Canada COVID-19 epidemic models situation report No 41 - 2022-04-01

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Combine and visualize international periodically updated estimates of COVID-19 pandemic at the country level, countries with subnational level estimates

Canada

Based on uptake 20220325 in https://github.com/pourmalek/CovidVisualizedCountry
Study update dates in uptake 20220401

DELP 20220328, IHME 20220322, IMPE 20220131, SRIV 20220401

Note that the latest available update of IMPE (20220131) is more than 2 months old as of 20220401.

Summary 20220401:

Reported cases and deaths are on the increase at Canada's national and provincial levels. *This might signify a new surge – the 7th wave at the national level.*

Saskatchewan's reporting of COVID-19 deaths and cases was interrupted recently. It seems that Nova Scotia is experiencing the same problem in reporting. In recent weeks, the official reports of daily deaths from Canada to the World Health Organization indicate that the Ministry of Health of Canada thought twice. They said they did not have that many deaths they had reported before, i.e., reports of negative numbers of daily deaths.

International and periodically updated models' predictions are divergent about the current and the next surges. IMPE model is functionally next to retirement: their latest predictions as of 2022-04-01 dates back to 2022-01-31.

The latest update of the PHAC-McMaster model dates back to 2022-02-18 as of 2022-04-01.

<u>Canada's government "Update on COVID-19 in Canada: Epidemiology and Preparedness, April 1, 2022"</u> does not contain any quantitative predictions for the future of the epidemic in Canada. They have two narrative scenarios for future, named "Realistic Scenario: Ongoing transmission with intermittent waves" and "Worst-case Scenario: Emergence of an immune evasive and severe VOC". These two scenarios might be summarized as bad and worse.

The ongoing seeable and sizable decrease in mask use is not well-captured by the models. For instance, graph (9) "Canada National Daily mask use, IHME, 2020 on" shows the IHME model's assumption that the population mask use level of early March 2022 (e.g., 66% at the national

level) will continue at the same value until July 1st. However, there has been a considerable decrease in mask use in March after provincial governments released the mask mandates. This untrue assumption is among the reasons why the reported cases and deaths do not follow the trajectories predicted by the models.

Premature release of mandates for using masks and physical distancing serves the political and economic purposes of the governments, not the public health and survival needs of the populations.

The **strengths and weaknesses** of the international and periodically updated COVID-19 pandemic models are discussed <u>here</u>.

DELP: <u>model by Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge</u>
IHME: <u>model by Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation, Seattle</u>

IMPE: model by Imperial College, London

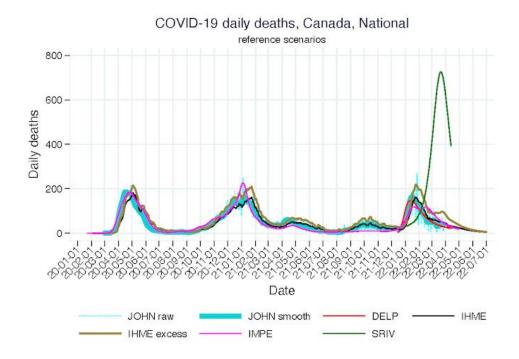
SRIV: model by Srivastava, Ajitesh, University of Southern California, Los Angeles

