Project Tycho

Preliminary data for the state of Louisiana

Tycho database beta test version

The data presented in this report are of preliminary nature and should not be used for publication or other types of official use

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Introduction

Project Tycho started in 2009 as part of the Vaccine Modeling Initiative (VMI) at the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health, funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates foundation. This project aims to contribute to the availability of public health data for research and policy making. The vision for

this project as described in the next section is a central access point for public health data of a detailed spatial and temporal scale for all countries. Currently, the Tycho database contains 10 million records that each represent a weekly report from a location for a specific disease. These records were extracted from weekly US Nationally Notifiable Disease Surveillance Reports between 1888 and 2009 (6300 reports) using double data entry (200 million keystrokes). The current database includes a total of 90 million reported cases and 4 million reported deaths due to notifiable diseases in the United States for the last 122 years.

Project **Tycho** is named after the Danish nobleman Tycho Brahe (1546 – 1601), who meticulously collected astronomical data. After Brahe's death, his assistant Kepler used these data to develop area laws of planetary motion.

Background

"No health department, State or local, can effectively prevent or control diseases without knowledge of when, where and under what conditions cases are occurring"

(Quote stated above weekly surveillance reports published in the Public Health Reports, 1888-1951)

This quote has accompanied weekly reports on the prevalence of notifiable diseases in the United States as long as these were published in the Public Health Reports, emphasizing the importance of data for disease control policy making. In the current day and age, this statement has lost none of its significance. On the contrary, as infectious diseases continue to pose challenges to the global public health system in an increasingly interconnected global society. The public health system has responded to this challenge by evermore sophisticated disease surveillance systems. The availability of internet and information technology has facilitated collection of detailed data on infectious disease incidence, the spread of pathogens, disease determinants, health behavior, etc. New technologies such as remote sensing and mobile reporting systems have advanced measurement of these factors in both high and low resource settings. The enormous wealth of public health information that is currently being accrued also poses its own challenges for data storage, management, preservation and dissemination. Public health agencies will need to allocate resources and develop capacity to specifically address these issues.

Although the importance of public health data collection has been widely recognized, the dissemination of data has been neglected for many reasons. The above quote does not only imply data collection but also its use and dissemination as knowledge on disease occurrence can only be derived from data after processing and analysis. Not only has disease surveillance become more sophisticated, analytical tools have changed as well and now include computational models to assess disease transmission and to evaluate disease control options. These methods have introduced the opportunity for data intensive studies of fine spatial-temporal patterns using dynamic models. Disease surveillance data at such scale are often not available for analysis for multiple reasons. First, surveillance data are not collected for research purposes but for disease monitoring and planning. Secondly, public health staff often lack time or capacity to prepare these data for analysis. Third, surveillance methodology often lacks transparency and standardization, reducing options for scientific analyses. Fourth, disease surveillance data are often

kept confidential and ownership or data use requirements are often unclear. Finally, archiving and preservation of surveillance data are often not a priority and disaggregated records may get lost, losing the opportunity to ever use these data for analysis.

The Tycho project aims at overcoming some of these challenges by providing open access to large public health datasets of great spatial-temporal detail. Open access to these data will provide great opportunities for scientific analysis and better informed policy making on disease control.

The Tycho database and website

As described in the methods section, a large heterogeneity in reporting practice was observed over the past 122 years of weekly disease surveillance and substantial efforts were made to clean and standardize these data. The current online database includes all cleaned and standardized data in a format that allows comparisons across time and space. It does not include parts of the data that require additional cleaning and research such as classification of disease subcategories.

Each record in the database provides a reported number of cases or deaths due to a specific disease for a specific location, for a certain week. The database can be searched online (www.tycho.pitt.edu) by selecting a dataset, an aggregation method and an output format. Data can be viewed in tables, graphics and maps and these can be downloaded for further use.

Data availability

The data provided by the Tycho database reflect the weekly US Nationally Notifiable Disease Surveillance System between 1888 and 2009. It includes all diseases that were reported as part of this system, but it does not yet include records from other surveillance systems such as the annual system or disease specific subsystem (such as the influenza surveillance system).

The available data also reflects changes in reporting practices over time. This explains why city or state level reports are only available for a certain time period (1888-1953 for cities and 1927-2009 for states) and why morbidity and mortality reports are available for different time periods. We are currently working on inclusion of additional data as described in the section on collaboration.

Testing and release of the Tycho database

The Tycho database is currently in a beta testing phase that will start during the 2011 annual meeting of the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE) in Pittsburgh June 12-16. This phase will end with a release to the general public in the fall of 2011. During the testing phase, invited users will be provided with login accounts that will enable full use of all features of the website and database. Invited users will include all state epidemiologists, partners in the CDC and other federal agencies as well as research collaborators. During this phase, data cleaning and standardization will continue. The quality of the data will not be sufficient for publication or official use during this phase.

Future developments

After optimization of the database and website during the testing phase, the first version of the Tycho database will be released to the general public. After that, efforts to clean and standardize the data will continue and more data will be released in subsequent versions. In addition, ongoing and new collaborations for inclusion of new data will allow gradual expansion of the dataset over time and increased opportunities for data driven analysis and policy making.

Vision and goal

The vision for project Tycho is based on the value of open access to detailed, disaggregated public health data for scientific analysis and policy making. Starting with 122 years of weekly US surveillance data, it is our hope that this example will convince public health authorities worldwide of the value of this resource and will stimulate similar contributions from other countries.

In the past, data sharing and archiving have not been a priority in public health or among health sciences in general. Continuous and diligent public health data collection has led to a large pool of disaggregated data scattered over the world including the internet, ranging from paper archives to basements of local health departments. The need for open access to a central repository of public health data has been recognized and both benefits and challenges of open access to data in general have been well described. Open access to data could lead to increased accountability, transparency, innovation, collaboration, cost-effectiveness, replication of results, the development of new methods and insights, and a narrower data access gap between low- and higher income countries. Ultimately, this would result in the advancement of science and technology to the benefit of all.

Challenges to open access include inconsistent formats, lack of annotation or metadata, lack of information technology (IT) capacity, a lack of incentive, and cultural norms around data ownership. Open access to public health data in particular is confronted by decentralized archiving of disease reports, lack of time and capacity for data management, degraded physical format of records and archives, and governmental level legal constraints. Multiple principles and requirements for a central open access repository for public health data have been described and include (1) capacity building for data management in low- and middle income countries, (2) feedback loops to data contributors, (3) sustainability, (4) common standards, (5) interoperability, and (6) user-friendliness.

The ultimate goal of the Tycho project is to provide a central global public health data access point. Historical as well as current public health data are of great value if archived and accessible for research and analysis. Open access will enable the use of analytical capacity from around the globe which will lead to new discoveries of disease patterns and control policies. Furthermore, a central data access point will facilitate data archiving and preservation into the future which will be an increasing need in a data rich public health environment.

Collaboration

The application of the surveillance data from the Tycho database as well as the inclusion of new data will require a wide range of collaborations with public health offices in the US and abroad. The Tycho project has currently made the first step of digitizing 122 years of weekly US surveillance reports that had already been published. The next step will be the completion of the existing dataset as well as the inclusion of new data from unpublished sources.

This report provides an overview of data available from the Tycho database for the state of Louisiana. This includes all data that has ever been published at state or city level for Louisiana in the weekly US Nationally Notifiable Disease Surveillance System. As you will find, the data availability will vary greatly over time, between city and state level reports, between diseases and between morbidity vs. mortality reports.

The Tycho development team would look forward to work with state health departments in the US to:

- 1. Better understand the current Tycho data for each state (eg. by collecting historic documentation)
- 2. Provide better usability and applications of current Tycho data for each state by continued joint development of website and database features.
- 3. Collect and/or digitize official, confirmed data to validate the current (preliminary) weekly data.
- 4. For each state, collect and/or digitize new data that has not yet been included. For example all city level reports discontinued in 1953 and completion of city level data until 2009 would greatly increase opportunities for analysis of disease patterns and trends.
- 5. Provide support to state health offices to manage, preserve and provide access to public health data.

Summary of methods

Detailed documentation on the methods used for the Tycho database have been provided on the website (www.tycho.pitt.edu). This section describes these methods in short.

Data collection

Weekly reports that contain tables on the occurrence of nationally notifiable diseases have been published since 1888 by public health authorities at the Federal level in various journals. Table 1 provides the list of publications and the responsible agency since 1888. All weekly nationally notifiable disease reports between 1888 and 1951 could be retrieved from the PubMed Central repository of the National Library of Medicine ¹. For 1995 to 2009, these reports could be retrieved from the MMWR digital archive on the CDC website ². Most weekly reports between 1952 and 1995 could be retrieved from the HathiTrust Digitial Library ^{3 4}, but many could not be found and had to be copied from hard copies of MMWR issues in the University of Pittsburgh library.

Table 1, publications and responsible Federal agencies for nationally notifiable disease reports

Time period	Publication title	Responsible federal agency
1888-1889	Weekly Abstract of Sanitary Reports	US Marine Hospital Service
1890-1895	Abstract of Sanitary Reports	US Marine Hospital Service
1896-1901	Public Health Reports	US Marine Hospital Service
1902-1911	Public Health Reports	US Public Health and Marine Hospital
		Service
1912-1951	Public Health Reports	US Public Health Service
1952-1960	Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report	National Office of Vital Statistics, US Public
		Health Service
1961-1969	Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report	Communicable Disease Center
1970-1991	Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report	Center for Disease Control
1992-2009	Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Inclusion criteria

Weekly reports of each year were reviewed systematically to assess the diseases reported. We included all tables that provided disease specific information by week for US cities, townships, counties or states. Tables that provided summary or aggregated information by month, year or at the national level were not included. Similarly, tables that did not contain disease specific information (such as all cause mortality) were not included.

Data entry

Weekly reports were downloaded or scanned as PDF files and selected tables with notifiable disease reports were entered into computer spreadsheets in a highly standardized fashion using double data entry. During the second round of data entry, operators could not see what had been entered in the first round and could not continue if the system detected a discrepancy between the second and first entry

¹ http://www.pubmedcentral.nih.gov/tocrender.fcgi?journal=333&action=archive

² http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr

http://catalog.hathitrust.org/Record/003910026

http://catalog.hathitrust.org/Record/003843660

for a specific value. Such discrepancies could only be resolved by checking the PDF file and try again or discussion with the group leader and verification of a value in the source documents.

