

Covid-19 Project

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COVID-19 Data Analysis

In this analysis we will take a look at USA national covid-19 cases and deaths and compare them to trends in California. We will also create 2 models to asses the impact of cases per thousand on deaths per thousand, and to predict USA deaths per million in 2024 using the open source prophet library.

Libraries Used

```
library("tidyverse") library("lubridate") library("dplyr") library("ggplot2") library("scales") library("readr")
library("prophet") library("sf") library("ggspatial") library("plotly") library("maps") library("usmap")
```

Read in Data

```
urlfile1 <- 'https://raw.githubusercontent.com/CSSEGISandData/COVID-19/master/csse_covid_19_data/csse_covid_19_data'
urlfile2 <- 'https://raw.githubusercontent.com/CSSEGISandData/COVID-19/master/csse_covid_19_data/csse_covid_19_data'
urlfile3 <- 'https://raw.githubusercontent.com/CSSEGISandData/COVID-19/master/csse_covid_19_data/csse_covid_19_data'
urlfile4 <- 'https://raw.githubusercontent.com/CSSEGISandData/COVID-19/master/csse_covid_19_data/csse_covid_19_data'
```

```
us.cases <- read_csv(url(urlfile1))
global.cases <- read_csv(url(urlfile2))
us.deaths <- read_csv(url(urlfile3))
global.deaths <- read_csv(url(urlfile4))
```

Tidy Data

Tidy global.cases

```
# Pivot global cases and name columns
global.cases <- global.cases %>%
  pivot_longer(cols = c('Province/State', 'Country/Region', 'Lat', 'Long'),
    names_to = "date",
    values_to = "cases")
```

```
#remove lat long columns
global.cases<-select(global.cases,-c(Lat,Long))
```

Tidy global.deaths

```
# pivot and give column names
global.deaths <- global.deaths %>%
  pivot_longer(cols = -c('Province/State', 'Country/Region', 'Lat', 'Long'),
    names_to = "date",
    values_to = "deaths")
```

```
# remove lat and long columns
global.deaths <- select(global.deaths, -c(Lat, Long))
```

```
# Merge global cases and deaths
global <- global.cases %>%
  full_join(global.deaths) %>%
  rename(Country_Region = 'Country/Region', Province_State = 'Province/State') %>%
  mutate(date = myd(date))
```

```
summary(global)
```

| ## | Province_State | Country_Region | date | cases | deaths |
|----|------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| ## | Length:329460 | Length:329460 | Min. :2001-01-21 | Min. : 0 | Min. : 0 |
| ## | Class :character | Class :character | 1st Qu.:2008-07-20 | 1st Qu.: 674 | 1st Qu.: 3 |
| ## | Mode :character | Mode :character | Median :2016-03-21 | Median : 14336 | Median : 149 |
| ## | | | Mean :2016-03-25 | Mean : 955749 | Mean : 13353 |
| ## | | | 3rd Qu.:2023-11-21 | 3rd Qu.: 227878 | 3rd Qu.: 3017 |
| ## | | | Max. :2031-12-22 | Max. :103655657 | Max. :1122264 |

```
# only cases above 0
global <- global %>% filter(cases > 0)
```

Wrangling, cleaning, and merging us.deaths and us.cases

```
us.cases <- us.cases %>%
  pivot_longer(cols = -(UID:Combined_Key),
    names_to = "date",
    values_to = "cases") %>%
  select(Admin2:cases) %>%
  mutate(date = mdy(date)) %>%
  select(-c(Lat, Long_))
```

```
us.deaths <- us.deaths %>%
  pivot_longer(cols = -(UID:Population),
    names_to = "date",
    values_to = "deaths") %>%
  select(Admin2:deaths) %>%
  mutate(date = mdy(date)) %>%
  select(-c(Lat, Long_))
```

```
us <- us.cases %>%
  full_join(us.deaths)
```

Data wrangling for global data sets

```
global <- global %>%
  unite("Combined_Key",
        c(Province_State, Country_Region),
        sep = ",",
        na.rm = TRUE,
        remove = FALSE)
```

```
uid_lookup_url <- "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/CSSEGISandData/COVID-19/master/csse_covid_19_data/"
```

```
uid <- read_csv(uid_lookup_url) %>%
  select(-c(Lat, Long_, Combined_Key, code3, iso2, iso3, Admin2 ))
```

```
global <- global %>%
  left_join(uid, by = c("Province_State", "Country_Region")) %>%
  select(-c(UID, FIPS))%>%
  select(Province_State, Country_Region, date, cases, deaths, Population, Combined_Key)
```

```
us.state <- us %>%
  group_by(Province_State, Country_Region, date) %>%
  summarize(cases = sum(cases), deaths = sum(deaths), Population = sum(Population)) %>%
  mutate(deaths_per_mill = deaths*1000000 / Population) %>%
  select(Province_State, Country_Region, date, cases, deaths, deaths_per_mill, Population) %>%
  ungroup()
```

Creating a Map of Deaths per US State

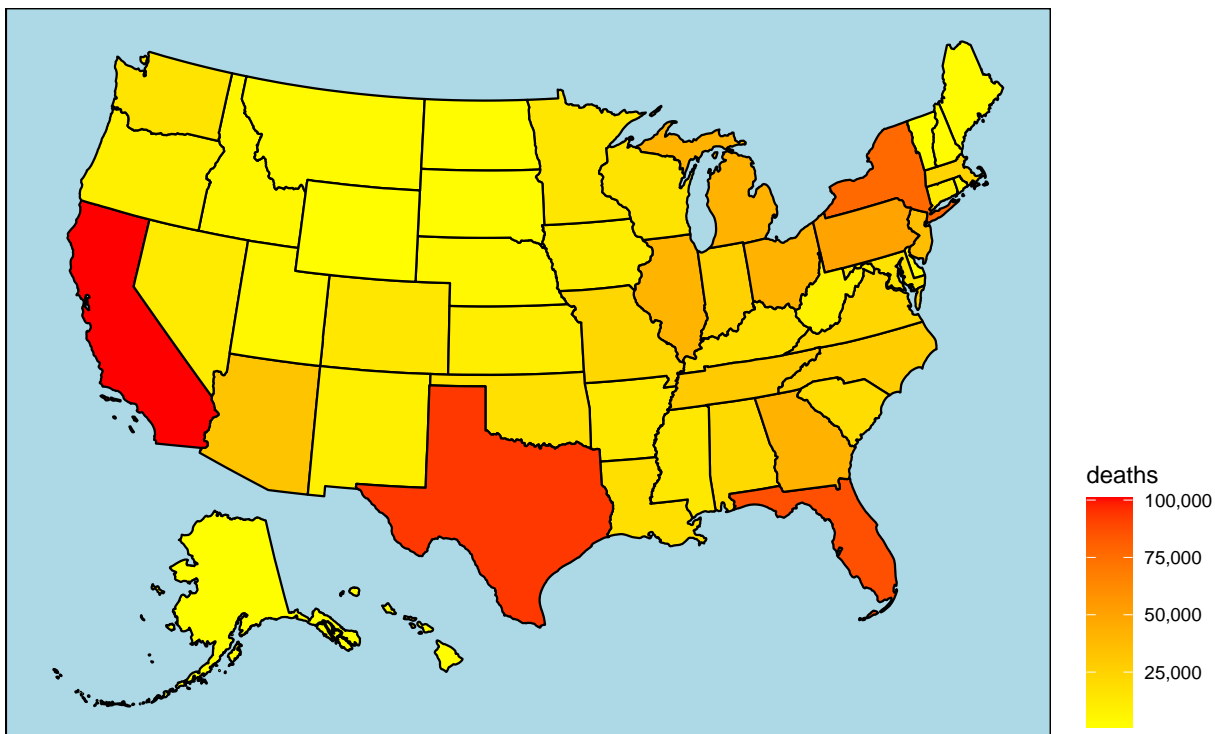
```
us.state.md <- us.state %>%
  select(Province_State, deaths, cases, Population) %>%
  rename(state = "Province_State") %>%
  group_by(state) %>%
  summarize(deaths = max(deaths), cases = max(cases), Population = max(Population)) %>%
  mutate(deaths.pc=deaths/Population, cases.pc = cases/Population )
# rename(state = "Province_State")
```

```
plot_usmap(data = us.state.md, values = "deaths", regions = "states") +

  labs(title = "US States",
        subtitle = "Map of Covid Deaths per US State ") +
  theme(panel.background = element_rect(color = "black", fill = "lightblue")) +
  scale_fill_continuous(
    low = "yellow", high = "red", name = "deaths", label = scales::comma) +
  theme(legend.position = "right")
```

