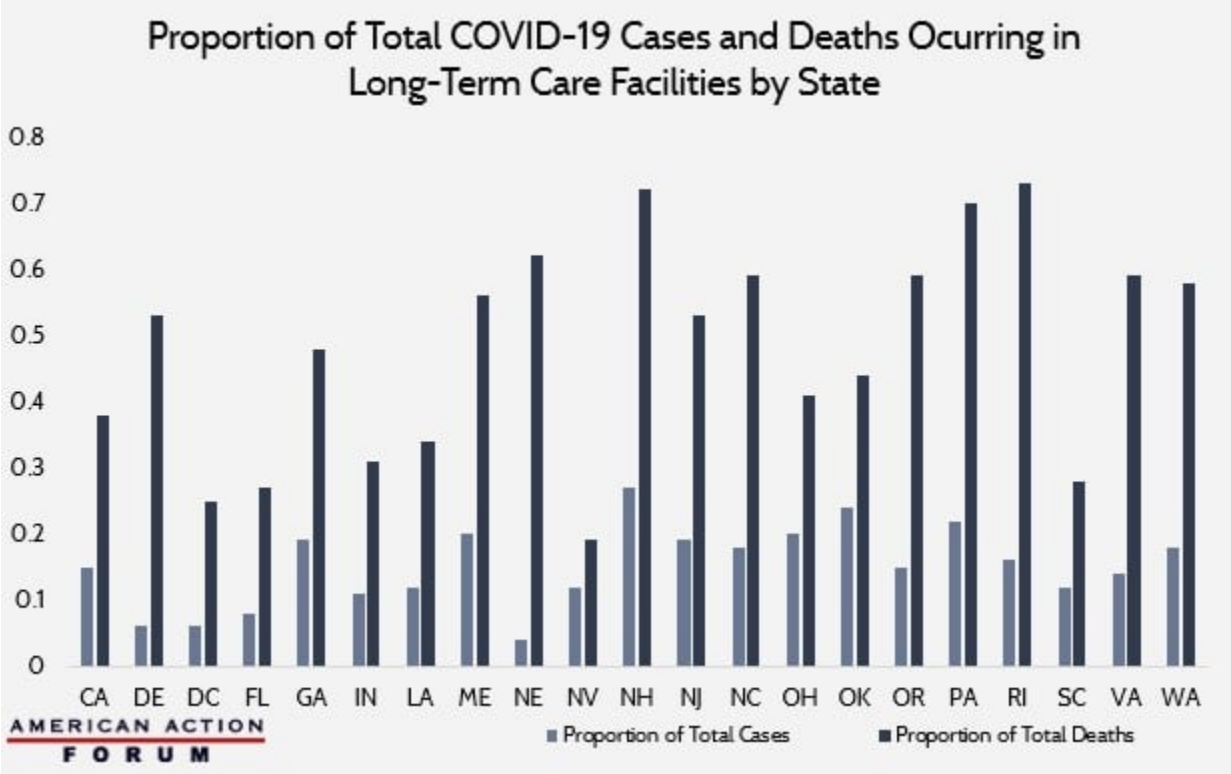
Weekly Checkup

# Grappling with COVID-19 in Long-term Care Facilities

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**The Kaiser Family Foundation recently released research on state data and policy actions related to COVID-19, and within it are some notable revelations about the impact of the virus on long-term care facilities (LTCs).** Out of the 33 states reporting data on COVID-19 in LTCs, the cases occurring in these facilities account for about 15 percent of total cases; Nebraska has the minimum at 4 percent, and New Hampshire has the maximum at 27 percent. **For deaths, however, the proportion is far more troubling: 46 percent of all COVID-19 deaths occur in LTCs, ranging from Nevada at 19 percent to Rhode Island at a staggering 73 percent.** The chart below illustrates these discrepancies.




*Data obtained from the Kaiser Family Foundation*