

COVID19_Global_Tracker (1)

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1 COVID-19 Global Data Tracker

In this notebook, we will analyze and visualize global COVID-19 trends, including total cases, deaths, vaccinations, and country comparisons. We will use Python data tools to clean, process, explore, and report on real-world COVID-19 data.

1.1 1. Data Collection

Download the dataset from [Our World in Data](#) and save it in your working directory as `owid-covid-data.csv`.

```
[1]: # Import libraries
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
import plotly.express as px

# Load the dataset
df = pd.read_csv("owid-covid-data.csv")
df.head()
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[1]: iso_code continent    location    date  total_cases  new_cases  \
0      AFG      Asia  Afghanistan  2020-01-05         0.0         0.0
1      AFG      Asia  Afghanistan  2020-01-06         0.0         0.0
2      AFG      Asia  Afghanistan  2020-01-07         0.0         0.0
3      AFG      Asia  Afghanistan  2020-01-08         0.0         0.0
4      AFG      Asia  Afghanistan  2020-01-09         0.0         0.0

      new_cases_smoothed  total_deaths  new_deaths  new_deaths_smoothed  ...  \
0                NaN           0.0           0.0                NaN  ...
1                NaN           0.0           0.0                NaN  ...
2                NaN           0.0           0.0                NaN  ...
3                NaN           0.0           0.0                NaN  ...
4                NaN           0.0           0.0                NaN  ...

      male_smokers  handwashing_facilities  hospital_beds_per_thousand  \
0             NaN                37.746                0.5
1             NaN                37.746                0.5
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2	NaN	37.746	0.5
3	NaN	37.746	0.5
4	NaN	37.746	0.5

	life_expectancy	human_development_index	population	\
0	64.83	0.511	41128772	
1	64.83	0.511	41128772	
2	64.83	0.511	41128772	
3	64.83	0.511	41128772	
4	64.83	0.511	41128772	

	excess_mortality_cumulative_absolute	excess_mortality_cumulative	\
0	NaN	NaN	
1	NaN	NaN	
2	NaN	NaN	
3	NaN	NaN	
4	NaN	NaN	

	excess_mortality	excess_mortality_cumulative_per_million
0	NaN	NaN
1	NaN	NaN
2	NaN	NaN
3	NaN	NaN
4	NaN	NaN

[5 rows x 67 columns]

1.2 2. Data Exploration

Preview column names, check data types, and identify missing values.

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[2]: print(df.columns)
      print(df.dtypes)
      df.isnull().sum().sort_values(ascending=False).head(20)
```

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Index(['iso_code', 'continent', 'location', 'date', 'total_cases', 'new_cases',
      'new_cases_smoothed', 'total_deaths', 'new_deaths',
      'new_deaths_smoothed', 'total_cases_per_million',
      'new_cases_per_million', 'new_cases_smoothed_per_million',
      'total_deaths_per_million', 'new_deaths_per_million',
      'new_deaths_smoothed_per_million', 'reproduction_rate', 'icu_patients',
      'icu_patients_per_million', 'hosp_patients',
      'hosp_patients_per_million', 'weekly_icu_admissions',
      'weekly_icu_admissions_per_million', 'weekly_hosp_admissions',
      'weekly_hosp_admissions_per_million', 'total_tests', 'new_tests',
      'total_tests_per_thousand', 'new_tests_per_thousand',
      'new_tests_smoothed', 'new_tests_smoothed_per_thousand',
      'positive_rate', 'tests_per_case', 'tests_units', 'total_vaccinations',
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'people_vaccinated', 'people_fully_vaccinated', 'total_boosters',
'new_vaccinations', 'new_vaccinations_smoothed',
'total_vaccinations_per_hundred', 'people_vaccinated_per_hundred',
'people_fully_vaccinated_per_hundred', 'total_boosters_per_hundred',
'new_vaccinations_smoothed_per_million',
'new_people_vaccinated_smoothed',
'new_people_vaccinated_smoothed_per_hundred', 'stringency_index',
'population_density', 'median_age', 'aged_65_older', 'aged_70_older',
'gdp_per_capita', 'extreme_poverty', 'cardiovasc_death_rate',
'diabetes_prevalence', 'female_smokers', 'male_smokers',
'handwashing_facilities', 'hospital_beds_per_thousand',
'life_expectancy', 'human_development_index', 'population',
'excess_mortality_cumulative_absolute', 'excess_mortality_cumulative',
'excess_mortality', 'excess_mortality_cumulative_per_million'],
dtype='object')
iso_code                object
continent               object
location               object
date                   object
total_cases            float64
...
population             int64
excess_mortality_cumulative_absolute float64
excess_mortality_cumulative float64
excess_mortality        float64
excess_mortality_cumulative_per_million float64
Length: 67, dtype: object

