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Life expectancy in the wake of covid-19 The US has been hit harder than its peers





Life expectancy decreases during 2020 were much larger in the United States than in peer countries, expanded a preexisting and growing mortality gap, and were disproportionately experienced by Hispanic and Black Americans

Study design



2010-2020 mortality data

US: National Center for Health Statistics Peers: Human Mortality Database

††† Population



Study was based on all deaths in the United States and 16 other high-income countries









2018-2020 decline in life expectancy (years)

