	Office of the Governor	Local	United States of America (USA)	USA	Utah	Salt Lake City (city), UT	Relaxing	Social distancing
34576	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	Utah	N/A	Governor	Office of the Governor	Local	United States of America (USA)	USA	Utah	Uintah County, UT; Piute County, UT; Duchesne Count...	Relaxing	Social distancing
48065	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	Utah	N/A	Governor	Office of the Governor	Local	United States of America (USA)	USA	Utah	Carbon County, UT; Tooele County, UT; Sevier County...	Restricting	Social distancing
20336	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	New Mexico	N/A	Governor	Office of the Governor	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	New Mexico	N/A	Restricting	Travel restrictions
2192	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	California	N/A	Governor	Office of the Governor	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	California	N/A	Restricting	Social distancing
6602	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	North Dakota	N/A	Governor	Office of the Governor	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	North Dakota	N/A	Restricting	Social distancing
28028	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	Nevada	N/A	Governor	Executive Department	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	USA	Nevada	N/A	Relaxing	Social distancing

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7975	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	Restaurants/bars , Primary education, Gym/workout f...	Extension of enforcement of criminal prosecution to a...	2020-08-27	2020-09-01	2020-09-15	Unspecified			
34098	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	Primary education; Secondary education; Higher educ...	Extends order that K-12 schools, colleges, universitie...	2020-08-27	2020-09-01	2020-09-15	Unspecified		Other	Social distancing
34194	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	Childcare facilities (preschool or other daycare); Prima...	Effective 09/01/2020, group sizes in child care hom...	2020-08-26	2020-08-26	Unspecified	Unspecified	County, UT; Sevier County...	Relaxing	Social distancing
28030	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	Primary education; Secondary education	\$100 million in additional federal CRF funding will go...	2020-08-26	2020-08-26	Unspecified	Unspecified		Restricting	Social distancing
355	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	Primary education; Secondary education	All counties in Indiana will remain in Stage 4.5 until 9...	2020-08-26	2020-08-26	2020-09-25	2020-09-25		Relaxing	Social distancing
35120	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	Childcare facilities (preschool or other daycare); Prima...	Students in Kindergarten and above shall wear face c...	2020-08-26	2020-08-26	Unspecified	Unspecified		Restricting	Social distancing
34138	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	Childcare facilities (preschool or other daycare); Prima...	Local Education Agencies must notify parents/guardi...	2020-08-26	2020-08-26	Unspecified	Unspecified		Restricting	Social distancing
34576	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	Childcare facilities (preschool or other daycare); Prima...	An initial in-person screen Local Education Agencies must notify parents/guardians and students aged 18 and up if the school becomes aware that a person who tested positive was in the school building at the same time as students.	2020-08-26	2020-08-26	Unspecified	Unspecified	County, UT; Duchesne Count...	Relaxing	Social distancing
48065	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	Childcare facilities (preschool or other daycare); Prima...	Local education authorities	2020-08-26	2020-08-26	Unspecified	Unspecified	County, UT; Sevier County...	Restricting	Social distancing
20336	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	Childcare facilities (preschool or other daycare); Prima...	Child care homes and cent	2020-08-26	2020-08-26	Unspecified	Unspecified		Restricting	Travel restrictions
2192	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	Childcare facilities (preschool or other daycare); Prima...	Child care homes and cent	2020-08-26	2020-08-26	Unspecified	Unspecified		Restricting	Social distancing
6602	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	Childcare facilities (preschool or other daycare); Prima...	Allow school corporations	2020-08-21	2020-08-21	Unspecified	Unspecified		Restricting	Social distancing
28028	State / Province	United States of America (USA)	Childcare facilities (preschool or other daycare); Prima...	Increases from six to ten the number of school-aged ...	2020-08-21	2020-08-21	Unspecified	Unspecified		Relaxing	Social distancing
			Primary education; Secondary education	The state will development a plan to offer each teach...	2020-07-30	2020-08-21	Unspecified	Unspecified			

Schools Should Prioritize Reopening in Fall 2020, Especially for Grades K-5, While Weighing Risks and Benefits

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<https://www.nationalacademies.org/news/2020/07/schools-should-prioritize-reopening-in-fall-2020-especially-for-grades-k-5-while-weighing-risks-and-benefits>

Open questions

- The report recommends research be conducted immediately to investigate:
 1. The link between children and the transmission of COVID-19.
 2. The role of reopening schools in community spread.
 3. Airborne transmission of the virus, and
 4. The effectiveness of various virus mitigation strategies.