[2]: weekly_icu_admissions_per_million    418442
weekly_icu_admissions                    418442
excess_mortality_cumulative_per_million  416024
excess_mortality                        416024
excess_mortality_cumulative             416024
excess_mortality_cumulative_absolute     416024
weekly_hosp_admissions_per_million      404938
weekly_hosp_admissions                  404938
icu_patients                           390319
icu_patients_per_million                390319
hosp_patients_per_million               388779
hosp_patients                          388779
total_boosters_per_hundred              375835
total_boosters                         375835
new_vaccinations                       358464
new_tests                              354032
new_tests_per_thousand                  354032
people_fully_vaccinated                 351374
people_fully_vaccinated_per_hundred     351374

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total_tests          350048
dtype: int64
```

1.3 3. Data Cleaning

- Convert date to datetime
- Filter countries of interest
- Handle missing values

```
[3]: # Convert date
df['date'] = pd.to_datetime(df['date'])

# Select countries
countries = ["Kenya", "India", "United States"]
df_selected = df[df['location'].isin(countries)].copy()

# Fill missing numeric values
df_selected.fillna(method='ffill', inplace=True)
df_selected.fillna(0, inplace=True)
df_selected.head()
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[3]:
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	iso_code	continent	location	date	total_cases	new_cases	\
173549	IND	Asia	India	2020-01-05	0.0	0.0	
173550	IND	Asia	India	2020-01-06	0.0	0.0	
173551	IND	Asia	India	2020-01-07	0.0	0.0	
173552	IND	Asia	India	2020-01-08	0.0	0.0	
173553	IND	Asia	India	2020-01-09	0.0	0.0	

	new_cases_smoothed	total_deaths	new_deaths	new_deaths_smoothed	\
173549	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
173550	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
173551	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
173552	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
173553	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	

	...	male_smokers	handwashing_facilities	hospital_beds_per_thousand	\
173549	...	20.6	59.55	0.53	
173550	...	20.6	59.55	0.53	
173551	...	20.6	59.55	0.53	
173552	...	20.6	59.55	0.53	
173553	...	20.6	59.55	0.53	

	life_expectancy	human_development_index	population	\
173549	69.66	0.645	1417173120	
173550	69.66	0.645	1417173120	
173551	69.66	0.645	1417173120	
173552	69.66	0.645	1417173120	

173553	69.66	0.645	1417173120
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	excess_mortality_cumulative_absolute	excess_mortality_cumulative \
173549	0.0	0.0
173550	0.0	0.0
173551	0.0	0.0
173552	0.0	0.0
173553	0.0	0.0