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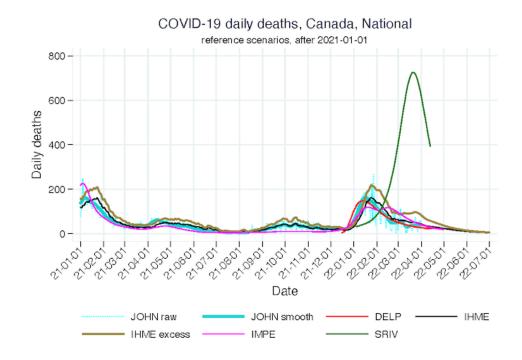
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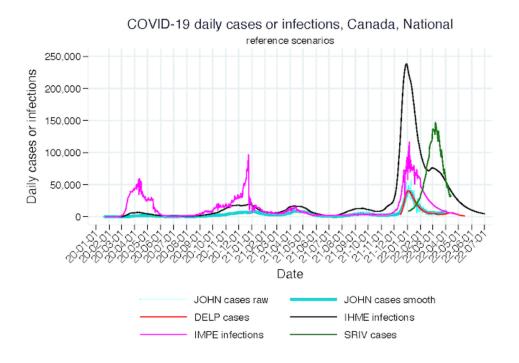
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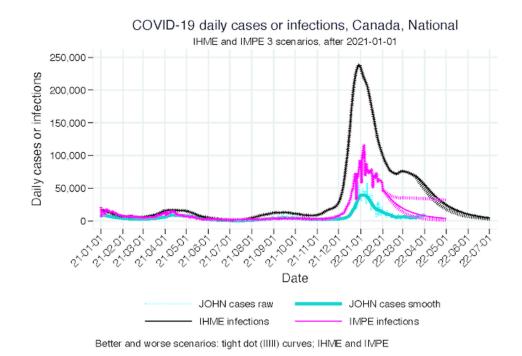
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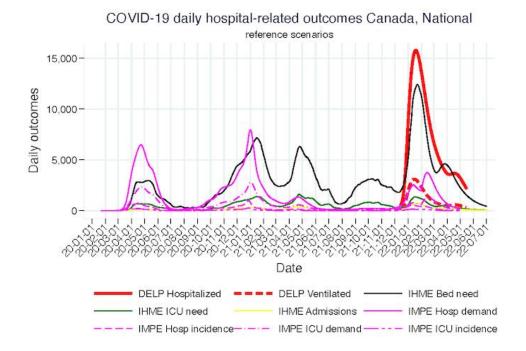
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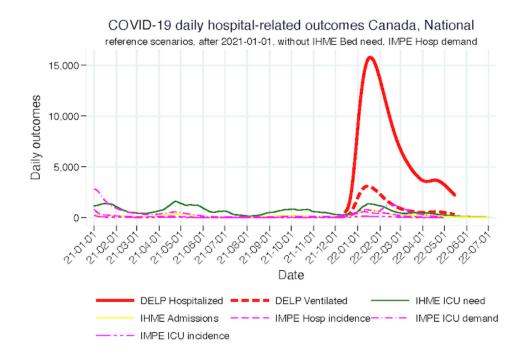
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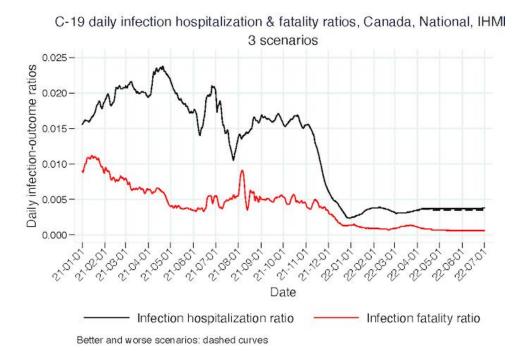
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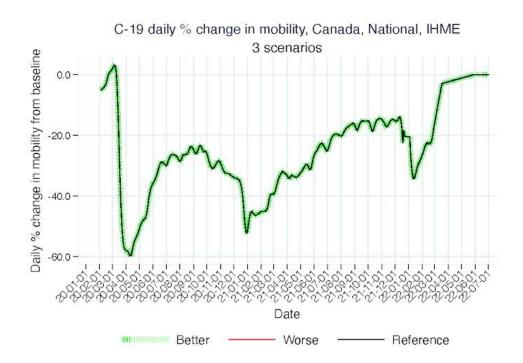
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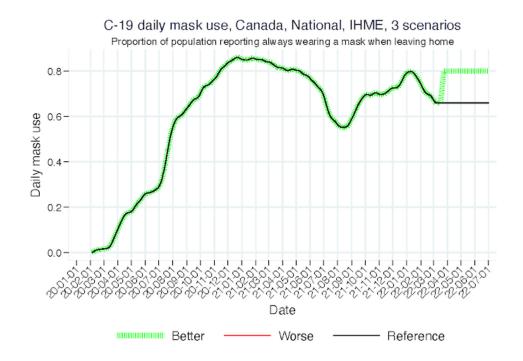
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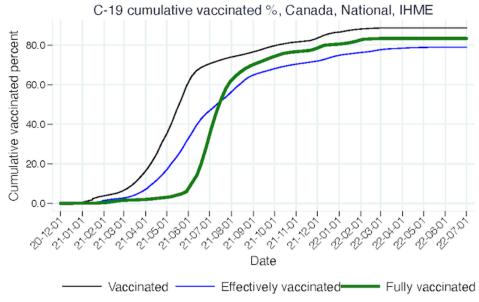
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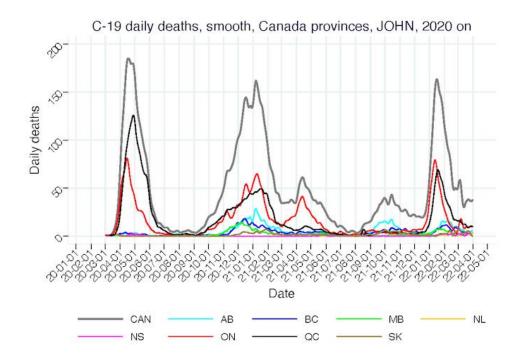
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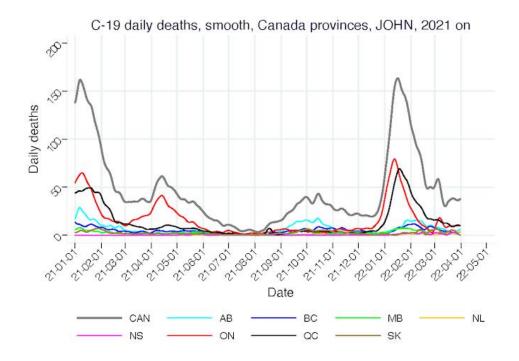
Vaccinated: Initially vaccinated (one dose of two doses) Effectively vaccinated: one and two dose with efficacy Fully vaccinated: one of one and two of two doses