Some emerging answers

1. The link between children and the transmission of COVID-19.

See: <https://www.axios.com/children-coronavirus-community-spread-ec749389-9873-4a95-9ab1-de87c3c0cd98.html>

Children can transmit COVID-19 and may be important for transmission in some settings, e.g., at home and at summer camps that don't follow appropriate guidelines [1-2].

2. The role of reopening schools in community spread.

This is still largely unknown as few places with COVID-19 outbreaks have tried to re-open schools.

3. Airborne transmission of the virus, and

There is evidence for aerosol transmission, but the importance of this transmission route is still being investigated [3-4].

4. The effectiveness of various virus mitigation strategies.

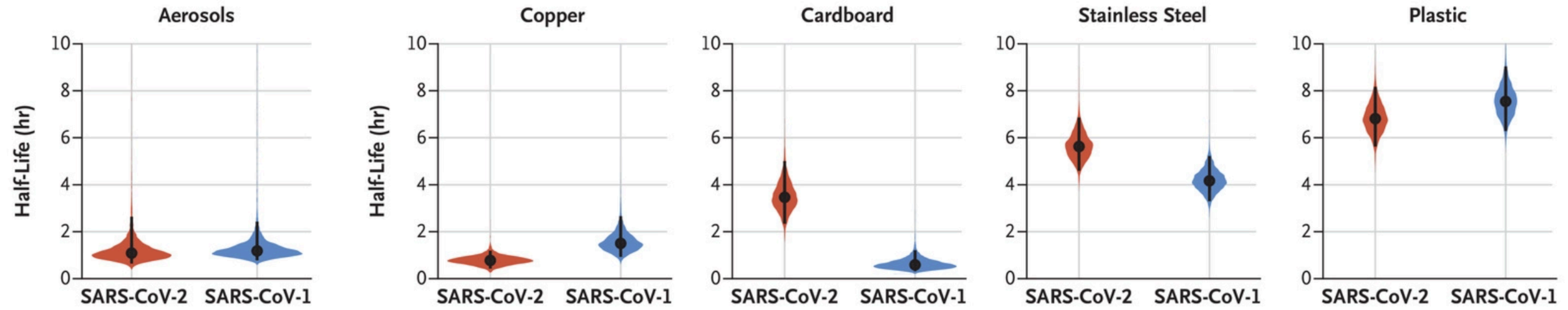
Masks are highly effective, when group sizes are kept small [5-6].

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Aerosol and Surface Stability of SARS-CoV-2
as Compared with SARS-CoV-1

