



Oppressive COVID Measures for the Unvaccinated Were Based on ‘Software’ Error, Claims German Minister.

Description

GERMANY: The “pandemic of the unvaccinated” was caused by a computer glitch. That was the [conclusion](#) of the Health Minister of Germany Karl Lauterbach, after months of vilifying the unvaccinated in the nation’s second largest city, Hamburg.

In November 2021, news outlets reported on the increasing “incident numbers” in the city – where the figure grew from [111.6 infected people](#) per 100,000 to [160](#) per 100,000 in a span of few of days. By the end of November, that number shot up from [209.2](#) to a record of [223.3](#).

The ostensibly drastic increases have been used to legitimize new COVID [policy measures](#) in the city. First, 2G (vaccinated or recovered) status limitation was announced in order to enter shops, restaurants, and clubs. Social contact limitation was mandated for the unvaccinated. After the order, Mayor Peter Tschentscher, [claimed](#) to observe an increase in vaccination numbers, and implied it was the only way out of the pandemic.

Now, an investigation from the *Sueddeutscher Zeitung* and *Welt* newspapers [has found](#) that the numbers in Hamburg’s Social Services departments were drastically skewed and, in most cases, they didn’t even know who was vaccinated and who was not. This, however, did not stop them classifying everyone with an unknown status as unvaccinated. Indeed, by the end of November, a whopping 70 percent of the positive cases had unknown status.

In the second week of November, the Mayor of Hamburg held a press conference and incorrectly claimed that 90 percent of all new infections were amongst the unvaccinated. In addition, he alleged the 7-day infection average for the unvaccinated was at 605 per 100,000 and just 22 in 100,000 for the vaccinated.

Furthermore, the *Welt* newspaper received the following answer regarding the classifications from Hamburg’s Senate:

“...The categorization (used in Hamburg) matches to the one used nationwide...”

Gerade in den E-Mails gefunden: Am 4.12. erklärte ein Sprecher des Senats auf meine [@welt](#)-Anfrage hin, “bundesweit” würden Inzidenzen so ermittelt wie in [#Hamburg](#). Gleichzeitig, so behauptet man nun, begann man zu diesem Zeitpunkt überhaupt erst nachzuforschen, wie gerechnet wird pic.twitter.com/DRxfJF1e2

— Tim Röhn (@Tim_Roehn) [December 27, 2021](#)

Until this weekend, the data on how the classifications are made and how the final numbers are “calculated” have not been made public. The mayor [claimed](#) by the end of December that the reason for the misclassifications were caused by deploying “different IT Systems”, where each system used different classifier.

On January 17th, Health Minister Karl Lauterbach had the [following to say](#):

“...with the situation in Hamburg... I can claim without a doubt, that the problem was in the automatic classifier of the software. The problem is solved now... and it was a mistake and was not done on purpose in order to largely blame the unvaccinated for the pandemic...”

The city of Hamburg was not the only region affected by false COVID numbers.

In mid-November, in Bayern, 48.468 [cases](#) of unknown vaccination status were added to the category of unvaccinated – pushing the incident number of the unvaccinated to 1469, compared to 110 for the vaccinated.

Germany’s COVID measures targeting the unvaccinated were introduced in November 2021, and have used these two major data mismanagements as [basis](#) for legitimacy.

Nearly 100,000 German citizens are believed to have [participated](#) in anti-mandate protests in recent days.

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