



State of Missouri regional COVID-19 hospitalized cases model

April 20, 2021

Multiple data points inform Missouri's COVID-19 response

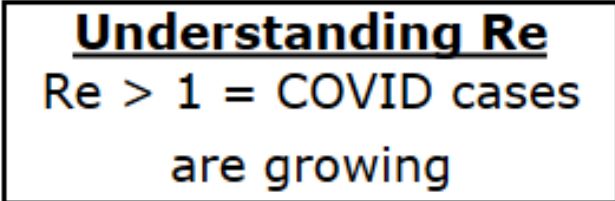
- Syndromic surveillance
- Healthcare system capacity (bed, PPE, and staff availability)
- Testing
- COVID-19 cases and deaths
- Economic and social impact
- Insights from U.S. states, nationally, and other countries
- Evidence from scientific literature
- Mathematical disease modelling

Our model estimates possible outcomes based on currently available information

What does the model tell us	What does it not tell us
Range of plausible outcomes based on our current knowledge of COVID-19 in Missouri	What will happen in the future
Approximate date and magnitude of peak/s based on current understanding of policy interventions and human behavior and assumptions about future interventions	Date and magnitude of peak/s if there are major changes in planned policy interventions and human behavior
Approximate estimate of effective transmission rate across a region	Exact transmission rate in all parts of a region – there may be areas of higher and lower transmission within the region

The ability to forecast depends on the quality and availability of data. For a new disease such as COVID-19, much remains uncertain.

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Central (Region F)



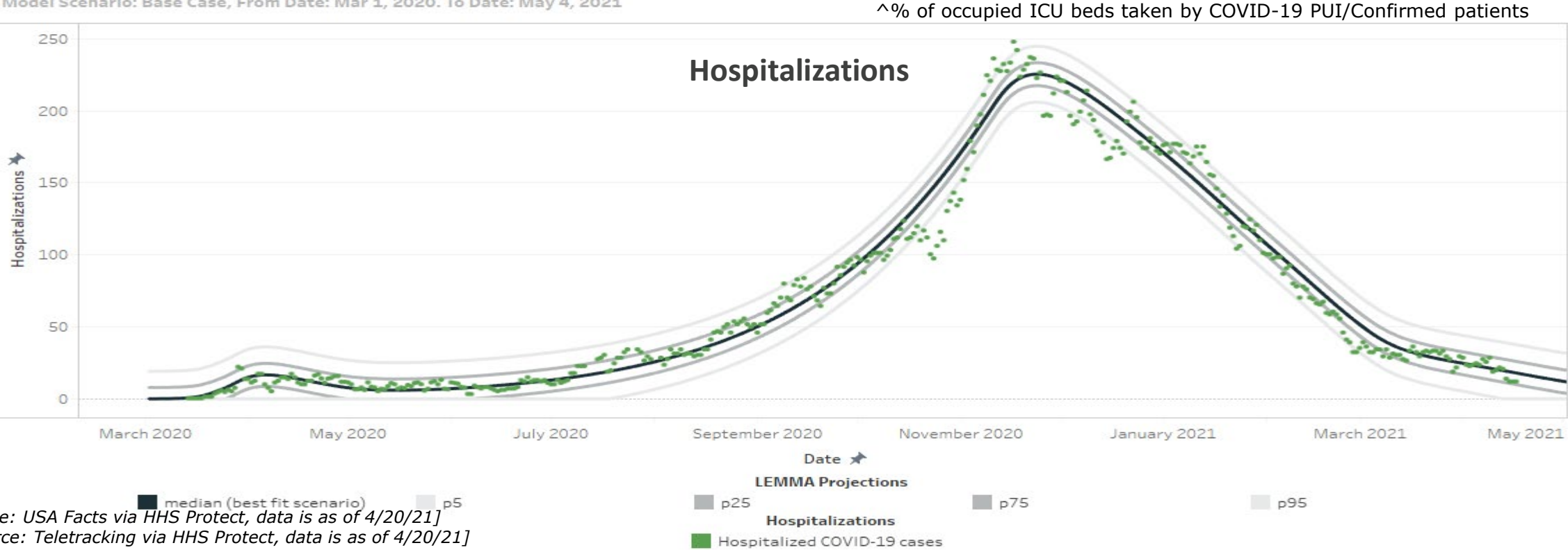
Overview	
Population	502,486
Cumulative Cases	51,400
Cumulative Deaths	633
7-day New Cases	-392
WoW % Case Change	-0.8%

