

Coronavirus: Why You Must Act Now

Politicians, Community Leaders and Business Leaders: What Should You Do and When?



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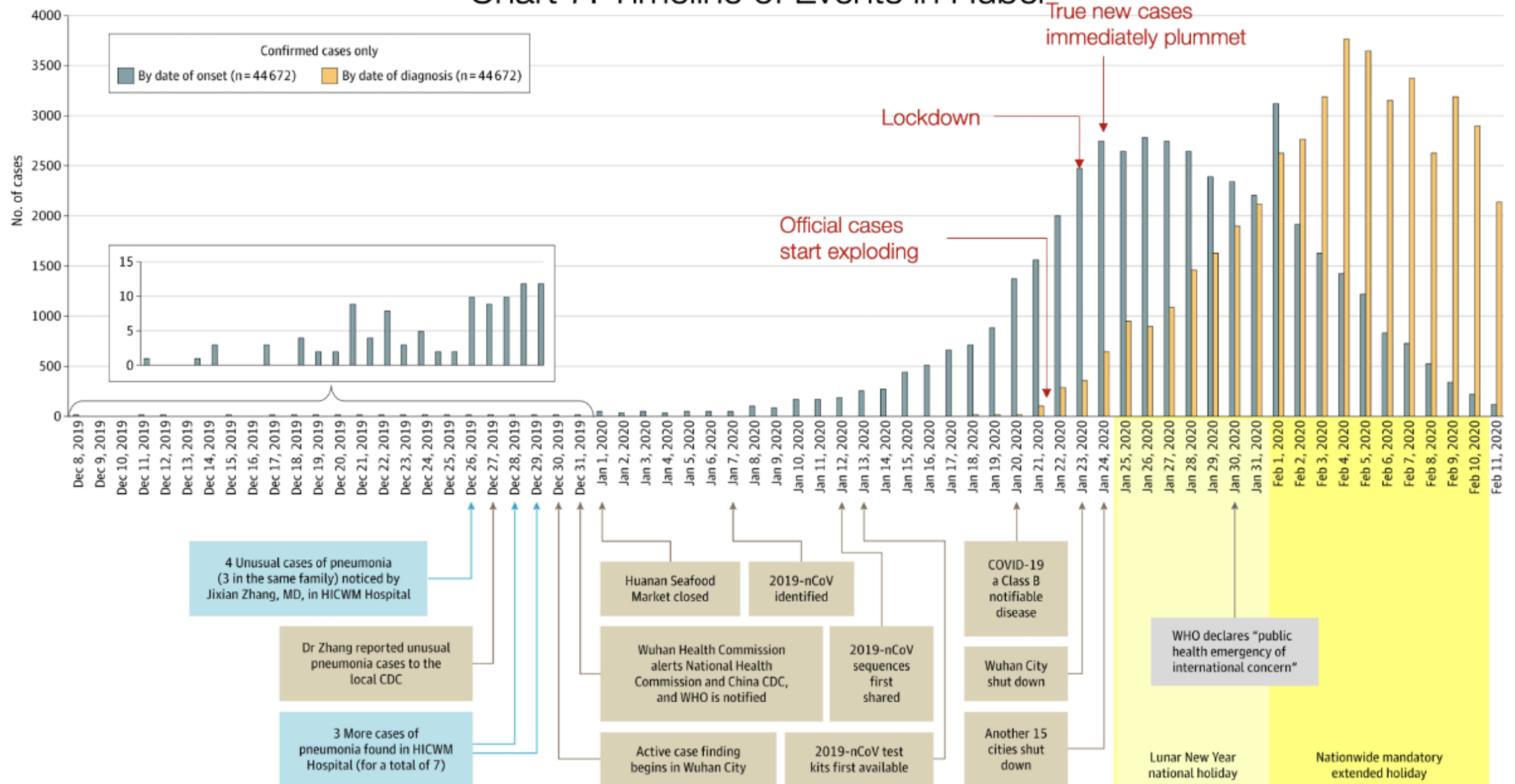
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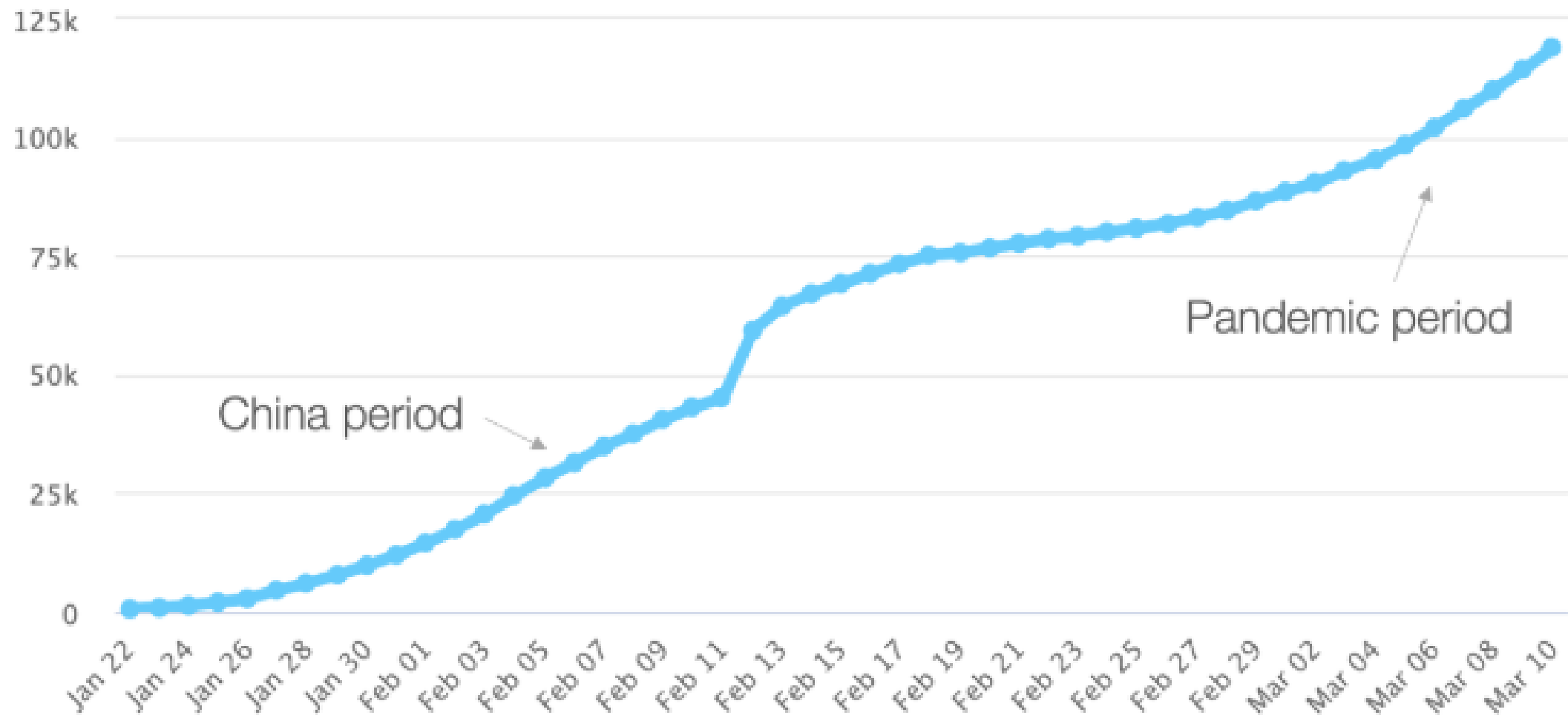
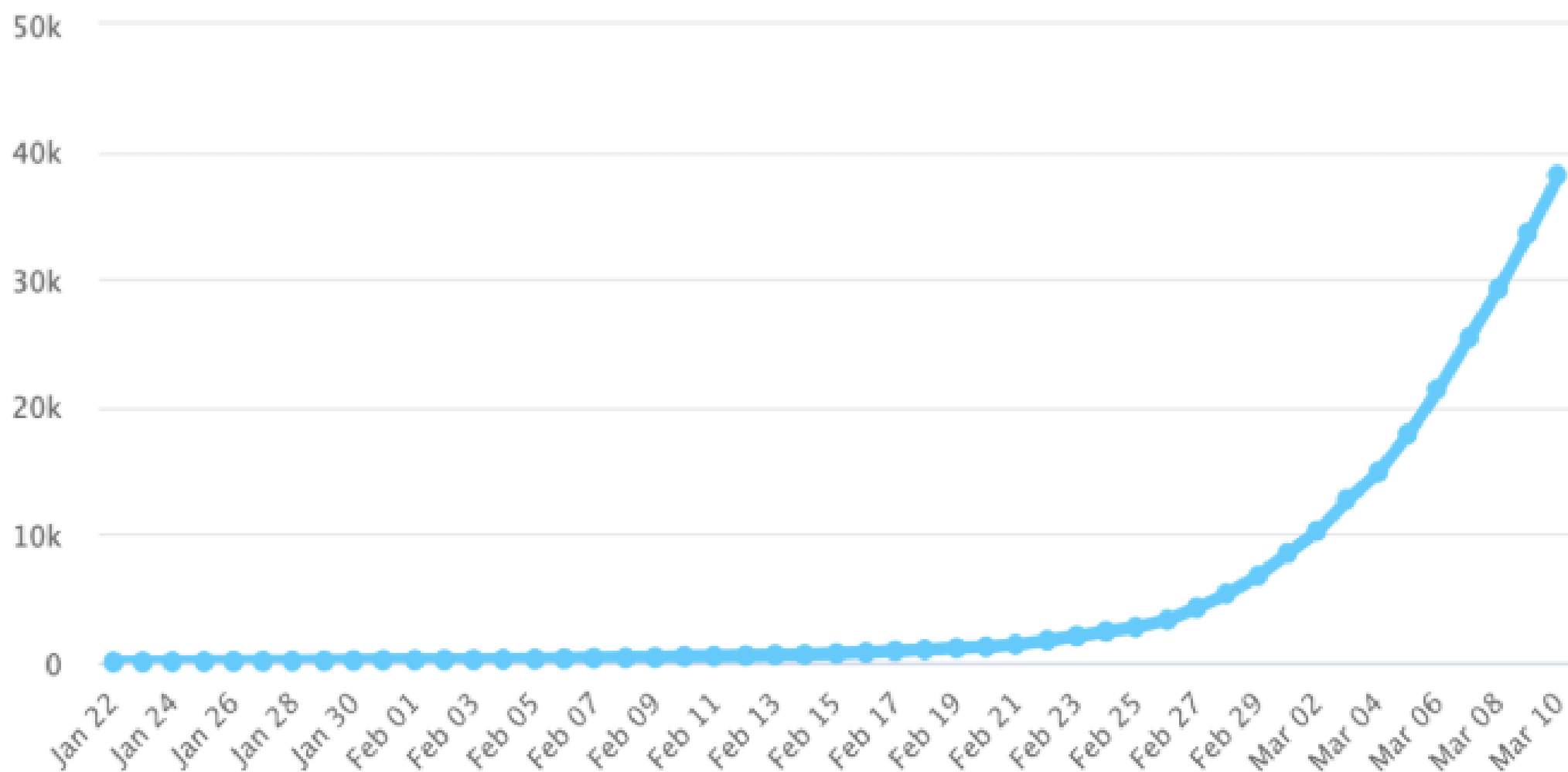
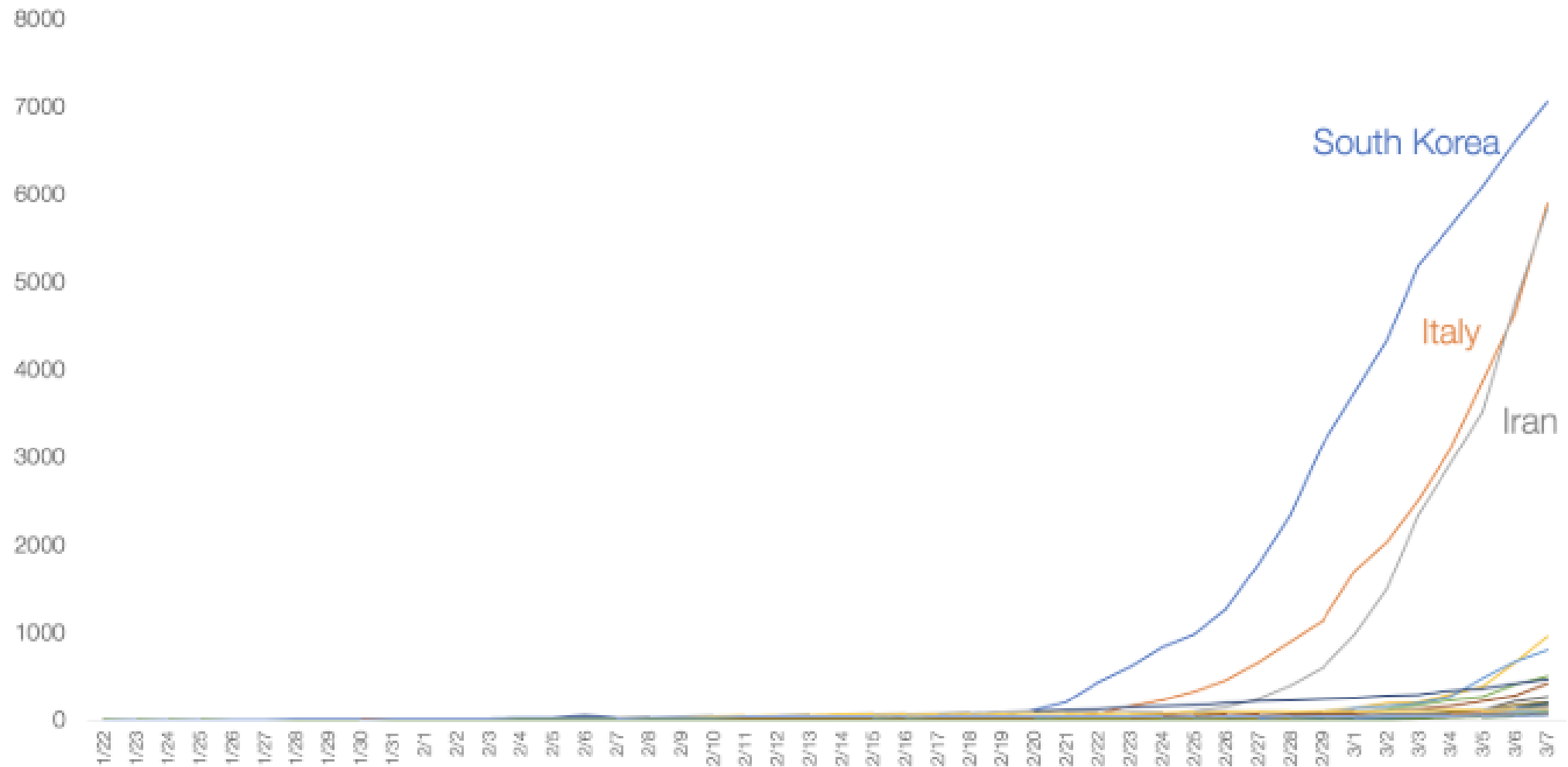


