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The three higher values (corrected IFR of 0.25-0.40) are in Gangelt, Geneva, and Wuhan. Gangelt¹⁶ represents a situation with a superspreader event (in a local carnival) and 7 deaths were recorded in the city, all of them in very elderly individuals (average age 81, sd 3.5). COVID-19 is known to have a very steep age gradient of death risk.²⁰ It is expected therefore that in locations where the infection finds its way into killing predominantly elderly citizens, the overall, age-unadjusted IFR would be higher. However, IFR would still be very low in people less than 70 in these locations, e.g. in Gangelt IFR is 0.000 in non-elderly people. Similarly, in Switzerland, 69%

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