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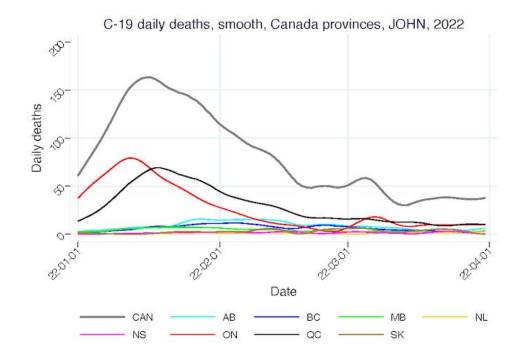
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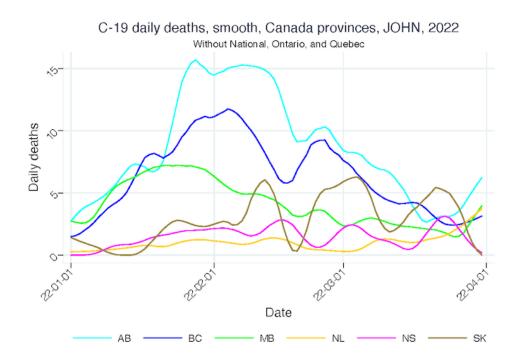
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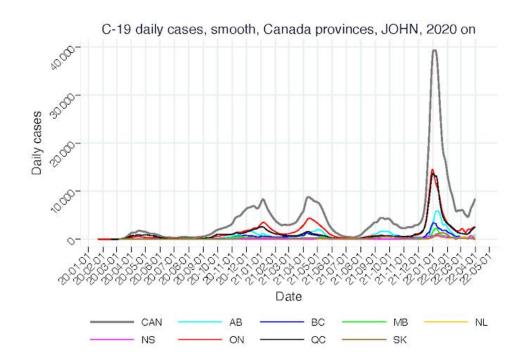
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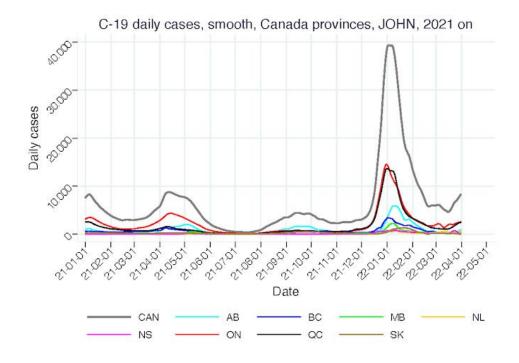
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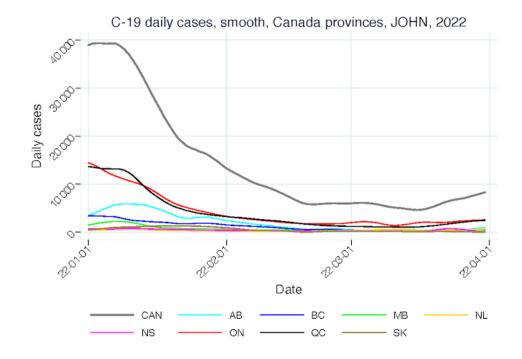
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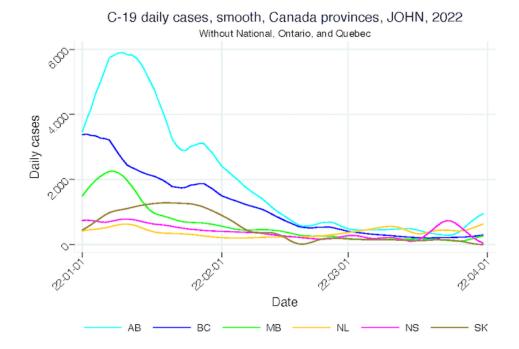
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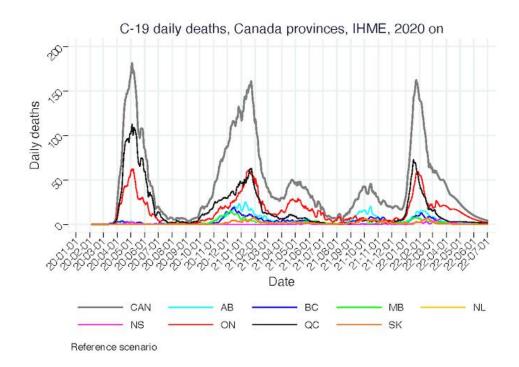