Quality control for data entry

The accuracy of data entry was checked at various levels. First, completeness of data was verified by comparing the content of entered data with PDF sources files. Secondly, accuracy of data entry was verified by multiple rounds of comparing random samples of entered files with PDF source files. Thirdly, data formatting was verified by various checks to ensure appropriate formatting for data loading.

Data loading and standardization

All data was entered in Excel spreadsheets and various components of these spreadsheets were loaded in data files. Table titles, column headers, place names and reported numbers were loaded in separate files. These files were used to extract information on each reported number, including:

- 1. the disease reported
- 2. the disease subcategory reported
- 3. cases or deaths reported
- 4. the reporting location (name, state and type of location)
- 5. the time period for which a number was reported
- 6. the date of publication of the original weekly report associated with a reported number

Integration

All reported numbers and extracted information was integrated in one database with one record per reported number and associated information.

Post-processing quality control

After integration of all data in one database, checks were performed to detect duplicate reports and data inconsistencies. Duplicate records were removed and inconsistencies resolved by verification with original PDF source files.

Data filtering

The digitized version of all historical weekly US nationally notifiable disease surveillance records is a very heterogeneous dataset. It took a substantial number of data processing protocols to standardize time and space variables as well as disease names. All standardized records have been separated from non-standard records by a filter. All remaining heterogeneity in non-standard records is inherent to the surveillance system and can only be standardized after further analysis will have been completed (eg. remaining heterogeneity in reporting periods for reports before 1953 and standardization of disease subcategories). The largest proportion of data (>4 million records) has been standardized however and has been made available in the current testing version.

Data visualization

Figures in this reports were made with the R system, version 2.9.2 and the maps were generated by the GAIA platform developed at the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health in collaboration with the Pittsburgh Supercomputing Center (PSC). See http://midas-pitt.psc.edu/gaia for more information.

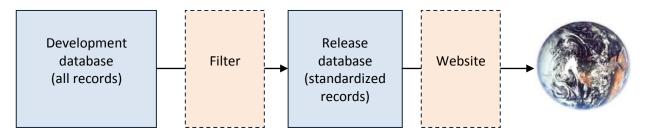


Figure 1, Schematic of the Tycho data architecture. Access to a consistent, standardized subset of the digitized US weekly surveillance reports will be provided for beta testing through a website that will allow querying and downloading of data. Data from the development database will be pushed through a filter to feed the Tycho database.

The current Tycho database will provide the reported number of cases or deaths reported by city or state health authorities to the federal health agency for all weeks between 1888 and 2009. Currently, only standardized, consistent data are being released for testing, according to the following criteria:

- 1. Only weekly reports are provided (reports for other periods such as 10 days, 2 weeks, 1 month, 1 year) are currently not included due to lack of comparability with the weekly reports.
- 2. Only reports that were published in the same year as the reporting period were included (this excludes updates or comparisons that were published more than a year after the original reporting period)
- 3. Only numbers were included for which information about the location, time period and disease could be extracted.
- 4. Only numbers or time periods for which no disease subcategories were reported were included.

Each of the steps described above have been described in detailed protocols that are posted in the documentation part of the Tycho website (www.tycho.pitt.edu).

Website

The Tycho website features simple and advanced searches of the data, visualizations and downloading of machine readable files. A dataset can be selected by specifying: 1) the disease of interest, 2) the location(s) of interest and 3) the time period. In a second step, the type of aggregation and length of increments can be specified and in a third step, the type of output (table, graphic or map) can be selected. After output has been generated, data can be downloaded.

As mentioned above, data availability varies largely by disease, time period and location. We aimed to restrict selection options by data availability to avoid "no results available.

Access to the most of the website will be password protected during the testing phase. For invited users after login, full functionality of the database and website will be available. During this phase however, the data quality will not be sufficient for publication or official use.

Overview of data available for the state of Louisiana

In this section, an overview of data available for the state of Louisiana will be provided. As described earlier, data availability depends entirely on historical reporting practices in the weekly US Nationally Notifiable Disease Surveillance System between 1888 and 2009. For this report, we only included morbidity reports (cases) to improve the format and limit the size of this report. As mentioned earlier, the analysis and standardization of has not been completed yet for all records in the database and preliminary data are provided here that may not yet be available in the online database.

This section will provide a general overview of data availability. The next sections will provide disease specific data from state and city level reports of Louisiana. Data for a maximum of 3 major cities were provided depending on availability (city data was only reported until 1953). Some summary data will be provided at the end of this report, for a subset of diseases for which data was fragmented over time.

Table 1 lists the number of weekly state or city reports that are available for Louisiana per each disease and subcategory.

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Disease	City	State
Aids	-	946
Anthrax	-	143
Brucellosis [undulant fever]	5	464
Chickenpox [varicella]	454	316
Chlamydia	-	661
Coccidioidomycosis	-	148
Cryptosporidiosis	-	410
Dengue	6	-
Diphtheria	2168	1951
Dysentery		
Amebic	-	301
Bacillary	-	229
Unspecified	-	196
Encephalitis		
Lethargic	409	-
Post infectious	-	147
Primary [infectious] including unspecified	342	986
Escherichia coli		
EHEC 0157	-	102
EHEC non-0157	-	39
EHEC non serogrouped	-	41
O157:H7 NETSS	-	198
O157:H7 PHLIS	-	257
STEC	<u>-</u>	39

Table 1, Number of weekly state or city reports per disease and subcategory

Disease	City	State
Giardiasis	-	339
Gonorrhea		
Civilian	-	752
Unspecified	-	1054
Haemophilus influenzae		
Age <5 non-serotype B	-	72
Age <5 serotype B	-	38
Age <5 unknown serotype	-	105
All ages all serotypes	-	588
Hepatitis		
Acute type A	-	347
Acute type B	-	368
Acute type C	-	135
Acute type NA NB [including C]	-	40
All types, <20 years	-	202
All types, >=20 years	-	103
All types, all ages	21	590
Type A [infectious]	-	1609
Type B [serum]	-	1481
Type NA NB [including C]	-	692
Type unspecified	-	731
Influenza	1180	1142
Legionellosis	-	781
Leprosy	1	266
Listeriosis	-	100
Lyme disease	-	458
Malaria		
Civilian	-	3
Military	-	7
Unspecified	-	1525
Measles		
Imported	-	88
Indigenous	-	253
Unspecified	1875	2453
Meningitis		
Aseptic	-	974
Meningococcus	900	1216
Unspecified	336	5

Table 1, Number of weekly state or city reports per disease and subcategory

Disease	City	State
Meningococcal disease		
All serogroups	-	46
Invasive all serogroups	-	186
Invasive serogroup unknown	-	45
Serogroup A C Y and W-135	-	2
Serogroup B	-	41
Serogroup unspecified	47	2383
Mumps	454	1423
Pellagra	410	-
Pneumonia		
Lobar	12	-
Unspecified	143	168
Poliomyelitis		
Non paralytic	-	205
Paralytic	-	487
Total	1176	1830
Psittacosis	-	1
Rabies in animals	49	1787
Rocky mountain spotted fever	-	777
Rubella		
Congenital	-	1
Unspecified	-	781
Salmonellosis		
NETSS	-	118
PHLIS	-	123
Unspecified	-	371
Scarlet fever		
Including streptococcal sore throat	67	475
Unspecified	2032	1234
Shigellosis		
NETSS	-	123
PHLIS	-	126
Unspecified	-	371
Streptococcal disease, invasive group a	-	296
Streptococcal sore throat	-	90
Streptococcus pneumoniae invasive disease		
Drug resistant <5 years	-	184
Drug resistant A	-	5
Drug resistant all ages	-	355
Drug resistant B	-	5
Non drug resistant <5 years	-	222

Table 1, Number of weekly state or city reports per disease and subcategory

Disease	City	State
Syphilis		
Civilian primary and secondary	-	731
Congenital	-	38
Primary and secondary	-	1108
Tetanus	-	664
Toxic shock syndrome	-	39
Trichiniasis	-	4
Tuberculosis [phthisis pulmonalis]		
New active	-	128
Unspecified	820	1008
Tularemia	8	1155
Typhoid fever [enteric fever]		
Including paratyphoid fever	338	683
Unspecified	1741	2008
Typhus fever		
Endemic	7	133
Unspecified	37	199
West nile disease		
Neuroinvasive	-	150
Non-neuroinvasive	-	96
Whooping cough [pertussis]	1284	2020

The diseases included in the weekly US Nationally Notifiable Disease Surveillance System varied largely over time and reflected the historical social-political priorities of each time period. Note that the diseases in the weekly system were a subset of all diseases included in the annual Notifiable Disease Surveillance System (that was not entered as part of this project).

The number of locations reporting diseases also varied over time depending on the type of reports submitted. Figure 1 on the next page provides an overview of the number of unique locations reporting each disease per week between 1888 and 2009. For the remainder of this report, the state of Louisiana was considered a unique reporting location in addition to the individual city reports. Figure 1 indicates that many locations (mostly cities) were included in the reporting system before 1925, after which the number of cities dropped substantially. After 1953, only state reports were included and city reports were discontinued. These patterns were observed nationwide.

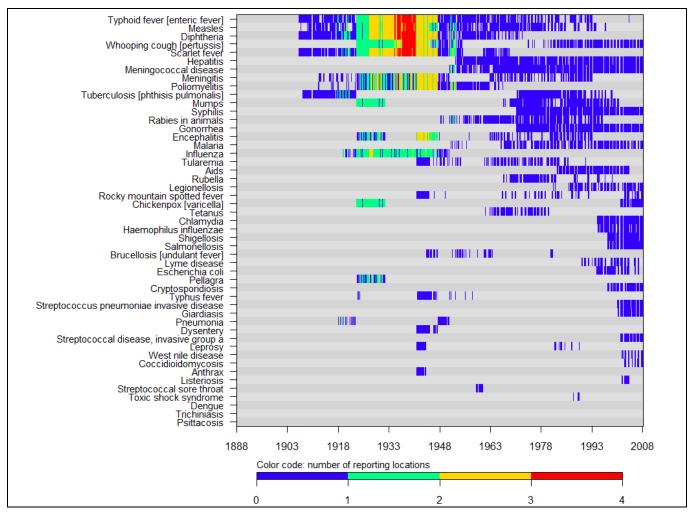


Figure 1, The number of locations (in color code) reporting on each disease per week between 1888 and 2009

For the majority of the time period between 1888 and 2009, only state level reports were available. It would be of great interest to complete the collection of city data after 1953 and we will seek collaboration with state health offices for this.

