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Lockdowns Have No Clear Benefits

A study evaluating COVID-19 responses around the world found lockdown orders early in the pandemic may not have slowed the disease much better than other voluntary measures, such as social distancing and reduced travel. Researchers said they don't question public health interventions, but they failed to find additional benefits from stay-at-home orders and business closures.

President Biden thinks shutting down the economy would be “counterproductive.” Instead, he says he plans to “shut down the virus.” However, the New York Post editorial board called his 198-page plan a “dud.” They said his goal to get 1 million people vaccinated per day is only 10 percent higher than the current number being vaccinated under Trump's plan.

“COVID Lockdowns May Have No Clear Benefit vs Other Voluntary Measures, International Study Shows,” Natalie Colarossi, Newsweek, January 14, 2021: <http://bit.ly/3uoDMez>

“Biden's COVID war plan is a dud,” Post Editorial Board, New York Post, January 21, 2021: <http://bit.ly/2ZJE4P2>

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