Reproductive Rate	
Pre-intervention	2.3
Last Week	0.96
Current Week	0.92
WoW % Change	-4.0%

Bed / Ventilator Availability	
% ICU Beds Occupied	61%
% ICU Beds Occupied C19	1%
% ICU Beds Free	39%
% Ventilators in use	29%
% Ventilators available	71%

Base Case Central Region

Model Scenario: Base Case, From Date: Mar 1, 2020. To Date: May 4, 2021



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Greater St Louis Area (Region C)



Overview

Population	2,229,518
Cumulative Cases	209,479
Cumulative Deaths	3,363
7-day New Cases	-1,442
WoW % Case Change	-0.7%

Reproductive Rate

Pre-intervention	3.39
Last Week	1.13
Current Week	1.09
WoW % Change	-3.5%

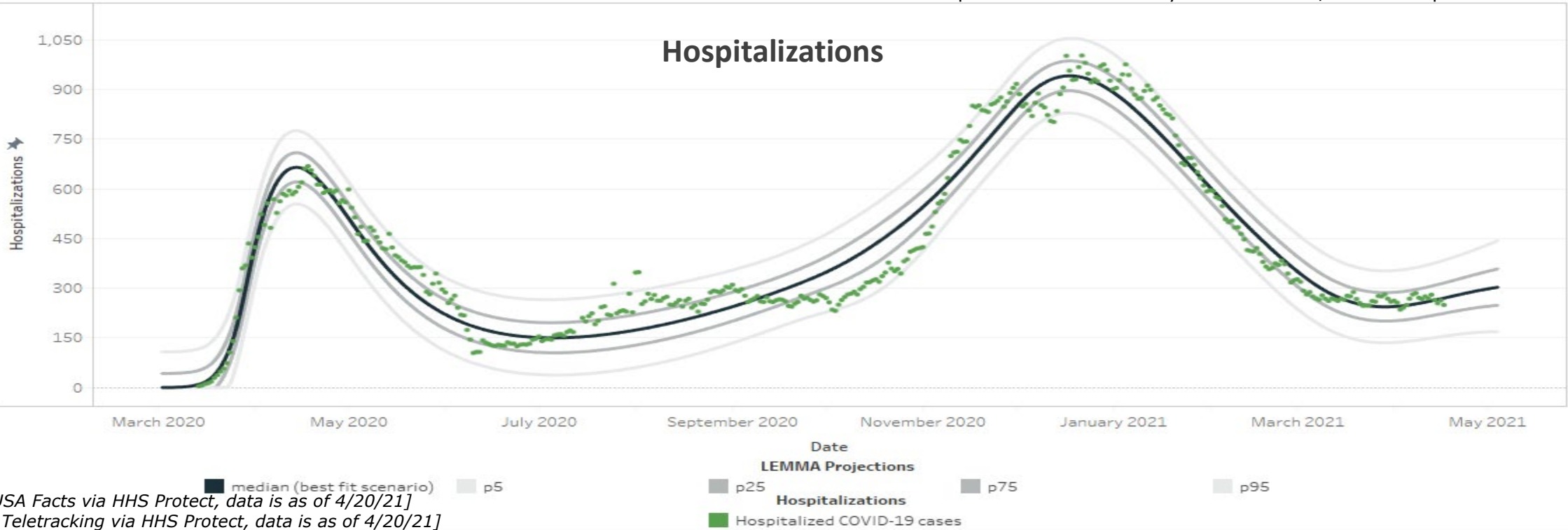
Bed / Ventilator Availability

% ICU Beds Occupied	79%
% ICU Beds Occupied C19	6%
% ICU Beds Free	21%
% Ventilators in use	33%
% Ventilators available	67%

Base Case St. Louis Region

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Greater Kansas City Area (Region A)



Overview	
Population	1,395,314
Cumulative Cases	125,850
Cumulative Deaths	1,670
7-day New Cases	-2,138
WoW % Case Change	-1.7%

Reproductive Rate	
Pre-intervention	2.8
Last Week	0.88
Current Week	0.96
WoW % Change	9.2%