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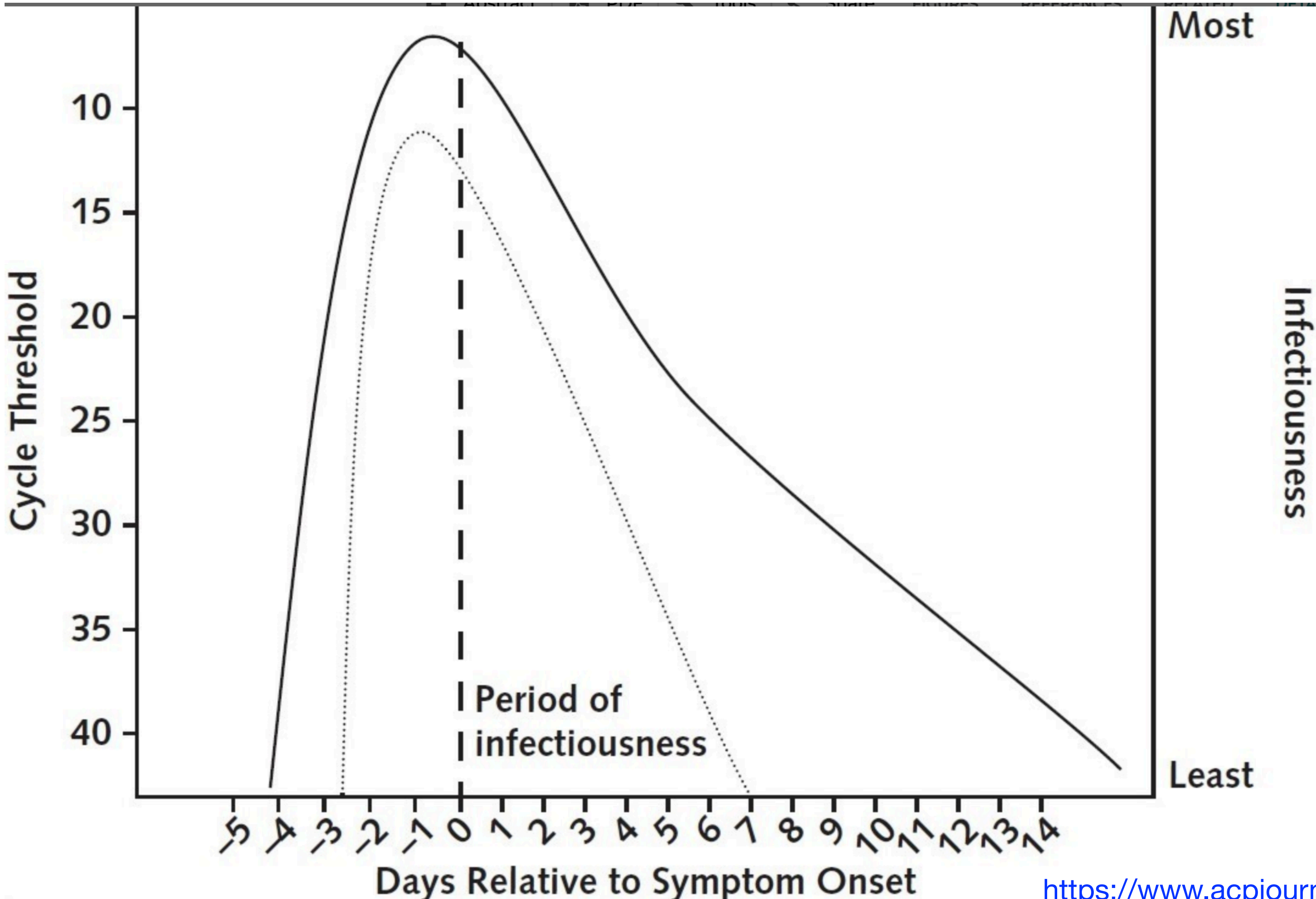
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The dominant route of transmission of SARS-CoV-2 is respiratory (48). Growing evidence indicates that infectious virus can be found in aerosols and in exhaled breath samples (5, 6, 49), and it is likely that under certain circumstances, including during aerosol-generating procedures, while singing, or in indoor environments with poor ventilation, the virus may be transmitted at a distance through aerosols.

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Detection of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2 RNA on Surfaces in Quarantine Rooms

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Table 2. Results of environmental sampling of 2 rooms at a centralized quarantine hotel occupied by 2 presymptomatic SARS-CoV-2–infected patients, China, 2020*

Environmental source†	Values‡	
	Patient A's room	Patient B's room
Door handle	0/1	0/1
Light switch	1/1 (37.59)	0/1
Faucet	0/1	1/1 (28.75)
Bathroom door handle	1/1 (36.02)	0/1
Toilet seat, flush handle	0/1	0/1
Thermometer	0/1	0/1
TV remote	0/1	0/1
Pillow cover	1/1 (28.98)	1/1 (34.57)
Duvet cover	1/1 (35.64)	0/1
Sheet	1/1 (30.58)	0/1
Towel	1/1 (36.98)	0/1
Total, no. (%)	6/11 (54.5)	2/11 (18.2)

> [Vaccine](#). 2012 Jul 6;30(32):4835-41. doi: 10.1016/j.vaccine.2012.05.008. Epub 2012 May 17.

Effects of immunizing school children with 2009 influenza A (H1N1) monovalent vaccine on absenteeism among students and teachers in Maine

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Influenza vaccination in preventing outbreaks in schools: A long-term ecological overview

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Take-home messages:

- 1.) Children and teens can transmit COVID-19
- 2.) Mask wearing, limits on group sizes, physical distancing, and cohorting of students are essential.
- 3.) Aerosol transmission is a high risk.
- 4.) Symptoms are unreliable, which is why vaccination for influenza is essential.

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