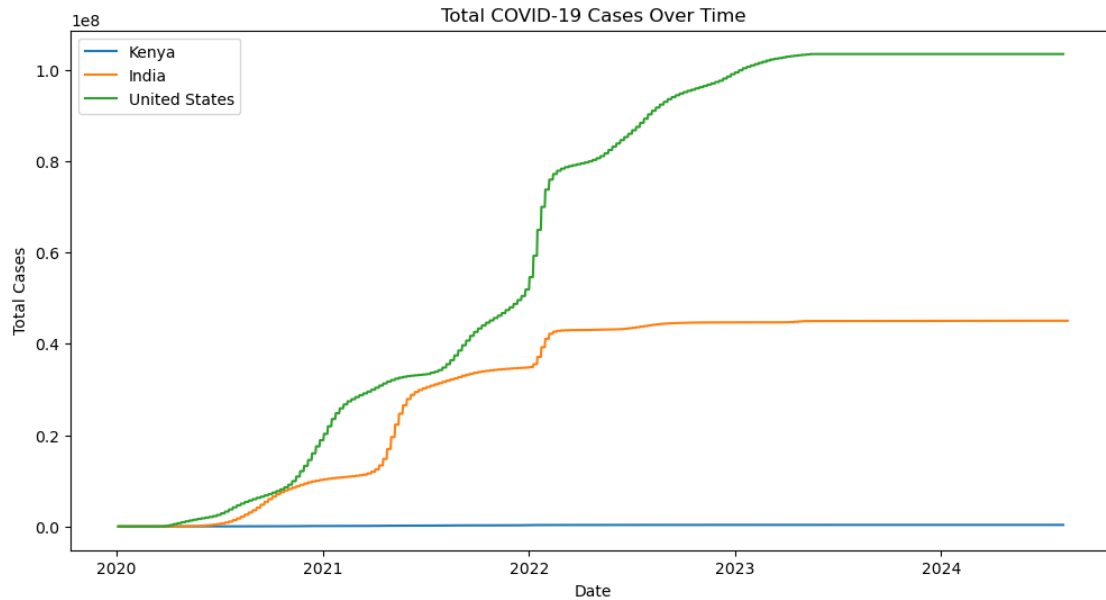
	excess_mortality	excess_mortality_cumulative_per_million
173549	0.0	0.0
173550	0.0	0.0
173551	0.0	0.0
173552	0.0	0.0
173553	0.0	0.0

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1.4 4. Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

1.4.1 Total Cases Over Time

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[4]: plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
for country in countries:
    country_data = df_selected[df_selected['location'] == country]
    plt.plot(country_data['date'], country_data['total_cases'], label=country)
plt.title('Total COVID-19 Cases Over Time')
plt.xlabel('Date')
plt.ylabel('Total Cases')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
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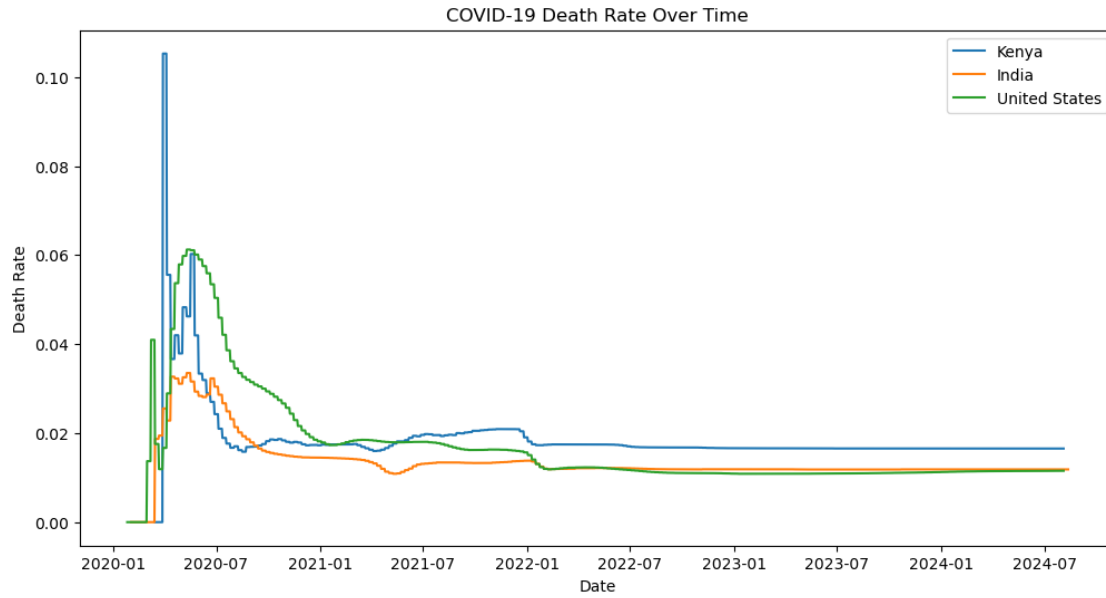