Bed / Ventilator Availability	
% ICU Beds Occupied	74%
% ICU Beds Occupied C19	5%
% ICU Beds Free	26%
% Ventilators in use	20%
% Ventilators available	80%

Base Case Kansas City Region

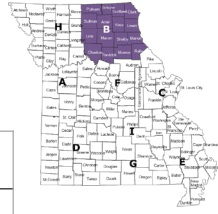
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Northeast (Region B)



Overview

Population	179,448
Cumulative Cases	18,326
Cumulative Deaths	207
7-day New Cases	-478
WoW % Case Change	-2.5%

Reproductive Rate

Pre-intervention	N/A
Last Week	0.62
Current Week	0.62
WoW % Change	-0.5%

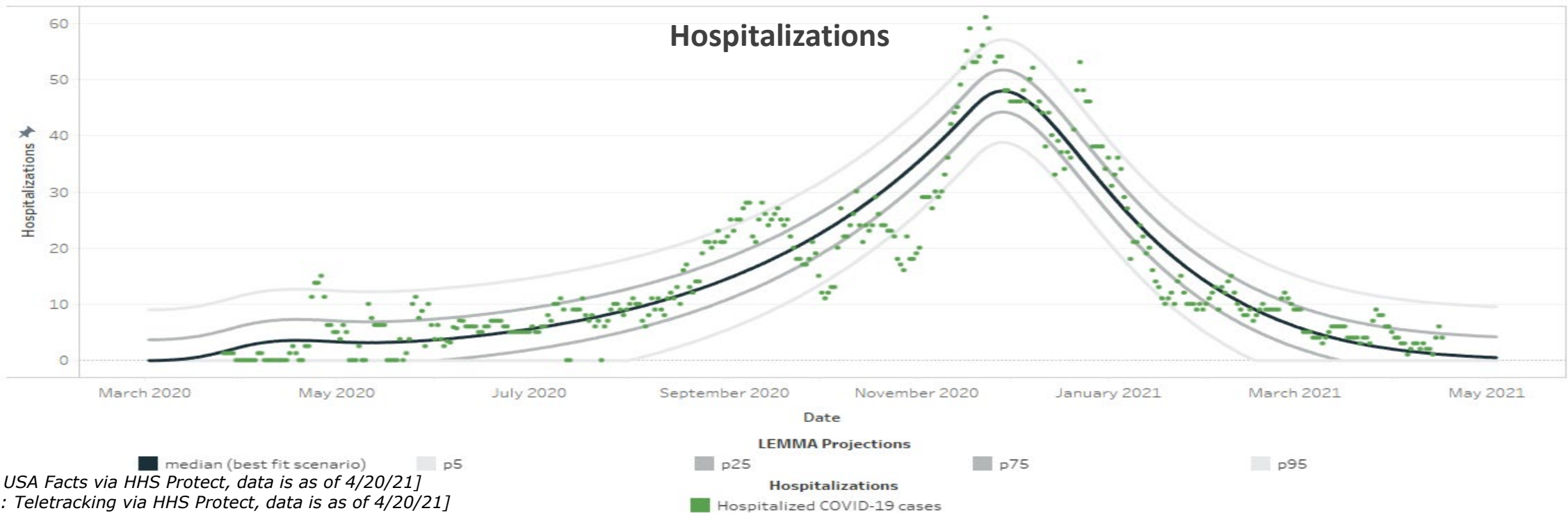
Bed / Ventilator Availability

% ICU Beds Occupied	35%
% ICU Beds Occupied C19	8%
% ICU Beds Free	65%
% Ventilators in use	10%
% Ventilators available	90%

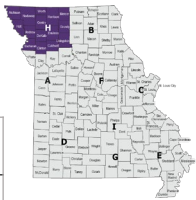
Base Case Northeast Region

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Northwest (Region H)



Overview

Population	234,361
Cumulative Cases	23,523
Cumulative Deaths	437
7-day New Cases	-586
WoW % Case Change	-2.4%