Chart 2: Total Cases of Coronavirus Outside of China



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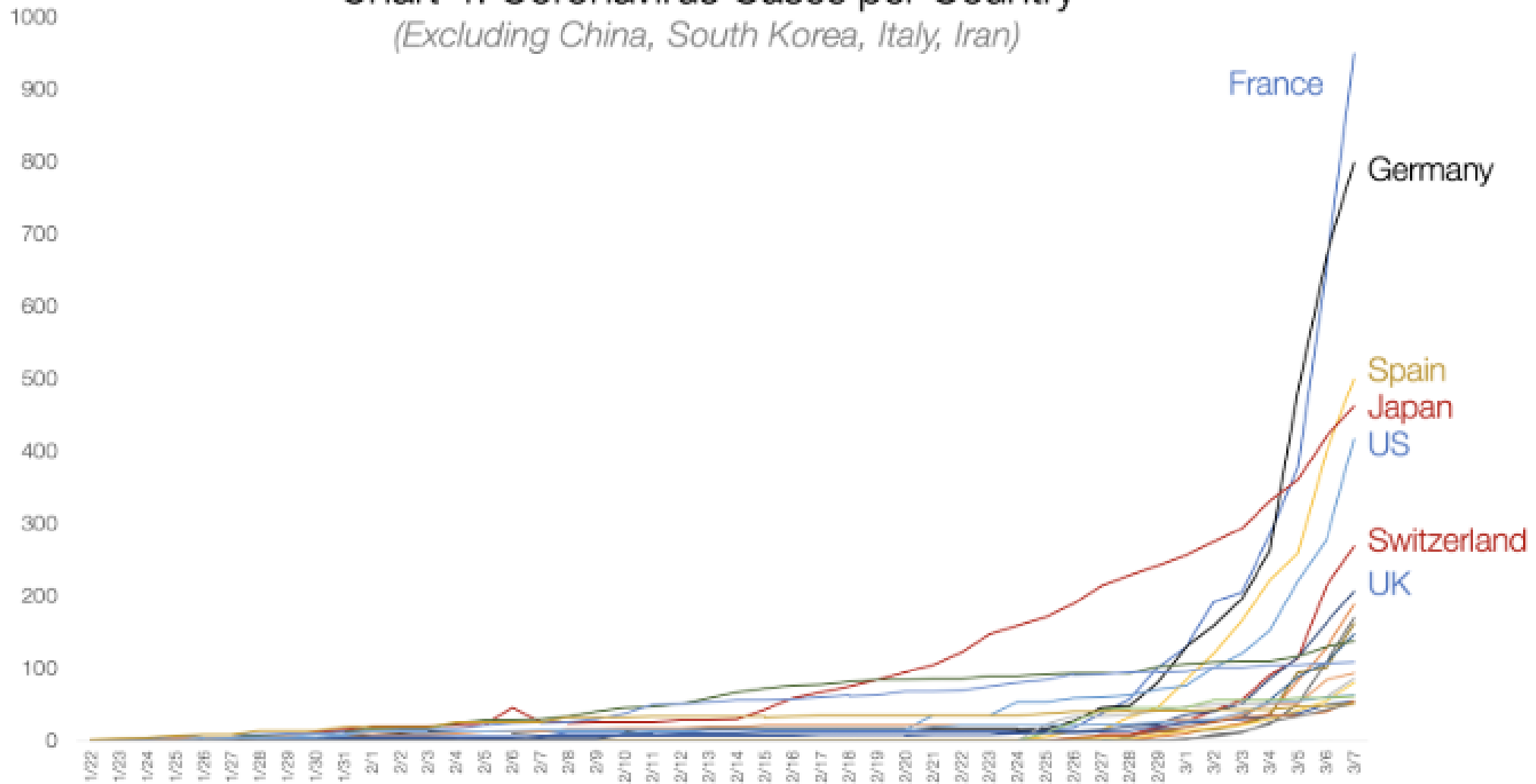
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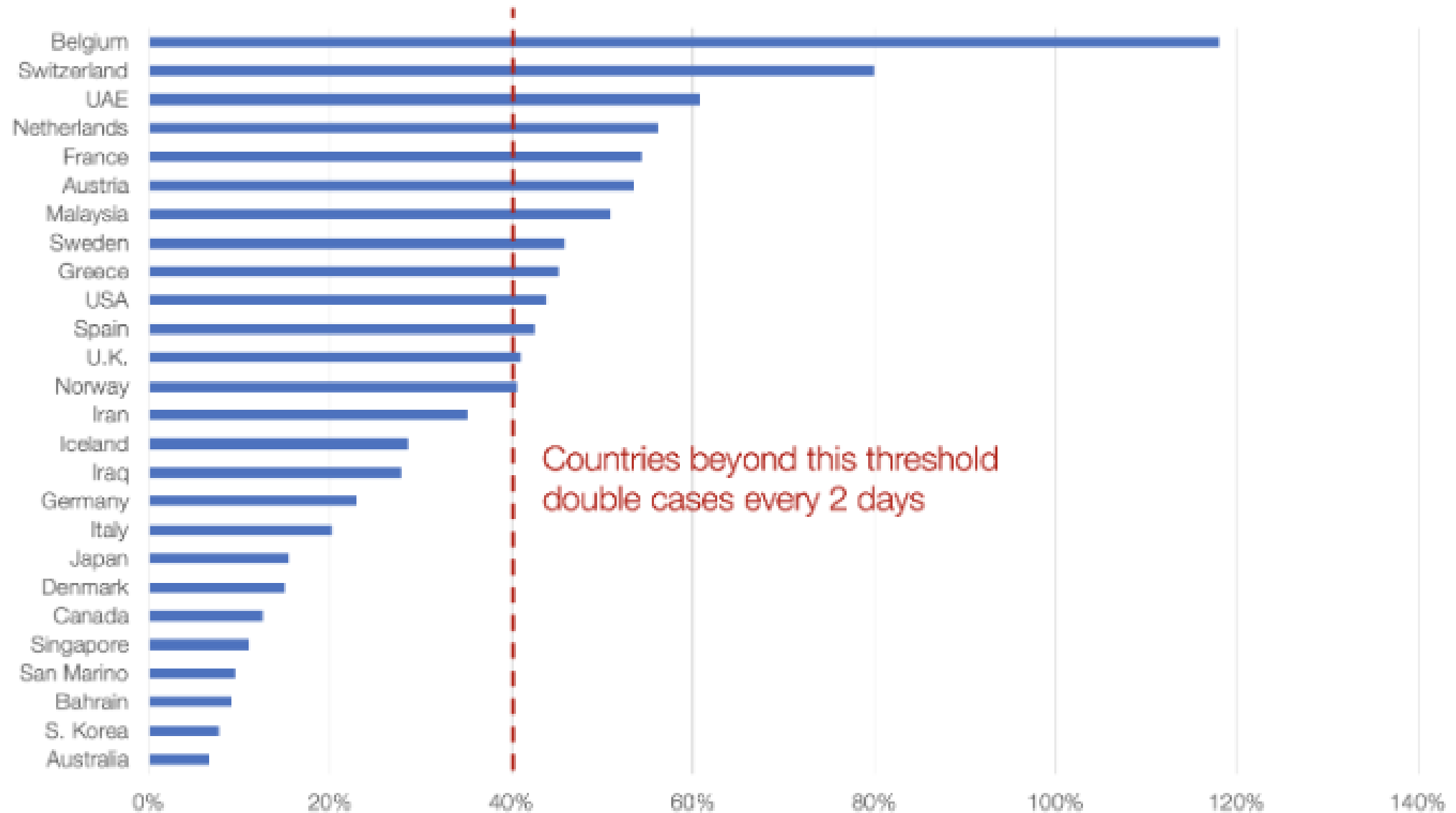
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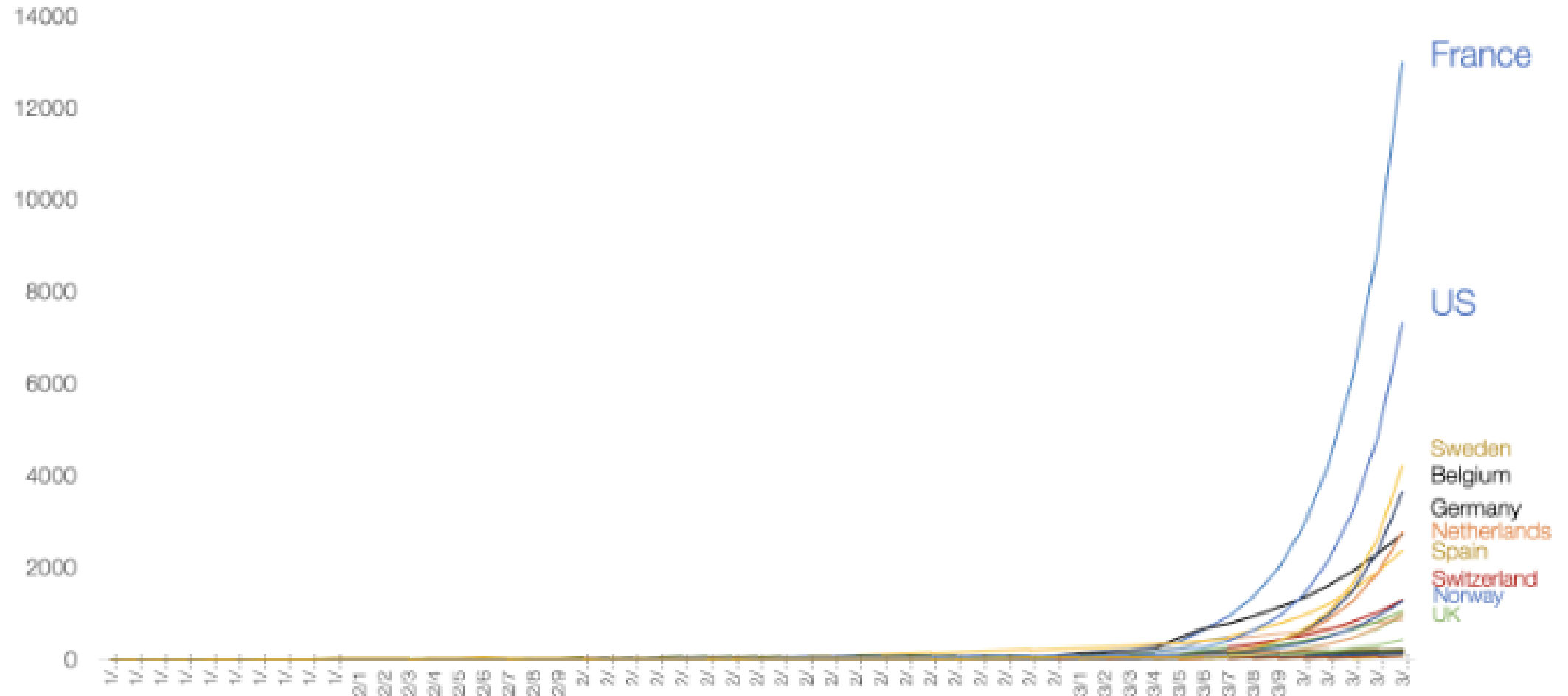
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Chart 5: Daily Growth Rate of Cases between 3/5 and 3/6