The map in figure 2 (next page) illustrates the geographical distribution of the available city data. It displays the number of weekly reports for any disease available per location that was included (and for which coordinates could be derived)

Figure 3 below provides an overview of the number of diseases for which a weekly report was included at the state state level and for individual cities. All cities for which at least 100 weekly reports are available have been listed. For most states, it shows a major drop in the number of cities after 1925 and after 1953, city reports were discontinued except for New York City, which became its own reporting jurisdiction.

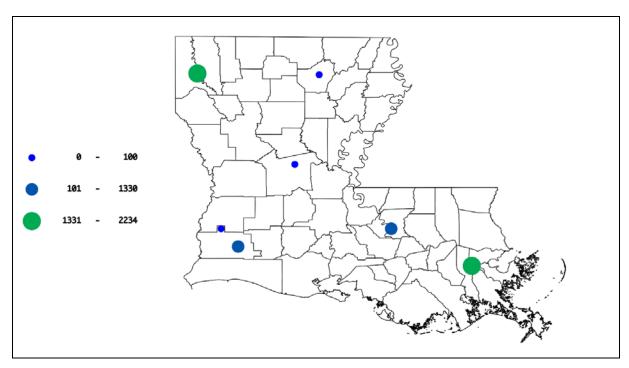


Figure 2, This map displays the number of weekly reports available for any disease per city (note that city reports were only available until 1953)

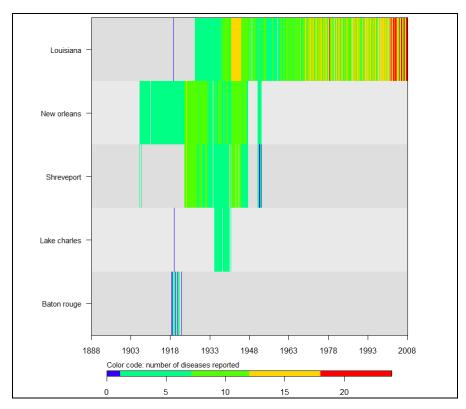


Figure 3, The number of diseases (in color code) that were reported for the state and city level (state on top row) for each week between 1888 and 2009

Disease specific data for Louisiana

AIDS

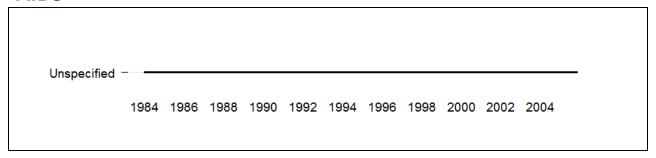


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for AIDS

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Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1984-2005
Total weeks	946
Total cases	14,254
Max. cases per year	1,336
Year (max)	1996
Max. cases per week	423
Week (max)	1993, wk 15
Average cases per year	648
95%CI	(499-797)
Average cases per week	15
95%CI	(13-17)

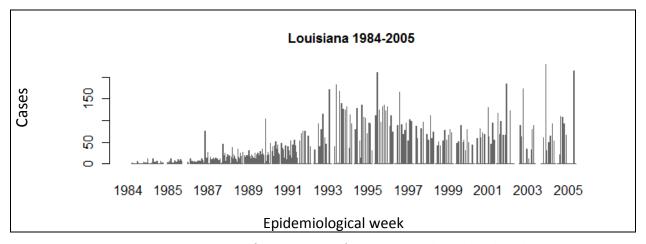


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for AIDS per epidemiological week

Chickenpox

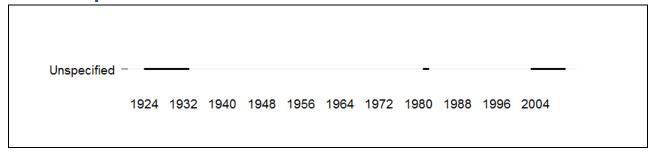


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Table D1, Summary information for Chickenpox

Indicator	New Orleans	Shreveport
Report period	1924-1932	1924-1932
Total weeks	449	448
Total cases	785	999
Max. cases per year	160	185
Year (max)	1931	1927
Max. cases per week	20	17
Week (max)	1928, wk 11	1927, wk 03
Average cases per year		
before 1995	87	111
95%CI	(48-126)	(70-152)
Average cases per week		
before 1995	2	2
95%CI	(2-2)	(2-2)

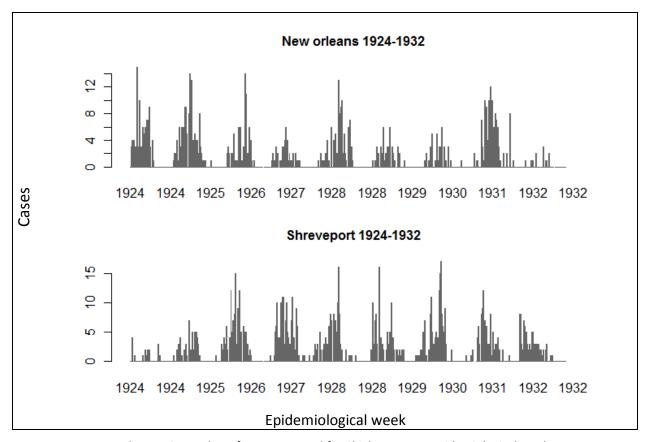


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Chickenpox per epidemiological week

Chlamydia

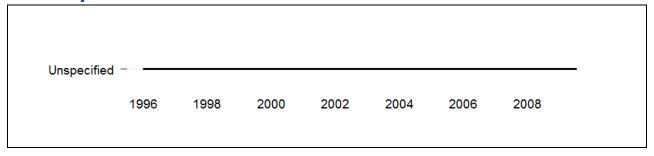


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Table D1, Summary information for Chlamydia

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1996-2009
Total weeks	661
Total cases	205,981
Max. cases per year	26,298
Year (max)	2004
Max. cases per week	6,463
Week (max)	2004, wk 23
Average cases per year	14,713
95%CI	(11,913-17,513)
Average cases per week	312
95%CI	(275-349)

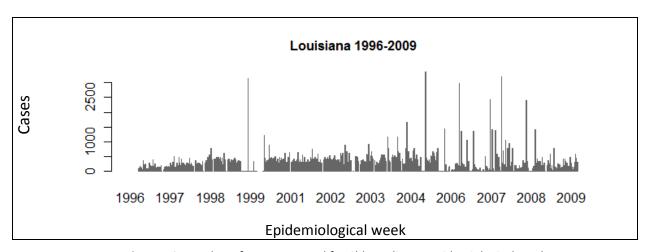


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Chlamydia per epidemiological week

Coccidioidomycosis

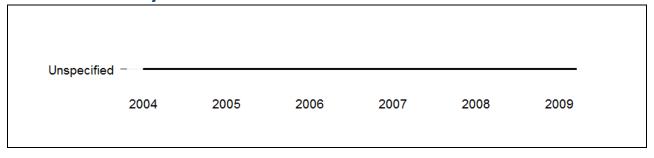


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Coccidioidomycosis

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	2004-2009
Total weeks	148
Total cases	4
Max. cases per year	2
Year (max)	2008

Cryptosporidiosis

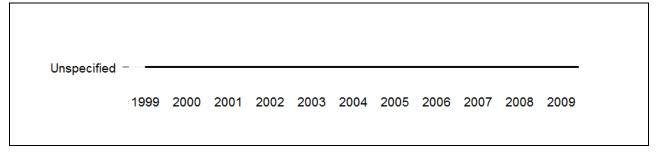


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Table D1, Summary information for Cryptosporidiosis

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1999-2009
Total weeks	410
Total cases	309
Max. cases per year	80
Year (max)	2005
Max. cases per week	70
Week (max)	2005, wk 41
Average cases per year	28
95%CI	(7-49)
Average cases per week	1
95%CI	(1-1)

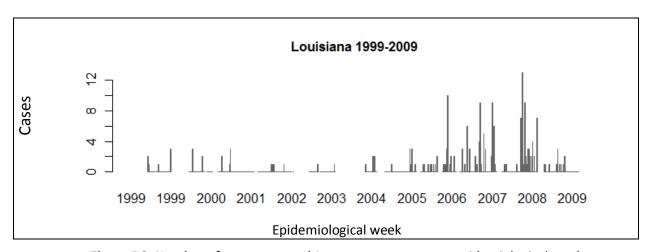


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Cryptosporidiosis per epidemiological week

Dengue

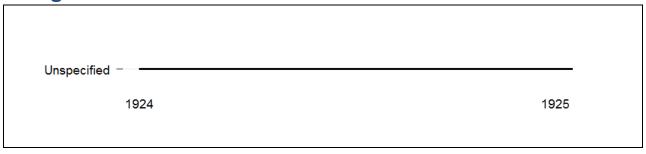


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Table D1, Summary information for Dengue

Indicator	New Orleans
Report period	1924-1924
Total weeks	2
Total cases	0

Diphtheria

Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Diphtheria

Indicator	Louisiana	New Orleans	Shreveport
Report period	1927-1973	1906-1953	1906-1953
Total weeks	1,951	2,154	1,250
Total cases	16,506	21,833	859
Max. cases per year	1,505	1,832	82
Year (max)	1931	1915	1933
Max. cases per week	124	267	12
Week (max)	1970, wk 44	1912, wk 41	1933, wk 41
Average cases per year			
before 1940	902	603	34
95%CI	(688-1,116)	(474-732)	(24-44)
after 1940	117	73	15
95%CI	(74-160)	(33-113)	(5-25)
Average cases per week			
before 1940	19	12	1
95%CI	(18-20)	(11-13)	(1-1)
after 1940	3	2	0
95%CI	(3-3)	(2-2)	(0-0)

