

CENLA ECONOMIC DASHBOARD

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KEY FINDINGS

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COVID-19

Region 6 (central Louisiana) has 42.4% of the population fully vaccinated, up from 41.2% in mid-December. Rapides and Avoyelles continue to have the highest percentage of completed vaccinations in Region 6 at 47.4% and 45.5%, respectively. The 5th wave which started in December appears to be weakening and showing signs of leveling, indicating a peak may be in the near future. A look at the various age groups shows 18-29 year olds leading in cases, followed by 30-39 and 5-17 year olds. Region 6's positivity rate is 22% compared to 27% for the state. While hospitalization in the 5th wave have now exceeded the 4th wave, deaths have remained relatively low.

EMPLOYMENT

In November 2021, 61,340 were employed in the Alexandria metro area, an increase of 236 from October but 275 below last year at this time. Employment remains well above the metro area's three-year historical average of 60,219. The Alexandria labor market remains tight with 5,652 openings for 1,909 unemployed. It's unemployed-to-job-opening ratio of .33 means there are three jobs for each unemployed. Every metro area in the state had more job openings than unemployed. The unemployment rate in Cenla fell to 3.6% in November compared to 3.0% in Alexandria and 4.1% in statewide.

2020 Census data shows every parish in central Louisiana declined in population between 2010 to 2020 with central Louisiana's population declining -3.5%, compared to -2.7% for the state. Catahoula has the largest local percentage decline at -14%, while Grant and La Salle had the smallest declines at -0.6% and -0.7%, respectively.

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CONSUMER SPENDING

Changes in consumer spending are measured by changes in sales tax revenue. Sales taxes collected in December reflected activity in November. Consumer spending in November was lower in four of the eleven jurisdictions reporting, ranging from -10% to 9% from the previous month. On the other hand, all jurisdictions are still reporting sizable year-to-date gains, ranging from 7% for Pineville to 44% for Catahoula. Vehicle sales were down across all five parishes that report vehicle sales tax revenue. However, vehicles sales for the year exceeded last year's level, ranging from 11% in Natchitoches to 24% in Rapides.

Online sales tax revenue for Cenla was 62% higher in December than last December. In Rapides, \$635,00 in taxes were collected from online sales compared to \$386,000 last year, marking a 65% increase. Evangeline saw an 87% increase while Natchitoches saw an 88% gain in online sales tax revenue. For 2021, \$16.9 million in sales tax was collected from online purchases in central Louisiana. Online sales taxes collected in December reflects sales activity in November.

TRAVEL

The adverse impact on travel from the 5th wave can be seen in air passenger traffic and restaurant reservations. Nationally, air passenger traffic in December declined -1.1% from November after posting several monthly gains. Nevertheless, U.S. air passenger traffic in 2021 was 580 million, a 79% increase from 2020, but still -37% below 2019. Dining reservations which had been in a new uptrend since September 1 started a new downtrend in December, according to OpenTable data which largely monitors the New Orleans area.

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PERMITS

Because of the volatility of monthly data, year-to-date permit valuations presents a clearer picture of local construction. Commercial permits in Alexandria are up 35% for the year while the value of residential permits are up 50%. Residential permits in Alexandria totaled \$2.1 million in December, up 18% from November but down -6% from a year ago. So far this year, permit valuations issued in Allen are up 85%, Evangeline 149%, and Rapides 458%. Permit valuations in Pineville and Avoyelles are down -41% and -23%, respectively, for the year.

HOUSING

The US Lumber Price Index in November increased for the third consecutive month. In December 2021, the Index increased 16% from the previous month and stood 19% above year ago prices. Housing market data has been revamped in this month's issue of the Dashboard. While data on the Alexandria housing market remains, data for Natchitoches, Fort Polk (Leesville), and Opelousas have been included to give a broader representation of the central Louisiana housing market.

NEW BUSINESSES

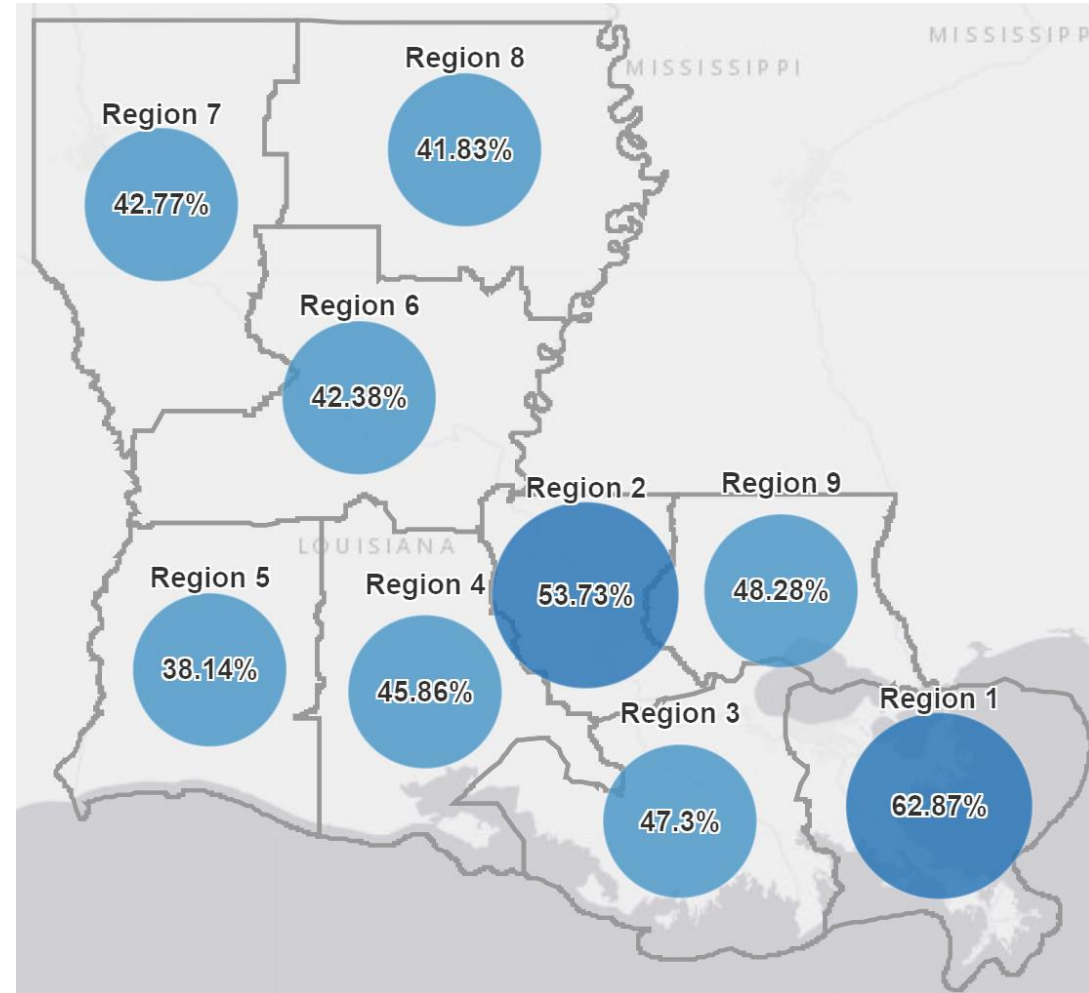
The recent entrepreneurial trend that started with the pandemic in 2020 in Rapides and Louisiana continued in 2021, according to data from Rapides Parish Sales and Use Tax Department and the Census Bureau. Rapides experienced a 29% increase in business applications last year, from 402 in 2020 to 518 in 2021. Likewise, 100,202 new business applications were filed in Louisiana in 2021 compared to 84,564 in 2020 and just 54,181 in 2019. .