Source: Tomas Pueyo analysis from primary data from worldometer
Only includes countries that have >20 cases and >5% growth rate

Chart 6: Forecast of Coronavirus Cases per Country*
(Excluding China, South Korea, Italy, Iran)

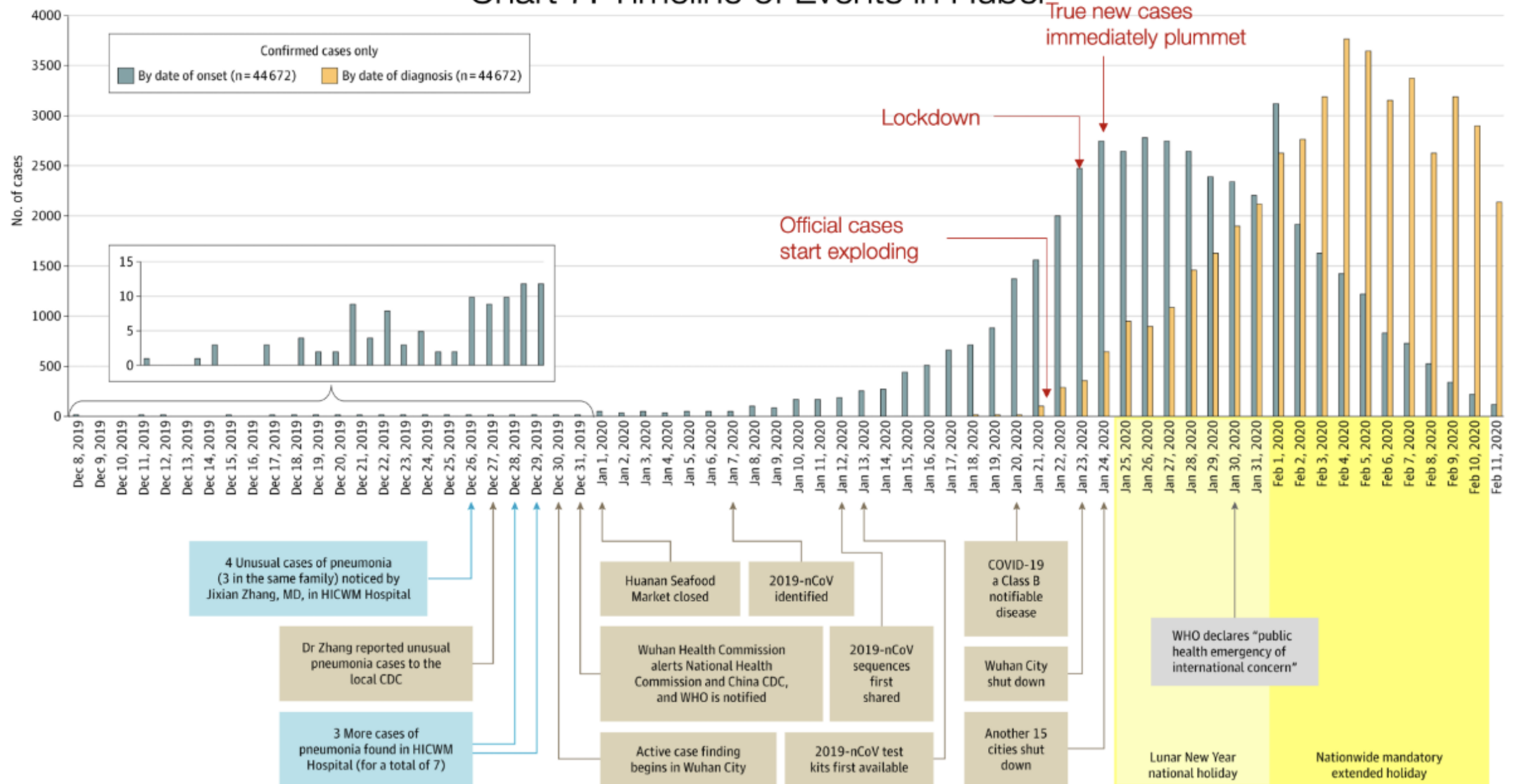


* Based on using the growth rate between 3/6 and 3/7 for 7 more days

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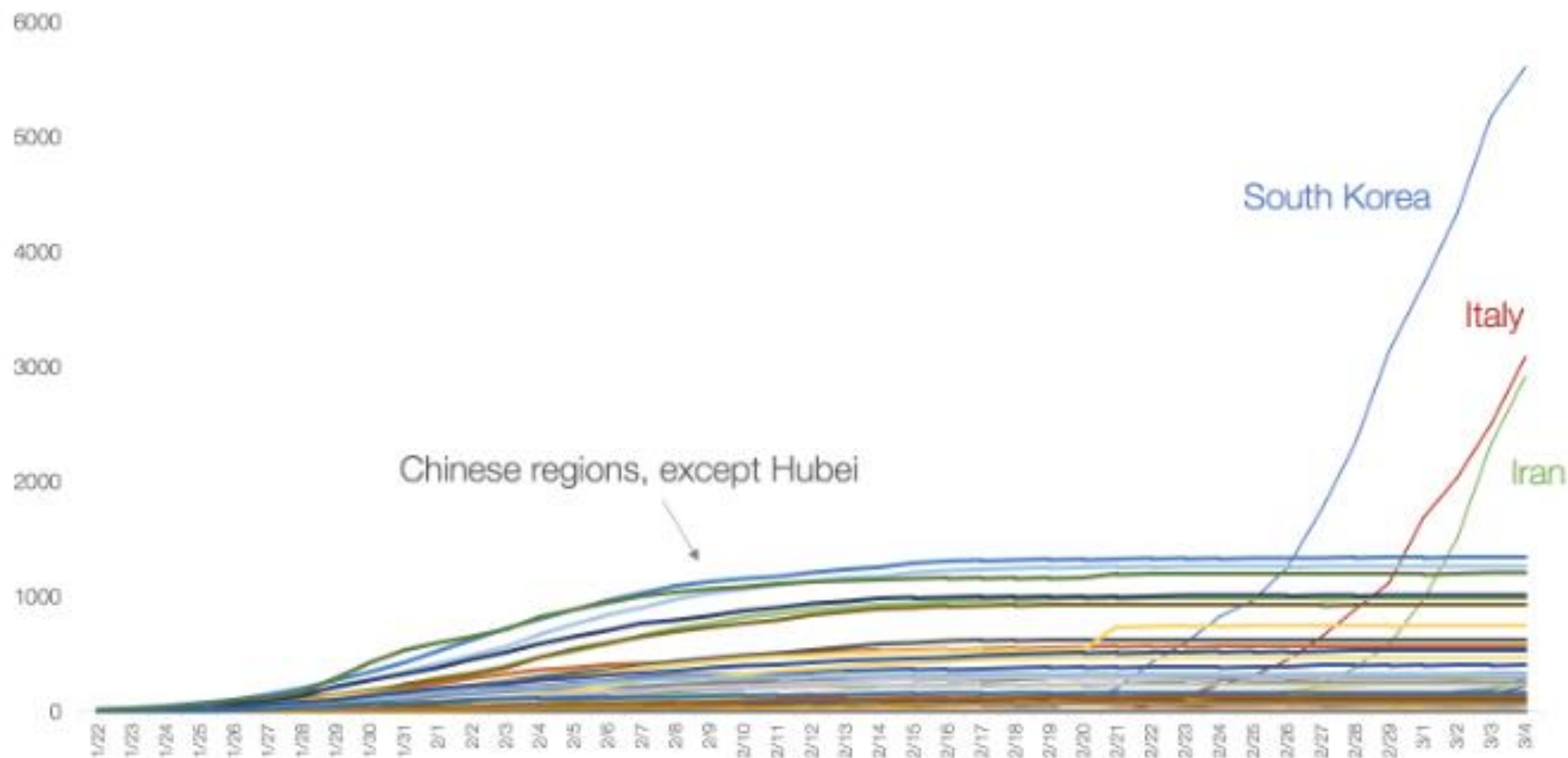
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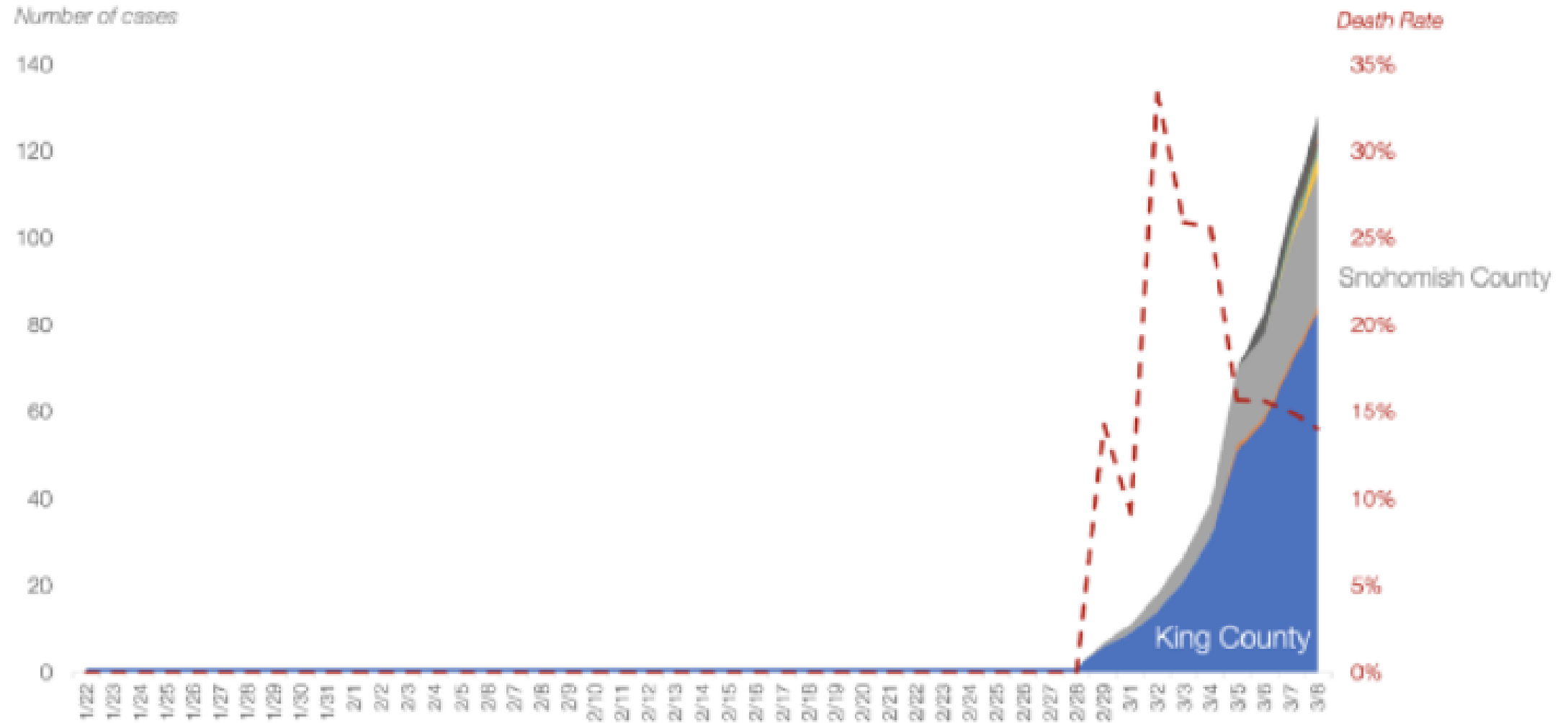
Chinese Regions Outside Hubei vs. Italy, Iran and South Korea