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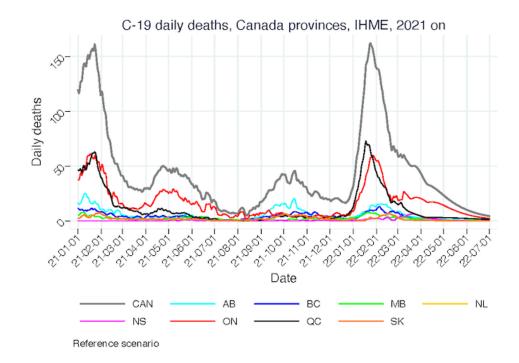


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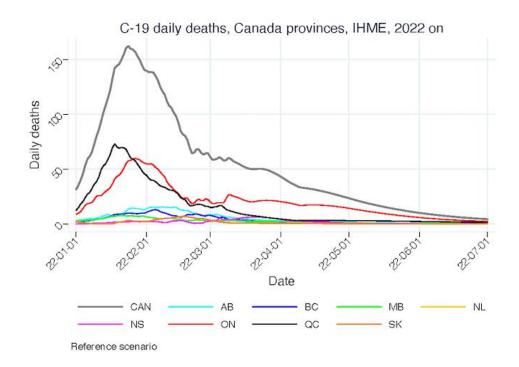
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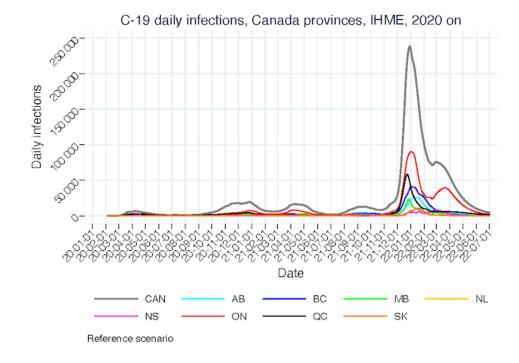
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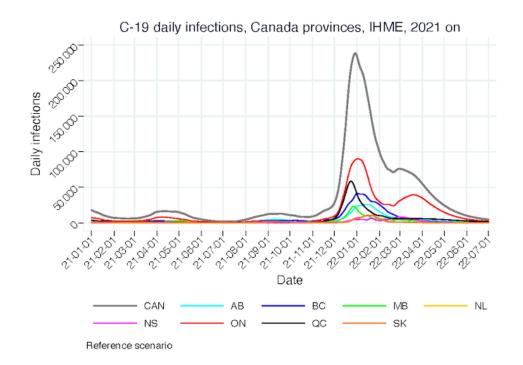
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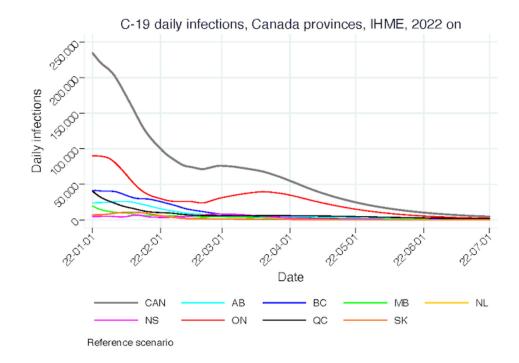
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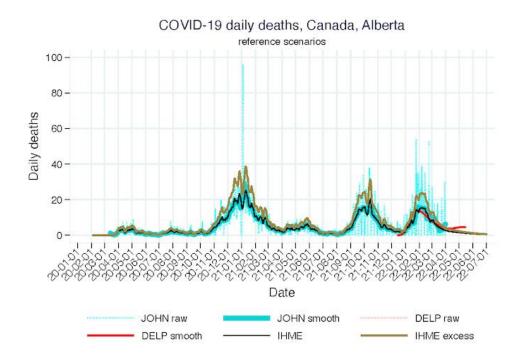