COVID-19

COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

COVID-19 vaccinations as a percent of region population as of January 17, 2022.

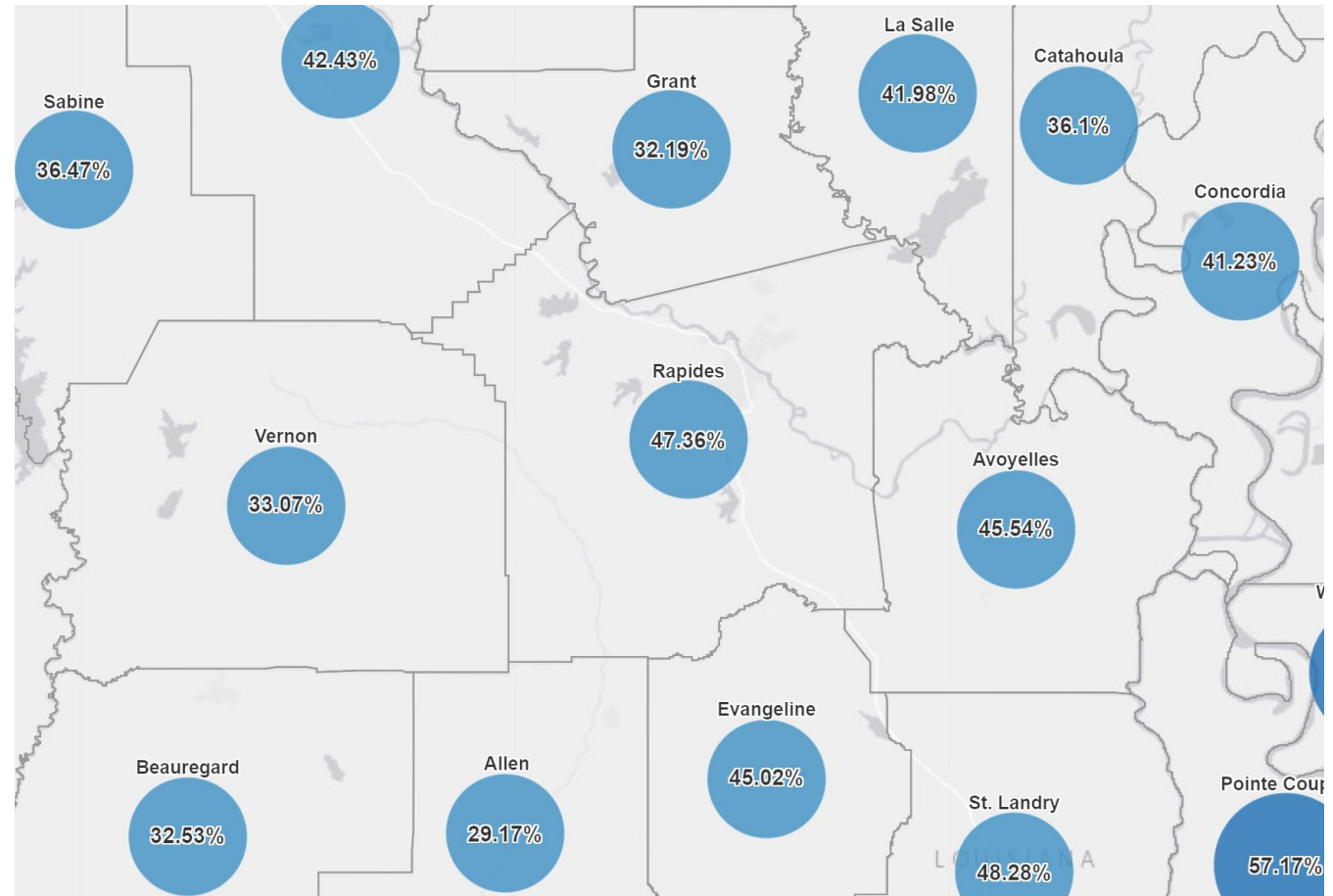
- ✓ Region 6 has 42.4% of the population vaccinated as of mid-January, up from 41% in December, 40% in November, 38% in October, 35% in September, 30% in August, and 27% in July.
- ✓ Region 1 (New Orleans) and Region 2 (Baton Rouge) have the highest rates of vaccination at 63% and 54%, respectively.