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Chart 10: Washington State Cases and Death Rate



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Country	Tests Performed	Tests Per Million Citizens	Positive Test Rate
South Korea	109,591	2,138	4.4%
Italy	23,345	386	8.7%
Austria	2,120	235	0.8%
Switzerland	1,850	214	1.6%
UK	13,525	199	0.3%
Finland	130	23	5.4%
Turkey	940	11	0.0%
United States	472	1	21.8%

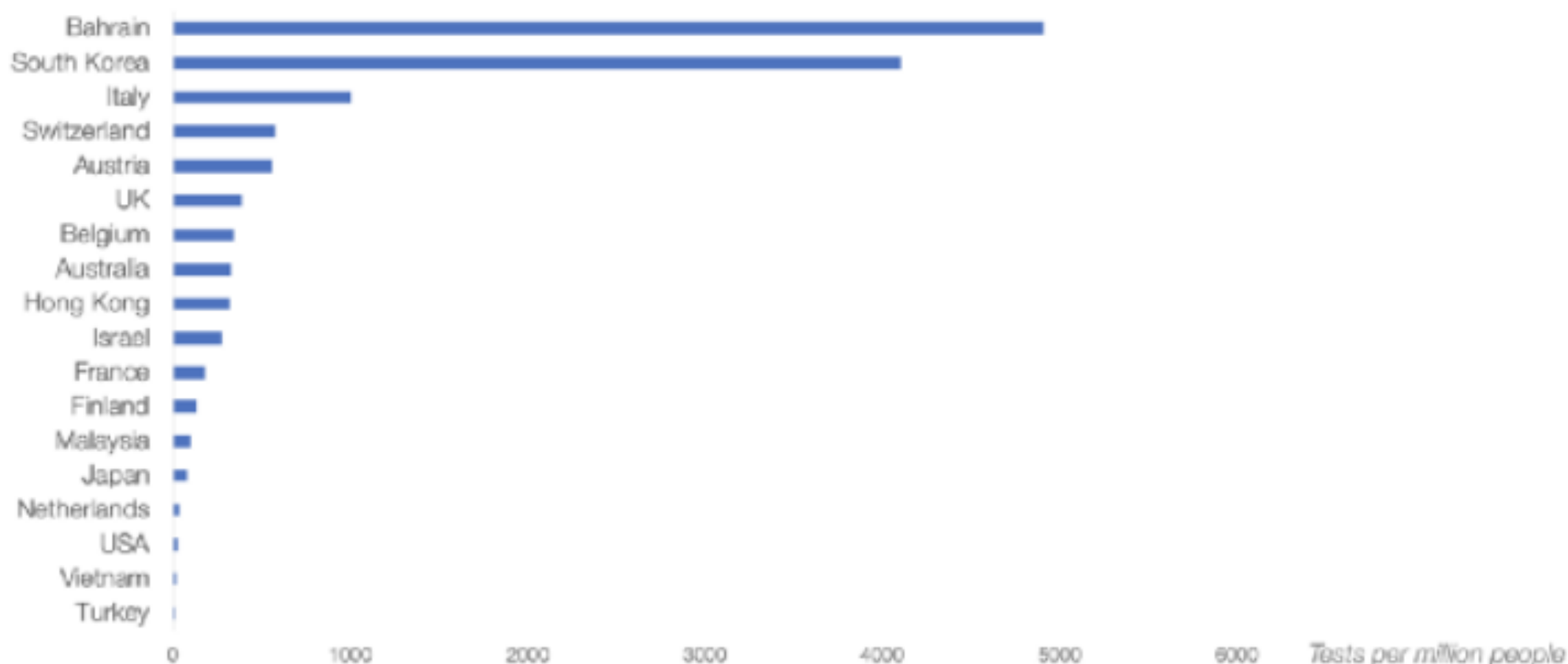
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Tomas Pueyo analysis with data from Worldometer

<https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/covid-19-testing/>

[Sources for each number here](#)

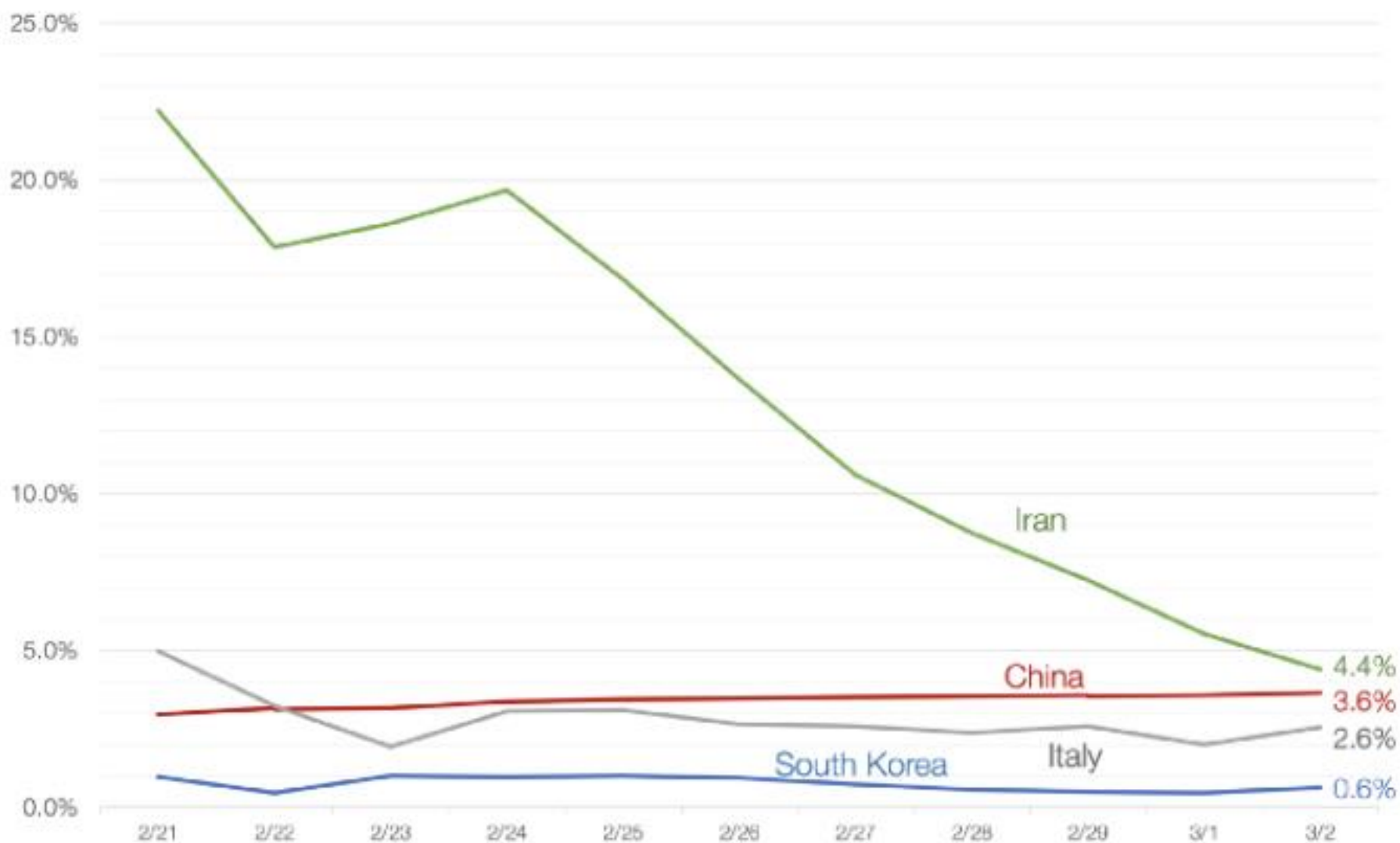
Chart 10.b: Coronavirus Tests Performed per Million People for Different Countries
(as of March 9th)



Source: Tomas Puryo analysis from data aggregated by Worldometers: <https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/covid-19-testing/>
Per country sources available at Worldometers or at:
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/17YfGmjb2Z2QwMfPRwAb7WDvQoEAL5CoG4R9f03d5W/edit#gid=508478959>

