21082022_Question 1

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Abstract

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1. Introduction

I have been tasked to examine the evolution of the Covid-19 outbreak

Data

My data looks at Covid-19 globally.

First I want to provide insights using the dataset into how African countries experienced COVID compared to other regions.

First, the average total cases for Africa is plotted over time. They steeply rose over time. The next figure compares Africa across continents. It had the lowest increase (flattest slope) in covid cases over time. Europe, on the other hand faced rapid increases in COVID-19.

Africa also has the least fully vaccinated people per hundred people. This is possibly due to being underresourced.

Average COVID-19 Cases per Million in African Countries over Tin

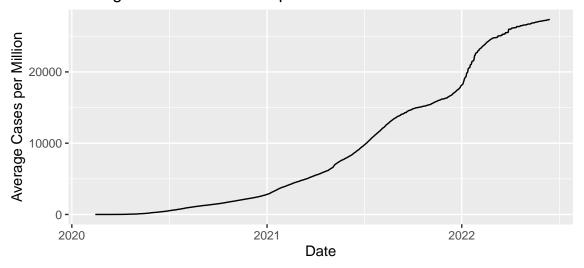


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Average COVID-19 Cases per Million by Continent over Time

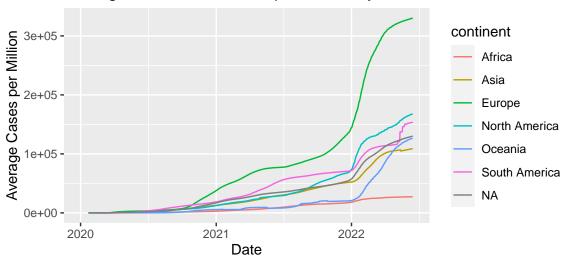


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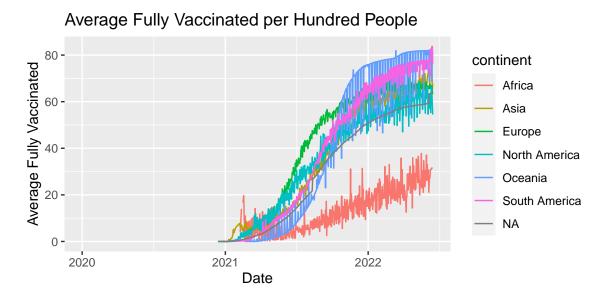


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Next I want to examine whether countries with specific concentrated groupings (e.g. more poverty, higher prevalence of smokers, higher general life expectancy and elderly populations) displayed distinct patterns in the severity of their Covid experience.

From the below tables, we can see that Africa has the lowest Life Expectancy and Europe has the highest.

Among countries with the lowest life expectancy, total deaths remained relatively low except for the Central African Republic, where deaths roses rapidly from the beginning of 2020 to the end of 2022. Lesotho experienced the next highest number of deaths.

Among countries with the highest life expectancy, Japan had the highest number of deaths, reaching over 30 000 around quarter 3 of 2022. Deaths were very low in the locations of Monaco, San Marino, and Macao.

Total cases per million where the highest in Lesotho, probably owing to its small population. For areas with high life expectancy, San Marino experienced the highest number of cases per million people, followed by Macao.

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##		location	${\tt average_life_expectancy}$
##		<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>
##	1	Hong Kong	84.9
##	2	Japan	84.6
##	3	Macao	84.2
##	4	Monaco	86.8
##	5	San Marino	85.0

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##		location	average_life_expectancy
##		<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>
##	1	Central African Republic	53.3
##	2	Chad	54.2
##	3	Lesotho	54.3
##	4	Nigeria	54.7
##	5	Sierra Leone	54.7

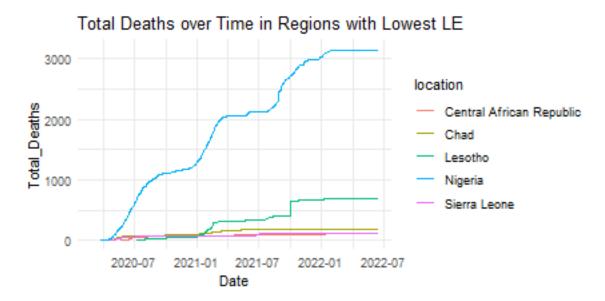


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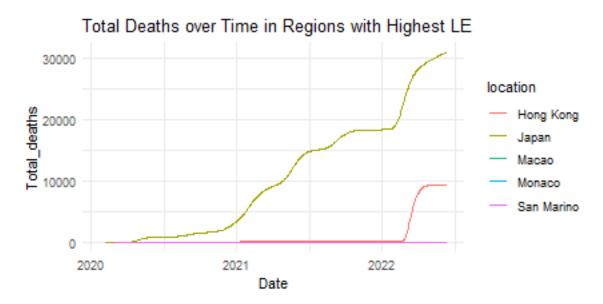


