

The Data is In: Seasonal Flu is a Thousand Times More Harmful than COVID-19

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The population of Europe is 741-million. According to the World Health Organization, influenza may infect up to 20% of the population in the winter months. That is about 148-million cases of flu every year. As of March 23, 2020, there have been 170,424 confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) across the whole of Europe since the first case was identified on January 25 – which is almost exactly two months ago. If the number of COVID-19 victims is multiplied by six to estimate the number for twelve months, the number would be 1,022,544 confirmed cases.

Pharmacy and Therapeutics Journal states that common influenza affects 9% of the world's population annually. That includes 1-billion infections, 4-million severe cases, and 400,000 deaths each year. As stated previously, however, the projection for COVID-19 infections is about one one-thousands as severe as for the common flu. [1-billion infections of flu compared to approximately one-million infections of COVID-16.] In other words, the common flu is a thousand times more dangerous than COVID-19.

– Jon Rapoport



In this episode of public health bureaucrats go crazy, let's look at their numbers. Let's accept their reality for the moment—the reality they claim to be working from—and trace the implications. Buckle up.

Start with Europe and just plain flu. Not COV. According to the World Health Organization (WHO) Europe [1], “During the winter months, influenza may infect up to 20% of the population...” That's ordinary seasonal flu.

The population of Europe is 741 million people. This works out to 148 million cases of ordinary flu. Not once. Every year. EVERY YEAR.

According to [statista.com](https://www.statista.com) [2], “As of March 23, 2020, there have been 170,424 confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) across the whole of Europe since the first confirmed cases in France on January 25.”

I urge readers to roll those comparative figures around in their minds, and realize that ordinary flu has never been called a pandemic, and has certainly never resulted in locking down countries.

If we take the COV Europe numbers I just quoted, which cover a period of two months, and multiply by six, to estimate the number for a year, we arrive at 1,022,544 cases. Even if you want to build up this figure by claiming it's accelerating, do you really believe it'll reach 148 million for the year, the number of ordinary flu cases? And again, 148 million is the estimate for EVERY YEAR. Every year—and no mention of a pandemic. No lockdowns.

Let's go to Italy. According to statista.com [3], "Italy has the highest amount of confirmed [COV] cases in Europe with 59,138..." That's as of March 23. If you multiply by six, to get the annual figure, you arrive at 360,000 cases. You want to blow that up, because of acceleration? Go ahead. How about a million cases for the year? Two million. Three million.

Now let's look at ordinary flu cases for Italy in a given year. According to sciencedirect.com [4], "In the winter seasons from 2013/14 to 2016/17, an estimated average of 5,290,000 ILI [influenza-like illness] cases occurred in Italy, corresponding to an incidence of 9%." That's 5 million plus each year. Not just once. Was a seasonal flu pandemic declared in Italy? Ever? Was the whole country ever locked down as a result? No.

Finally, let's look at figures for ordinary flu, for the whole planet. A study published in the journal, Pharmacy and Therapeutics [5], states, "Influenza is a highly contagious respiratory illness that is responsible for significant morbidity and mortality. Approximately 9% of the world's population is affected annually, with up to 1 billion infections, 3 to 5 million severe cases, and 300,000 to 500,000 deaths each year."

A BILLION cases EVERY YEAR. Is this called a pandemic? Is the whole world locked down every year? No.

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