Chart 12: Fatality Rate: Deaths / TOTAL Cases

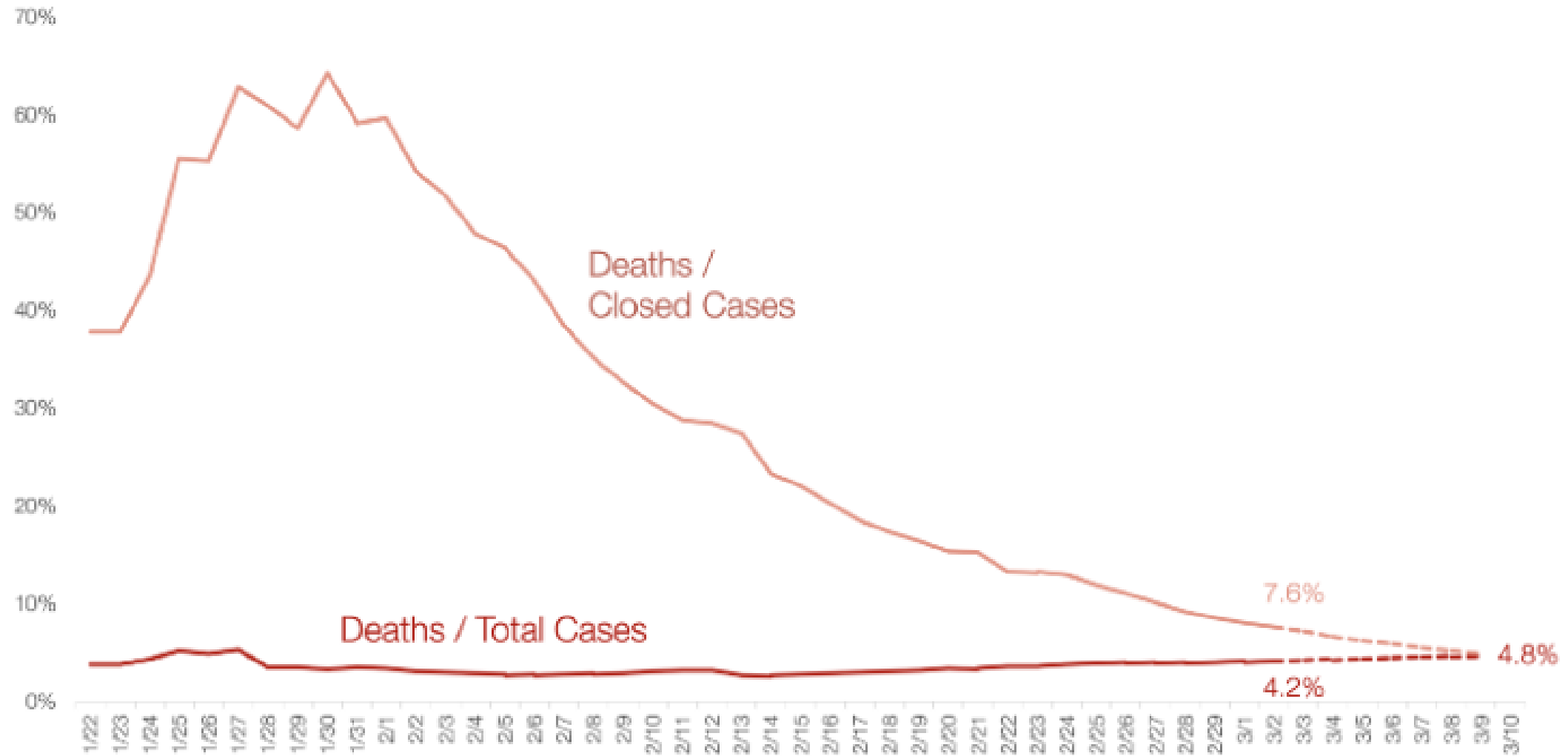
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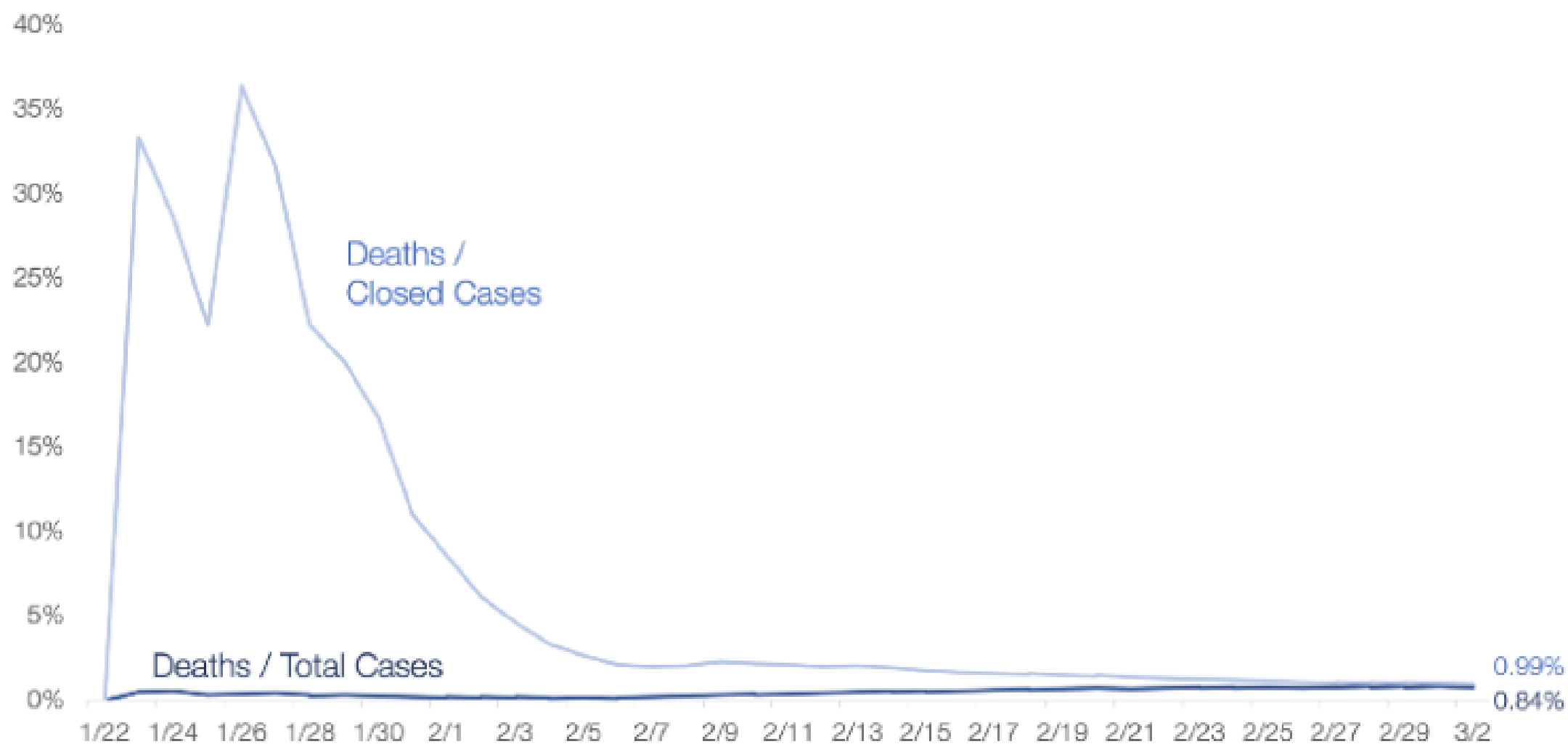
Chart 13: Fatality Rates in Hubei Region, China



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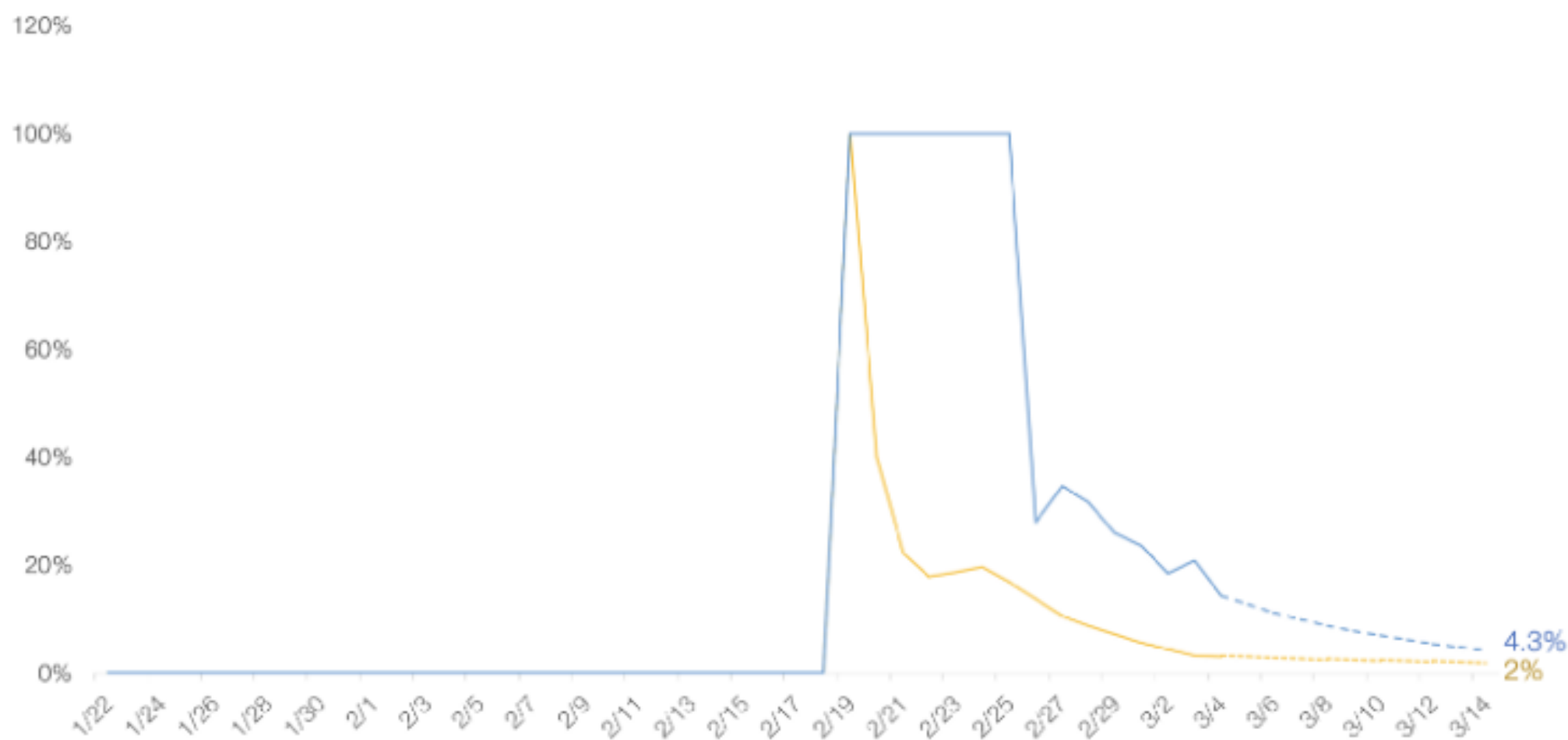
Chart 14: Fatality Rates in China, Excluding Hubei



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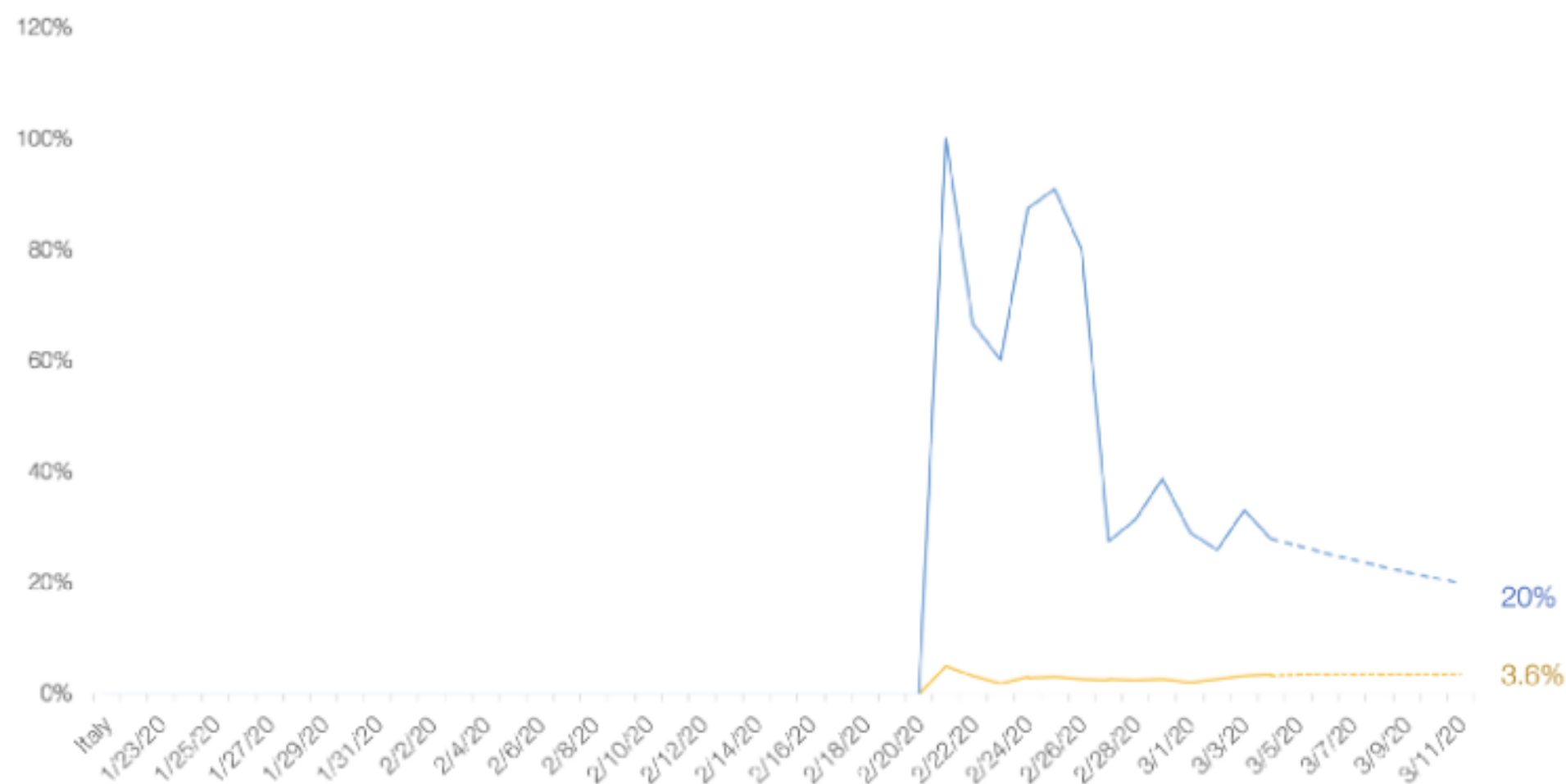
Chart 15: Projection of Coronavirus Fatality Rate in Iran