US States

Map of Covid Deaths per US State

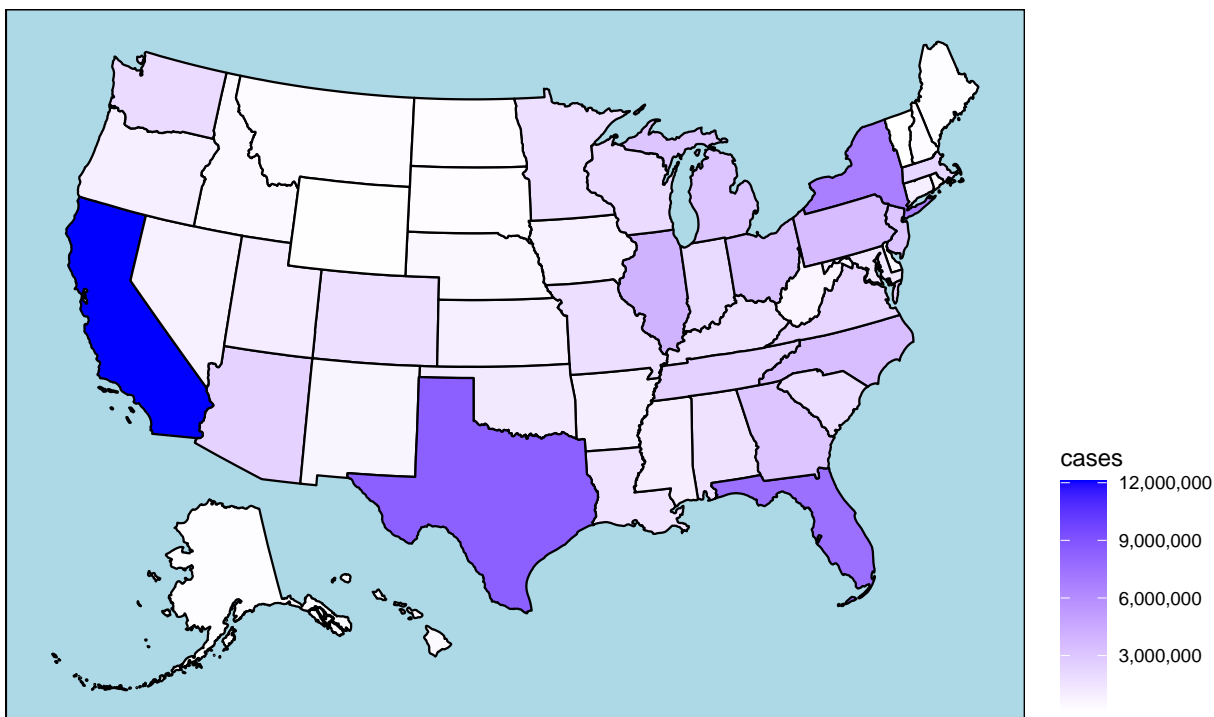


Map of Cases per US State

```
plot_usmap(data = us.state.md, values = "cases", regions = "states") +  
  
  labs(title = "US States",  
        subtitle = "Map of Covid Cases per US State ") +  
  theme(panel.background = element_rect(color = "black", fill = "lightblue")) +  
  scale_fill_continuous(  
    low = "white", high = "blue", name = "cases", label = scales::comma) +  
  theme(legend.position = "right")
```

US States

Map of Covid Cases per US State

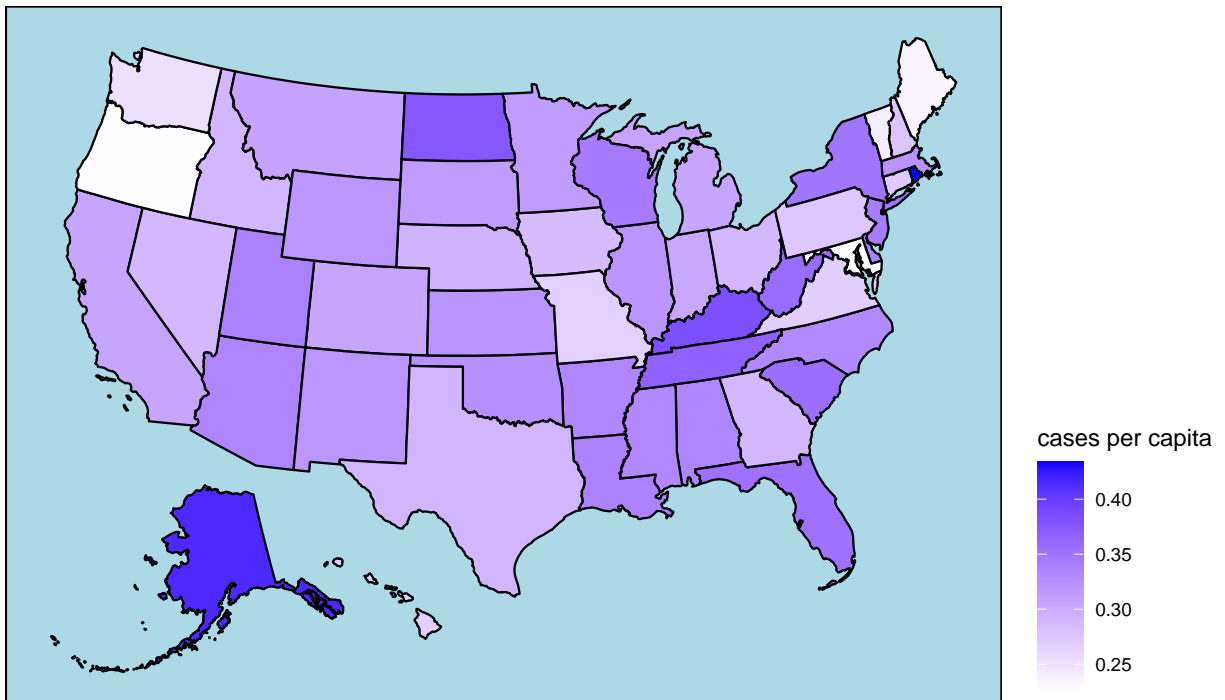


The maps above show California, Texas and Florida as being states with large amounts of cases and deaths. However a more accurate analysis might be to look at cases and deaths per capita. Lets take a look below.

```
plot_usmap(data = us.state.md, values = "cases.pc", regions = "states") +  
  
  labs(title = "US States",  
        subtitle = "Map of Covid Cases per Capita by US State ") +  
  theme(panel.background = element_rect(color = "black", fill = "lightblue")) +  
  scale_fill_continuous(  
    low = "white", high = "blue", name = "cases per capita", label = scales::comma) +  
  theme(legend.position = "right")
```

US States

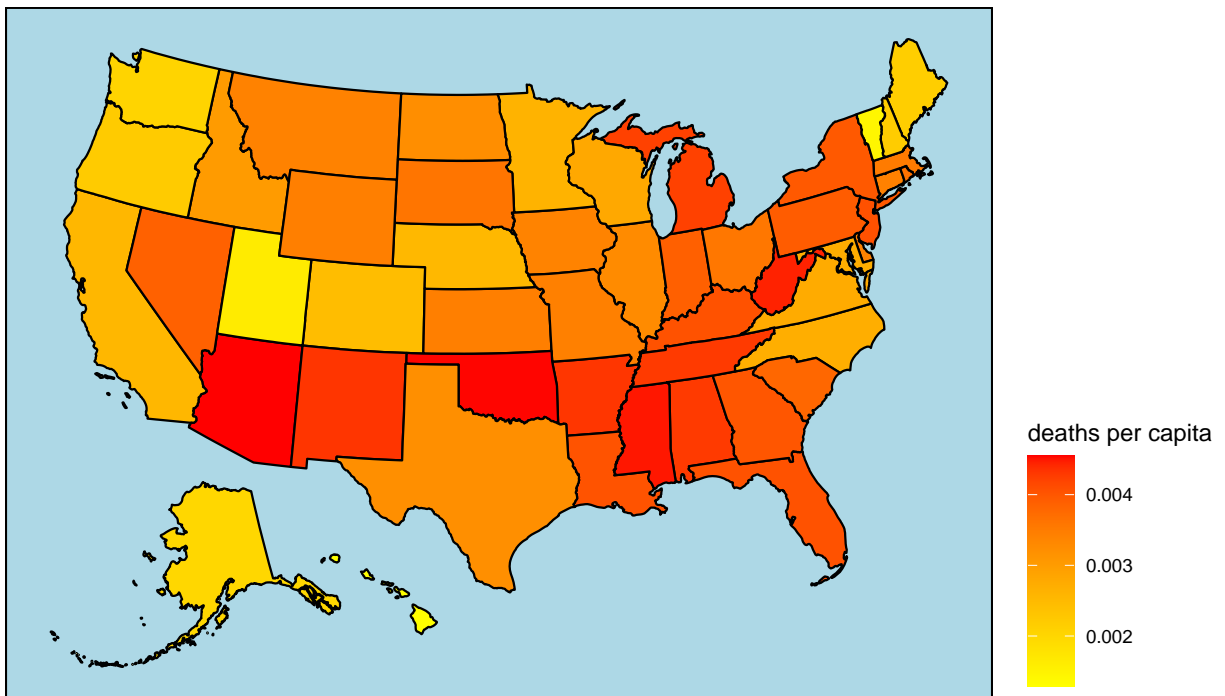
Map of Covid Cases per Capita by US State



```
plot_usmap(data = us.state.md, values = "deaths.pc", regions = "states") +  
  
  labs(title = "US States",  
        subtitle = "Map of Covid Deaths per Capita by US State ") +  
  theme(panel.background = element_rect(color = "black", fill = "lightblue")) +  
  scale_fill_continuous(  
    low = "yellow", high = "red", name = "deaths per capita", label = scales::comma) +  
  theme(legend.position = "right")
```