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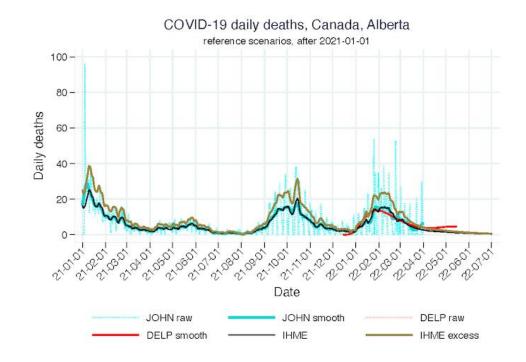


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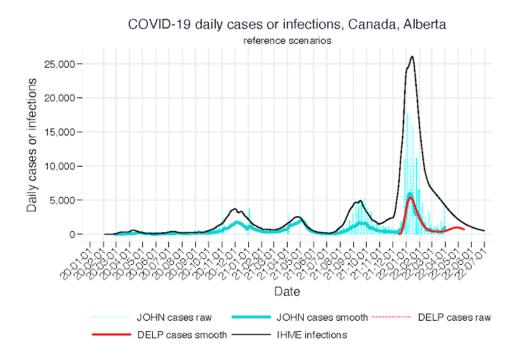
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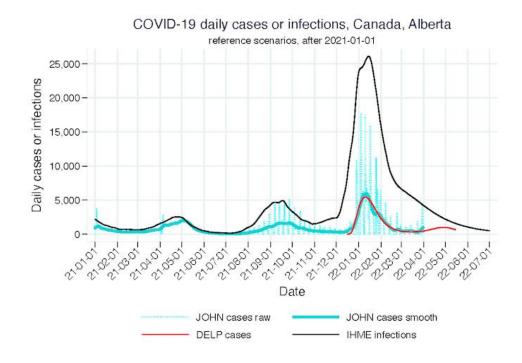
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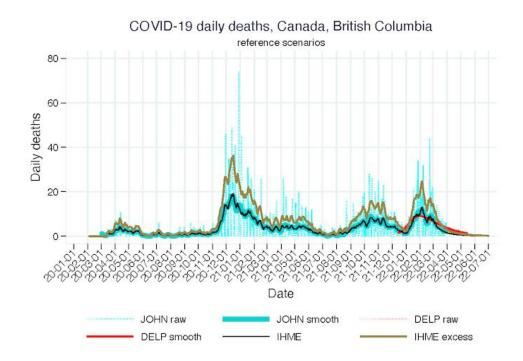


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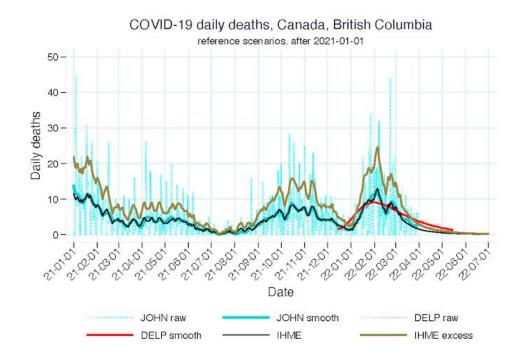


