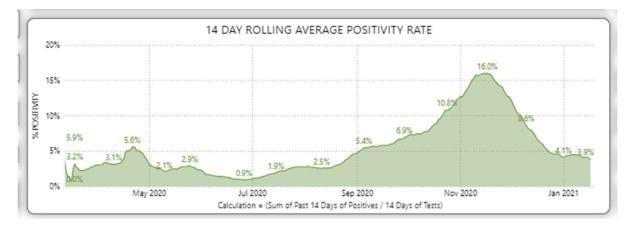
Definition of *emergency*

1: an unforeseen combination of circumstances or the resulting state that calls for immediate action

2: an urgent need for assistance or relief

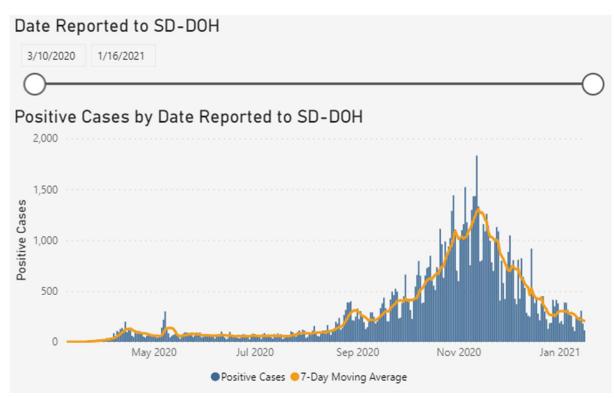
There may have been a need for immediate action back in March, before the US knew more about C-19, but it should have never lasted almost 10 months.

I've read that ND is the only state that allows the Governor to take complete control in an Emergency with no checks and balances at a later date (or check in by the Legislative body), and that is extremely concerning. We live in a Constitutional Republic, not a Communist Country. 1 person should not have complete control no matter what the circumstances are.



Source: ND Dept of Health 1/18/21

Source: SD Dept of Health 1/18/21



Positive Cases by Date Reported to SD-DOH: This graph shows positive cases (persons who meet the national surveillance case definition for COVID-19) over time includes results received by midnight and may not align with the daily data update.

As you can see by the 2 graphs, they are almost identical. South Dakota's Governor believed in letting the people of her state make their own decisions if they wanted to lock up, shut their businesses down and wear masks. They also have the strongest economy out of all 50 states.