US States

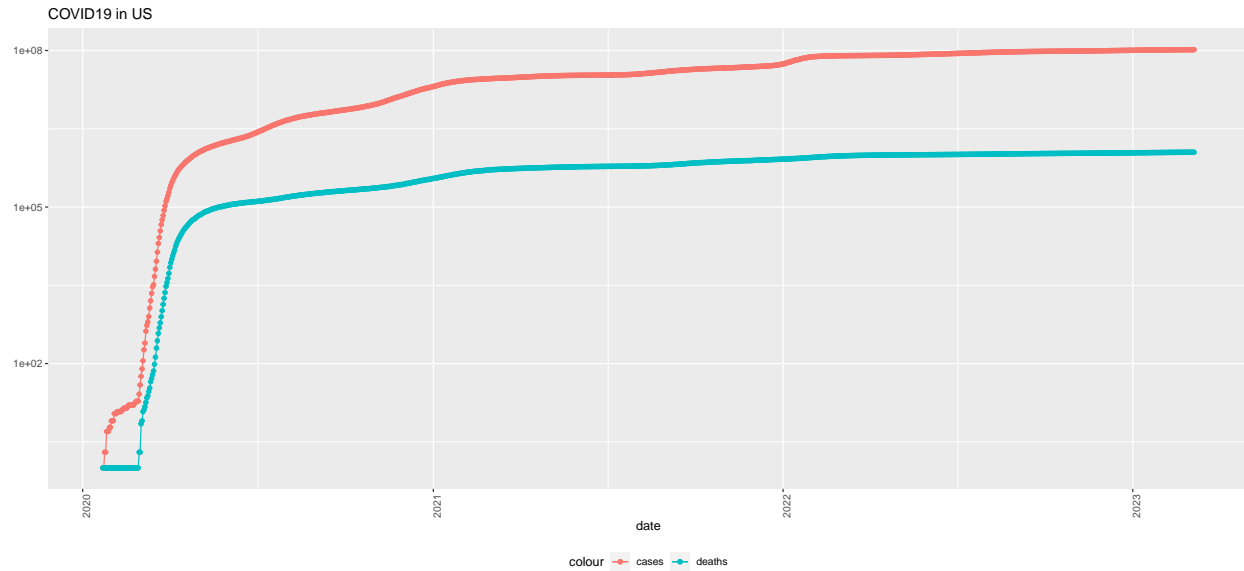
Map of Covid Deaths per Capita by US State



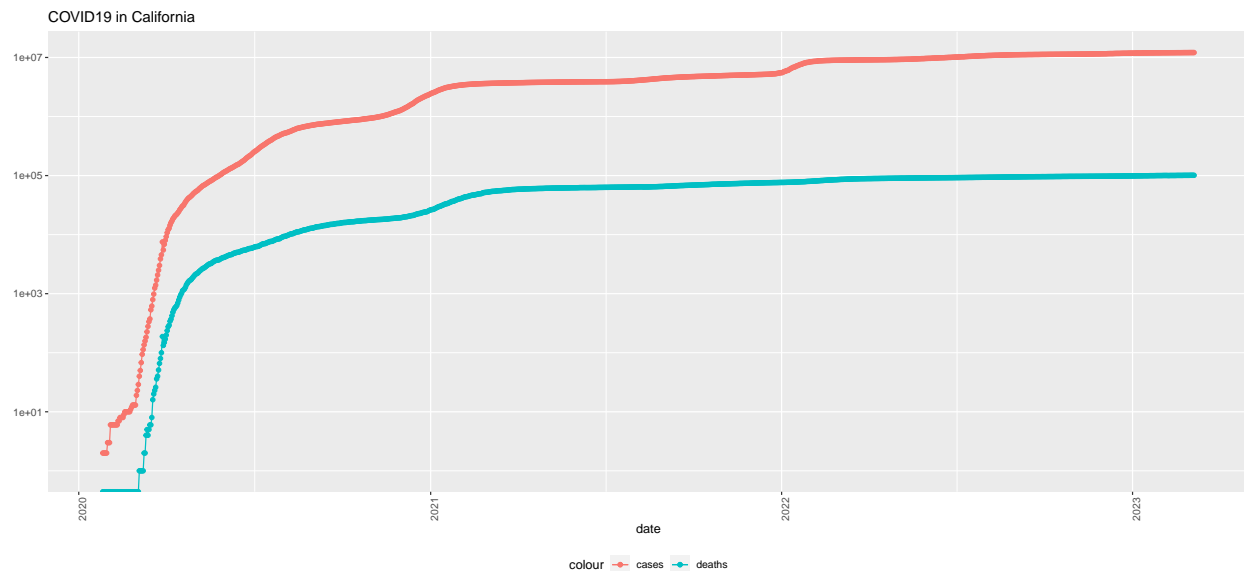
Cases and deaths per capita show a different story when it comes to CA, TX, and FL. California and Texas seem to now be in the middle of the pack in contrast to before when the maps showed them in the lead with cases and deaths.

```
us.totals <- us.state %>%
  group_by(Country_Region, date) %>%
  summarize(cases = sum(cases), deaths = sum(deaths), Population = sum(Population)) %>%
  mutate(deaths_per_mill = deaths*1000000 / Population) %>%
  select(Country_Region, date, cases, deaths, deaths_per_mill, Population) %>%
  ungroup()
```

```
us.totals %>%
  filter(cases > 0) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = date, y = cases)) +
  geom_line(aes(color = "cases")) +
  geom_point(aes(color="cases")) +
  geom_line(aes(y = deaths, color = "deaths")) +
  geom_point(aes(y = deaths, color = "deaths")) +
  scale_y_log10()+
  theme(legend.position = "bottom", axis.text.x = element_text(angle=90)) +
  labs(title = "COVID19 in US", y = NULL)
```



```
state <- "California"
us.state %>%
  filter(Province_State == state) %>%
  filter(cases > 0) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = date, y = cases)) +
    geom_line(aes(color = "cases")) +
    geom_point(aes(color="cases")) +
    geom_line(aes(y = deaths, color = "deaths")) +
    geom_point(aes(y = deaths, color = "deaths")) +
    scale_y_log10()+
    theme(legend.position = "bottom", axis.text.x = element_text(angle=90)) +
    labs(title = "COVID19 in California", y = NULL)
```



We see from the above visualizations that covid cases and deaths follow similar trends when comparing California to the USA as a whole. We see an exponential rise in both cases and deaths. then in 2022-2023 we see that cases and deaths plateau. Early on deaths were closer to cases but as vaccines and new treatments

rolled out it seems that the gap between deaths and cases has increased with many more cases than deaths.

