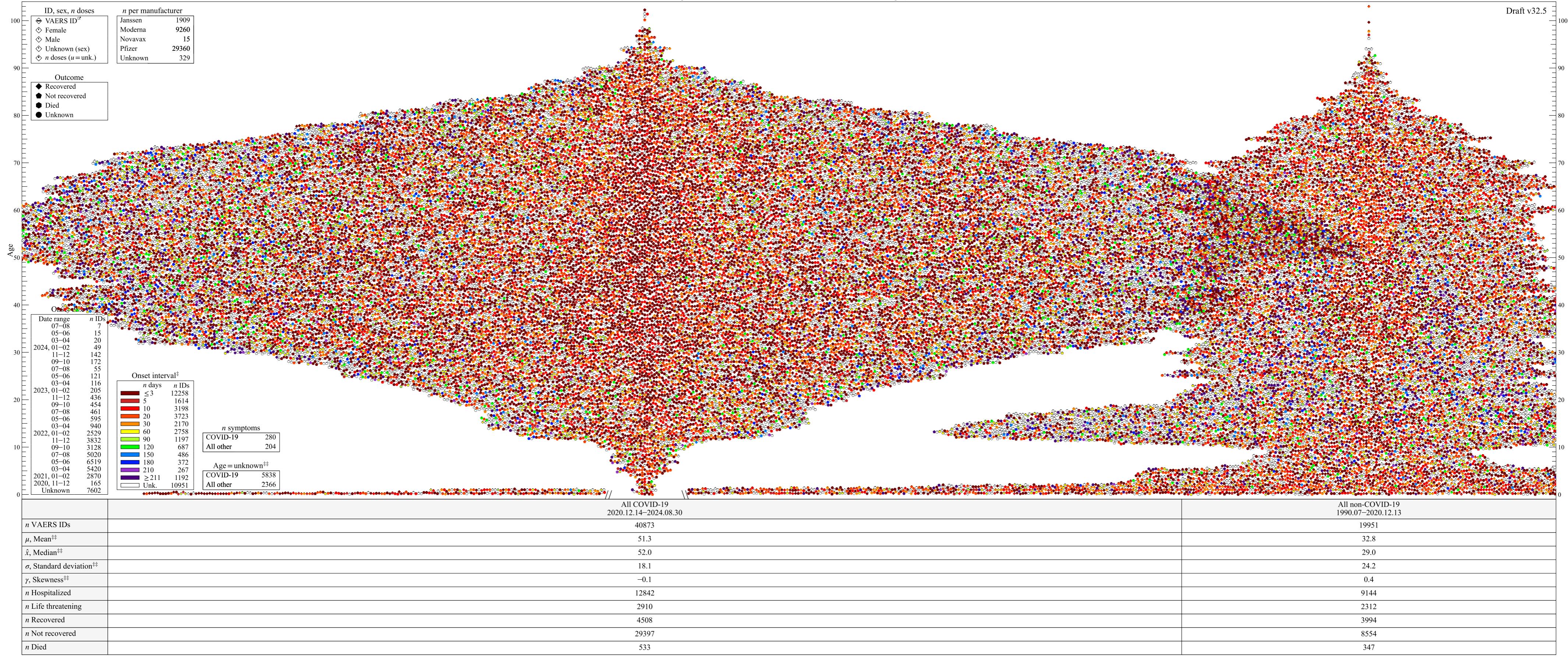


Autoimmune disorders: age distribution, VAERS data\* (U.S. and foreign), 1990.07–2024.08.30†

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\*Reports queried in SYMPTOMS 1–5 include: Acute disseminated encephalomyelitis, autoimmune (encephalitis, thrombocytopenia), (autoimmune demyelinating, Addison's, Basedow, coeliac, Crohn's, & Vogt-Koyanagi-Harada) disease, (antiphospholipid, Behcet's, Dressler's, Evans, Goodpasture's, Guillain-Barré, Miller Fisher, POEMS, Raynaud, sicca, Sjögren's, & Susac's) syndrome, CIDP, granulomatosis w/ polyangiitis, IgA nephropathy, lupus, MS, myasthenia gravis, myositis, NMOSD, and sarcoidosis. <sup>‡</sup>n IDs are all COVID-19.

†Natural language processing was used to extract age values from SYMPTOM TEXT and fill in missing data. Remaining reports with unknown age are neither plotted, nor included in calculations, but are included in subtotals (n VAERS IDs etc.). All plotted age values have a random adjustment within  $\sim \pm 0.5$  yr. Selected COVID-19 missing onset interval values (especially children less than 10 years old) were manually edited using SYMPTOM TEXT. All other data are plotted 'as is'. <sup>‡‡</sup>Symbols link to respective reports at OpenVAERS.

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