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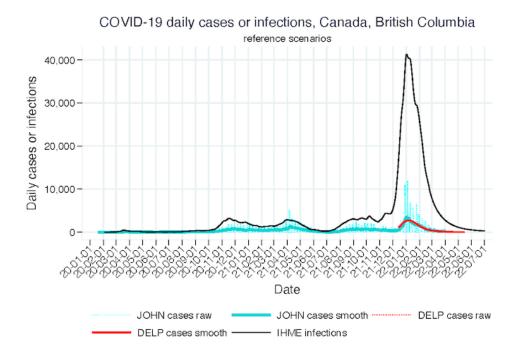
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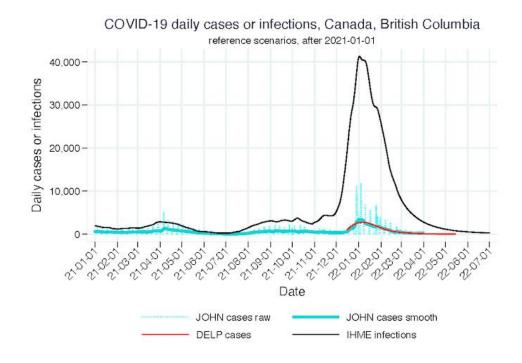
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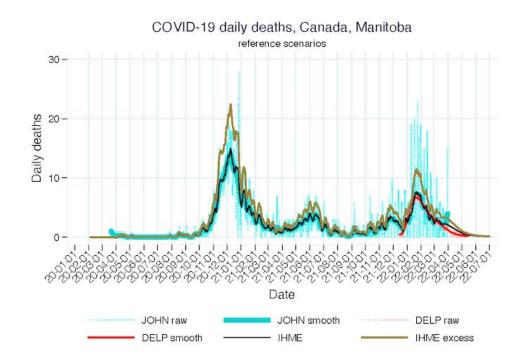


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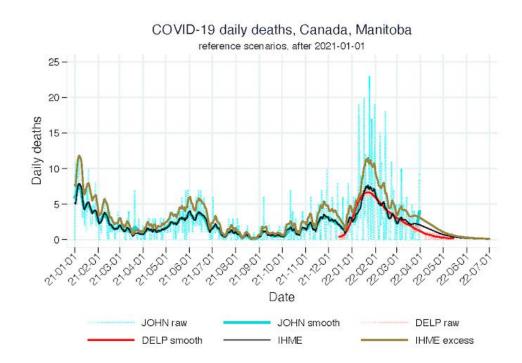


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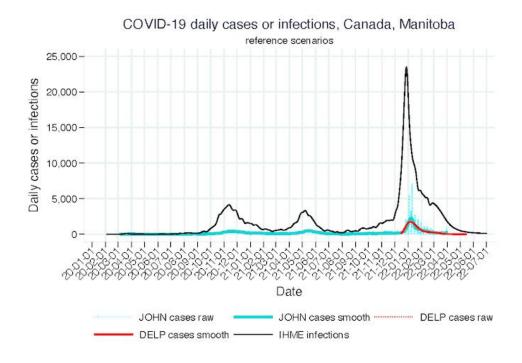
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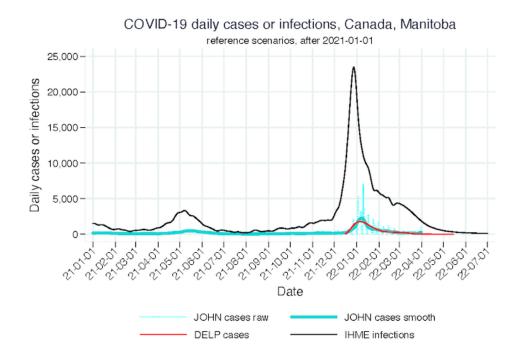
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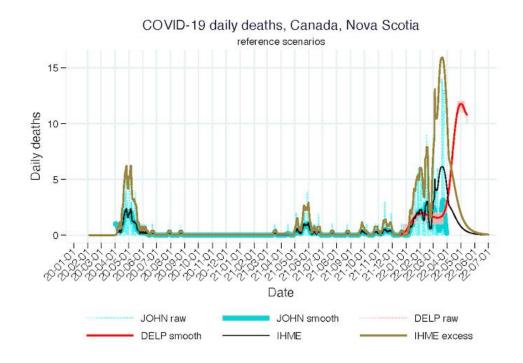


