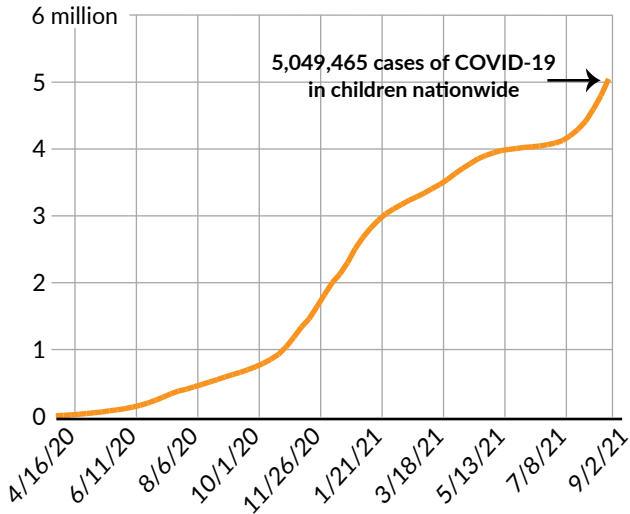


National children's COVID cases on the rise

According to data by the American Academy of Pediatrics, the cumulative COVID-19 cases in children nationwide have steadily been on the rise since April 2020. **Over 5 million cases** in children have been reported in the country.

Children's COVID cases



*Weeks 6/4/20- 9/2/21 include records from 49 states, NYC, D.C., Puerto Rico and Guam. Weeks early in the pandemic may vary slightly in the number of states reporting.

Source: American Academy of Pediatrics

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