Reproductive Rate

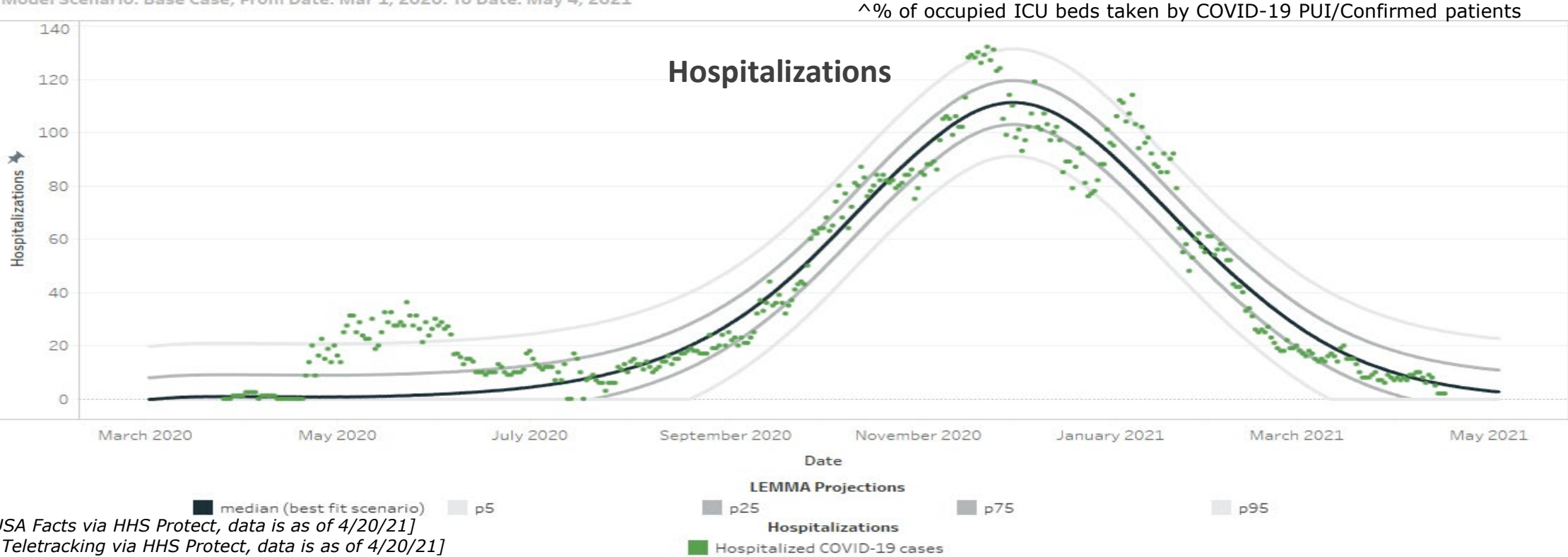
Pre-intervention	1.24
Last Week	0.79
Current Week	0.78
WoW % Change	-1.4%

Bed / Ventilator Availability

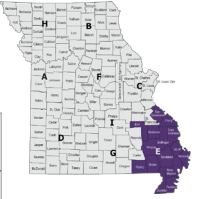
% ICU Beds Occupied	72%
% ICU Beds Occupied C19	3%
% ICU Beds Free	28%
% Ventilators in use	14%
% Ventilators available	86%

Base Case Northwest Region

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Southeast / Cape Girardeau (Region E)



Overview

Population	363,478
Cumulative Cases	37,489
Cumulative Deaths	525
7-day New Cases	-558
WoW % Case Change	-1.5%

