

## Les Climate Lockdowns

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It's hot outside. In southern France, very hot. Obviously (?), then, regional governments there are justified in prohibiting various outdoor activities.

Following the pandemic-lockdown model, it is apparently now acceptable to annul the rights of French citizens if some persons may be hurt by the heat.

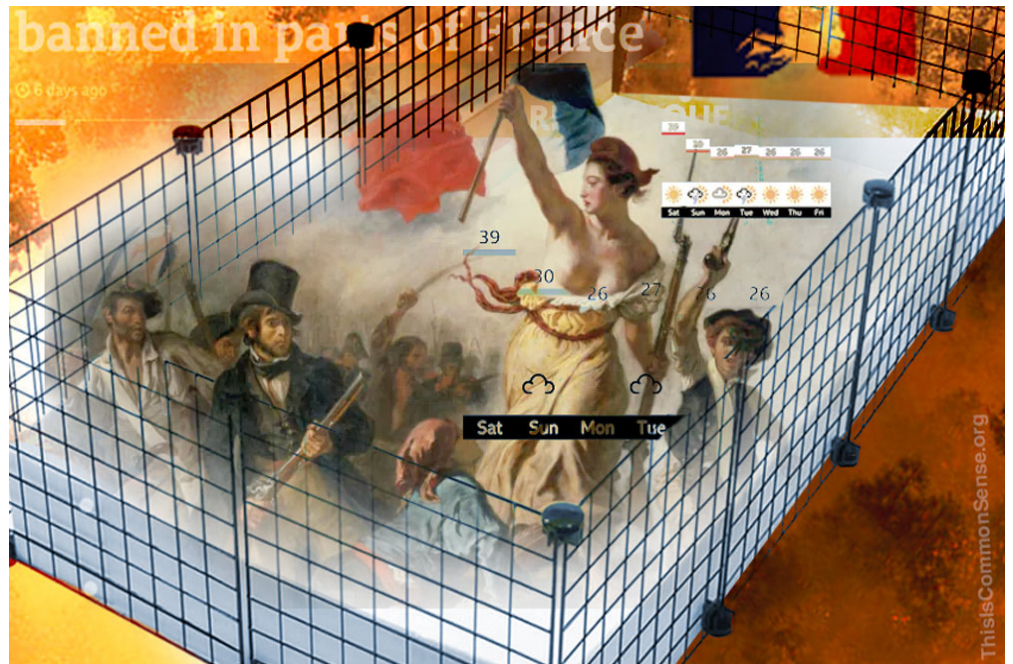
Once again, adults are being treated as if not responsible for making their own judgments about personal risks.

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In the Bordeaux area of France — the Gironde department, a “department” being a sort of county — officials recently banned various outdoor events, including concerts and commemorations of resistance to Germany during World War Two.

The department also prohibited indoor events in places that lack air conditioning.

“Everyone now faces a health risk,” one official



explained, as if summer were a new thing.

We care about weather when deciding whether to proceed with events we have planned. We think nothing of calling off a parade on account of rain. By “we” I mean the organizers, who may or may not be a government entity.

But there's a big difference between deciding oneself to cancel an event one is responsible for and a government's decision to outlaw events produced by others.

Summer is just starting. Next comes winter. Cold.

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A lot, seems to be the conclusion.

We must show them otherwise.

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