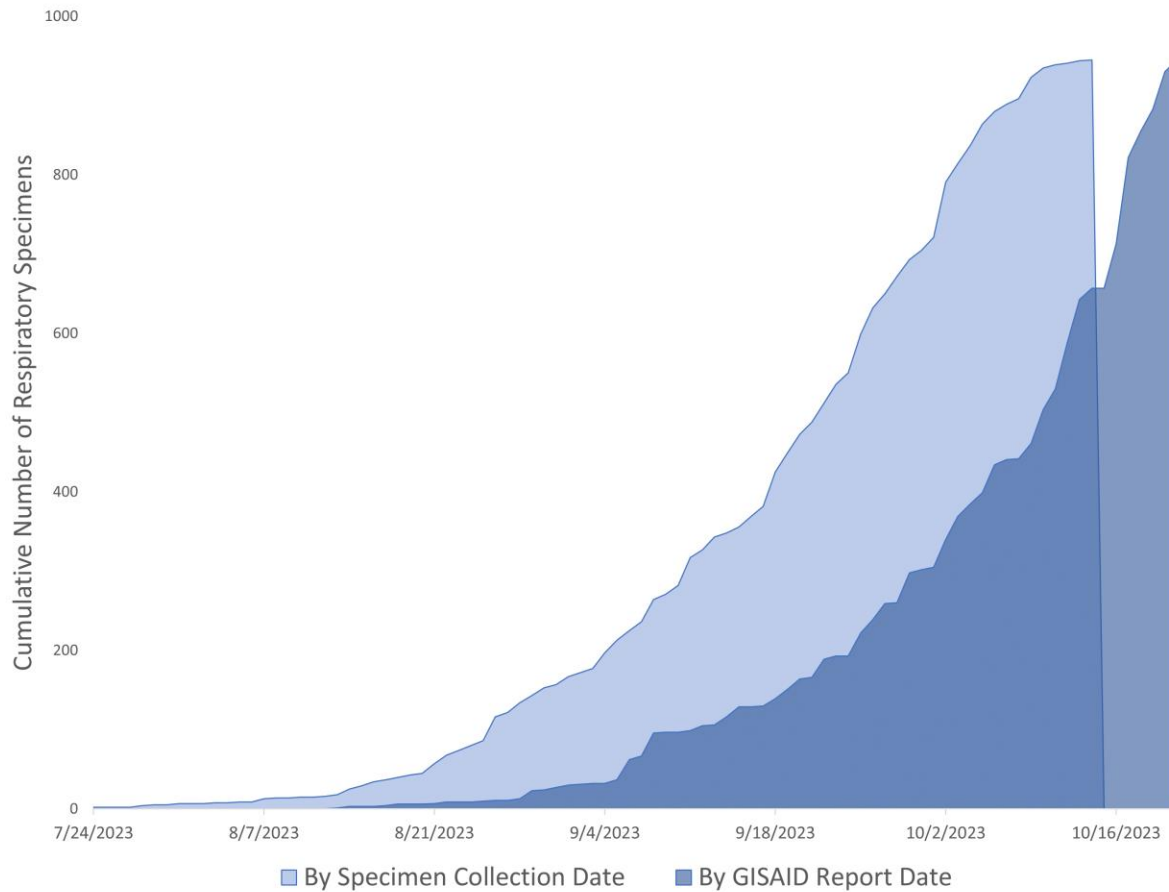


**SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE 1. Cumulative number of SARS-CoV-2 BA.2.86 variant\* specimens sequenced by specimen collection and GISAID report date — Worldwide, July 24–October 23, 2023**



Abbreviation: GISAID = Global Initiative on Sharing All Influenza Data.

\* BA.2.86 contains its sublineages including BA.2.86.1, BA.2.86.2, BA.2.86.3, JN.1, JN.2, JN.3, and JQ.1.