Reproductive Rate

Pre-intervention	2.61
Last Week	0.71
Current Week	0.70
WoW % Change	-1.7%

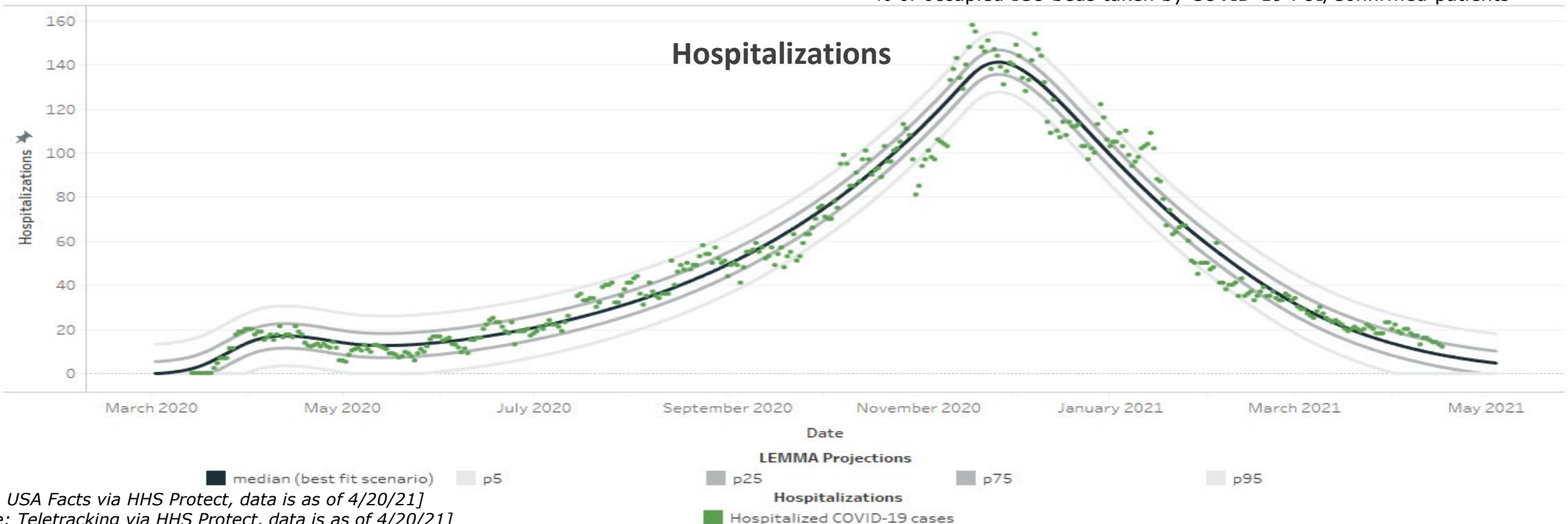
Bed / Ventilator Availability

% ICU Beds Occupied	50%
% ICU Beds Occupied C19	0%
% ICU Beds Free	50%
% Ventilators in use	19%
% Ventilators available	81%

Base Case Southeast Region

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Southwest / Springfield (Regions D,G, I)



Overview

Population	1,221,847
Cumulative Cases	111,968
Cumulative Deaths	1,849
7-day New Cases	-1,245
WoW % Case Change	-1.1%

