

LOUISIANA MONTHLY MORBIDITY

DISEASES REPORTED DURING MONTH OF JANUARY, 1969

BY PARISH OF RESIDENCE

INFLUENZA - UNITED STATES AND LOUISIANA

The latest report of the Public Health Service, National Communicable Disease Center indicated that influenza activity was decreasing in 48 states, however 23 states were still experiencing widespread influenza occurrence. According to the report, the peak influenza activity in the United States occurred during the period between December 15, 1968 and January 11, 1969.

While Louisiana is included among the states reporting widespread activity, the attack rate has appeared to be lower than most areas of the country. School absenteeism due to influenza increased during January, however there was only one report of a school closing due to influenza. Influenza and pneumonia deaths reported weekly by New Orleans, Baton Rouge and Shreveport increased during January with New Orleans and Shreveport showing a greater increase than Baton Rouge. The total number of influenza and pneumonia deaths for the three cities was the highest during the week ending January 25, 1969 with 42. During the following week which ended February 1, 1969, the total number was down to 17.

The State Health Department has examined specimens from 222 suspected cases. Thirty-one cases have been documented as A₂/Hong Kong/68 by virus isolation and 63 have shown serological evidence of infection with the Hong Kong strain. Almost all geographic areas of the state are represented by confirmed cases.

DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH STATISTICS -

- LOUISIANA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

RELEASED February 5, 1969	ASEPTIC MENINGITIS	DIPHThERIA	ENCEPHALITIS	ENCEPHALITIS, POST INFECTION	INFECTIOUS AND SERUM HEPATITIS	MEASLES	MENINGOCOCCAL INFECTIONS	PERTUSSIS	POLIOMYELITIS, PARALYTIC	RABIES IN ANIMALS	RHEUMATIC FEVER	STREPTOCOCCAL INFECTIONS	SHIGELLOSIS	TYPHOID FEVER	OTHER SALMONELLOSIS	TETANUS	TUBERCULOSIS, PULMONARY	GONORRHEA	SYPHILIS
TOTAL TO DATE 19 68	0	5	1	0	42	1	21	0	0	4	0	5	5	0	6	0	53	579	204
TOTAL TO DATE 19 69	1	0	1	0	68	0	17	0	0	3	2	52	5	0	8	1	50	595	154
TOTAL THIS MONTH	1	0	1	0	68	0	17	0	0	3	2	52	5	0	8	1	50	595	154
ACADIA																			2
ALLEN																	1		
ASCENSION											1								1
ASSUMPTION															1				
AVOUELLES					3												1	2	
BEAUREGARD																		1	2
BIENVILLE																		1	
BOSSIER																		3	3
CADDO					3												8	78	17
CALCASIEU					5							1			1			10	1
CALDWELL																			
CAMERON																			
CATAHOULA																			
CLAIBORNE																			
CONCORDIA																			2
DESOTO																			
EAST BATON ROUGE					8		1								1		4	40	6
EAST CARROLL																			1
EAST FELICIANA																		1	3
EVANGELINE					1														1
FRANKLIN																			1
GRANT					2														
IBERIA																		2	1
IBERVILLE																	1		4

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JACKSON																		1	
JEFFERSON					8		1					4	1					45	5
JEFFERSON DAVIS																		1	
LAFAYETTE					2		2								2			5	2
LAFOURCHE			1									2							
LASALLE					1														
LINCOLN																		3	1
LIVINGSTON					1														1
MADISON																			3
MOREHOUSE																		1	1
NATCHITOCHES					1												2	2	
ORLEANS	1				13		5					44	4		2	1	17	271	55
OUACHITA					1												3	30	7
PLAQUEMINES							2												
POINTE COUPEE																		1	1
RAPIDES					2												2	11	5
RED RIVER																			
RICHLAND																		2	2
SABINE																		1	3
ST. BERNARD					1		2												1
ST. CHARLES											1								
ST. HELENA																		6	1
ST. JAMES												1						1	2
ST. JOHN							1												
ST. LANDRY					5		2								1		2	10	3
ST. MARTIN																		10	
ST. MARY							1											1	5
ST. TAMMANY					2												2	7	5
TANGIPAOHA																	1	6	
TENSAS																	1		
TERREBONNE					4														2
UNION																	2	4	
VERMILION					2														
VERNON																		2	3
WASHINGTON					2													16	3
WEBSTER					1					2							1	7	
WEST BATON ROUGE																		1	1
WEST CARROLL																			1
WEST FELICIANA										1								6	
WINN																	1	1	
OUT OF STATE																			

From January 1 through January 31 of 1969, the following cases were also reported:
1 Brucellosis; 1 Leptospirosis; 2 Malaria (Contracted outside U.S.A.).

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DISEASES REPORTED DURING MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1969 BY PARISH OF RESIDENCE

INFECTIOUS HEPATITIS - GRANT PARISH

Thirty-five cases of infectious hepatitis with one death were reported during January and February in a small community in Grant Parish. With the exception of one case with onset on November 4, 1968, all cases became ill between January 11 and February 17, 1969. There were 2 preschool children, 25 school children, and 8 adults affected. Of the 25 school children, 18 attended the same school. Males outnumbered females 22 to 13. Investigation of the outbreak revealed that there had been three recreational functions at the community school gymnasium on December 20, 1968, January 3, 1969, and January 11, 1969, and that 29 of the cases had drunk Coca Cola served on ice at at least one of these functions. The ice used on each occasion was made in the school cafeteria freezer. Two wells provide water for the school and samples of water from each well on February 6 were bacteriologically negative. (Investigated by Mrs. Delores Pinckard and Mr. Raymond Jeane, Grant Parish Health Unit.)

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RELEASED March 5, 1969	ASEPTIC MENINGITIS	DIPHtherIA	ENCEPHALITIS	ENCEPHALITIS, POST INFECTION	INFECTIOUS AND SERUM HEPATITIS	MEASLES	MENINGOCOCCAL INFECTIONS	PERTUSSIS	POLIOMYELITIS, PARALYTIC	RABIES IN ANIMALS	RHEUMATIC FEVER	STREPTOCOCCAL INFECTIONS	SHIGELLOSIS	TYPHOID FEVER	OTHER SALMONELLOSIS	TETANUS	TUBERCULOSIS, PULMONARY	GONORRHEA	SYPHILIS
TOTAL TO DATE 1968	0	5	3	0	108	1	41	1	0	12	4	11	7	1	16	0	141	1222	349
TOTAL TO DATE 1969	2	0	4	1	155	2	29	0	0	4	4	89	11	0	15	2	151	1286	328
TOTAL THIS MONTH	1	0	3	1	87	2	12	0	0	1	2	37	6	0	7	1	101	693	174
ACADIA	1				2										1		4	4	1
ALLEN																			
ASCENSION											1	1			1		1	1	3
ASSUMPTION																			2
AVOUELLES					1												3		
BEAUREGARD																			
BIENVILLE																	1		
BOSSIER																			3
CADDO							2										6	51	17
CALCASIEU					5	2	1								4		5	20	2
CALDWELL																			
CAMERON																			
CATAHOULA																	2		
CLAIBORNE																		1	1
CONCORDIA																			1
DESOTO																		1	1
EAST BATON ROUGE					1								1				6	47	14
EAST CARROLL																		2	1
EAST FELICIANA																			1
EVANGELINE																	1		7
FRANKLIN					2												1	2	
GRANT					33												1		
IBERIA																	3	3	
IBERVILLE							1										1	8	

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