COVID-19 VACCINATIONS BY PARISH

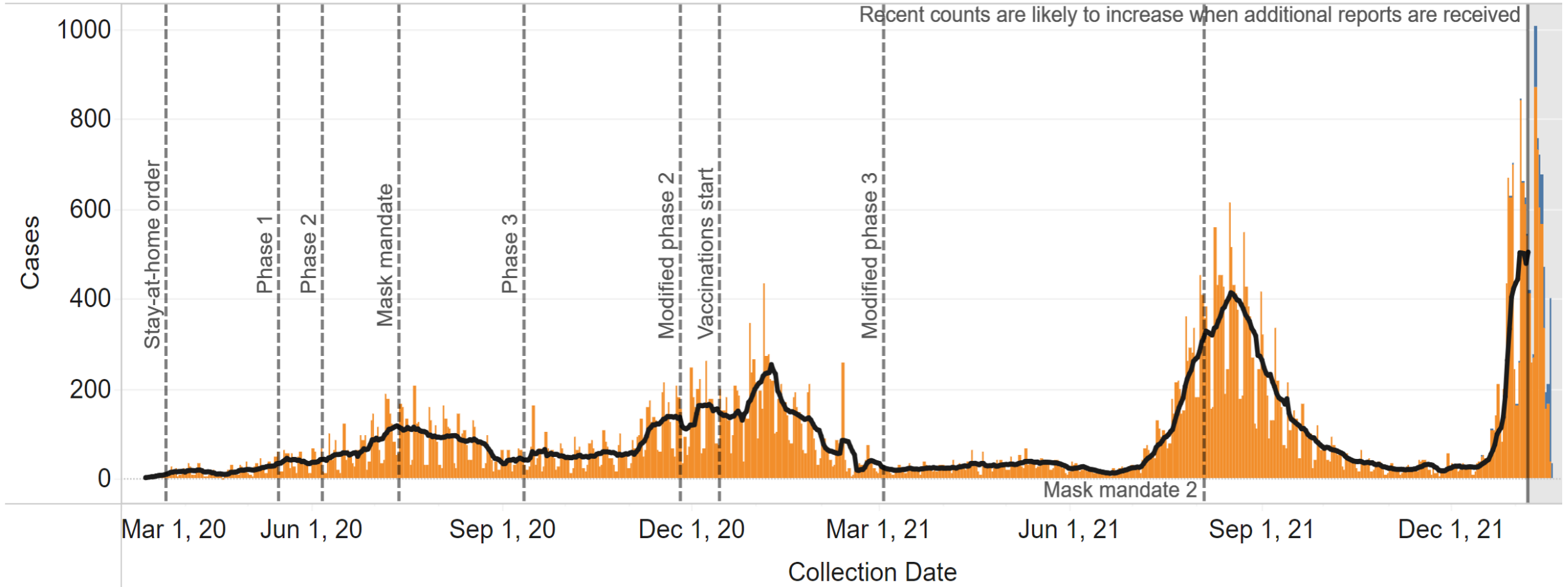
COVID-19 vaccinations as a percent of parish population as of January 17, 2022.

✓ Rapides and Avoyelles have the highest percentage of completed vaccinations in mid-January in Region 6 at 47.4% and 45.5%, up from 46.2% and 44.5%, respectively.



COVID-19 CASES BY COLLECTION DATE

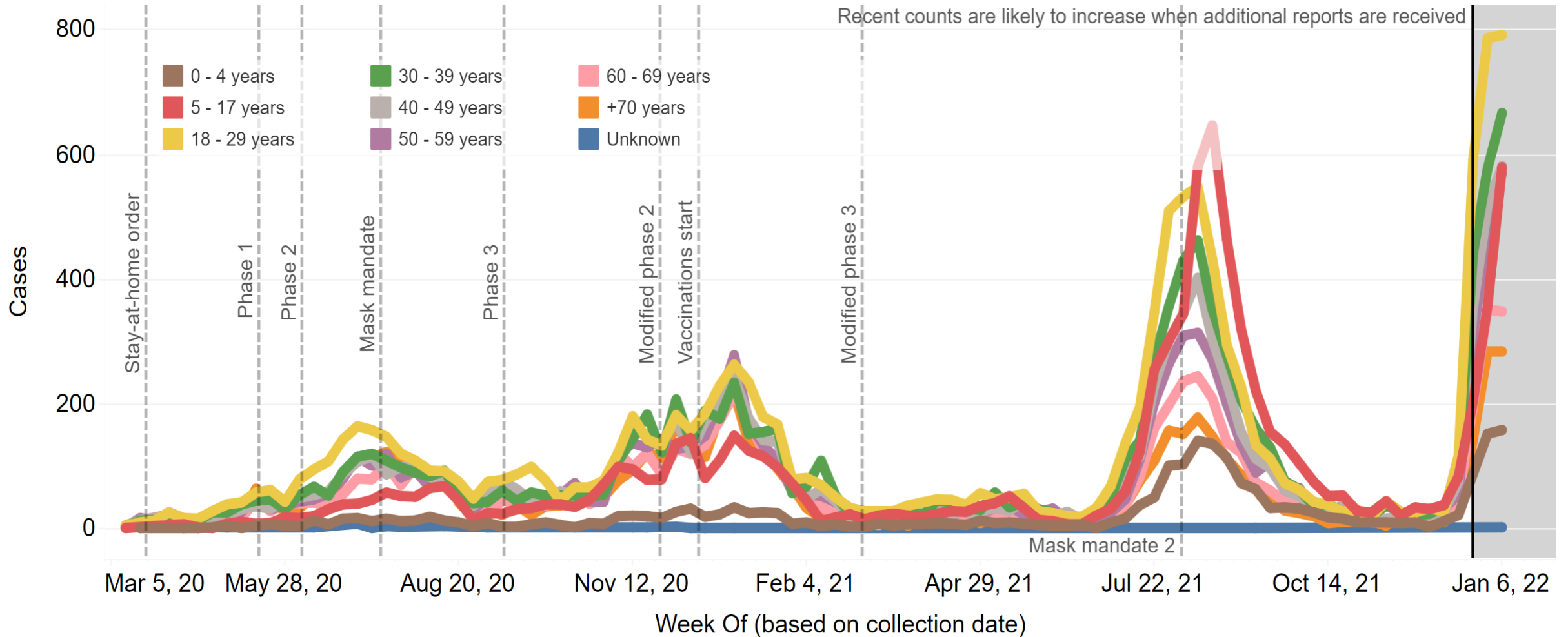
COVID-19 cases by collection date as of January 19, 2022 in Louisiana with a 7-day moving average.



Source: Louisiana Office of Public Health, Region 6 (Central Louisiana), January 20, 2022.