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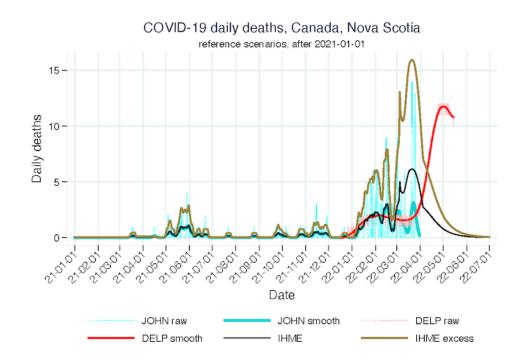


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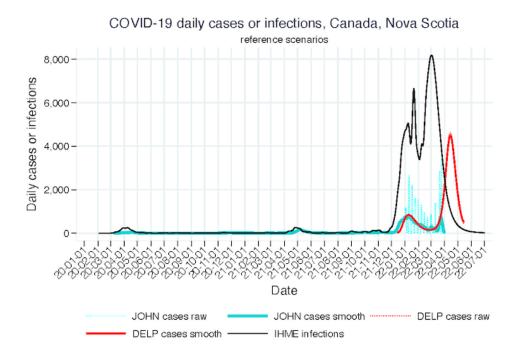
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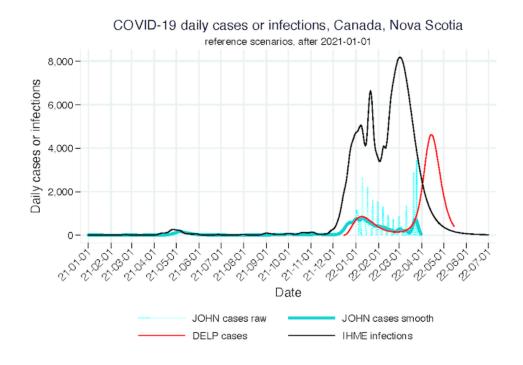
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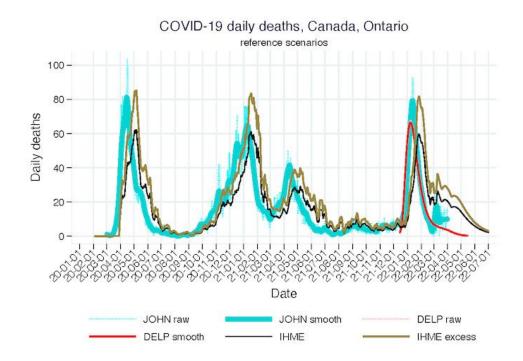


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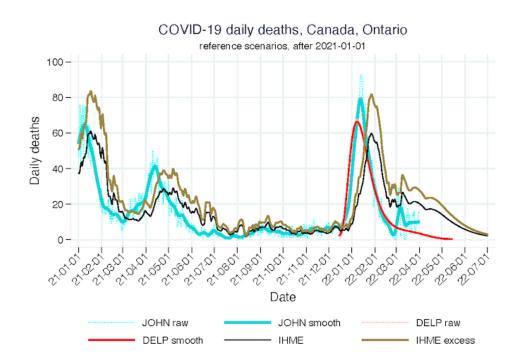


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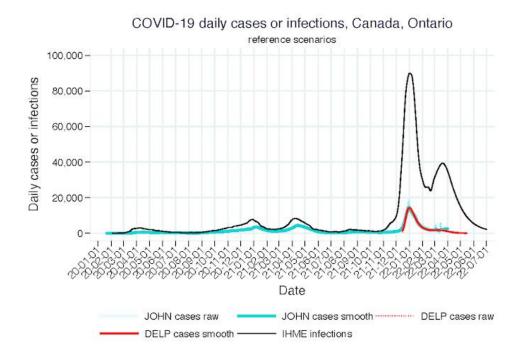
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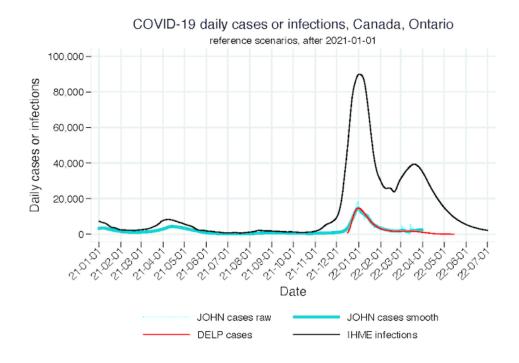
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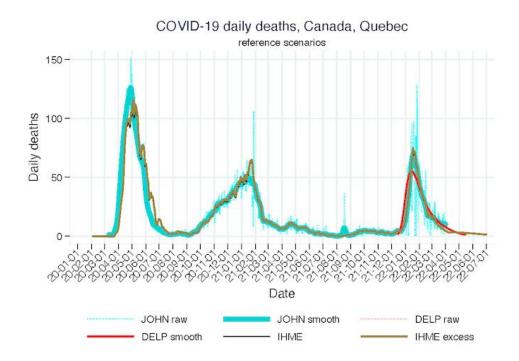