1.4.2 Death Rate Over Time

1.4.3 Death Rate Over Time

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[5]: df_selected['death_rate'] = df_selected['total_deaths'] / \
      df_selected['total_cases']

plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
for country in countries:
    country_data = df_selected[df_selected['location'] == country]
    plt.plot(country_data['date'], country_data['death_rate'], label=country)
plt.title('COVID-19 Death Rate Over Time')
plt.xlabel('Date')
plt.ylabel('Death Rate')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



```
[9]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import pandas as pd

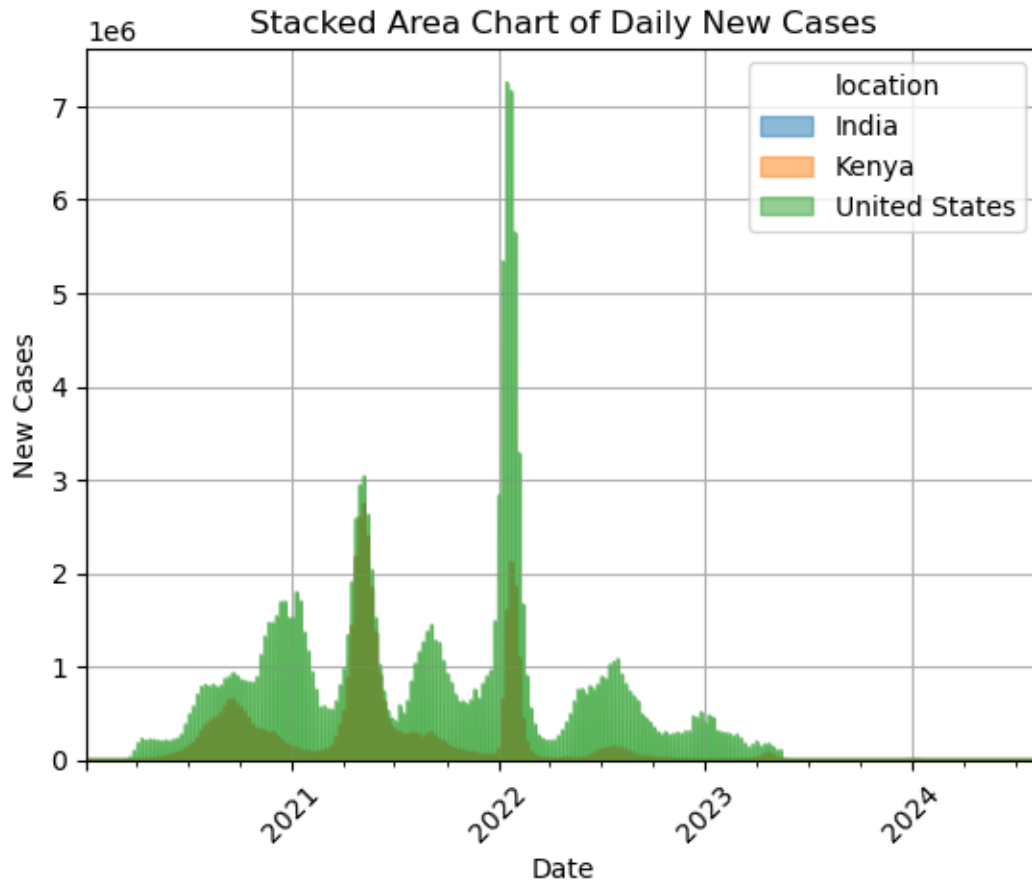
countries = ["Kenya", "United States", "India"]

# Pivot the data to have dates as index and countries as columns
pivot_df = df[df['location'].isin(countries)].pivot(index='date',
    ↪columns='location', values='new_cases')

# Fill NaNs with 0 for plotting
pivot_df = pivot_df.fillna(0)

plt.figure(figsize=(12,6))
pivot_df.plot.area(alpha=0.5)
plt.title('Stacked Area Chart of Daily New Cases')
plt.xlabel('Date')
plt.ylabel('New Cases')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
```