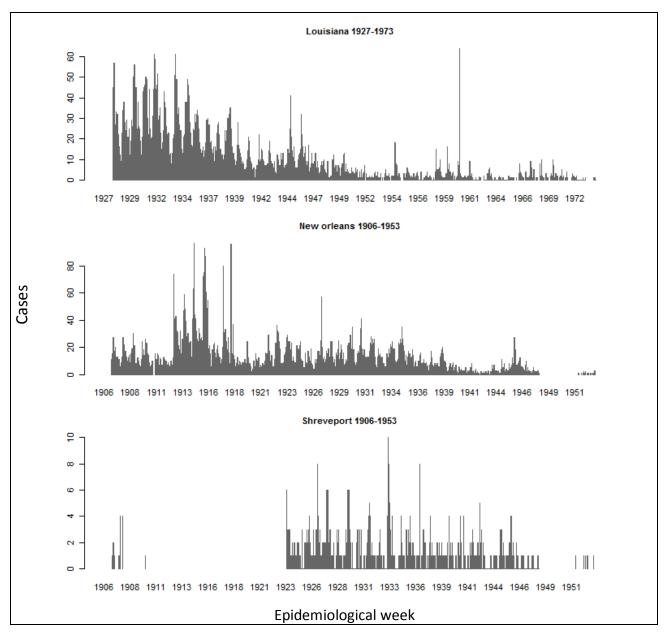


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Diphtheria per epidemiological week

Escherichia Coli

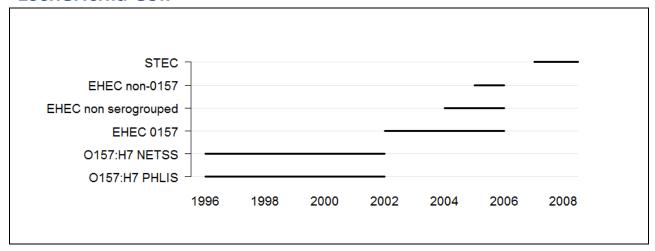


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Escherichia Coli (0157:H7 PHLIS, EHEC 0157, and STEC)

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1996-2008
Total weeks	398
Total cases	122
Max. cases per year	56
Year (max)	2000
Max. cases per week	9
Week (max)	1997, wk 52
Average cases per year	10
95%CI	(0-20)
Average cases per week	0
95%CI	(0-0)

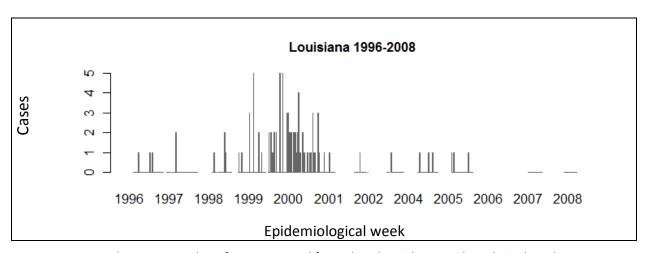


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Escherichia Coli per epidemiological week

Giardiasis

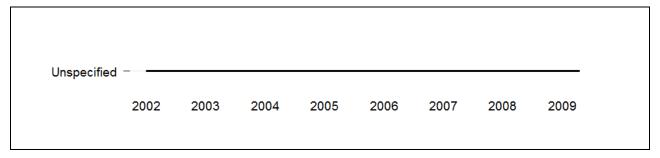


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Giardiasis

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	2002-2009
Total weeks	339
Total cases	10,125
Max. cases per year	9,694
Year (max)	2006
Max. cases per week	9,628
Week (max)	2006, wk 35
Average cases per year	1,266
95%CI	(-1,581-4,113)
Average cases per week	30
95%CI	(-26-86)

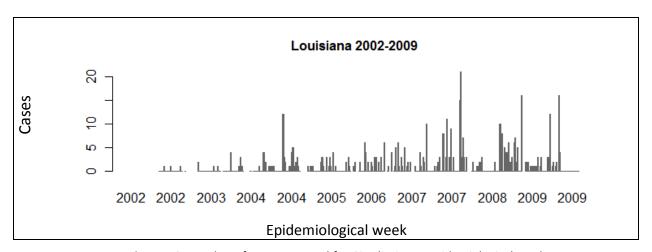


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Giardiasis per epidemiological week

Gonorrhea

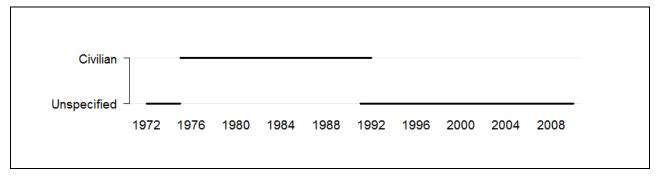


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Table D1, Summary information for Gonorrhea (Unspecified and Civilian)

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1972-2009
Total weeks	1,805
Total cases	540,532
Max. cases per year	23,674
Year (max)	1973
Max. cases per week	3,924
Week (max)	1999, wk 51
Average cases per year	14,225
95%CI	(12,332-16,118)
Average cases per week	299
95%CI	(288-310)

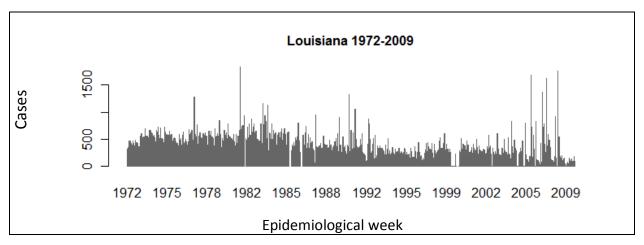


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Gonorrhea per epidemiological week

Haemophilus Influenzae

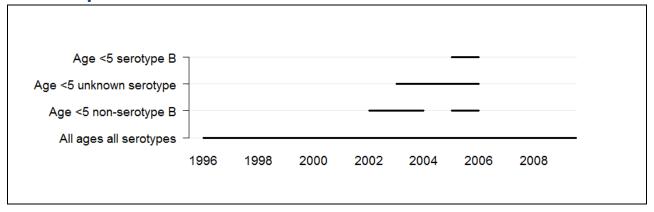


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Haemophilus Influenzae (All ages all serotypes)

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1996-2009
Total weeks	588
Total cases	194
Max. cases per year	57
Year (max)	2005
Max. cases per week	23
Week (max)	2005, wk 26
Average cases per year	14
95%CI	(6-22)
Average cases per week	0
95%CI	(0-0)

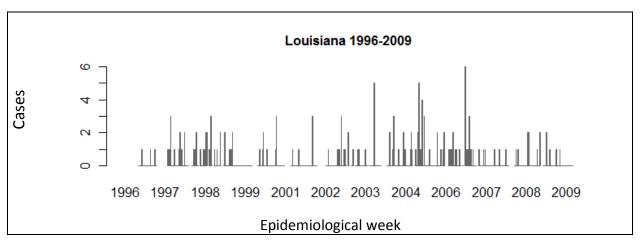


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Haemophilus Influenzae per epidemiological week

Hepatitis

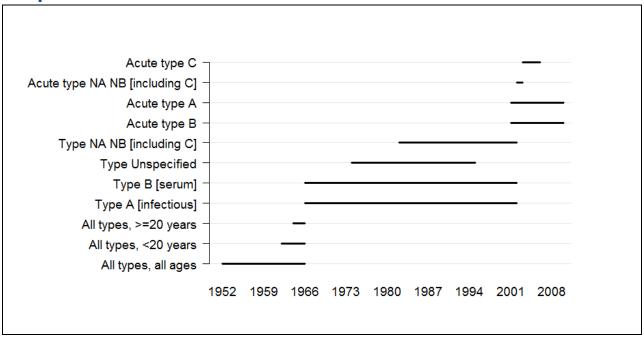


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Hepatitis (Type A [Infectious], Acute type A, Type B [Serum], and Acute type B)

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1966-2009
Total weeks	2,021
Total cases	11,477
Max. cases per year	547
Year (max)	1983
Max. cases per week	110
Week (max)	1999, wk 51
Average cases per year	
before 1990	374
95%CI	(332-416)
after 1990	113
95%CI	(81-145)
Average cases per week	
before 1990	8
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95%CI	(2-2)

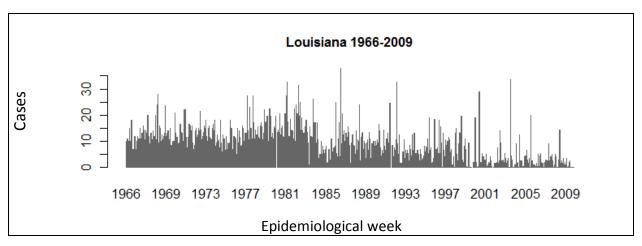


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Hepatitis per epidemiological week

Influenza

Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1. Summary information for Influenza

Indicator	Louisiana	New Orleans
Report period	1919-1951	1920-1948
Total weeks	1,142	1,165
Total cases	145,695	15,869
Max. cases per year	20,522	2,993
Year (max)	1944	1920
Max. cases per week	8,000	1,307
Week (max)	1940, wk 51	1929, wk 01
Average cases per year	5,396	547
95%CI	(2,523-8,269)	(289-805)
Average cases per week	128	14
95%CI	(88-168)	(10-18)

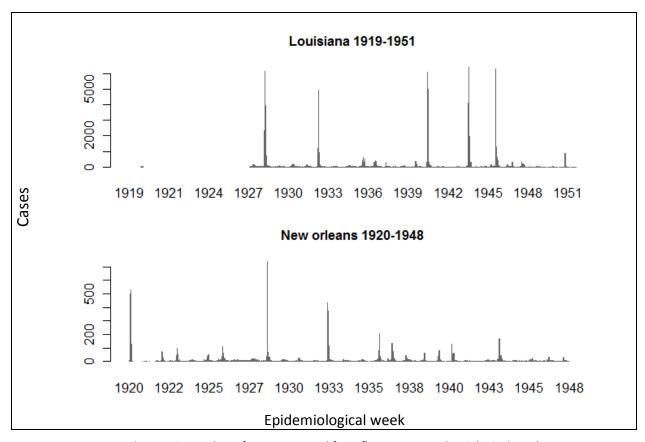


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Influenza per epidemiological week

Legionellosis

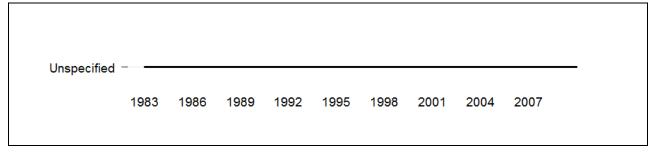


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Legionellosis

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1983-2009
Total weeks	781
Total cases	133
Max. cases per year	13
Year (max)	1994
Max. cases per week	5
Week (max)	2000, wk 22
Average cases per year	5
95%CI	(4-6)
Average cases per week	0
95%CI	(0-0)