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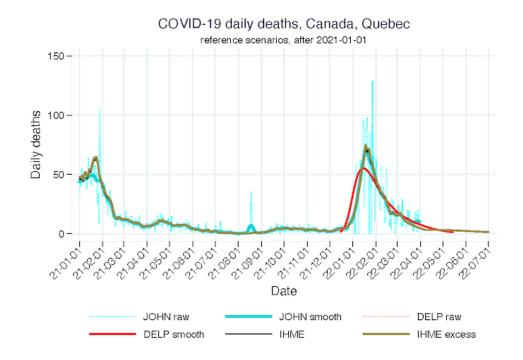


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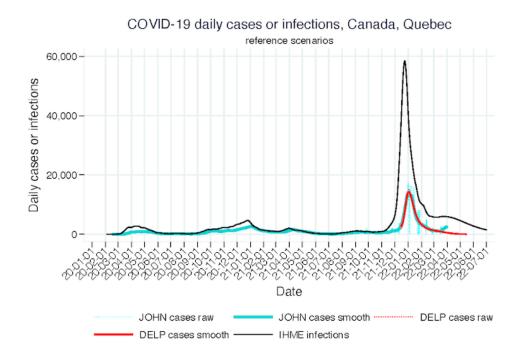
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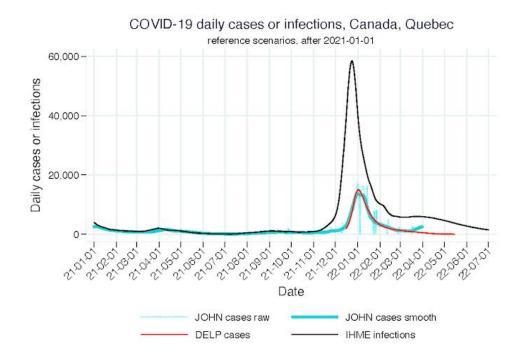
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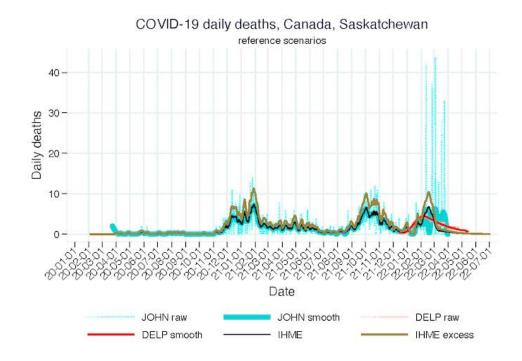


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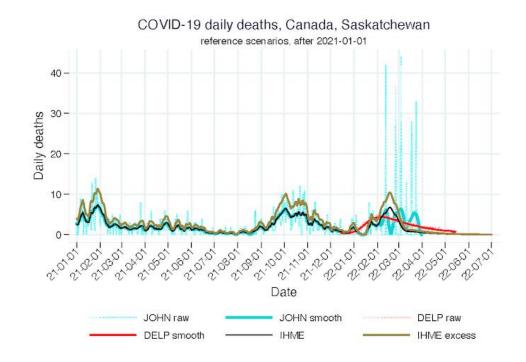


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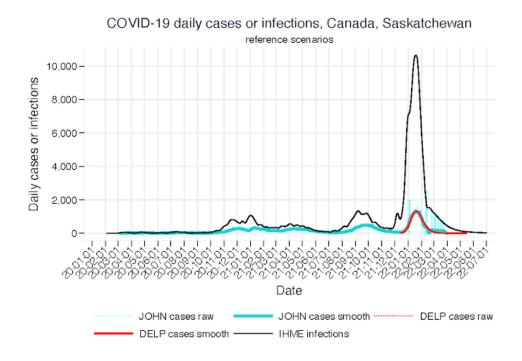
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