

# Features and significance of the recent enormous COVID-19 epidemic in China

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## Abstract

1. A survey on the recent COVID-19 epidemic in China was conducted. 2. The epidemic likely made over 85% of people in China sick in December 2022. 3. The epidemic likely ended in early January 2023. 4. The epidemic had the features of spreading more rapidly and widely and having a higher symptomatic rate than previously thought. 5. The above features could lead to many severe cases and deaths due to the shortages of medical resources. 6. The above features greatly enhanced the population immunity in China, which will accelerate the end of the COVID-19 pandemic and reduce the emergence of risky variants of SARS-CoV-2 in China.

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