COVID-19 REGION 6 CASES BY AGE GROUP

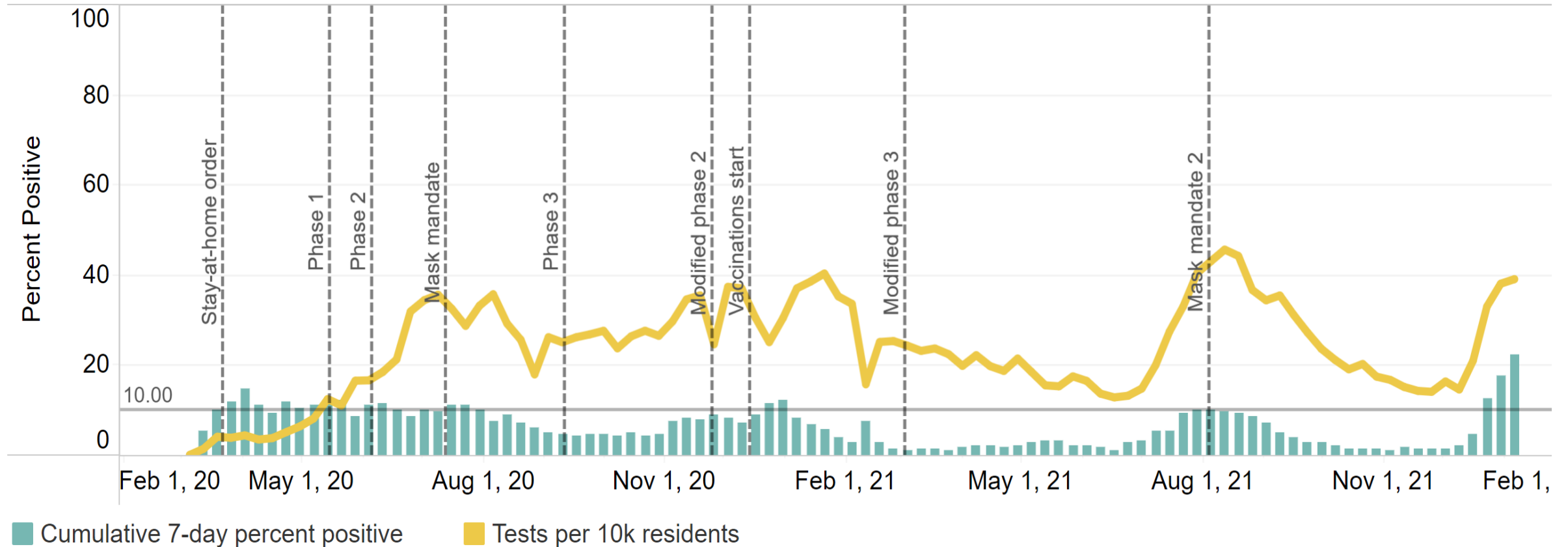
Cases over time by age group in Louisiana through January 19, 2021.



Source: Louisiana Office of Public Health, Region 6 (Central Louisiana), January 20, 2022.

COVID-19 PERCENT POSITIVE AND TEST VOLUME

COVID-19 percent positive and test volume in Region 6 as of January 19, 2022.

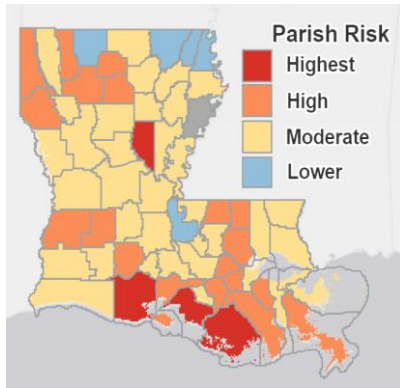


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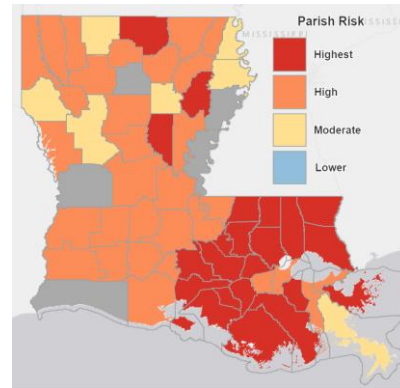
COVID-19 STATEWIDE RISK BY PARISH

COVID-19 statewide risk by parish over time.

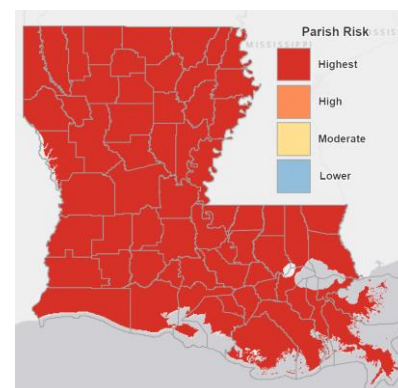
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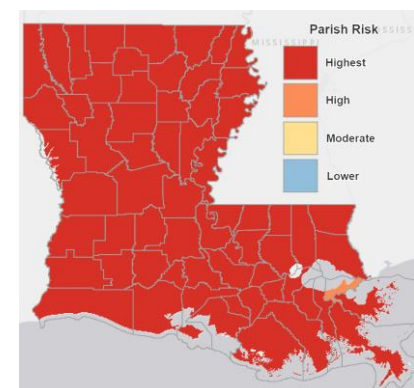
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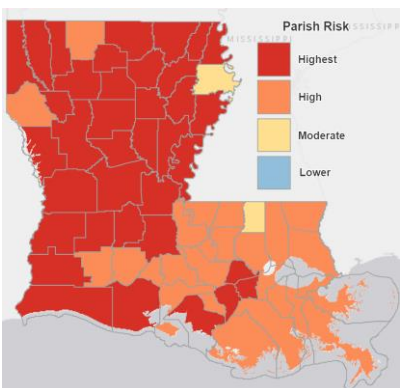
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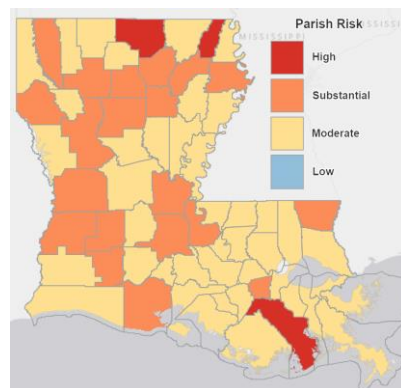
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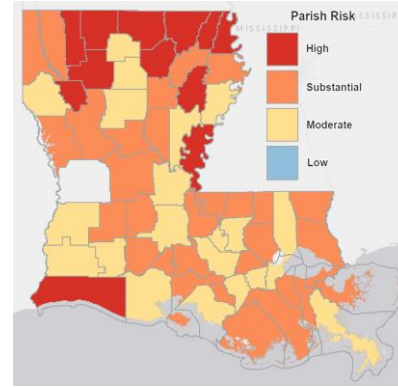
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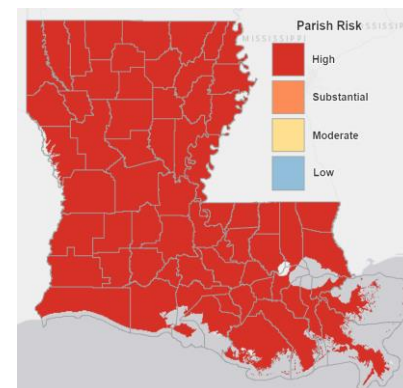
November 14, 2021