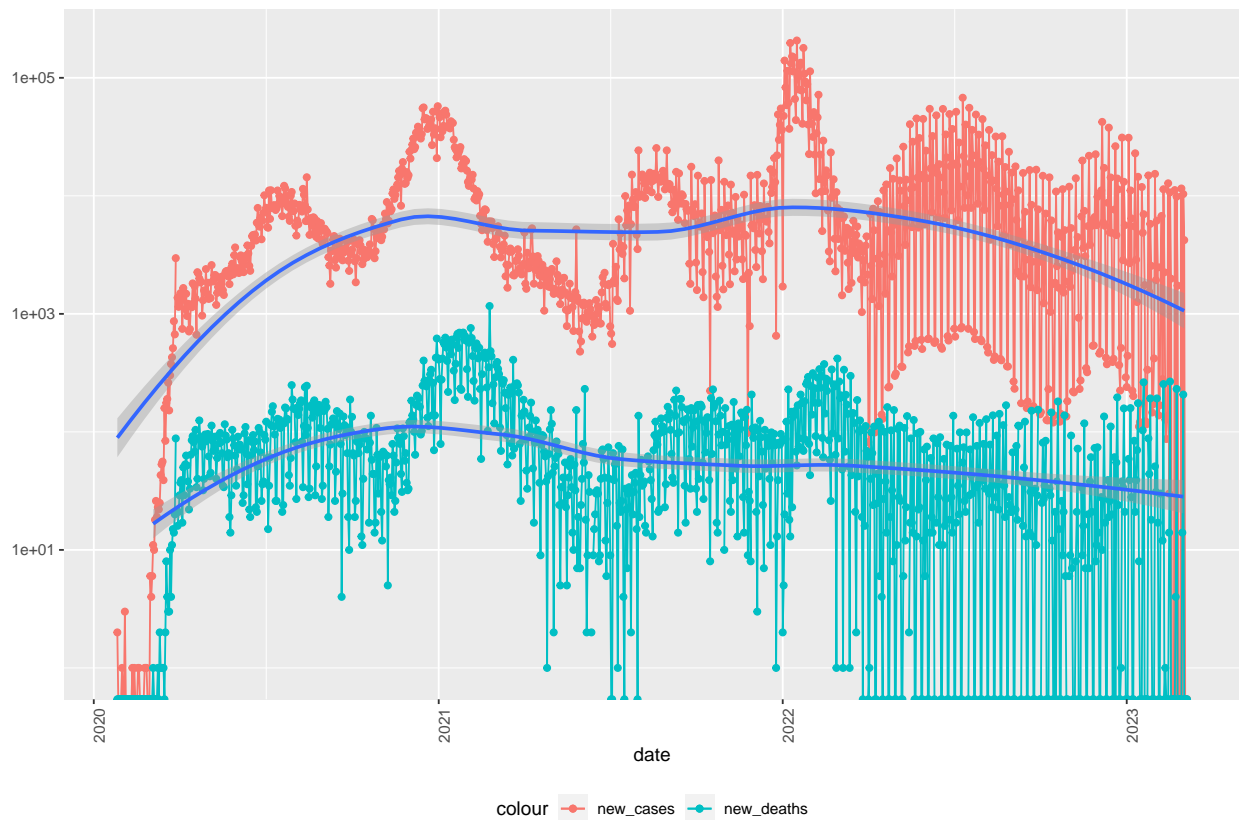
Taking a Look at New Cases and New Deaths

```
# creating new cases and deaths columns
us.state <- us.state %>%
  mutate(new_cases = cases - lag(cases), new_deaths = deaths - lag(deaths))
us.totals<- us.totals %>%
  mutate(new_cases = cases - lag(cases), new_deaths = deaths - lag(deaths))
```

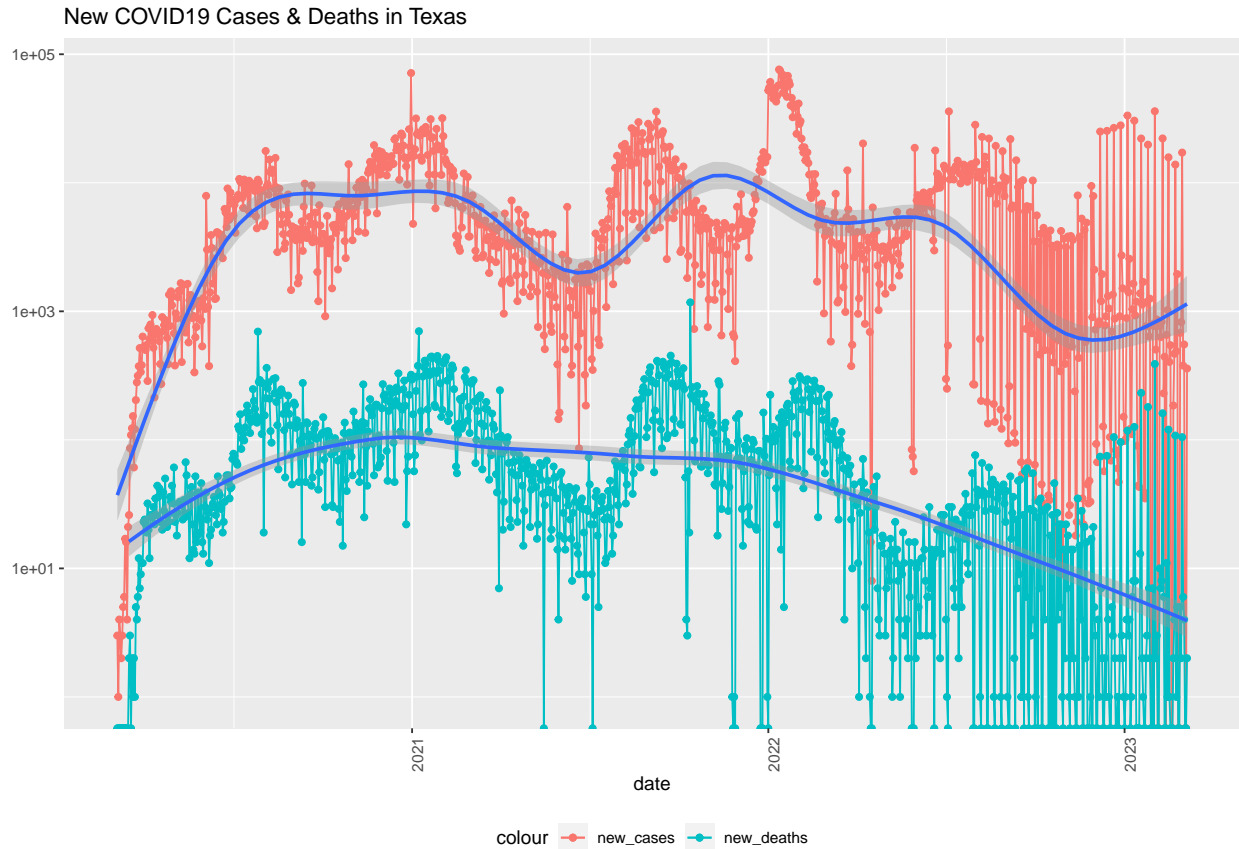
Visualizing New Cases and New Deaths

```
state <- "California"
us.state %>%
  filter(Province_State == state) %>%
  filter(cases > 0) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = date, y = new_cases)) +
  geom_line(aes(color = "new_cases")) +
  geom_point(aes(color="new_cases")) +
  geom_line(aes(y = new_deaths, color = "new_deaths")) +
  geom_point(aes(y = new_deaths, color = "new_deaths")) +
  scale_y_log10()+
  theme(legend.position = "bottom", axis.text.x = element_text(angle=90)) +
  labs(title = "New COVID19 Cases & Deaths in California", y = NULL) +
  geom_smooth(aes(x=date,y=new_deaths),method = loess) +
  geom_smooth(aes(x=date,y=new_cases), method = loess)
```

