

DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH STATISTICS -

- LOUISIANA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

RELEASED NOV. 5, 1969	ASEPTIC MENINGITIS	DIPHTHERIA	ENCEPHALITIS	ENCEPHALITIS, POST INFECTIOUS	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
JACKSON																			
JEFFERSON					4		1	2							3		10	86	14
JEFFERSON DAVIS					1													4	1
LAFAYETTE	1				5												3	15	1
LAFOURCHE												15					2	7	
LASALLE																			
LINCOLN																		14	2
LIVINGSTON																	1	3	
MADISON																	1	3	1
MOREHOUSE																	1	1	3
NATCHITOCHES					1												1	7	1
ORLEANS	2	2			20		1				1	1	2		4		23	412	94
OUACHITA					48													33	3
PLAQUEMINES															1			1	2
POINTE COUPEE																		4	
RAPIDES					5												1	11	5
RED RIVER																		1	
RICHLAND					1													1	
SABINE																			1
ST. BERNARD															1				3
ST. CHARLES																	1	2	
ST. HELENA																		5	1
ST. JAMES																		3	1
ST. JOHN																		4	
ST. LANDRY					1												6	40	2
ST. MARTIN					2												1	9	
ST. MARY							1											4	1
ST. TAMMANY					2												1	15	1
TANGIPAHOA					1										1			9	7
TENSAS																		1	
TERREBONNE					1		1					1						4	1
UNION					1												1	2	
VERMILION												1					1	2	1
VERNON					1												1	88	4
WASHINGTON																		16	1
WEBSTER										2							1	7	2
WEST BATON ROUGE																	1	7	
WEST CARROLL																			1
WEST FELICIANA							2											16	11
WINN																		1	
OUT OF STATE																			

From January 1 through October 31, 1969, the following Cases were also reported:
 44 Malaria (Contracted outside U.S. A.) , 1 Brucellosis , 5 Leptospirosis, 4 Tularemia,
 1 Echinococcosis (Hydatid Disease), and 1 Cat Scratch Fever.

RUBELLA IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM

Approximately 35,000 kindergarten, first, and second grade children in Orleans, Jefferson, and St. Bernard parishes were given the new rubella vaccine in October. The response was about 65% of the eligible group. Children who had received other immunizations during the preceding month and those with other contraindications were turned away. There have been no reported serious adverse reactions related to the vaccine.

The State Health Department has a very limited supply of vaccine obtained from the United States Public Health Service, which is being offered to parish health units on a first-come-first-served basis to be administered in schools to kindergarten, first, and second grade children. If funds are available from other sources locally, the priority group may be extended to children in other grades and to pre-school children on a reimbursement basis.

HEPATITIS OUTBREAK NORTHEAST LOUISIANA STATE COLLEGE, MONROE

Three football players at Northeast Louisiana State College were found to have hepatitis during the week of October 19. Laboratory studies showed abnormal liver function tests in two football players who were not ill. Following these reports, 44 additional cases were uncovered by the Ouachita Parish Health Unit. Investigation showed 35 cases in college students, their wives or staff. Seventy-five per cent of the patients were men, although men make up only 60 per cent of the student body. There was no association with class standing, major, dormitory, dining hall, or sporting event, although the dates of onset suggest a common source exposure shortly after fall registration. Gamma globulin was given to roommates or household contacts of cases and no new symptomatic cases have been reported with onset later than October 24.