December 18, 2021



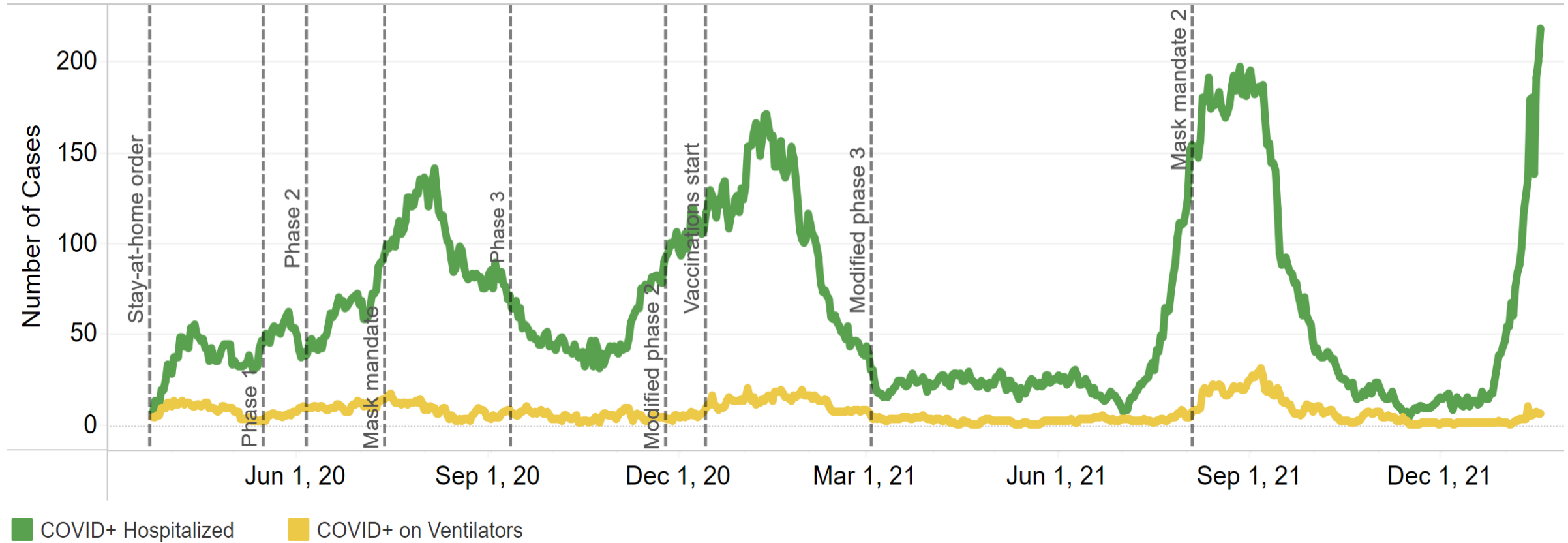
January 17, 2022



Source: Louisiana Office of Public Health, January 17, 2022.

COVID-19 HOSPITALIZED & VENTILATED

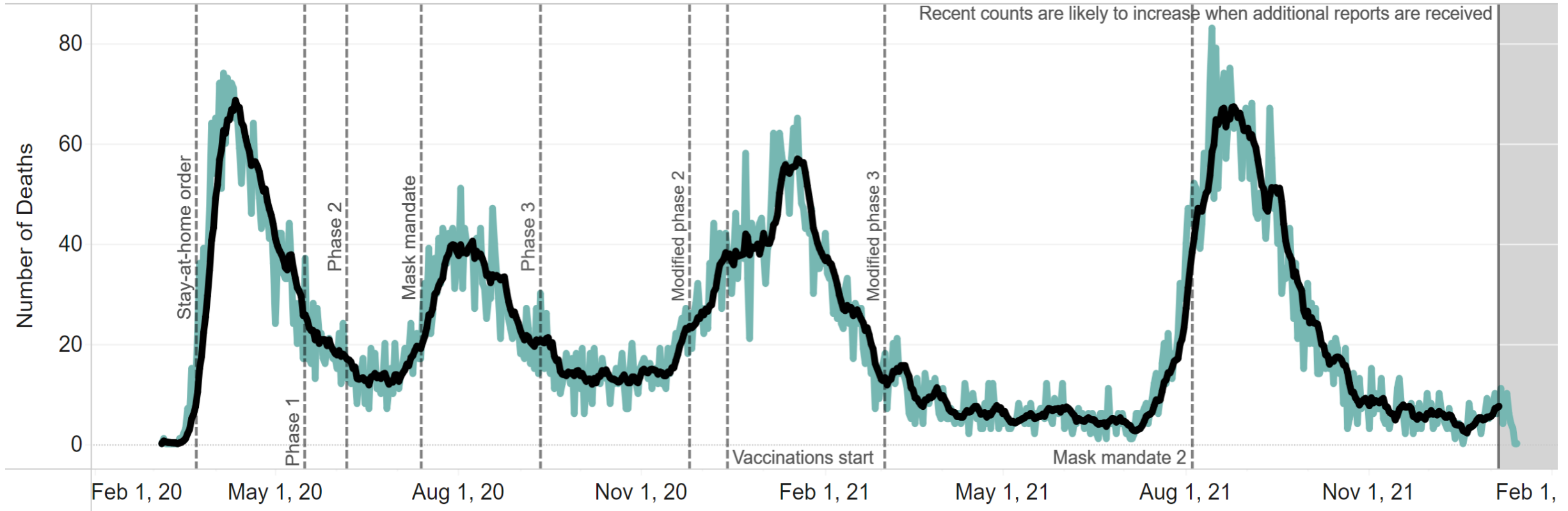
Number of cases hospitalized (green line) and ventilated (yellow line) in Region 6 as of January 19, 2022.



