

Fake News From CDC? Florida Health Department Says Figures ‘Incorrect’

Weekend reports of record high numbers for COVID, including 28,317 new cases, hit multiple news sites Monday. But the Florida Department of health begs to differ with those figures, pointing its Twitter finger at the CDC for allegedly “combining multiple days into one”:

Wrong again. The number of cases @CDCgov released for Florida today is incorrect. They combined MULTIPLE days into one. We anticipate CDC will correct the record.

– Florida Dept. Health (@HealthyFla) August 10, 2021

The Florida Department of Health later provided the following figures, per:

- Friday, Aug. 6: 21,500.
- Saturday, Aug. 7: 19,567.
- Sunday, Aug. 8: 15,319.
- Three-day average: 18,795.

Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis has encouraged vaccination as long as individuals retain the freedom to choose but has also stood firmly against a mask mandate and shutdown.

“We can either have a free society or we can have a biomedical security state and I can tell you, Florida, we’re a free state,” DeSantis said in a recent news conference per *The Washington Post*. “People are going to be free to choose to make their own decisions about themselves, about their families, about their kids’ education and about putting food

on the table.” {eoa}

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