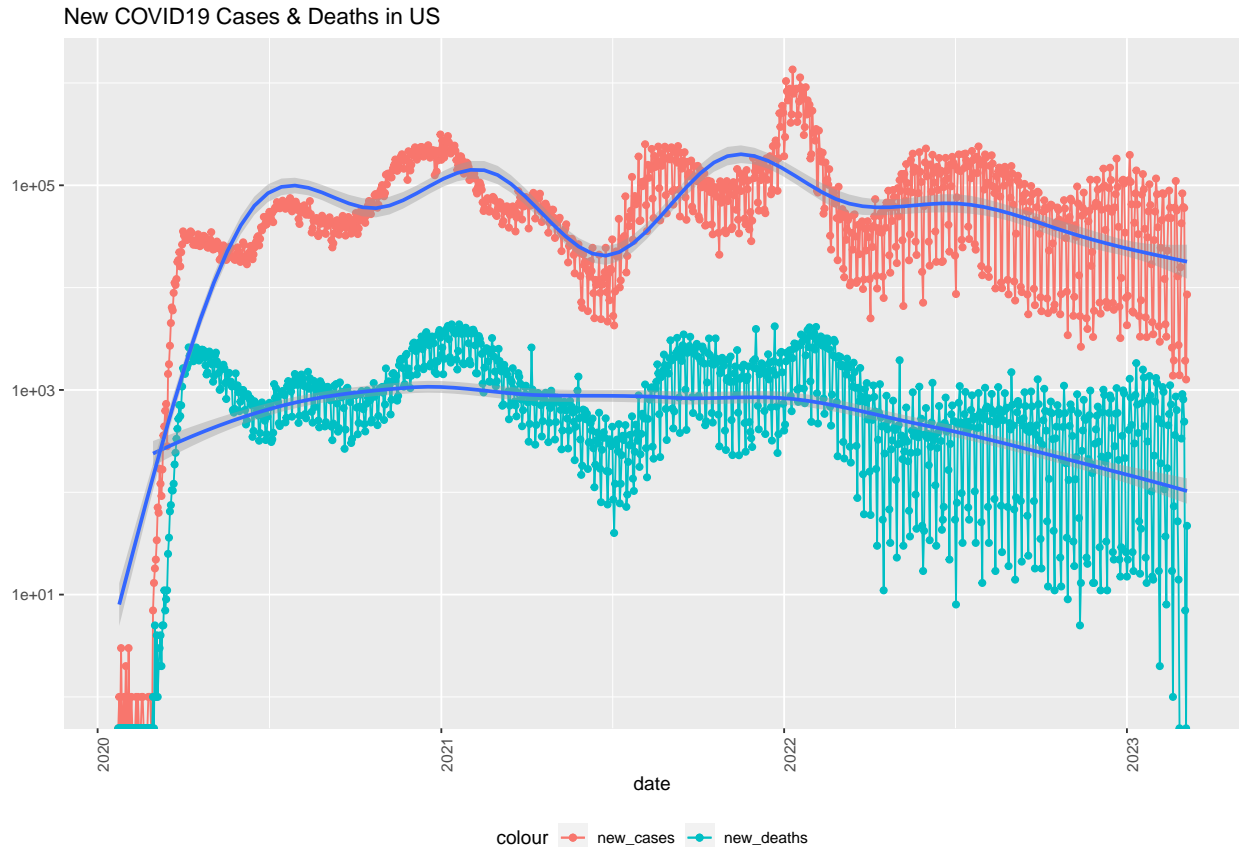
New COVID19 Cases & Deaths in California



```
state <- "Texas"
us.state %>%
  filter(Province_State == state) %>%
  filter(cases > 0) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = date, y = new_cases)) +
  geom_line(aes(color = "new_cases")) +
  geom_point(aes(color="new_cases")) +
  geom_line(aes(y = new_deaths, color = "new_deaths")) +
  geom_point(aes(y = new_deaths, color = "new_deaths")) +
  scale_y_log10()+
  theme(legend.position = "bottom", axis.text.x = element_text(angle=90)) +
  labs(title = "New COVID19 Cases & Deaths in Texas", y = NULL) +
  geom_smooth(aes(x=date,y=new_deaths), method = loess) +
  geom_smooth(aes(x=date,y=new_cases), method = loess)
```



```
us.totals %>%
  filter(cases > 0) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = date, y = new_cases)) +
  geom_line(aes(color = "new_cases")) +
  geom_point(aes(color="new_cases")) +
  geom_line(aes(y = new_deaths, color = "new_deaths")) +
  geom_point(aes(y = new_deaths, color = "new_deaths")) +
  scale_y_log10()+
  theme(legend.position = "bottom", axis.text.x = element_text(angle=90)) +
  labs(title = "New COVID19 Cases & Deaths in US", y = NULL) +
  geom_smooth(aes(x=date,y=new_deaths), method = loess) +
  geom_smooth(aes(x=date,y=new_cases), methos = loess)
```

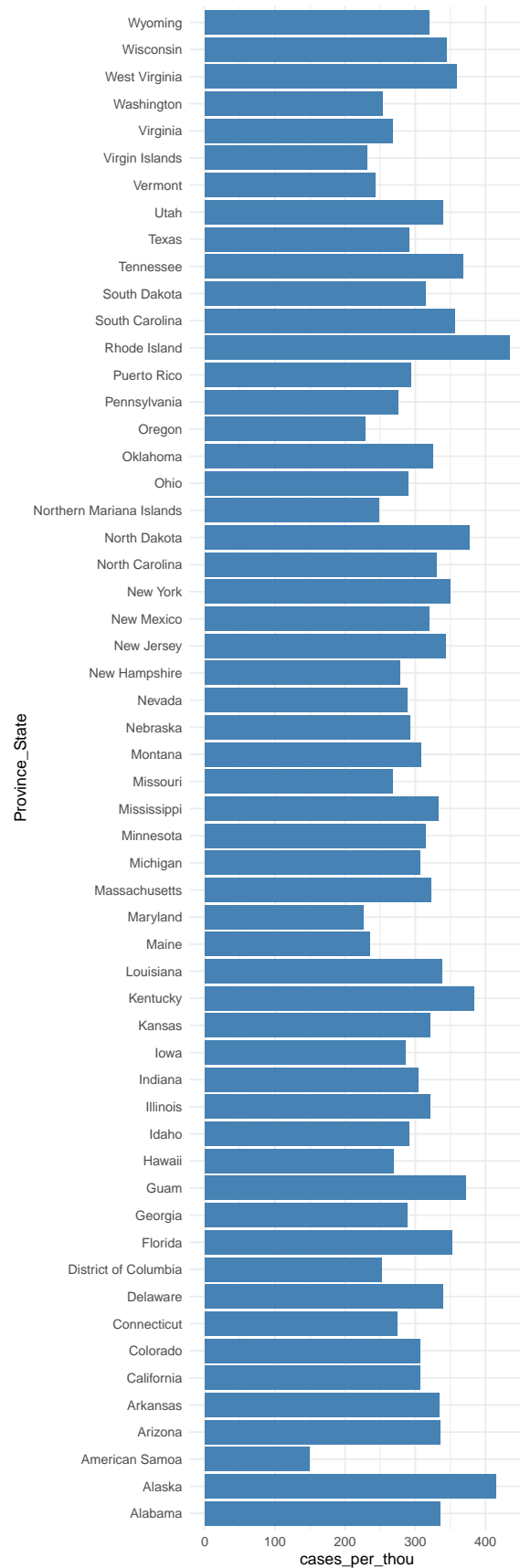


Data in 2022-2023 is showing a slight decline in new cases and new deaths. We have to think about why this might be the case. It is possible that this is actually the case however data reporting during this time might be a lot weaker.

During the height of the pandemic people were more likely to report their covid case. Now in a world of vaccines and boosters it is quite possible that people do not report when they test positive especially with the large amount of at home test available to the public.

```
us.state.totals <- us.state %>%
  group_by(Province_State)%>%
  summarize(deaths = max(deaths), cases = max(cases), population = max(Population),
            cases_per_thou = cases*1000/population, deaths_per_thou = deaths*1000/population) %>%
  filter(cases > 0, population > 0)
```

```
us.state.totals %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = Province_State, y = cases_per_thou))+
  geom_bar(stat="identity", fill='steelblue')+
  coord_flip()+
  theme_minimal()
```



A glance at cases per thousand show most states between 200 and 350.

Taking a look at the highest and lowest 10 states for deaths per thousand

```
us.state.totals %>%  
  slice_min(deaths_per_thou, n =10)
```

```
## # A tibble: 10 x 6  
##   Province_State deaths cases population cases_per_thou deaths_per_thou  
##   <chr>          <dbl> <dbl>      <dbl>          <dbl>          <dbl>  
## 1 American Samoa      34   8320    55641         150.          0.611  
## 2 Northern Mariana Islands  41  13666    55144         248.          0.744  
## 3 Virgin Islands     130  24792   107268         231.          1.21  
## 4 Hawaii            1834 380098  1415872         268.          1.30  
## 5 Vermont             910 151477   623989         243.          1.46  
## 6 Puerto Rico        5810 1100557  3754939         293.          1.55  
## 7 Utah              5287 1088853  3205958         340.          1.65  
## 8 Alaska            1486  307073   740995         414.          2.01  
## 9 District of Columbia  1430 177714   705749         252.          2.03  
## 10 Washington       15683 1928913  7614893         253.          2.06
```

```
us.state.totals %>%  
  slice_max(deaths_per_thou, n =10)
```

```
## # A tibble: 10 x 6  
##   Province_State deaths cases population cases_per_thou deaths_per_thou  
##   <chr>          <dbl> <dbl>      <dbl>          <dbl>          <dbl>  
## 1 Arizona      33076 2440294  7278717         335.          4.54  
## 2 Oklahoma     17940 1287378  3956971         325.          4.53  
## 3 Mississippi  13351  989282  2976149         332.          4.49  
## 4 West Virginia  7960  642760  1792147         359.          4.44  
## 5 New Mexico    9054  670301  2096829         320.          4.32  
## 6 Arkansas     13001 1005930  3017804         333.          4.31  
## 7 Alabama      21001 1642062  4903185         335.          4.28  
## 8 Tennessee    29225 2510002  6829174         368.          4.28  
## 9 Michigan     42096 3057222  9986857         306.          4.22  
## 10 New Jersey  35995 3046838  8882190         343.          4.05
```

Linear model of deaths per thousand as a function of cases per thousand.