Source: Louisiana Office of Public Health, Region 6 (Central Louisiana), January 20, 2022.

COVID-19 DEATHS STATEWIDE BY DATE

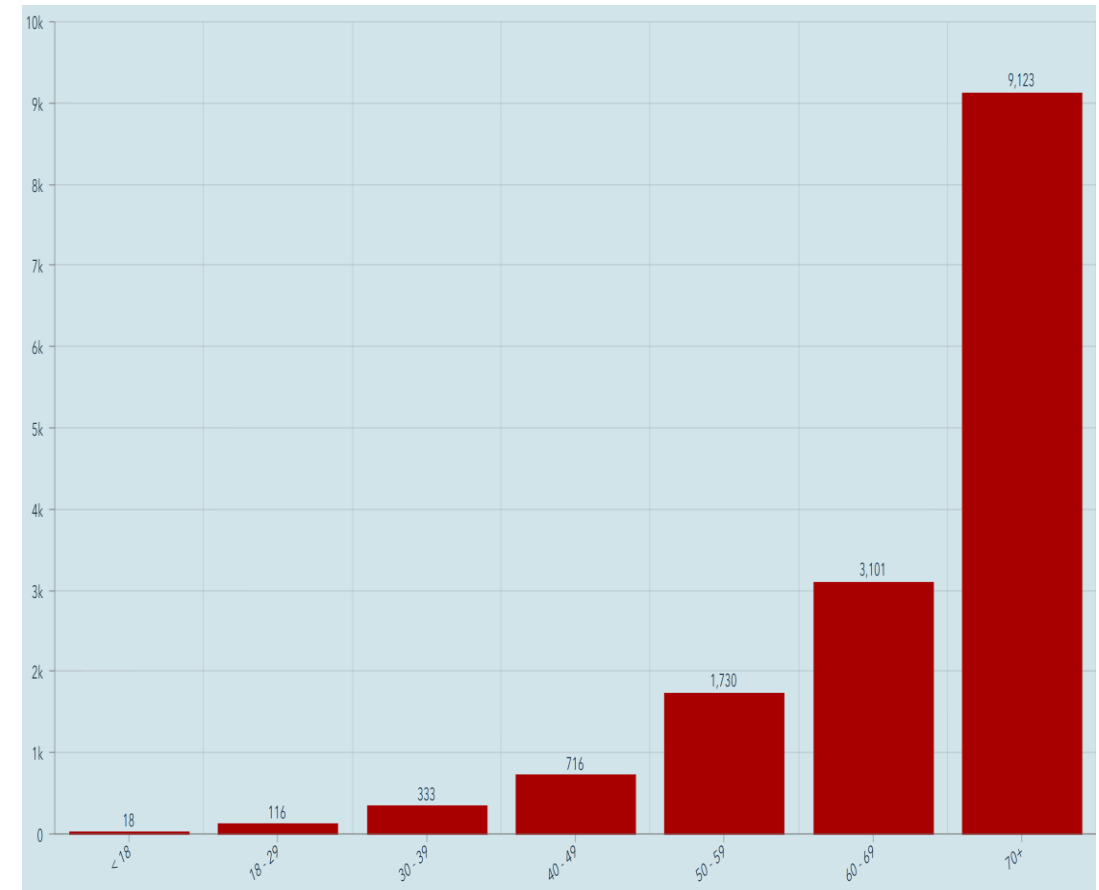
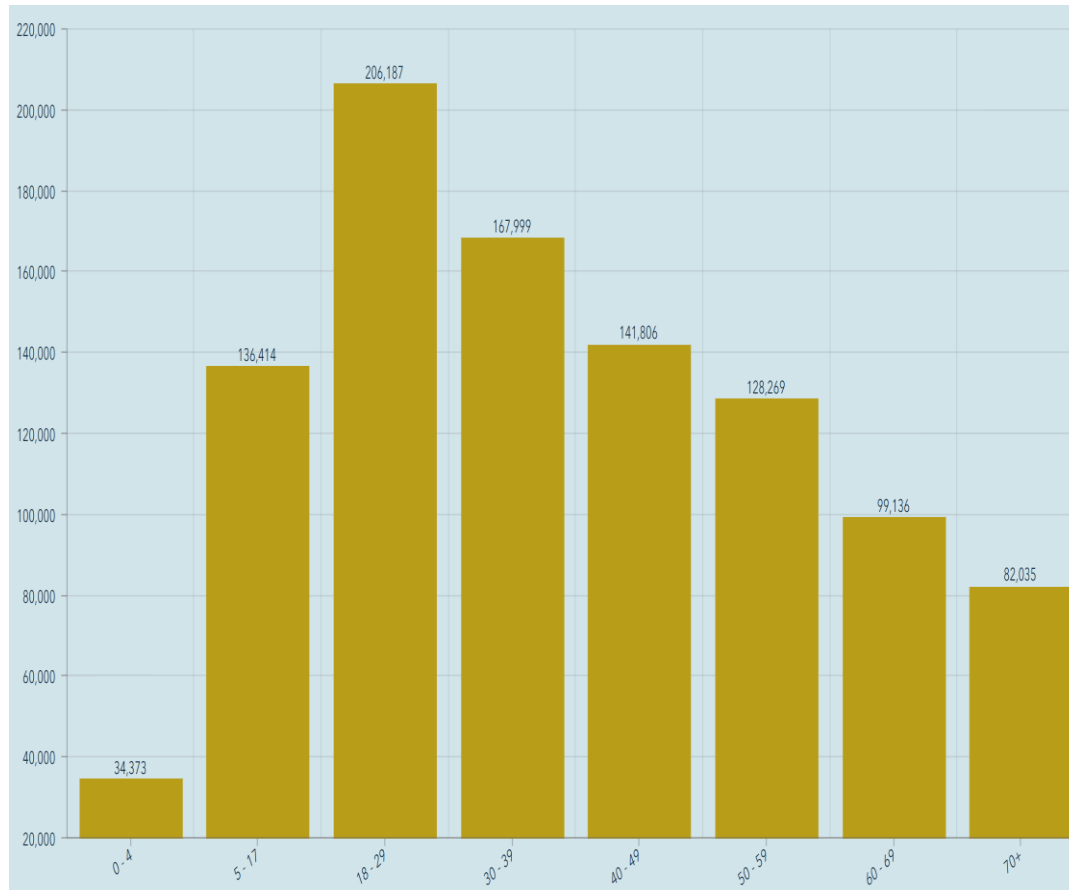
COVID-19 deaths by date of death statewide as of January 17, 2022.



