Expert Number Cruncher: Chance of Dying from Covid-19 2 million to 1!

In an article that appeared in one of England's newspapers The Daily Mirror, economist Tim Harford ("after being prompted by a friend in self-isolation") collated numbers by "the Office of National Statistics and concluded that the risk of dying from Covid-19 in England" is about as risky as taking a bath.

"Mr. Harford, who writes for the Financial Times and presents BBC Radio 4's More or Less, told The Sun [a Scottish newspaper]:

'Covid-19 currently presents a background risk of a one in a million chance of death or lasting harm, every day.'

"The risk of death alone is one in two million."

"But on average it is similar to taking a bath, going skiing, or a short motorbike ride, and considerably less risky than a scuba dive or a skydive."

After months of terrible concern, the scientific data now shows that the risk of dying from this disease is virtually non-existent. No more need for masks or distancing, we can confidently resume our normal lives.

Great news to share with friends and family.