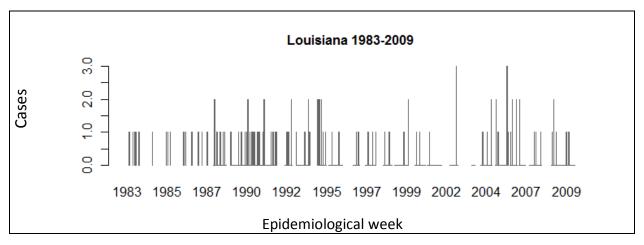


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Legionellosis per epidemiological week

Listeriosis

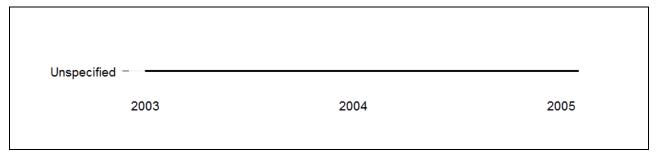


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Listeriosis

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	2003-2005
Total weeks	100
Total cases	16
Max. cases per year	12
Year (max)	2005
Max. cases per week	2
Week (max)	2005, wk 48
Average cases per year	5
95%CI	(-9-19)
Average cases per week	0
95%CI	(0-0)

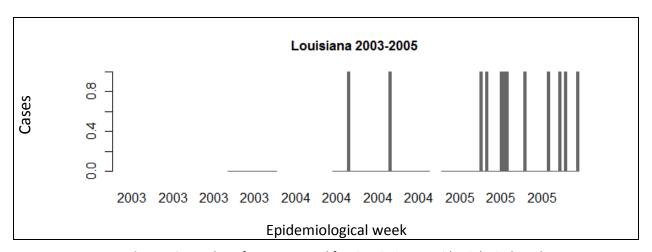


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Listeriosis per epidemiological week

Lyme Disease

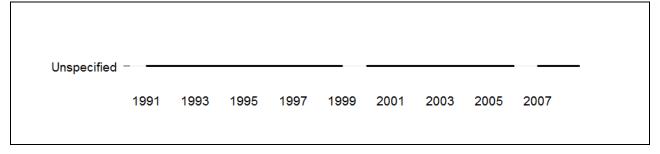


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Lyme Disease

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1991-2008
Total weeks	458
Total cases	57
Max. cases per year	7
Year (max)	1996
Max. cases per week	3
Week (max)	1996, wk 44
Average cases per year	4
95%CI	(3-5)
Average cases per week	0
95%CI	(0-0)

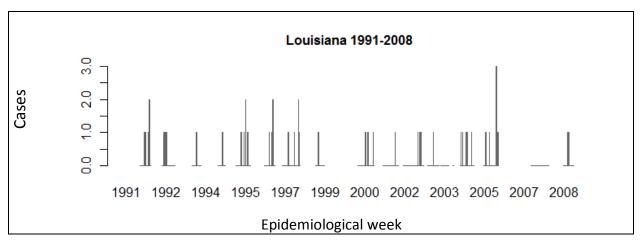


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Malaria

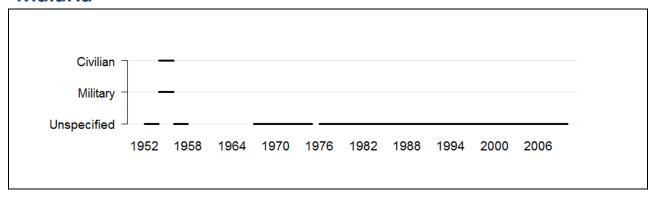


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Table D1, Summary information for Malaria (Unspecified, Military, and Civilian)

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1952-2009
Total weeks	1,525
Total cases	1,010
Max. cases per year	468
Year (max)	1952
Max. cases per week	65
Week (max)	1952, wk 28
Average cases per year	22
95%CI	(1-43)
Average cases per week	1
95%CI	(1-1)

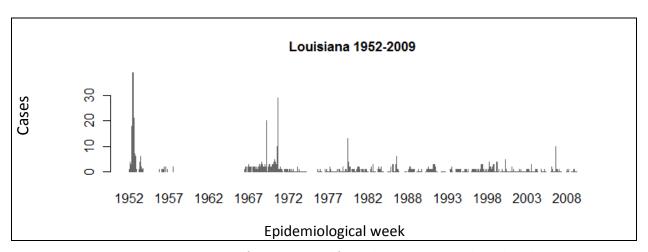


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Malaria per epidemiological week

Measles

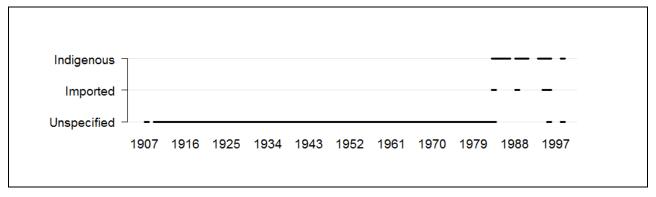


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Measles (Unspecified)

Table D1, Summary information for Measles (Onspecified)			
Indicator	Louisiana	New Orleans	Shreveport
Report period	1927-1998	1909-1953	1907-1948
Total weeks	2,453	1,854	1,110
Total cases	62,495	34,829	3,839
Max. cases per year	5,357	5,399	1,408
Year (max)	1928	1917	1928
Max. cases per week	1,308	1,062	195
Week (max)	1953, wk 14	1917, wk 03	1928, wk 09
Average cases per year			
before 1970	1,342	829	148
95%CI	(912-1,772)	(464-1,194)	(34-262)
after 1970	230	-	-
95%CI	(-20-480)	-	-
Average cases per week			
before 1970	31	19	3
95%CI	(28-34)	(16-22)	(2-4)
after 1970	6	-	-
95%CI	(4-8)	-	-

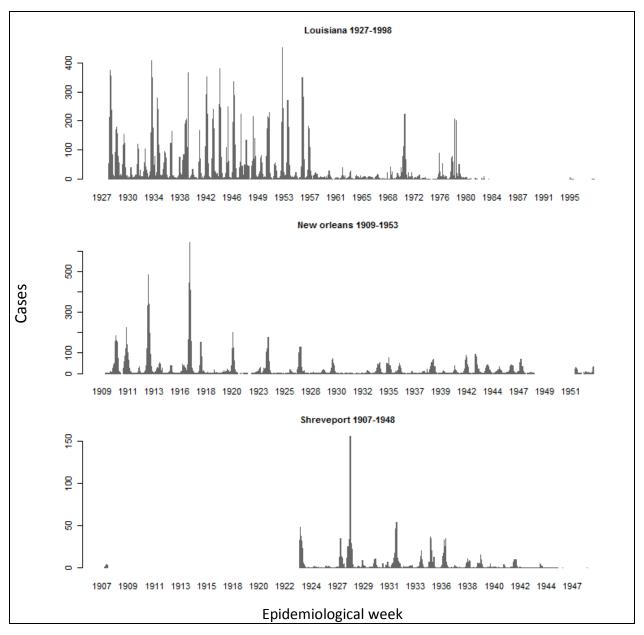


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Measles per epidemiological week

Meningitis

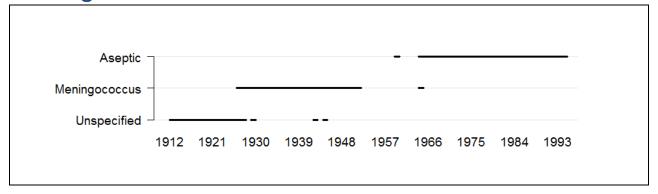


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Meningitis (Meningococcus)

Indicator	Louisiana	New Orleans	Shreveport
Report period	1927-1964	1927-1948	1926-1948
Total weeks	1,216	803	630
Total cases	2,080	900	34
Max. cases per year	221	123	7
Year (max)	1943	1944	1929
Max. cases per week	30	11	2
Week (max)	1931, wk 39	1944, wk 01	1929, wk 01
Average cases per year	80	41	2
95%CI	(58-102)	(27-55)	(1-3)
Average cases per week	2	1	0
95%CI	(2-2)	(1-1)	(0-0)

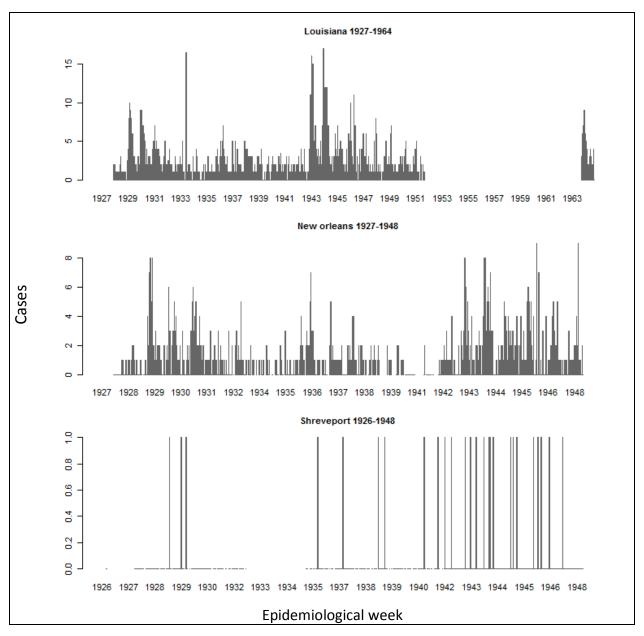


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Meningitis per epidemiological week

Meningococcal Disease

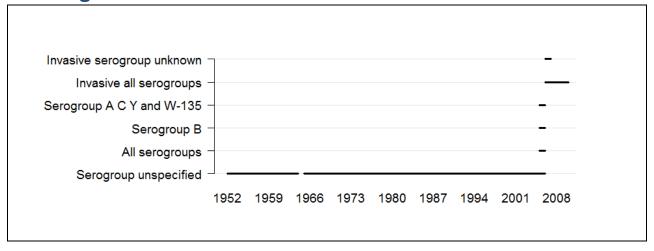


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Meningococcal Disease (Serogroup unspecified and Invasive all serogroups)