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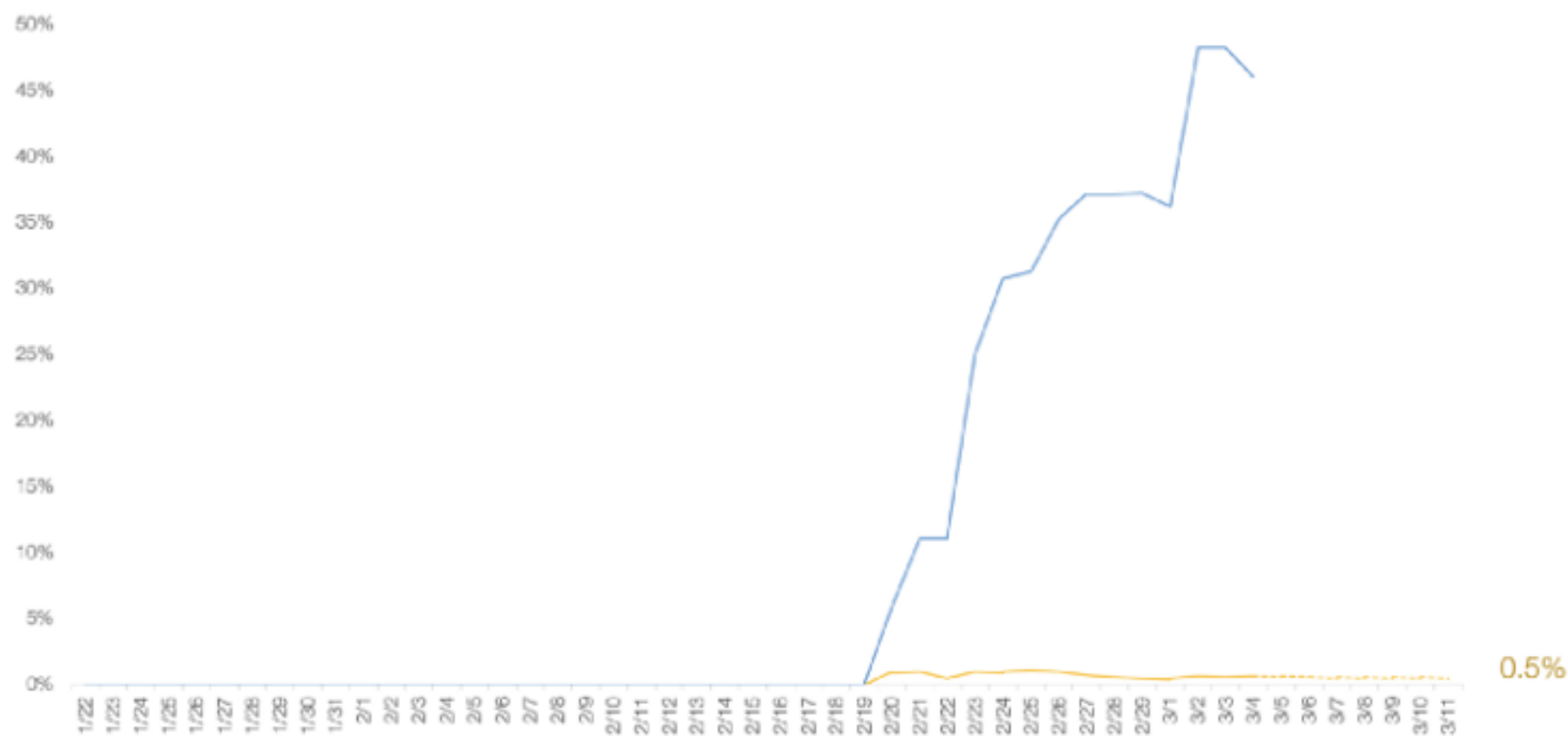
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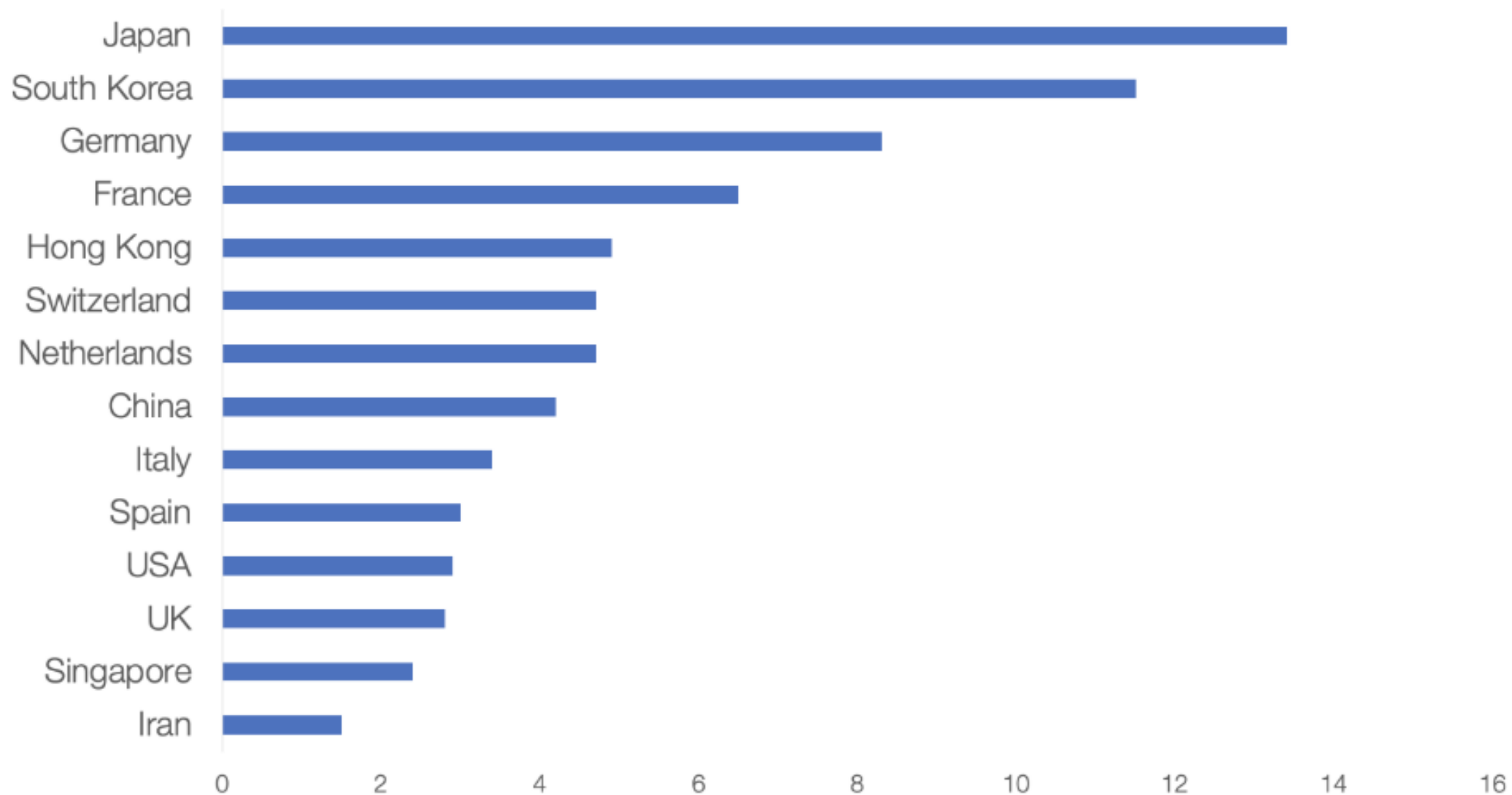
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Chart 17.b: Beds / 1,000 People in Different Countries



The Majority of Infections are Mild

Seriousness of symptoms

80.9%



MILD

Like flu, stay at home

13.8%



SEVERE

Hospitalization

4.7%



CRITICAL

Intensive care

Chart 18: Slide from a Webinar of the American Hospital Association, communicating best guesses on the impact of the Coronavirus in the US healthcare system in 2020

Best Guess Epidemiology

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|--|-----------------------------|
| • $R_0 = 2.5$; Doubling time 7-10 days | Community epi wave 2 months |
| • Community attack rate = 30-40% | US: 96 million cases |
| • Cases requiring hospitalization = 5% | US: 4.8 million admissions |
| • Cases requiring ICU care = 1-2% | US: 1.9 million ICU |
| • Cases requiring ventilatory support = 1% | US: 1 PPV |
| • CFR = 0.5% | US: 480,000 deaths |
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- **PREPARE FOR DISEASE BURDEN ROUGHLY 10X SEVERE FLU SEASON**

Why it is so important to **act early** on COVID-19

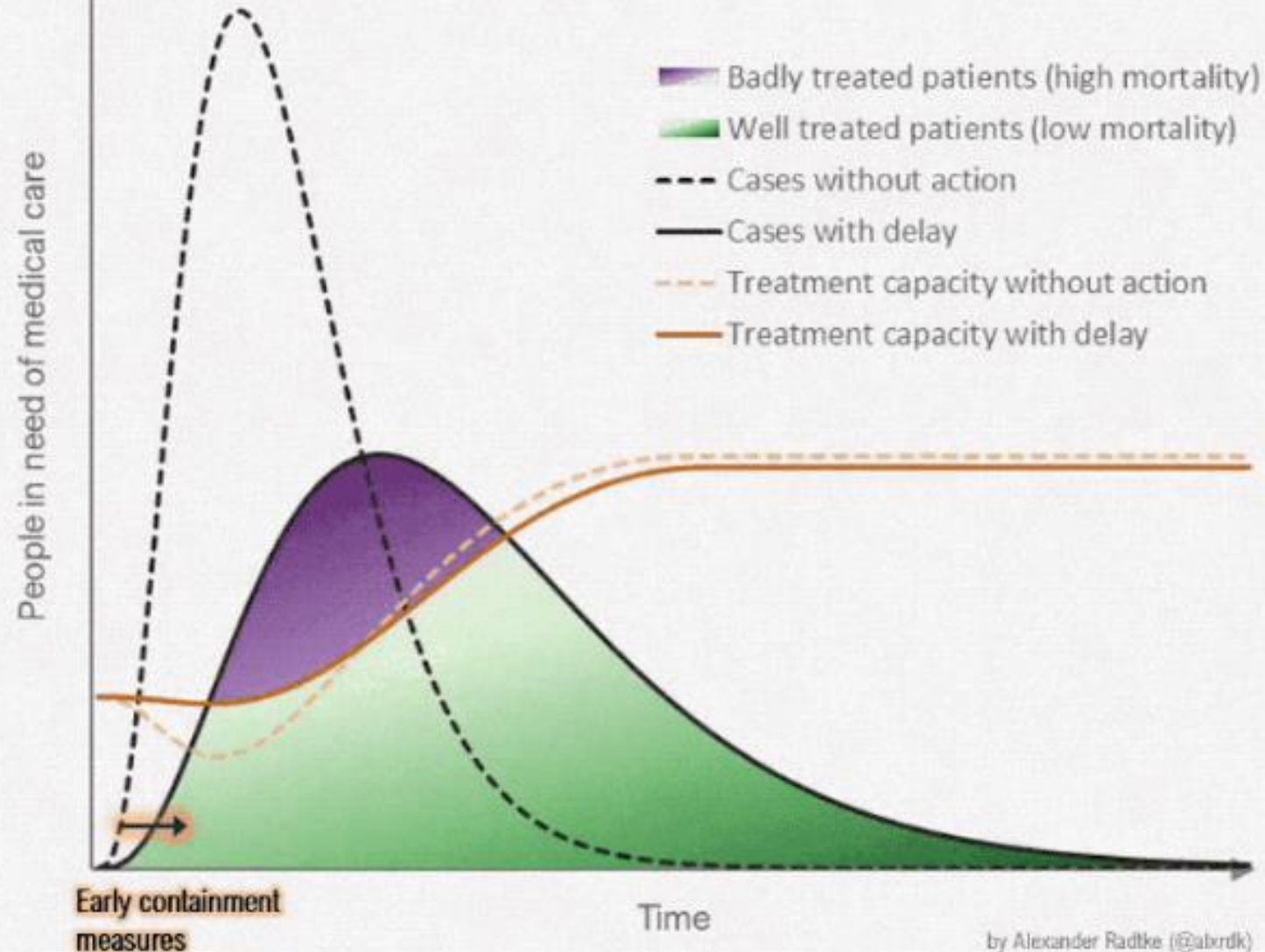


Chart 19: Death Rate of 1918 Flu Pandemic in Cities with Different Social Distancing Measures

