

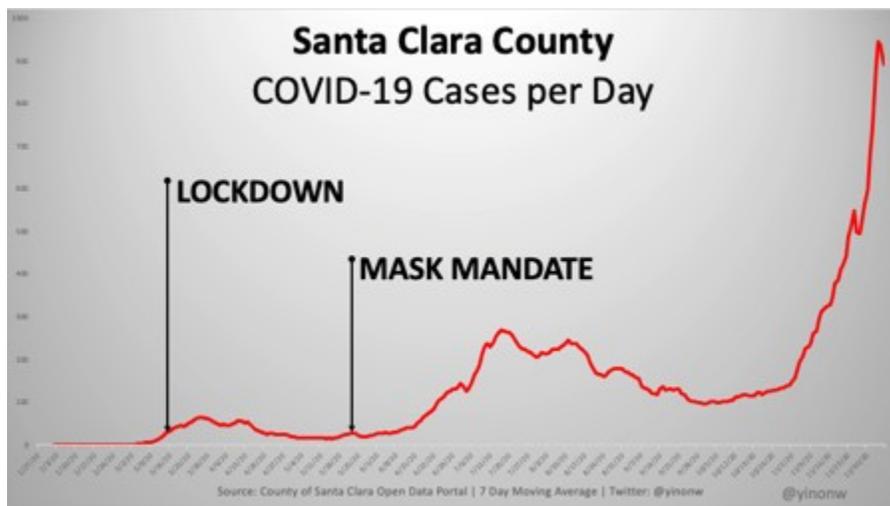
Hi John - it's Stef, what's new?

LOCKDOWNS?

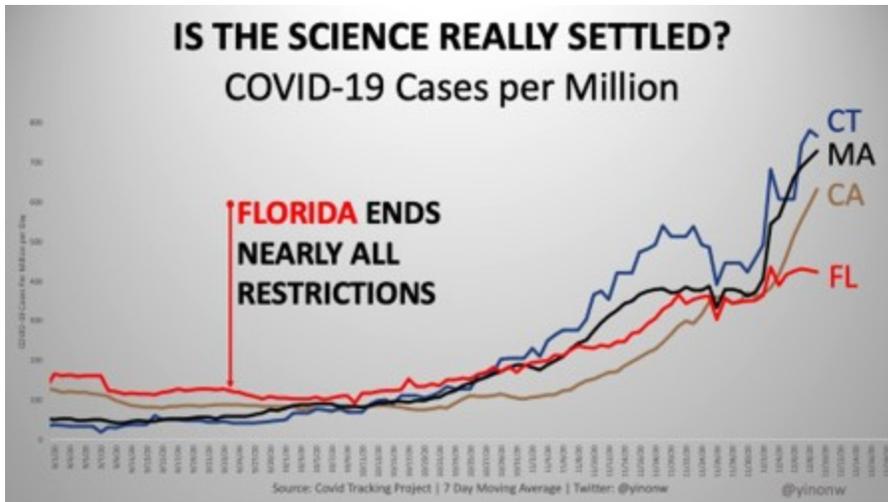
Early on in the Coronavirus panic, I said very clearly and openly that lockdowns were a very bad idea, because they were going to cost much more than they saved. I did recommend wearing masks – although I never argue for any kind of government mandate of course – mostly because they reduce viral load to some degree, and remind people to stop touching their faces.

Well, the data is in, and – well, you can judge for yourself.

Santa Clara was the first county to lock down, and has had incredibly tight restrictions – gyms, restaurants, you name it – ALL closed – and what HAS been the result?



Compare this to Florida, which ended restrictions months ago...



Lockdowns don't seem to matter - and they may even make things worse, by producing "COVID fatigue" and destroying the economy.

Live everything else the government does, the "pandemic safety program" is producing the opposite of its intended effects. An older gentleman I know is fearful of getting addicted to painkillers because he can't get a knee operation to end his suffering. A young woman I know feels that her youth is slipping away because she can't go out and enjoy life. Will this cause her to take more risks? Seems likely.

How is this all affecting you John? Are you tired of it all? Do you have any hope for a vaccine? Let me know - I'd love to hear!

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