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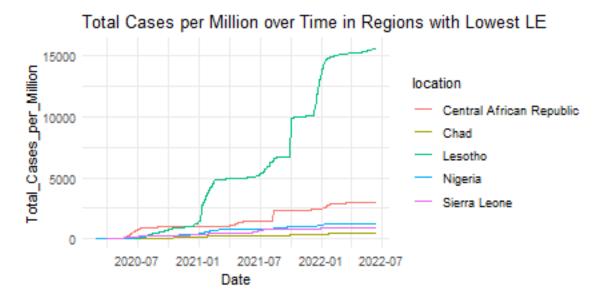


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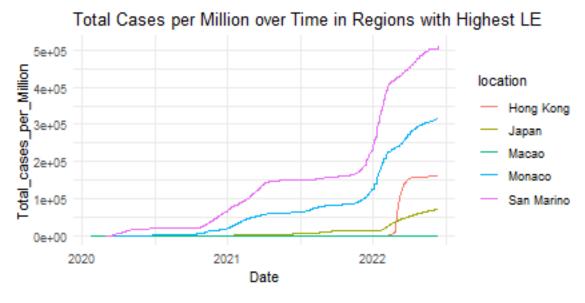


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Show how quickly different regions increased their hospitalization facilities, and whether this led or lagged ICU admissions.

Hospitalisation and ICU admission are plotted.

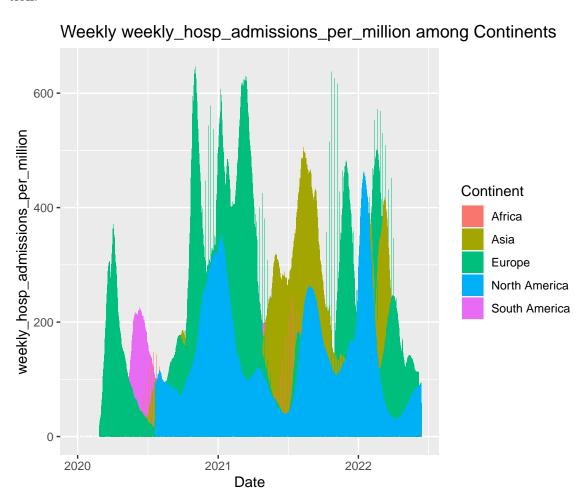
Plotting across continent, we can see that each continent experienced waves of hospitalisation at different times. Europe, North America and Asia experienced the highest shocks in hospitalisations.

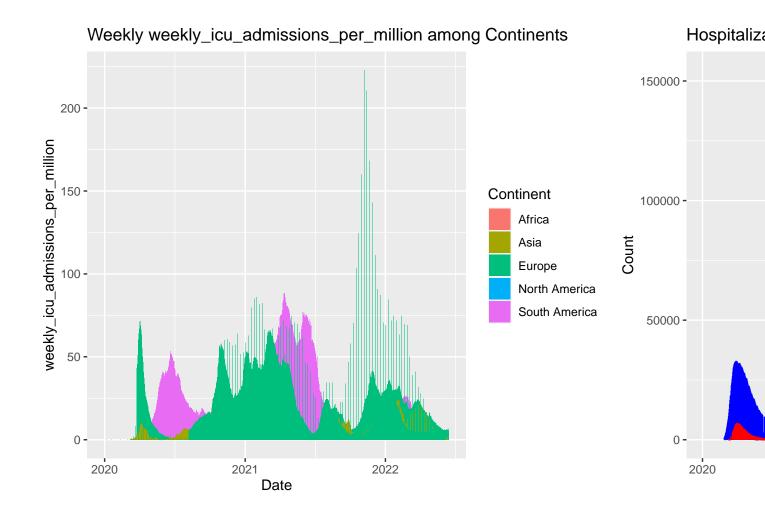
Hospitalisation in Africa were always low.

Europe and South America experienced the highest numbers of weekly ICU admission per million . This is interesting because South America did not have as sharp spikes in general hospitalisations compared to other continents.

Plotting hospital patients and ICU patients, it can be seen that they follow the same trends and waves. ICU patient numbers always increase globally when global hospitalisations increase. Therefore, hospitalisation led ICU hospitalisation.

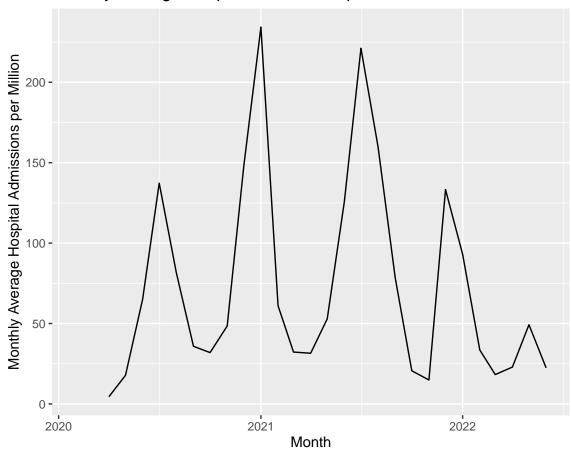
We can also see that there is a positive correlation (0.6) between the number of hospital patients and number of tests. Therefore, the number of tests conducted can act as a good indicator of hospitalisation.





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2. Conclusion

In conclusion, Covid-19 wrecked havoc throughout the world, leading to increase deaths and hospitalisations.