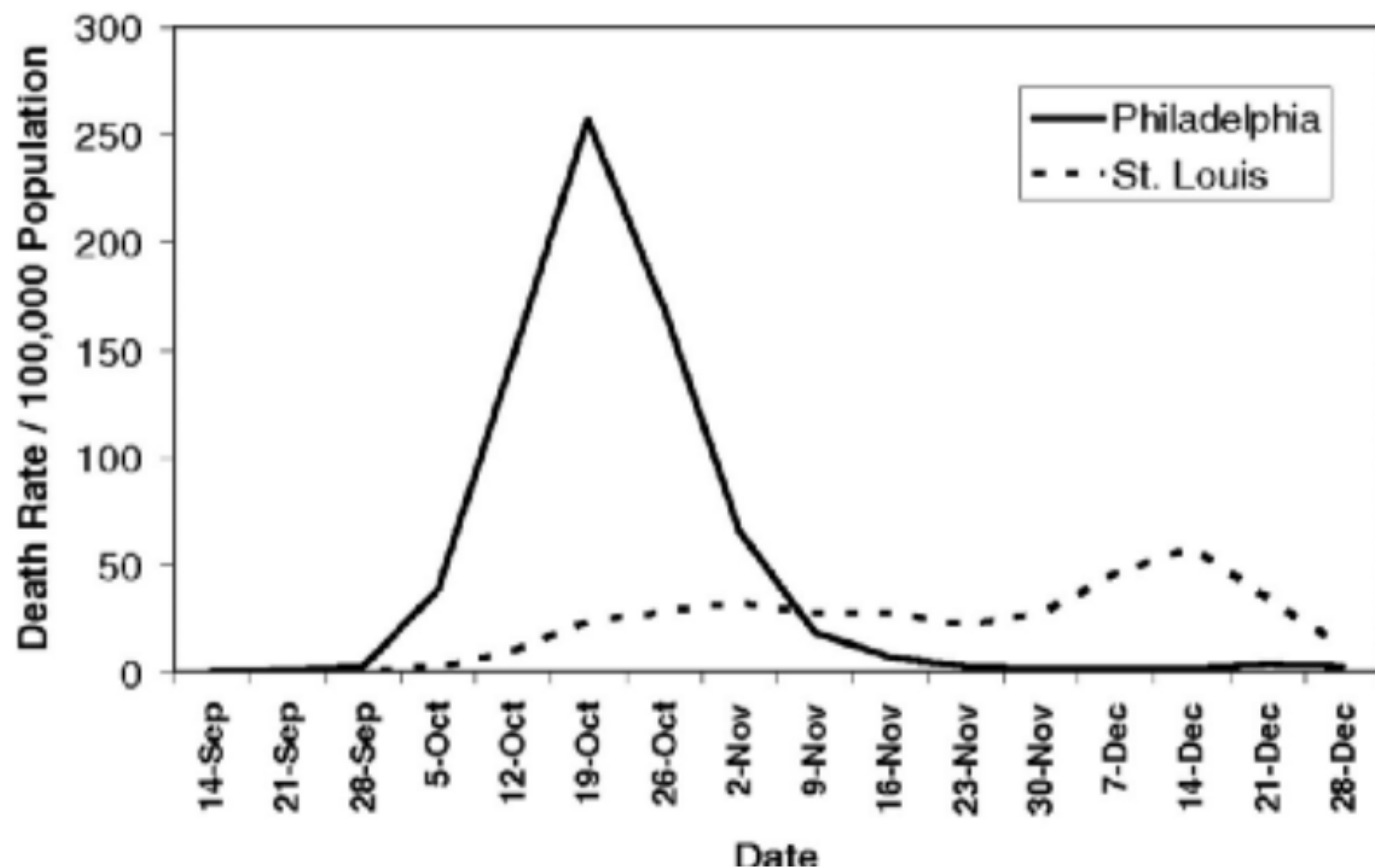
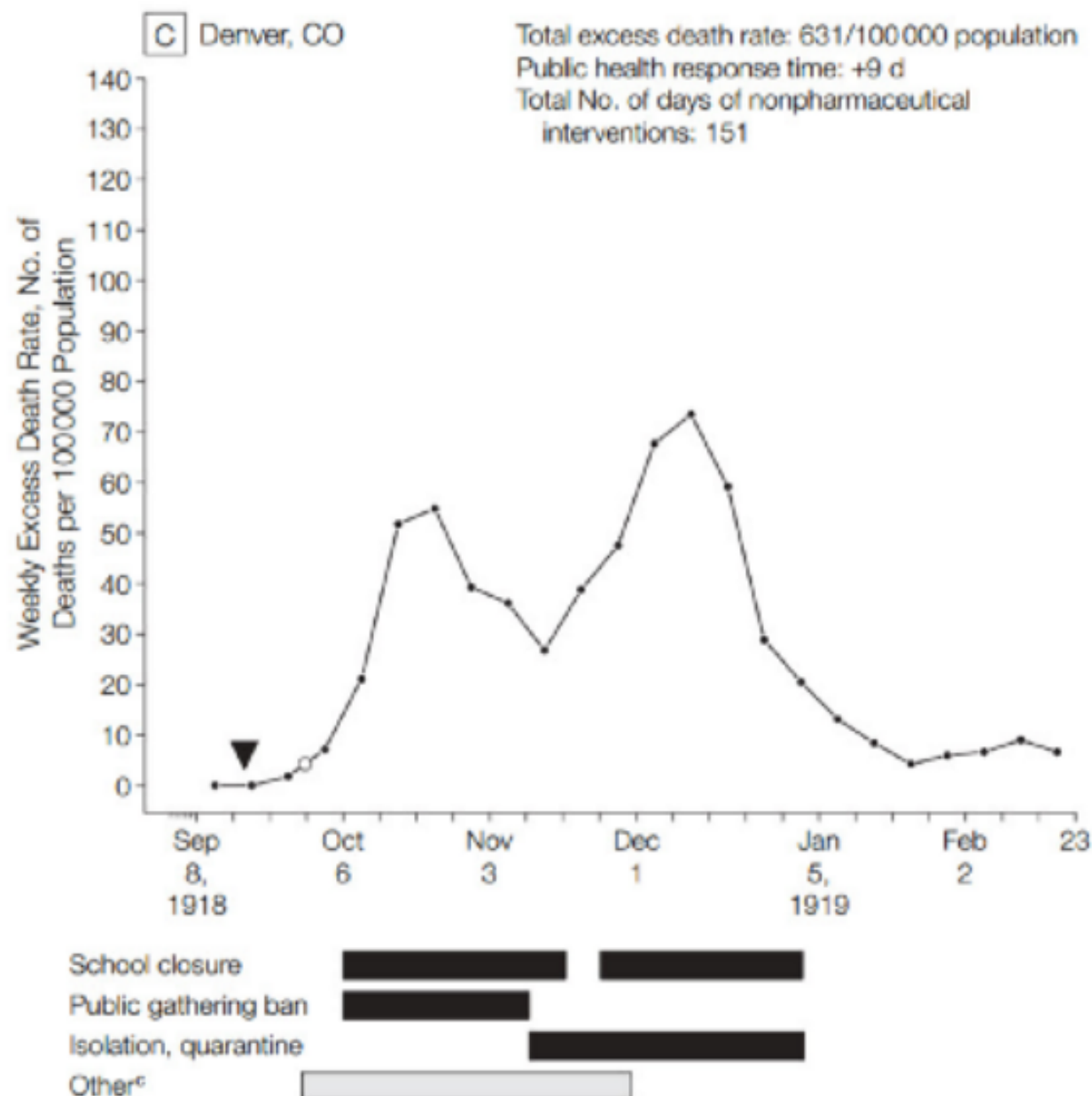


Chart 20: Excess Death in Denver during the 1918 Flu Pandemic



Source: Marginal Revolution,
<https://marginalrevolution.com/marginalrevolution/2020/03/what-worked-in-1918-1919.html>

Chart 21: Total excess pneumonia and influenza mortality by public health response time

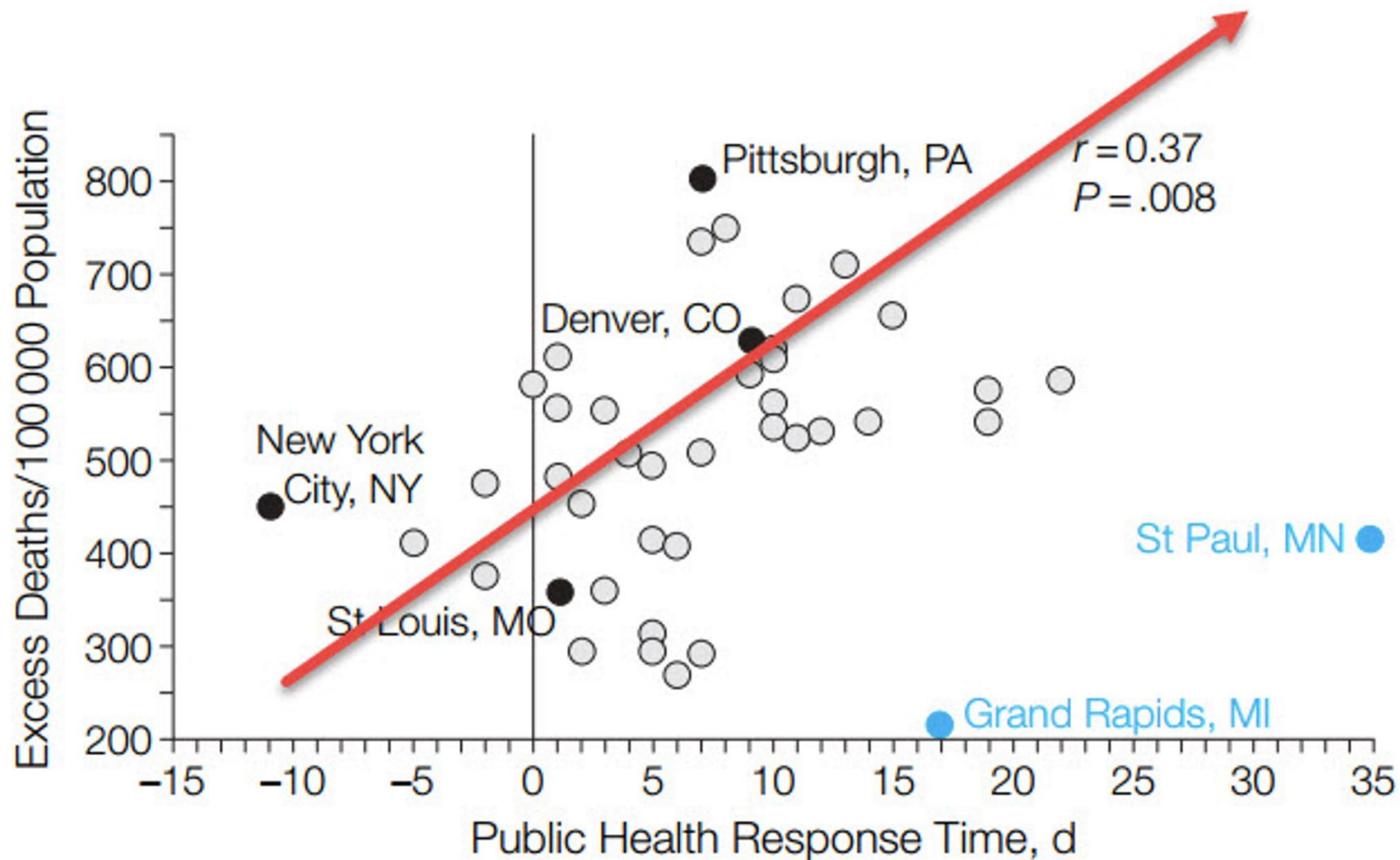
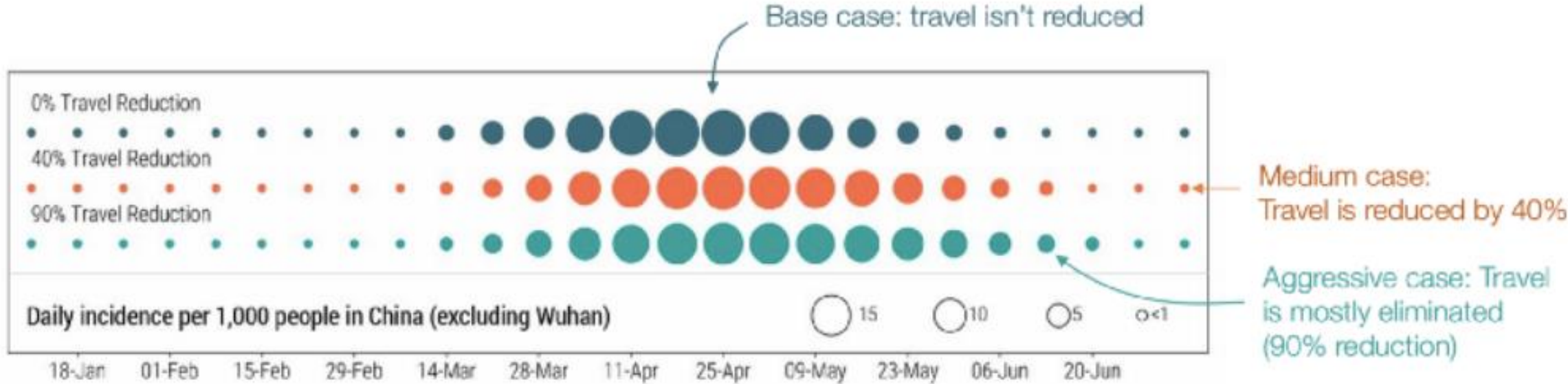