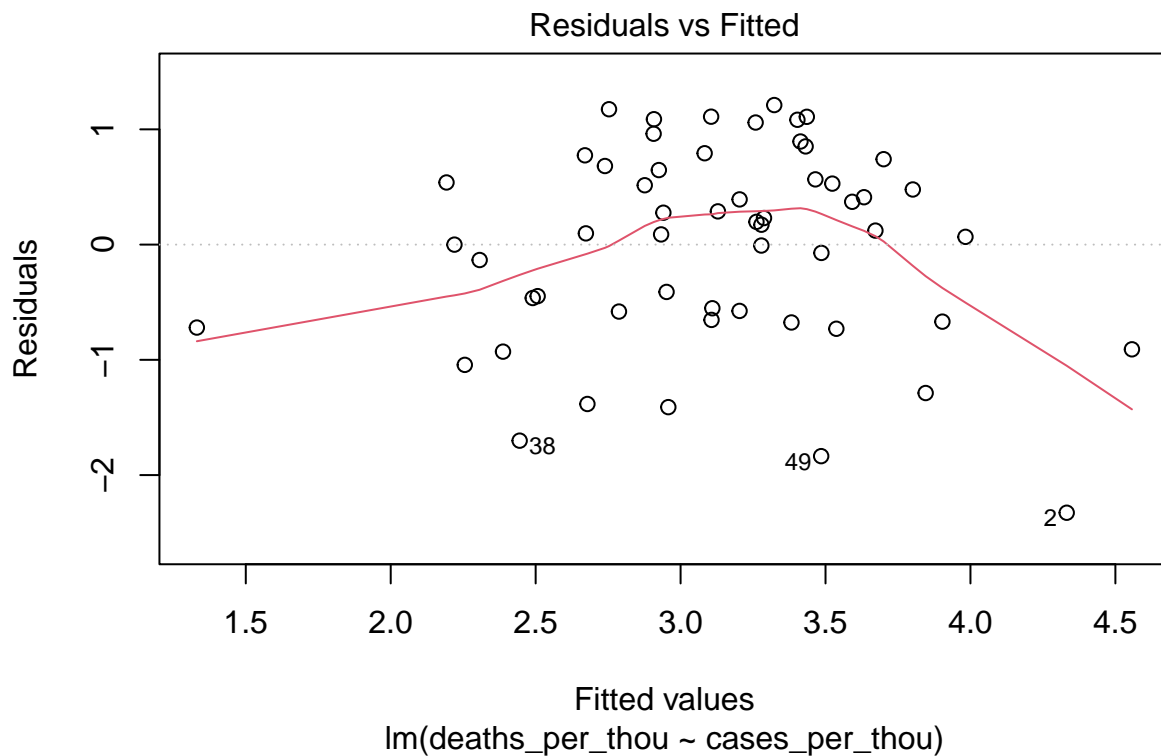
```
lm1 <- lm(deaths_per_thou ~ cases_per_thou, data = us.state.totals)  
summary(lm1)
```

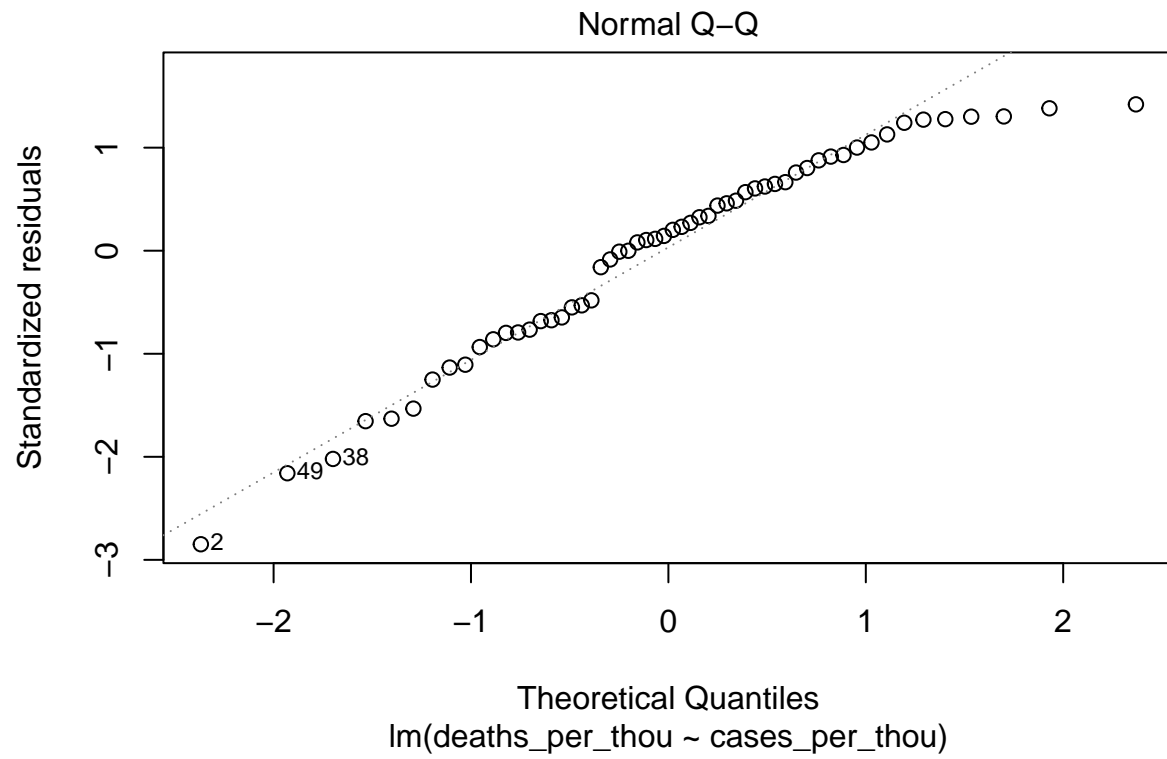
```
##  
## Call:  
## lm(formula = deaths_per_thou ~ cases_per_thou, data = us.state.totals)  
##  
## Residuals:  
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max   
## -2.3267 -0.5992  0.1470  0.6554  1.2107   
##
```

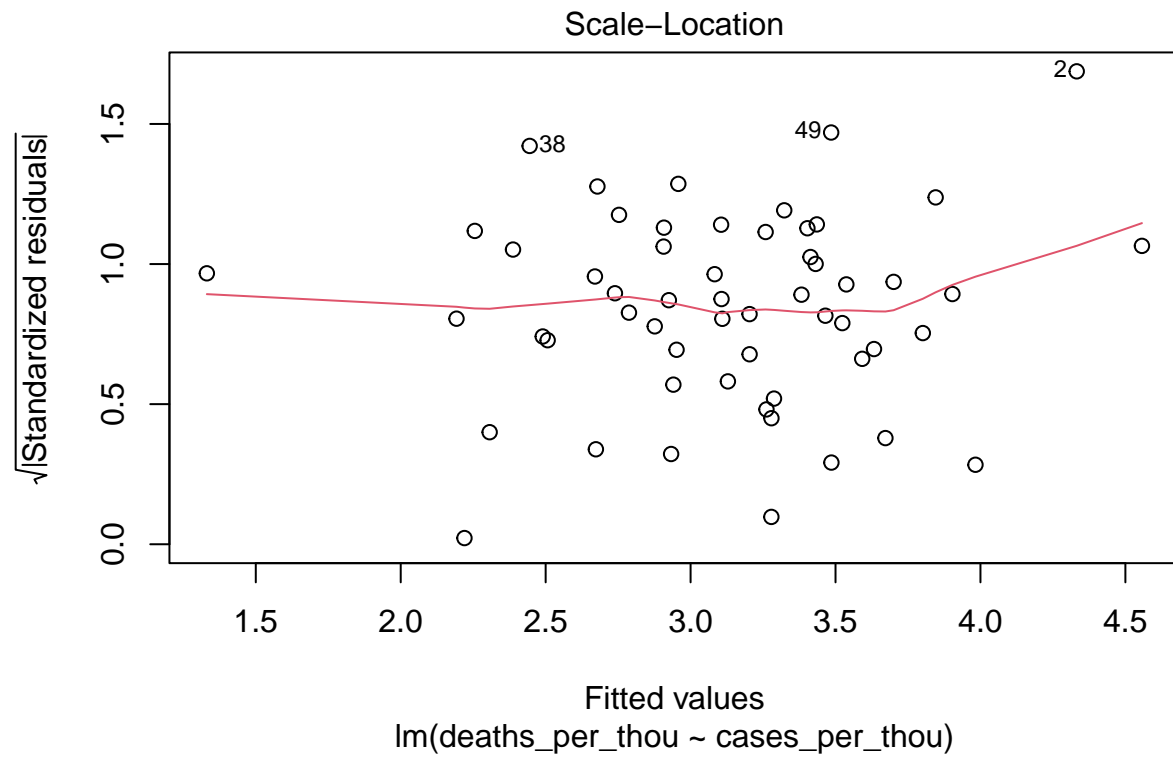
```
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  -0.36304    0.72369  -0.502    0.618
## cases_per_thou  0.01133    0.00232   4.883 9.69e-06 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.8611 on 54 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.3063, Adjusted R-squared:  0.2935
## F-statistic: 23.84 on 1 and 54 DF,  p-value: 9.685e-06
```

