

KFF COVID-19 Vaccine Monitor: Media and Misinformation | Kaiser Family Foundation

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Numerous studies have documented the prevalence of misinformation and disinformation about COVID-19, often fueled by social media. The latest KFF COVID-19 Vaccine Monitor sheds light on how common it is for people to hear and believe certain “myths” about the disease and the vaccine, and how these beliefs correlate with individuals’ trusted media sources.

Belief or uncertainty about COVID-19 misinformation is widespread, with nearly eight in ten adults saying they have heard at least one of eight different pieces of misinformation and either believe them to be true or are not sure whether they are true or false. Most commonly, six in ten adults have heard that the government is exaggerating the number of COVID-19 deaths by counting deaths due to other factors as coronavirus deaths and either believe this to be true (38%) or aren’t sure if it’s true or false (22%). About four in ten have heard that pregnant women should not get the COVID-19 vaccine and think this is true (17%) or aren’t sure (22%). Among women ages 18-44, 18% believe this to be true and 29% are uncertain.

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