Chart 21.b: Delay in Coronavirus Spread in China, Based on Travel Restrictions



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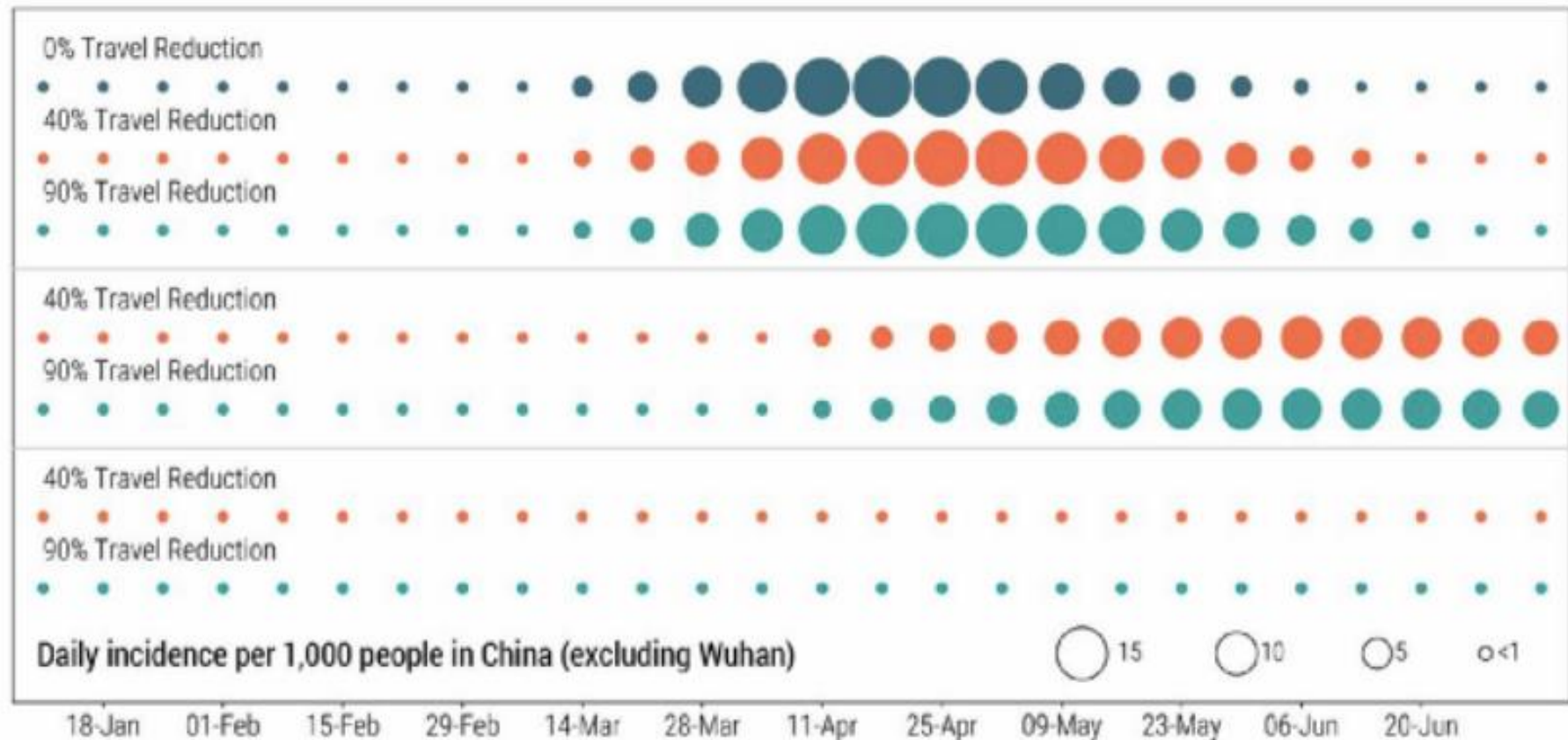
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Chart 21.c: Delay in Coronavirus Spread in China, Based on Travel Restrictions and Transmission Rate Reductions

Transmission rate
stays the same

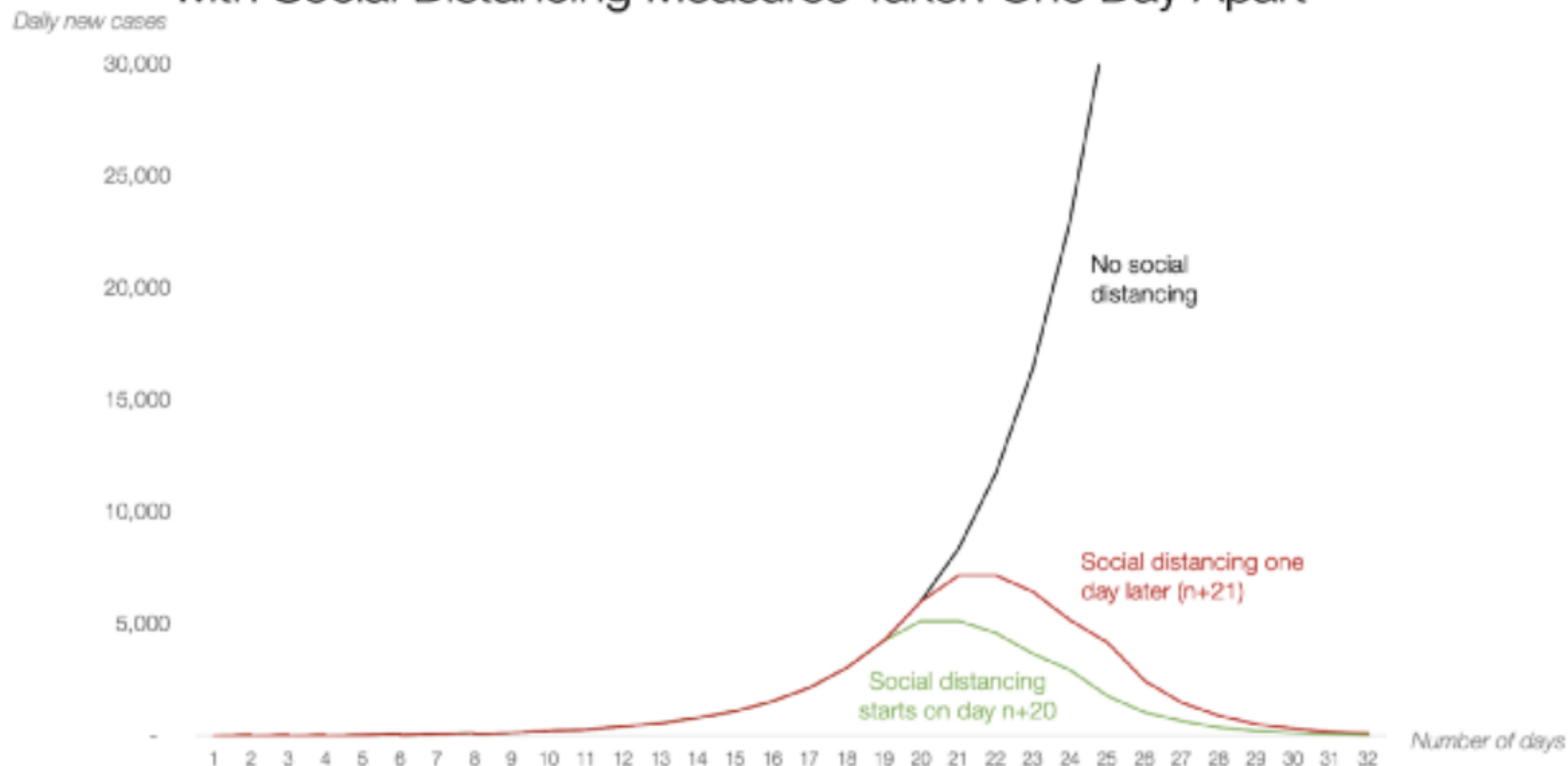
Transmission rate
goes down by 25%

Transmission rate
goes down by 50%



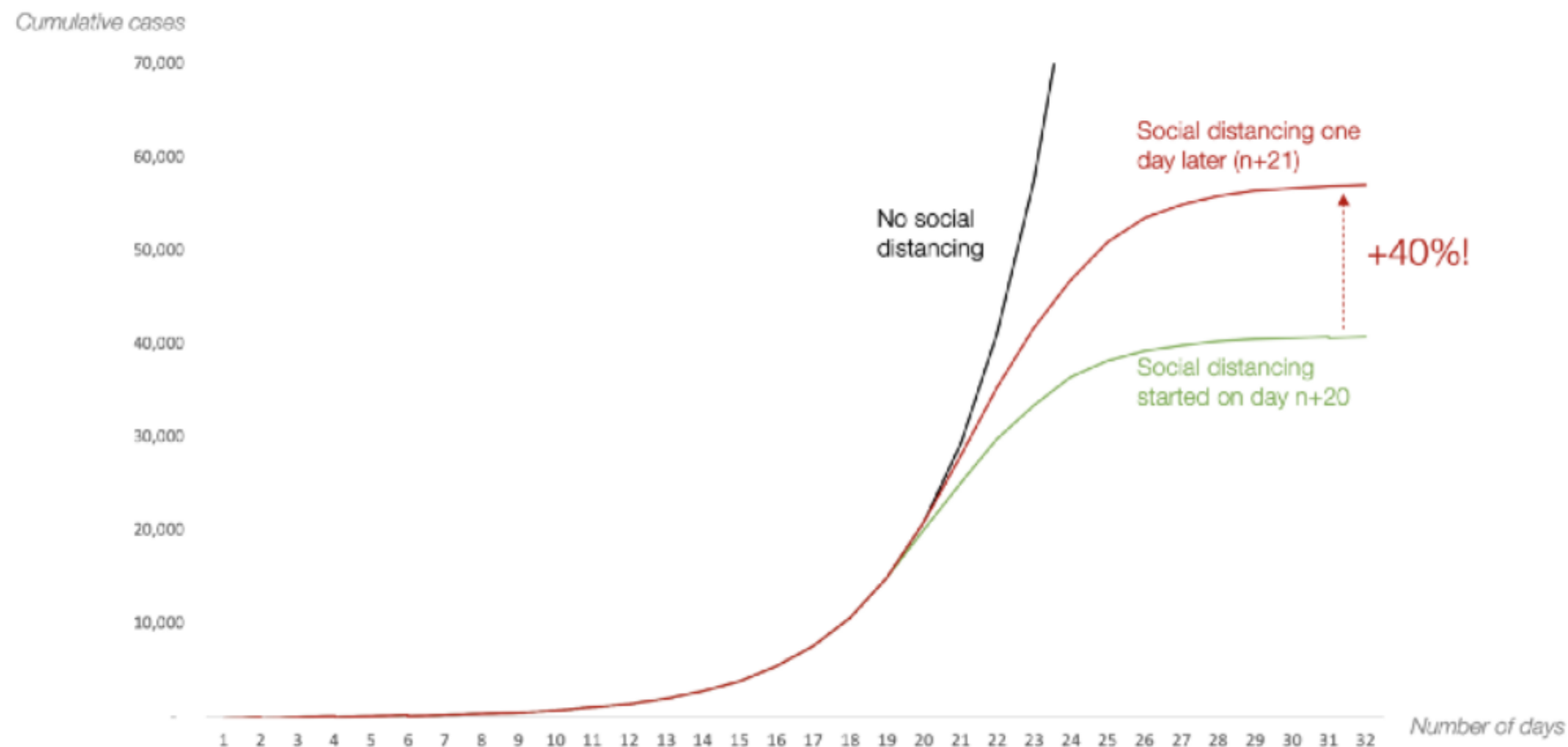
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Chart 22: Model of Daily New Cases of Coronavirus with Social Distancing Measures Taken One Day Apart



Source: Tomas Pueyo

Chart 23: Model of Cumulative Cases of Coronavirus with Social Distancing Measures Taken One Day Apart



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