Source: Louisiana Office of Public Health, Region 6 (Central Louisiana), January 17, 2022.

COVID-19 CASES & DEATHS BY AGE GROUP

COVID-19 cases (left) and deaths (right) statewide by age group as of January 17, 2022.



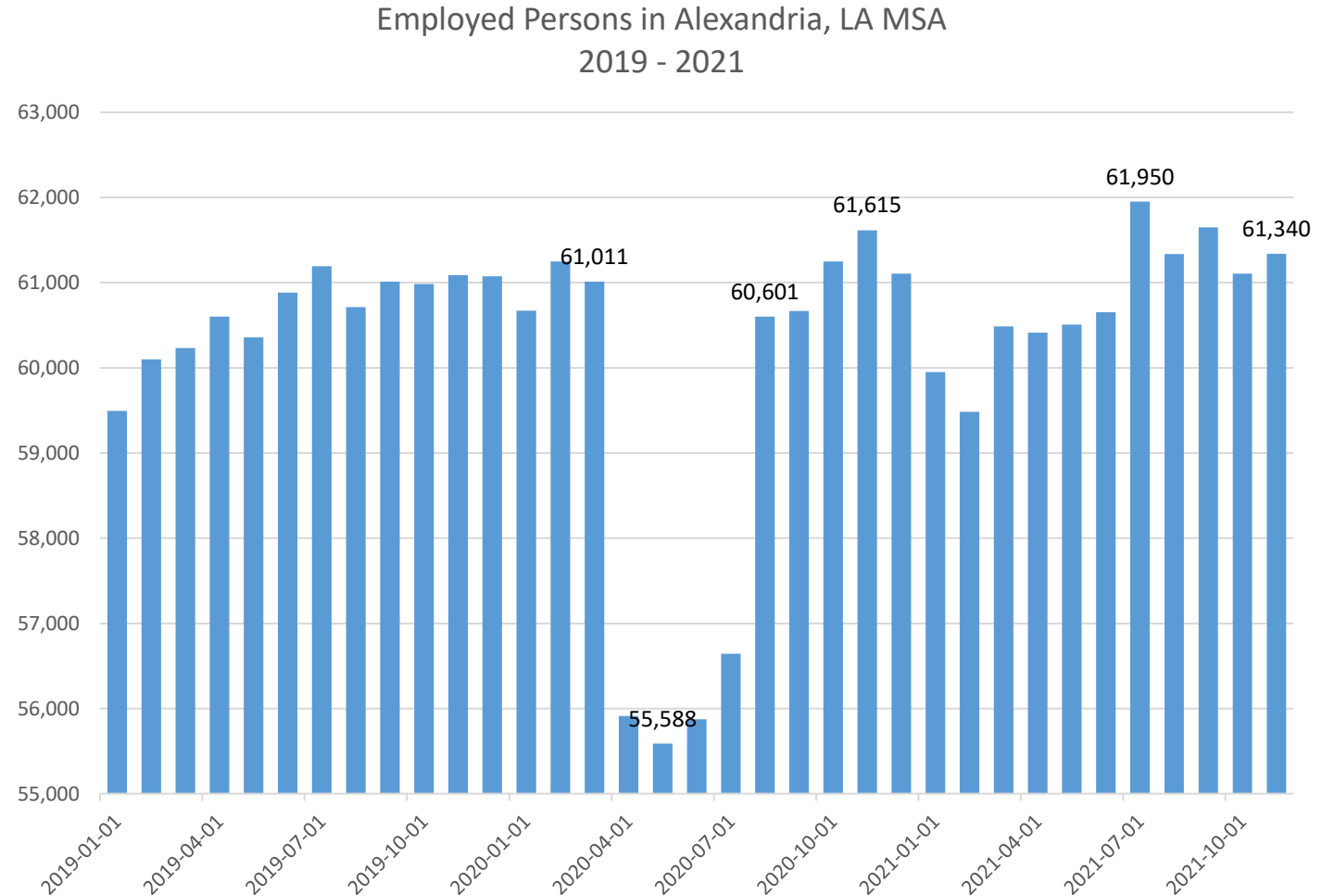
Source: Louisiana Office of Public Health, Region 6 (Central Louisiana), January 17, 2022.

EMPLOYMENT

EMPLOYMENT IN ALEXANDRIA MSA

Employed persons in the Alexandria MSA from 2019 – 2021.

- ✓ In November 2021, 61,340 were employed in the Alexandria metro area, an increase of 236 from October but 275 below last year at this time.
- ✓ Unemployment in Alexandria MSA fell to 3.0% in November from 3.2% in October.



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BY CENLA PARISH

The table below shows November 2021 preliminary unemployment rate, labor force, and employment data for central Louisiana parishes.

- ✓ In November, parishes in central Louisiana had an average unemployment rate of 3.6% compared to 4.1% statewide.
- ✓ At 2.3%, La Salle Parish had the lowest unemployment rate in the state, a record it has held throughout the pandemic.
- ✓ Grant and Rapides had the 14th and 15th lowest unemployment rate in the state, respectively. Natchitoches ranked 26th.

Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate Nov 2021	Unemployment Rate Oct 2021
Allen	8,256	7,928	328	4.0%	4.2%
Avoyelles	14,685	14,143	542	3.7%	3.9%
Catahoula	3,456	3,331	125	3.6%	3.9%
Concordia	6,886	6,587	299	4.3%	4.5%
Evangeline	12,134	11,660	474	3.9%	4.1%
Grant	8,131	7,884	247	3.0%	3.1%
La Salle	6,711	6,554	157	2.3%	2.6%
Natchitoches	16,328	15,767	561	3.4%	3.6%
Rapides	55,118	53,456	1,662	3.0%	3.2%
St. Landry	31,967	30,441	1,526	4.8%	4.9%
Vernon	15,803	15,275	528	3.3%	3.7%

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AMONG LA METROS

The table below shows November 2021 preliminary unemployment rate, labor force, and employment data for Metropolitan Statistical Areas in Louisiana.