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1952-2009
Total weeks	2,569
Total cases	3,807
Max. cases per year	204
Year (max)	1965
Max. cases per week	24
Week (max)	1999, wk 51
Average cases per year	
before 1980	93
95%CI	(78-108)
after 1980	41
95%CI	(33-49)
Average cases per week	
before 1980	2
95%CI	(2-2)
after 1980	1
95%CI	(1-1)

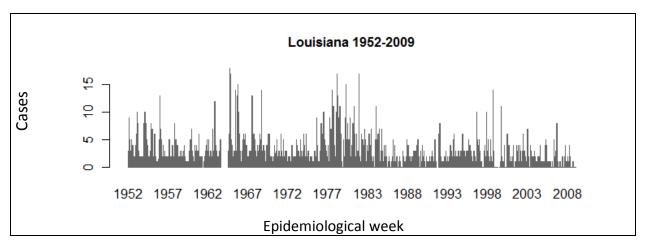


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Meningococcal Disease per epidemiological week

Mumps

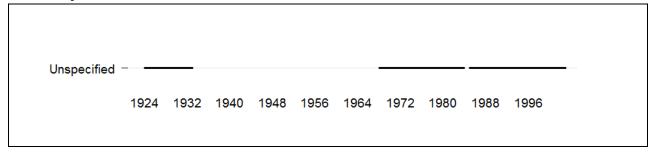


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Mumps

Indicator	Louisiana	New Orleans	Shreveport
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Report period	1968-2002	1924-1932	1924-1932
Total weeks	1,423	449	446
Total cases	3,928	11	717
Max. cases per year	746	9	229
Year (max)	1989	1930	1927
Max. cases per week	126	9	26
Week (max)	1987, wk 41	1930, wk 32	1927, wk 08
Average cases per year			
before 1980	135	1	80
95%CI	(61-209)	(-1-3)	(19-141)
after 1980	104	-	-
95%CI	(3-205)	-	-
Average cases per week			
before 1980	3	0	2
95%CI	(3-3)	(0-0)	(2-2)
after 1980	3	-	-
95%CI	(2-4)	-	-

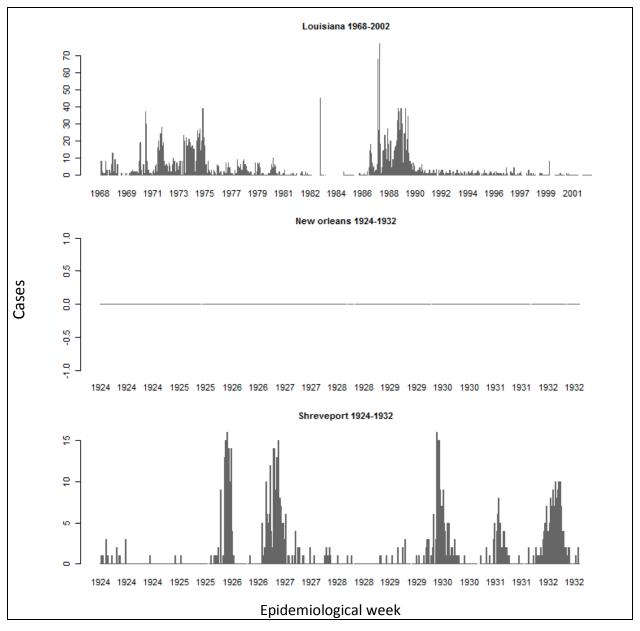


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Mumps per epidemiological week

Pellagra

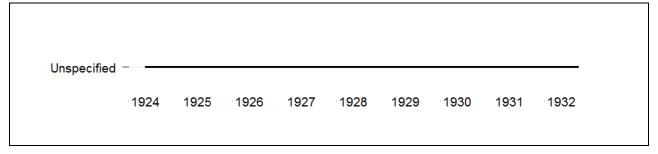


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Pellagra

Indicator	New Orleans	Shreveport
Report period	1924-1932	1924-1932
Total weeks	371	234
Total cases	605	4
Max. cases per year	124	3
Year (max)	1928	1932
Max. cases per week	10	1
Week (max)	1928, wk 25	1930, wk 43
Average cases per year	67	0
95%CI	(39-95)	(-1-1)
Average cases per week	2	0
95%CI	(2-2)	(0-0)

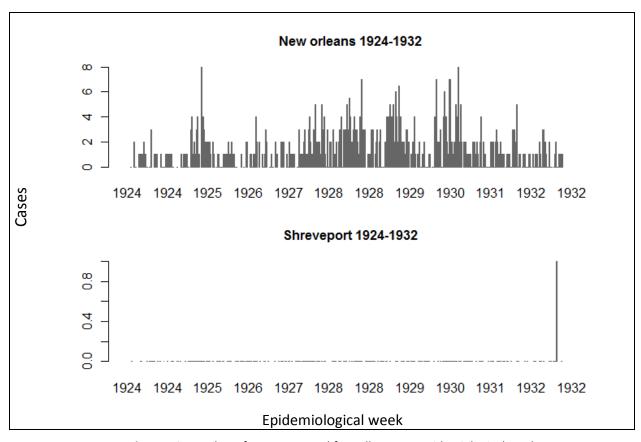


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Pneumonia

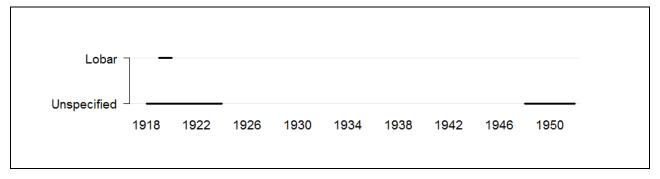


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Table D1, Summary information for Pneumonia (Unspecified)

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1948-1951
Total weeks	168
Total cases	4,731
Max. cases per year	1,505
Year (max)	1951
Max. cases per week	105
Week (max)	1951, wk 10
Average cases per year	1,183
95%CI	(395-1,971)
Average cases per week	28
95%CI	(25-31)

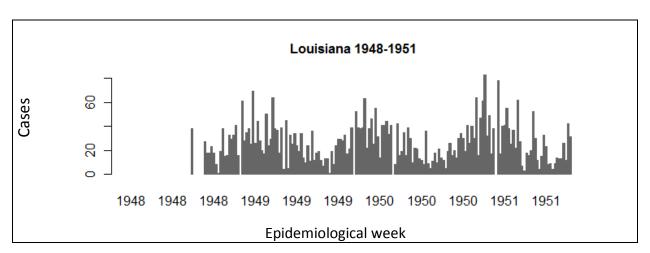


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Pneumonia per epidemiological week

Poliomyelitis

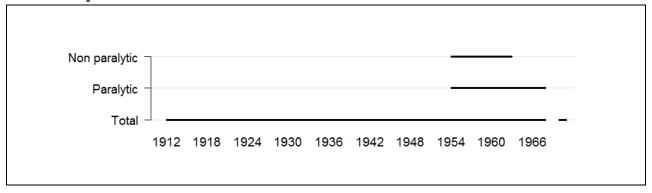


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Table D1, Summary information for Poliomyelitis (Total)

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1927-1970
Total weeks	1,830
Total cases	6,846
Max. cases per year	880
Year (max)	1952
Max. cases per week	100
Week (max)	1951, wk 36
Average cases per year	
before 1960	197
95%CI	(116-278)
after 1960	19
95%CI	(0-38)
Average cases per week	
before 1960	4
95%CI	(4-4)
after 1960	1
95%CI	(1-1)

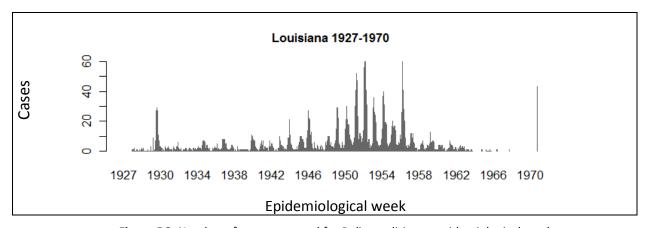


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Poliomyelitis per epidemiological week

Rabies in Animals

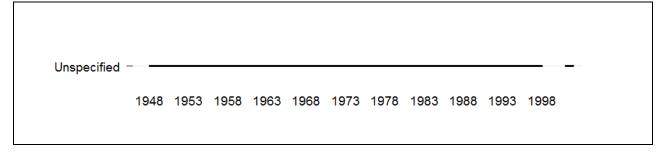


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Table D1, Summary information for Rabies in Animals

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1948-2001
Total weeks	1,787
Total cases	3,077
Max. cases per year	377
Year (max)	1956
Max. cases per week	118
Week (max)	1991, wk 29
Average cases per year	60
95%CI	(39-81)
Average cases per week	2
95%CI	(2-2)

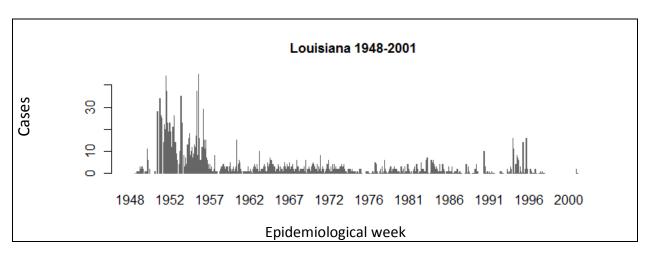


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Salmonellosis

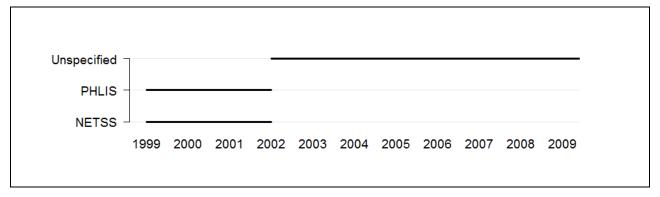


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Salmonellosis (PHLIS and Unspecified)

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1999-2009
Total weeks	494
Total cases	7,907
Max. cases per year	949
Year (max)	2001
Max. cases per week	386
Week (max)	2001, wk 45
Average cases per year	719
95%CI	(549-889)
Average cases per week	16
95%CI	(13-19)