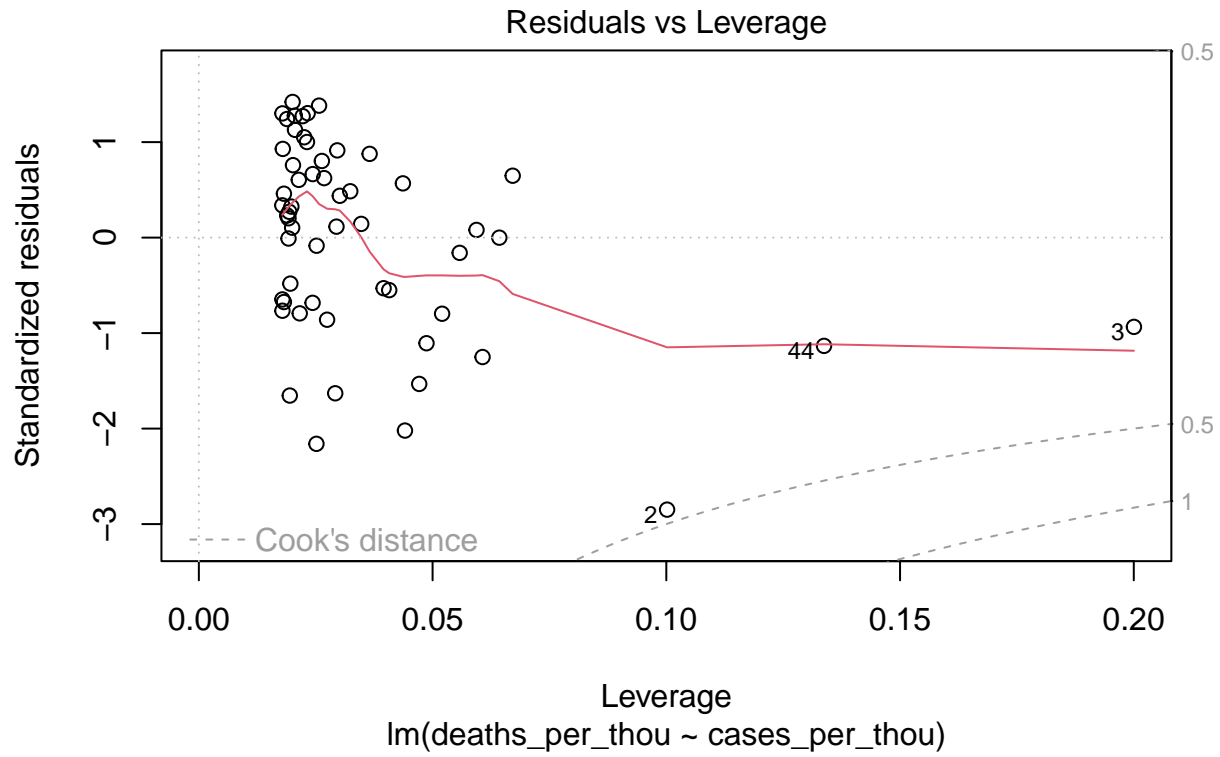
The low p value shows that cases per thousand is statistically significant when predicting deaths per thousand in the united states.

```
plot(lm1)
```





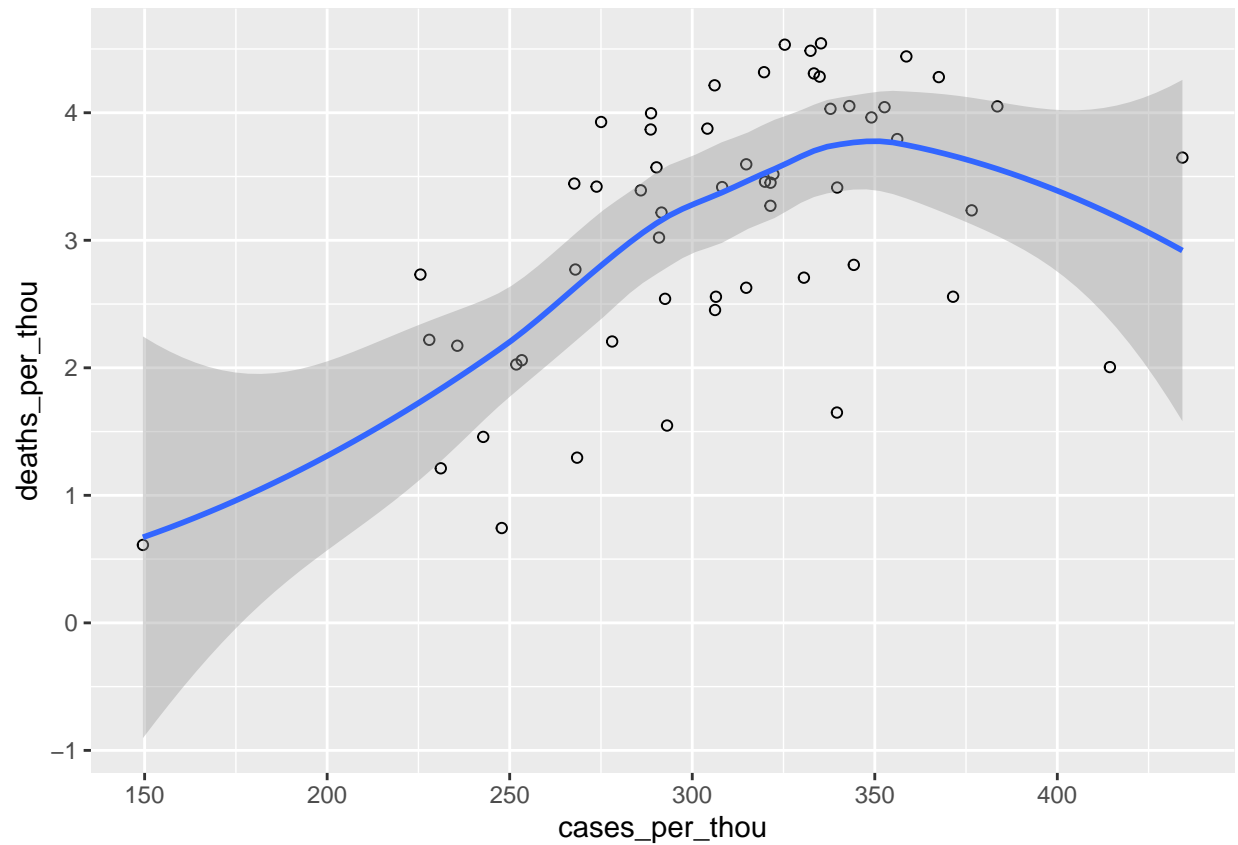




Our residual vs fitted plot indicates that the data might not be linear however this does not mean we cant gain any insight from our model.