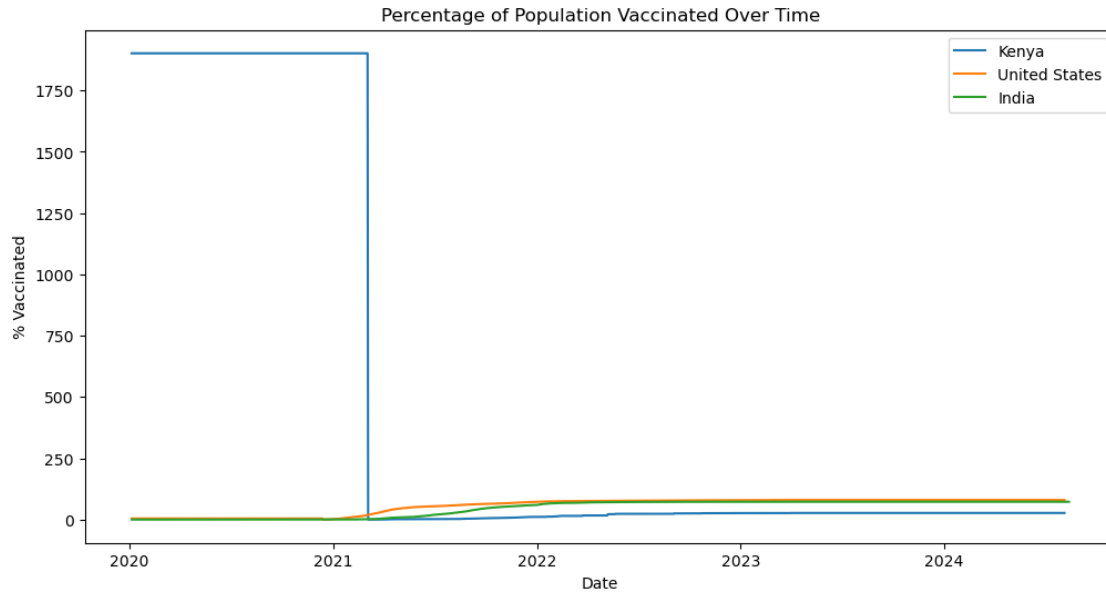
<Figure size 1200x600 with 0 Axes>



1.5 5. Vaccination Progress

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[10]: df_selected['vaccinated_pct'] = (df_selected['people_vaccinated'] /
    ↪ df_selected['population']) * 100

plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
for country in countries:
    country_data = df_selected[df_selected['location'] == country]
    plt.plot(country_data['date'], country_data['vaccinated_pct'],
    ↪ label=country)
plt.title('Percentage of Population Vaccinated Over Time')
plt.xlabel('Date')
plt.ylabel('% Vaccinated')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```

1.6 6. Optional: Choropleth Map

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[13]: # Prepare latest data for choropleth
latest_date = df['date'].max()
df_latest = df[df['date'] == latest_date]

fig = px.choropleth(df_latest,
                    locations="iso_code",
                    color="total_cases",
                    hover_name="location",
                    title=f'Total COVID-19 Cases by Country on {latest_date.
↪date()}')
fig.show()
```

Total COVID-19 Cases by Country on 2024-08-14



Key findings

Kenya had a slower vaccination rollout than the US and India. The US had the highest total cases and death rate. India showed a sharp increase in vaccinations in mid-2021. The global case count rose dramatically in early 2021. Choropleth shows high case density in developed nations.