Reproductive Rate

Pre-intervention	2.36
Last Week	0.80
Current Week	0.74
WoW % Change	-7.3%

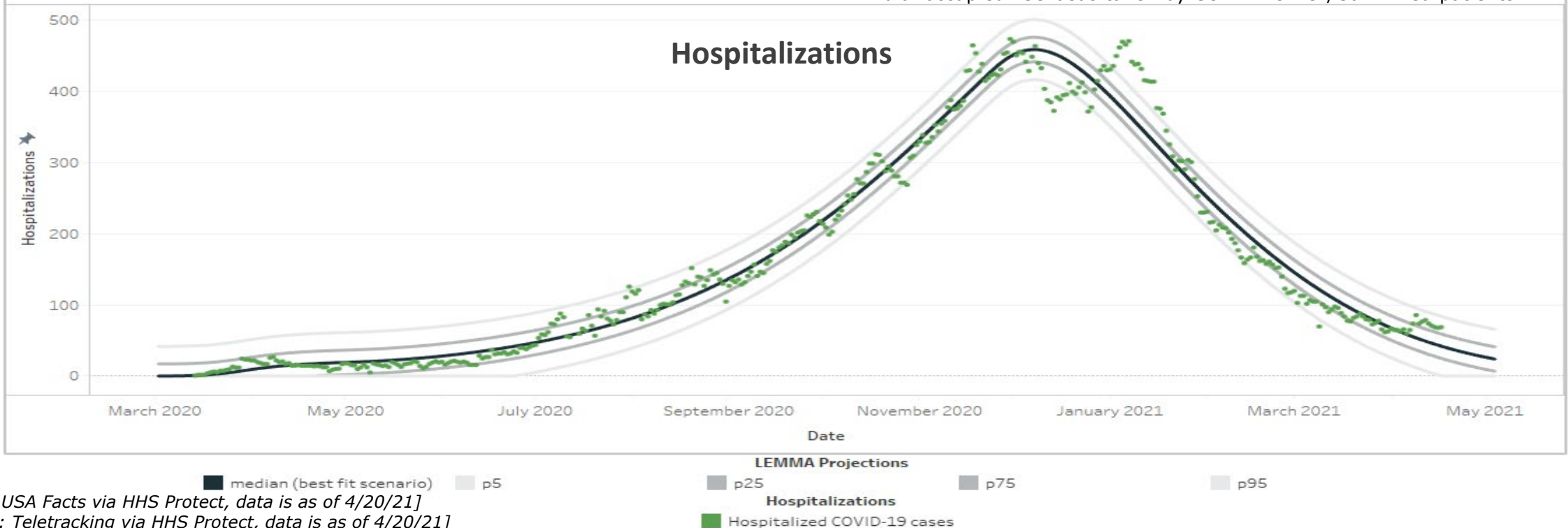
Bed / Ventilator Availability

% ICU Beds Occupied	78%
% ICU Beds Occupied C19	5%
% ICU Beds Free	22%
% Ventilators in use	20%
% Ventilators available	80%

Base Case Southwest Region

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See FAQs for additional details

Link here: <https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus/pdf/modeling-faqs.pdf>

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Missouri's Regional COVID-19 Hospitalized Cases Model: Overview and Frequently Asked Questions

Model Overview

One of the many data analyses that inform Missouri's COVID-19 response is a regional model of hospitalized COVID-19 cases that the State of Missouri developed in partnership with the Washington University in St. Louis and Missouri Hospital Association.

Missouri's model uses a standard SEIR (susceptible, exposed, infectious, recovered) compartmental structure that is based upon a tool called LEMMA (Local Epidemiological Modeling for Management & Action), which was developed by experts from UMass Amherst, UC Berkeley, UCSF, and WUSTL. The model focuses on COVID-19 hospitalized cases to directly address the question of hospital capacity and provide a more accurate picture of COVID-19's impact on the healthcare system.

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    Susceptible --> Exposed
    Exposed --> Infectious
    Infectious --> EffectivelyVaccinated[Effectively Vaccinated]
    Infectious --> Removed
    EffectivelyVaccinated --> Removed
    Infectious --> Hospitalized
    Hospitalized --> Floor
    Hospitalized --> ICU
    Hospitalized --> Ward
  
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To help inform decisions at the regional and local level, each region is modeled separately using the latest local data, including COVID-19 confirmed and suspected hospitalizations, population, policy interventions, and average hospital length of stay.

General FAQs

Why are regional models of COVID-19 important?

When new diseases such as COVID-19 emerge, there is uncertainty about how best to control the epidemic. Decision makers must make their decisions with the best available information at hand.

Mathematical models are commonly used tools to help us understand how infectious diseases might impact key outcomes such as hospitalized cases or deaths. Today, there are many sophisticated models of COVID-19 that make global or national projections (e.g., see the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's latest compilation

Regional COVID-19 transmission models help inform local policy, public health, and business decisions

- Mathematical models are commonly used to make projections of infectious disease epidemics (e.g., tuberculosis, HIV)
- Many sophisticated models on COVID-19 make global or national projections (e.g., Imperial College, Harvard, IHME)
- However, these generally do not incorporate critical local or regional inputs, such as:
 - Variations in local population size and age structure
 - Date and nature of social distancing and other policies
- Regional projections are important because:
 - Regional epidemics may differ markedly from the national average
 - Policy response occurs at state, county, and municipal levels

State of MO, WUSTL, and MHA have developed a regional model of hospitalized COVID-19 cases

- **Standard SEIR model that combines universal characteristics of COVID-19 infection (e.g., transmission parameters) with local inputs to support regional decision making**
 - Mathematical model developed by experts from UMass Amherst, UC Berkeley, UCSF, and WUSTL
 - Uses a statistical approach that adjusts underlying parameters as new data are observed
- **Customized using the latest local data from Missouri's emergency response regions, including:**
 - COVID-19 positives and PUIs
 - Population and age structure
 - Policy interventions
 - Avg. hospital length of stay
 - Vaccination rate by age and vaccine efficacy
- **Projects COVID-19 hospitalized cases** to directly address the question of hospital capacity and provide a more accurate picture on COVID-19's impact on the healthcare system

Model Structure (SEIR)