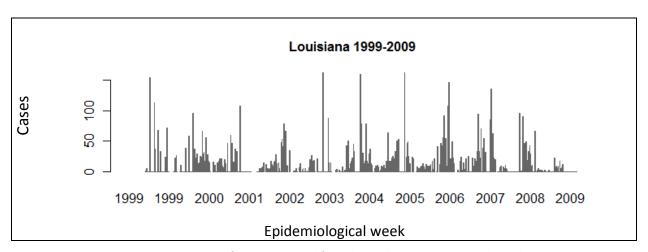


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Salmonellosis per epidemiological week

Scarlet Fever

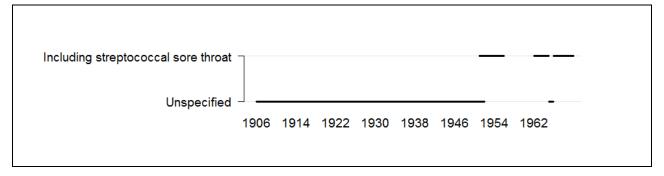


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Scarlet Fever (Including streptococcal sore throat and Unspecified)

Indicator	Louisiana	New Orleans	Shreveport
Report period	1927-1969	1906-1953	1906-1953
Total weeks	1,708	2,065	1,284
Total cases	15,330	14,320	1,168
Max. cases per year	1,253	1,871	92
Year (max)	1929	1909	1938
Max. cases per week	67	118	10
Week (max)	1929, wk 19	1909, wk 13	1939, wk 02
Average cases per year	414	318	40
95%CI	(327-501)	(219-417)	(31-49)
Average cases per week	9	7	1
95%CI	(9-9)	(7-7)	(1-1)

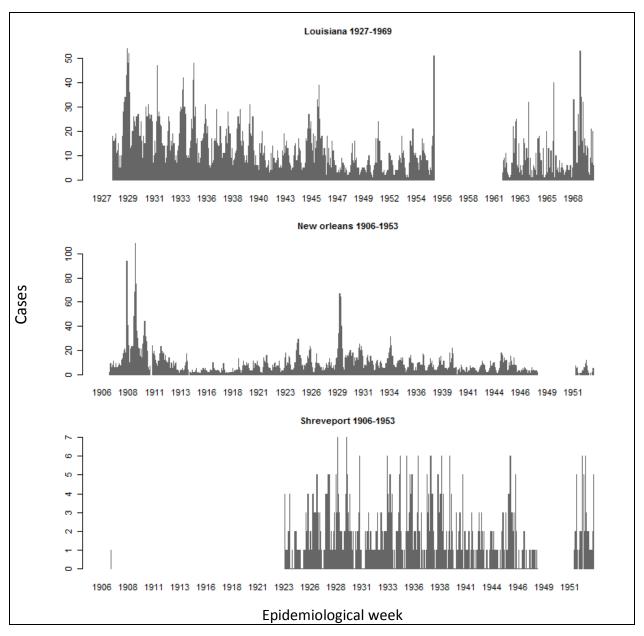


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Scarlet Fever per epidemiological week

Shigellosis

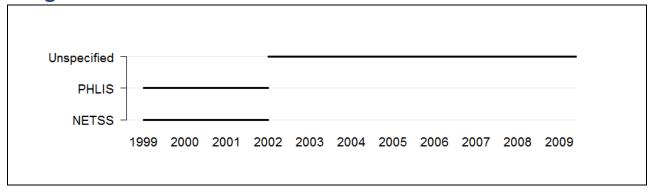


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Table D1, Summary information for Shigellosis (Unspecified and PHLIS)

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1999-2009
Total weeks	497
Total cases	3,170
Max. cases per year	502
Year (max)	2008
Max. cases per week	280
Week (max)	1999, wk 33
Average cases per year	288
95%CI	(196-380)
Average cases per week	6
95%CI	(4-8)

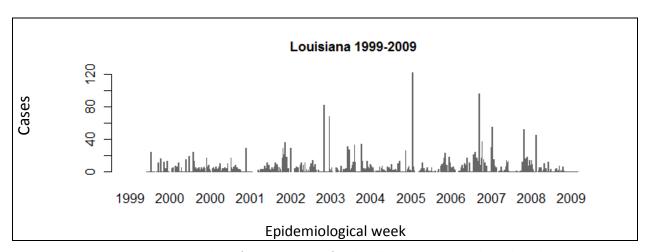


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Shigellosis per epidemiological week

Streptococcal Disease, Invasive Group A

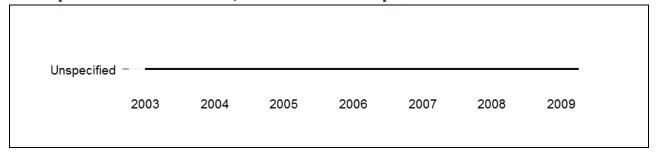


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Table D1, Summary information for Streptococcal Disease, Invasive Group A

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	2003-2009
Total weeks	296
Total cases	58
Max. cases per year	15
Year (max)	2008
Max. cases per week	8
Week (max)	2008, wk 33
Average cases per year	8
95%CI	(3-13)
Average cases per week	0
95%CI	(0-0)

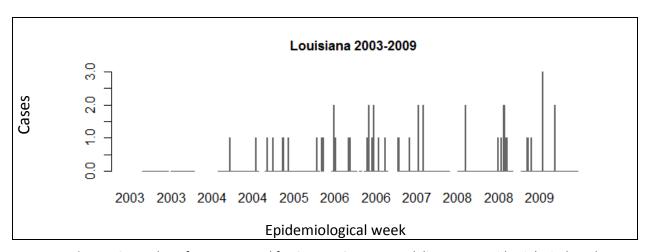


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Group A Streptococcal disease per epidemiological week

Streptococcal Sore Throat

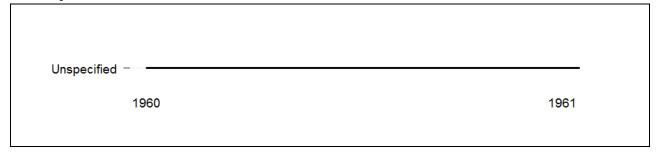


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Table D1, Summary information for Streptococcal Sore Throat

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1960-1961
Total weeks	90
Total cases	430
Max. cases per year	223
Year (max)	1961
Max. cases per week	15
Week (max)	1960, wk 49
Average cases per year	215
95%CI	(113-317)
Average cases per week	5
95%CI	(4-6)

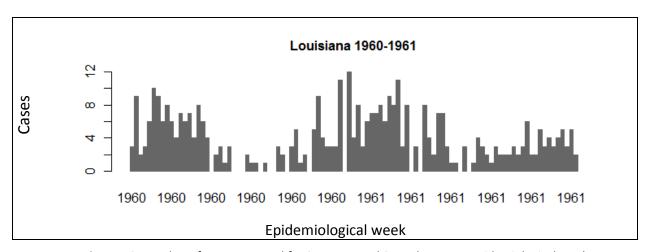


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Streptococcal Sore Throat per epidemiological week

Streptococcus Pneumonia, Invasive Disease

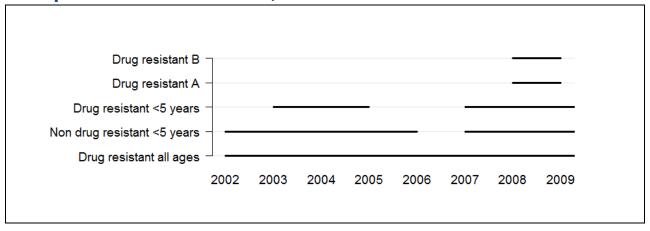


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Streptococcus Pneumonia, Invasive Disease (Drug resistant <5 years)

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	2003-2009
Total weeks	184
Total cases	47
Max. cases per year	16
Year (max)	2004
Max. cases per week	4
Week (max)	2004, wk 28
Average cases per year	9
95%CI	(4-14)
Average cases per week	0
95%CI	(0-0)

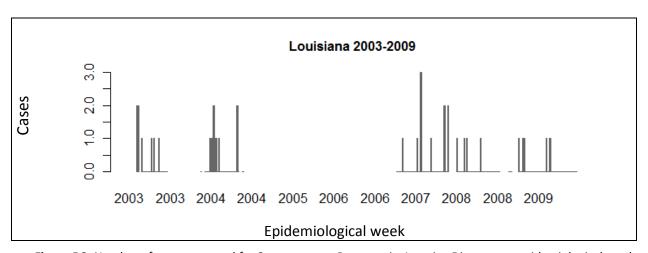


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Streptococcus Pneumonia, Invasive Disease per epidemiological week

Syphilis

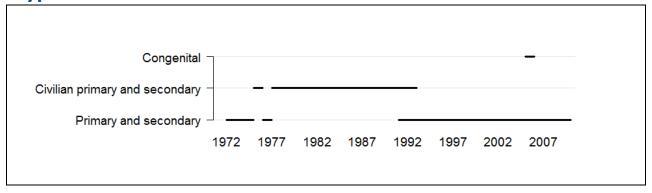


Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Syphilis (Primary and secondary and Civilian primary and secondary)

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1972-2009
Total weeks	1,839
Total cases	35,719
Max. cases per year	3,591
Year (max)	1991
Max. cases per week	1,337
Week (max)	1991, wk 30
Average cases per year	940
95%CI	(681-1,199)
Average cases per week	19
95%CI	(17-21)

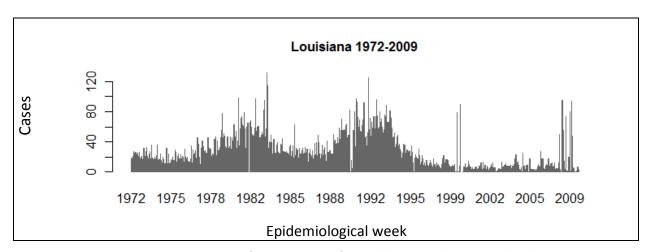


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Syphilis per epidemiological week

Tetanus

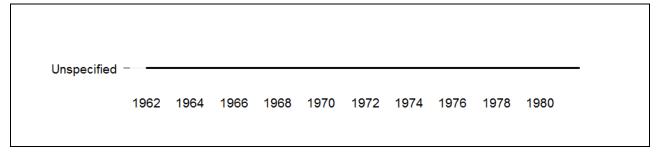


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Table D1, Summary information for Tetanus

Indicator	Louisiana			
Report period	1962-1981			
Total weeks	664			
Total cases	113			
Max. cases per year	20			
Year (max)	1962			
Max. cases per week	4			
Week (max)	1962, wk 38			
Average cases per year				
before 1970	10			
95%CI	(6-14)			
after 1970	2			
95%CI	(1-3)			