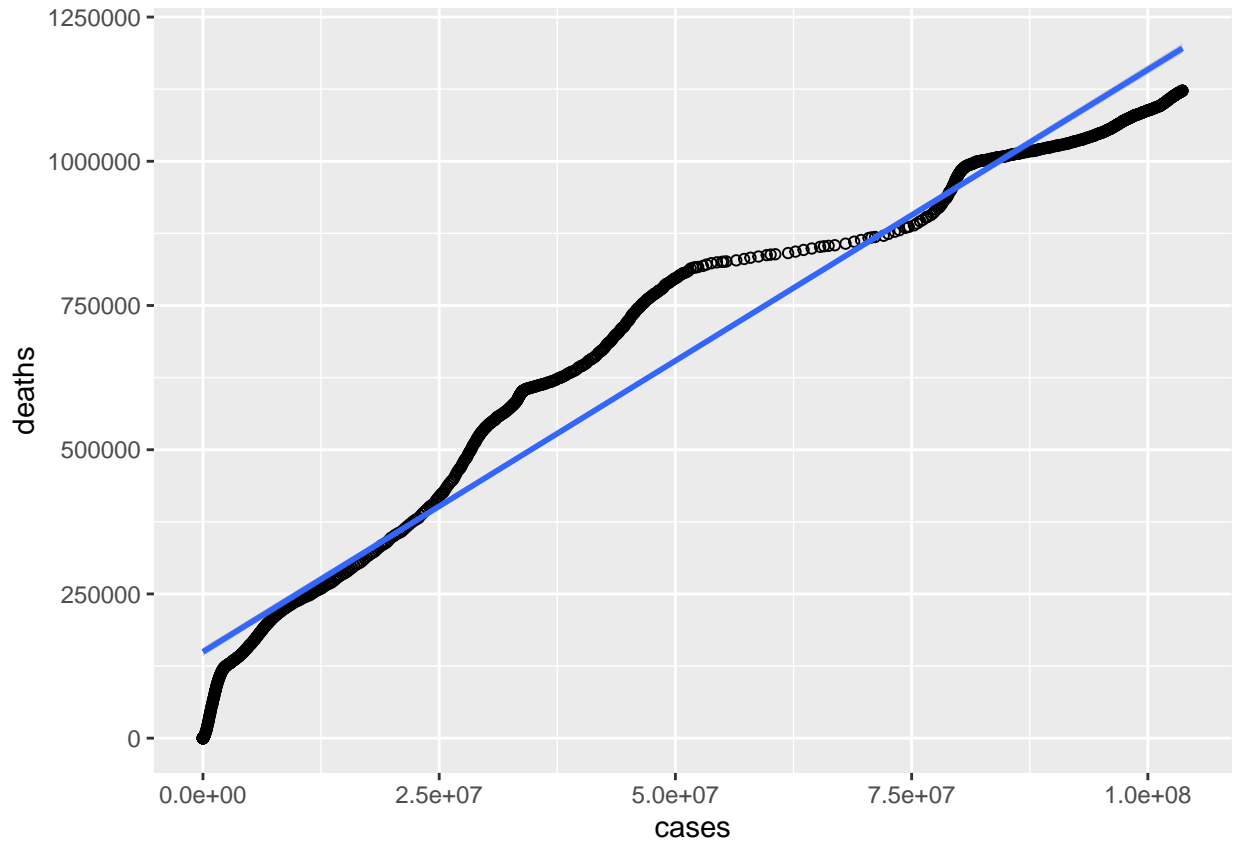
Visualizing cases per thousand and deaths per thousand

```
ggplot(us.state.totals, aes(x=cases_per_thou, y=deaths_per_thou)) +
  geom_point(size=1.5, shape=1)+
  geom_smooth(method='loess', formula= y~x)
```



While it may seem that the relationship is not linear we have to ask why that might be? As stated before it is possible that as time passes, and the vaccines and treatments are rolled out, that people are less likely to report a positive test, especially given the abundance of at home test.

```
ggplot(us.totals, aes(x=cases, y=deaths)) +  
  geom_point(size=1.5, shape=1) +  
  geom_smooth(method='lm', formula= y~x)
```



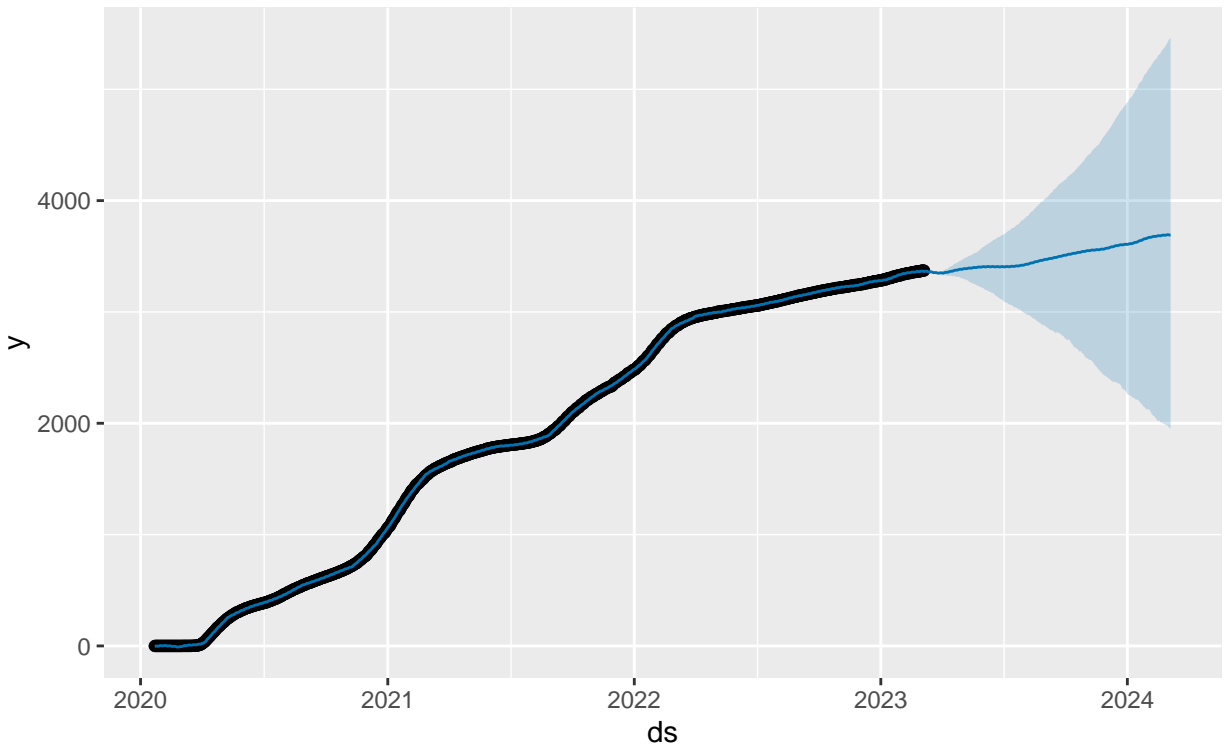
Creating a Model to Predict Deaths per Million in the USA

using an open source library called prophet which generates a model used to predict future outcomes.

```
# format data for use in the prophet function
us.totals.m <- us.totals %>%
  select(date, deaths_per_mill)%>%
  rename(
    ds = date,
    y = deaths_per_mill
  )
```

```
library(prophet)
mod <- prophet(us.totals.m, yearly.seasonality = TRUE, daily.seasonality = TRUE)
```

```
pred <- make_future_dataframe(mod, periods = 365)
fc <- predict(mod, pred)
plot(mod, fc)
```



This model seems to predict a rise in deaths per million in 2024 as compared to previous years. However, this is not accounting for better treatments, and more effective vaccines / booster.

Bias Identification

COVID19 was a very hot political topic in the USA and as a US citizen I certainly had some bias regarding this topic. I had initially thought states like California, Oregon, New York, and Washington would have the worst performance when it comes to controlling the spread of the virus and the death counts. Looking at raw state deaths and cases initially confirmed by bias, however a further analysis using maps and per capita calculations showed that in fact those mentioned states were not the worst performing.

Another potential source of bias is in the data capturing process. With the potential for less self reporting as time goes on, the data that is reported might only be of those whos cases were severe enough to be hospitalized or see a doctor. As we know, a very large portion of folks who are vaccinated and otherwise healthy will most likely not reach this state and therefore their case might not be captured. It is hard to tell exactly how many cases this would be but it is likely enough to have an effect on conclusions made based on our calculations.

Conclusion

Our analysis showed that new cases and deaths seem to have platued across the USA. Comparing this to California we can see a similar trend. We also were able to determine that while TX, CA, and FL were the highest in raw deaths and cases, TX and CA specifically were actually lower when it came to cases and deaths per capita when compared to the majority of US states.

We were able to show using a linear model that cases per thousand was statistically significant when predicting deaths per thousand.

Our 2nd model predicted a potential increase in deaths per million in the USA in 2024 when compared to 2023. This is with the caveat that this cannot factor in the potential for more effective treatments and vaccines/boosters.