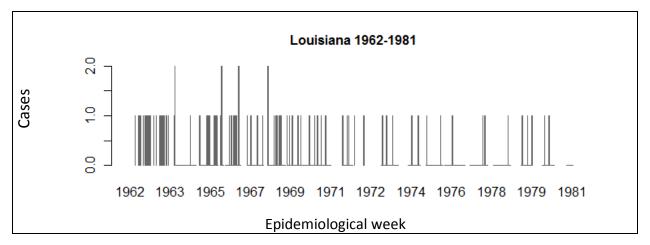


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Tetanus per epidemiological week

Toxic Shock Syndrome

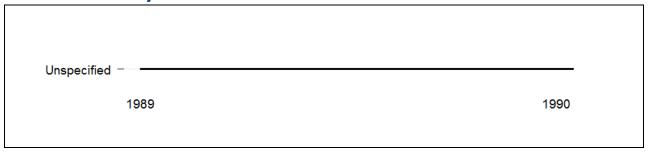


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Table D1, Summary information for Toxic shock syndrome

Indicator	Louisiana
Report period	1990-1990
Total weeks	36
Total cases	0

Tuberculosis

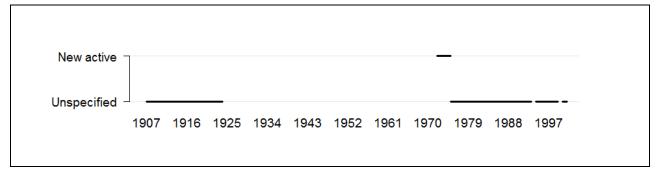


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Table D1, Summary information for Tuberculosis (Unspecified)

Indicator	Louisiana	New Orleans
Report period	1975-2000	1907-1923
Total weeks	1,008	819
Total cases	8,664	22,004
Max. cases per year	638	1,666
Year (max)	1979	1917
Max. cases per week	211	73
Week (max)	1994, wk 48	1911, wk 29
Average cases per year	361	1,294
95%CI	(292-430)	(1,100-1,488)
Average cases per week	9	27
95%CI	(8-10)	(26-28)

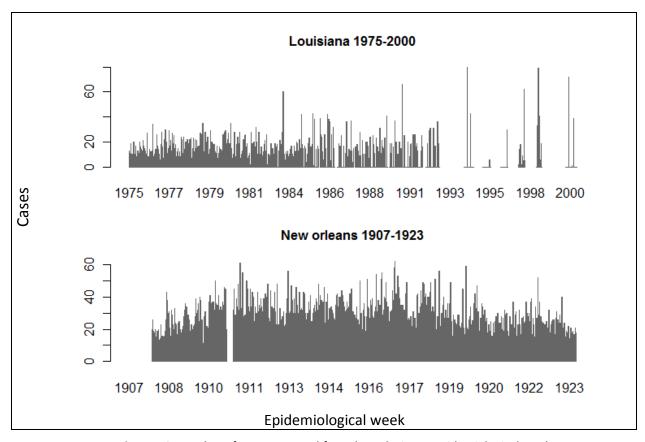


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Tuberculosis per epidemiological week

Typhoid Fever



Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Typhoid Fever (Unspecified and Including paratyphoid fever)

Indicator	Louisiana	New Orleans	Shreveport	
Report period	1927-2005	1906-1953	1910-1953	
Total weeks	2,691	2,055	1,250	
Total cases	14,385	8,878	687	
Max. cases per year	1,262	944	120	
Year (max)	1931	1907	1925	
Max. cases per week	76	55	20	
Week (max)	1931, wk 30	1907, wk 30	1925, wk 35	
Average cases per year				
before 1950	556	206	25	
95%CI	(401-711)	(153-259)	(16-34)	
after 1950	24	16	6	
95%CI	(13-35)	(-3-35)	(-26-38)	
Average cases per week				
before 1950	11	4	1	
95%CI	(10-12)	(4-4)	(1-1)	
after 1950	1	1	1	
95%CI	(1-1)	(1-1)	(1-1)	

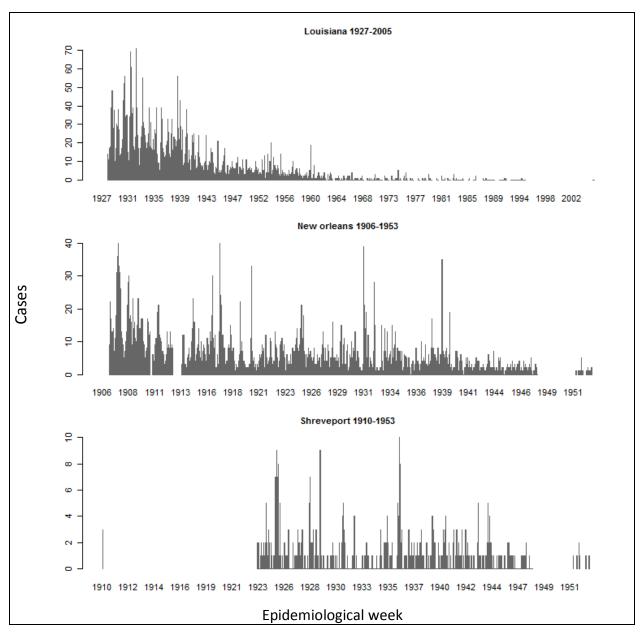


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Typhoid Fever per epidemiological week

Whooping Cough

Figure D1, Weeks between 1888 and 2009 for which data on the disease and subcategories (if applicable) are available in the Tycho database. If no subcategory was reported, a subcategory of "Unspecified" was assigned.

Table D1, Summary information for Whooping Cough

Indicator	Louisiana	New Orleans	Shreveport	Lake Charles
Report period	1937-2009	1909-1953	1907-1945	1935-1941
Total weeks	2,020	1,273	1,099	299
Total cases	7,299	6,569	735	57
Max. cases per year	1,098	940	138	18
Year (max)	1939	1938	1931	1938
Max. cases per week	159	91	9	3
Week (max)	1939, wk 28	1939, wk 31	1926, wk 09	1938, wk 08
Average cases per year				
before 1960	345	235	32	8
95%CI	(195-495)	(132-338)	(15-49)	(4-12)
after 1960	21	-	-	-
95%CI	(15-27)	-	-	-
Average cases per week				
before 1960	8	5	1	0
95%CI	(7-9)	(4-6)	(1-1)	(0-0)
after 1960	1	-	-	-
95%CI	(1-1)	-	-	-

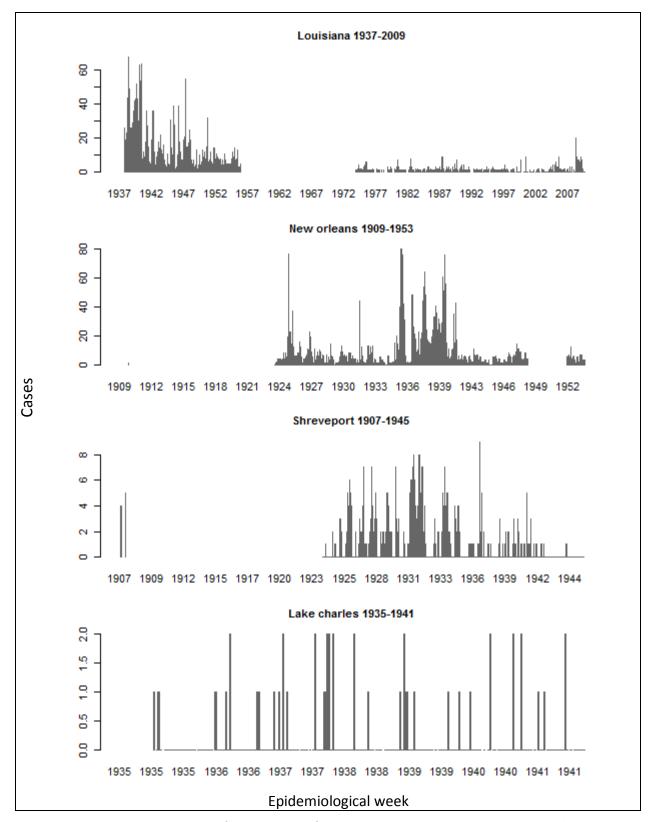


Figure D2, Number of cases reported for Whooping Cough per epidemiological week

Diseases with fragmented data over time

For a number of diseases, only fragmented data was available for Louisiana. This was due to the inclusion of these diseases in the weekly surveillance system for short periods or widely dispersed periods of time. Due to these wide gaps or limited data, data for these diseases were not presented in separate sections but in the table below. Work will continue to include more data in the Tycho database and complete data sets for each disease where possible. Collaborations with local, state and federal public health agencies will be made to explore data availability and opportunities to include these in the Tycho database.

Table 2, Summary information on the occurrence of diseases with fragmented data in Louisiana

Disease	Report type	Report period	Number of reports	Total cases
Anthrax	State	1942-1945	143	9
Brucellosis [undulant fever]	City	1952-1953	5	5
Brucellosis [undulant fever]	State	1943-1982	464	648
Dengue	City	1924-1925	9	0
Dysentery	State	1942-1948	306	724
Encephalitis	City	1941-1953	660	16
Encephalitis	State	1942-1994	986	687
Leprosy	City	1924-1924	2	0
Leprosy	State	1942-1990	266	31
Psittacosis	State	1956-1956	1	2
Rocky mountain spotted fever	State	1942-2009	777	88
Rubella	State	1968-2000	781	1965
Toxic shock syndrome	State	1989-1990	39	0
Trichiniasis	State	1952-1954	4	4
Tularemia	City	1952-1953	8	11
Tularemia	State	1942-1992	1155	529
Typhus fever	City	1924-1953	62	8
Typhus fever	State	1942-1959	331	1500
West nile disease	State	2003-2009	156	332

Project Tycho

This report provides preliminary data for the state of Louisiana available in the Tycho database. This database is currently being beta tested and these data cannot be used for publication or other official use at this time. An open access release to the general public is planned for later in 2011.

Please visit the Tycho website for more information and to query the database at: www.tycho.pitt.edu. For further information regarding the Tycho project, contact Dr. Wilbert van Panhuis at the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health.

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