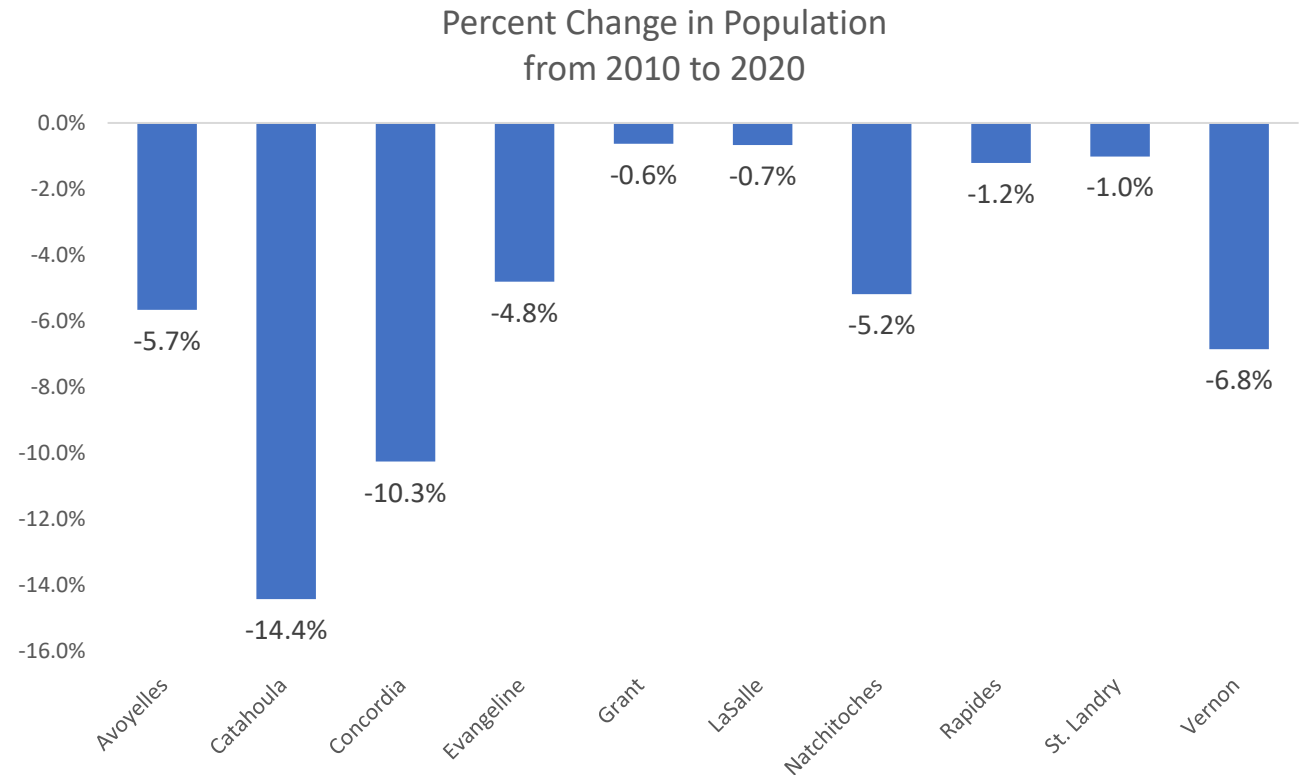
- ✓ At 3.0%, the Alexandria MSA had the lowest unemployment rate among the state's major metro areas for the 19th straight month.
- ✓ Louisiana's unemployment rate fell 0.2% in November to 4.1% from 4.3% in October.

Area	Unemployment Rate	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed
Louisiana	4.1%	2,068,760	1,984,924	83,836
Alexandria	3.0%	63,249	61,340	1,909
Baton Rouge	3.5%	422,090	407,198	14,892
Lafayette	3.6%	210,061	202,460	7,601
Monroe	3.6%	78,488	75,672	2,816
Houma-Thibodaux	4.0%	87,717	84,187	3,530
Lake Charles	4.0%	98,818	94,820	3,998
Shreveport-Bossier City	4.0%	183,489	176,200	7,289
Hammond	4.8%	56,770	54,042	2,728
New Orleans-Metairie	4.8%	584,646	556,768	27,878

CHANGE IN PARISH POPULATION – 2010 v. 2020

The tables below shows the 2010 and 2020 population by parish while the graph shows the percentage change over the decade.

	2010 Pop.	2020 Pop.
Avoyelles	42,073	39,693
Catahoula	10,407	8,906
Concordia	20,822	18,687
Evangeline	33,984	32,350
Grant	22,309	22,169
LaSalle	14,890	14,791
Natchitoches	39,566	37,515
Rapides	131,613	130,023
St. Landry	83,384	82,540
Vernon	52,334	48,750



- Every parish in central Louisiana declined in population between 2010 to 2020 with central Louisiana's population declining -3.5%, compared to -2.7% for the state.

UNEMPLOYED PER JOB OPENING

The table below shows the number of unemployed, number of advertised jobs online, and the ratio of unemployed to advertised job openings online for Metropolitan Statistical Areas in Louisiana in November 2021.

✓ In November 2021, the Alexandria MSA had the tightest labor market in the state once again with only 0.34 unemployed persons per job opening, meaning there were three job opening for every unemployed.

✓ Every metro area in the state had more job openings than unemployed including Houma-Thibodaux which as lagged behind the state.

November 2021

Rank	Metro Area	Unemployed	Job Openings	Unemployed per Job Opening
1	Alexandria	1,909	5,652	0.34
2	Lafayette	4,518	7,980	0.57
3	Lake Charles	3,998	6,818	0.59
4	New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner	27,354	45,487	0.60
5	Shreveport-Bossier City	6,734	11,036	0.61
6	Baton Rouge	14,892	22,636	0.66
7	Monroe	2,816	4,075	0.69
8	Houma-Bayou Cane-Thibodaux	3,530	3,775	0.94

TOP EMPLOYERS

The tables below shows employers with the highest number of job openings advertised online on January 16, 2022.

Alexandria MSA

Employer	Job Openings
CHRISTUS Health	374
HCA Healthcare, Inc.	246
LA Dept of State Civil Service	47
A First Name Basis	36
Anders Group	31
City of Alexandria, LA	30
AHS NurseStat	28
Strategic Resources, Inc.	22

Louisiana

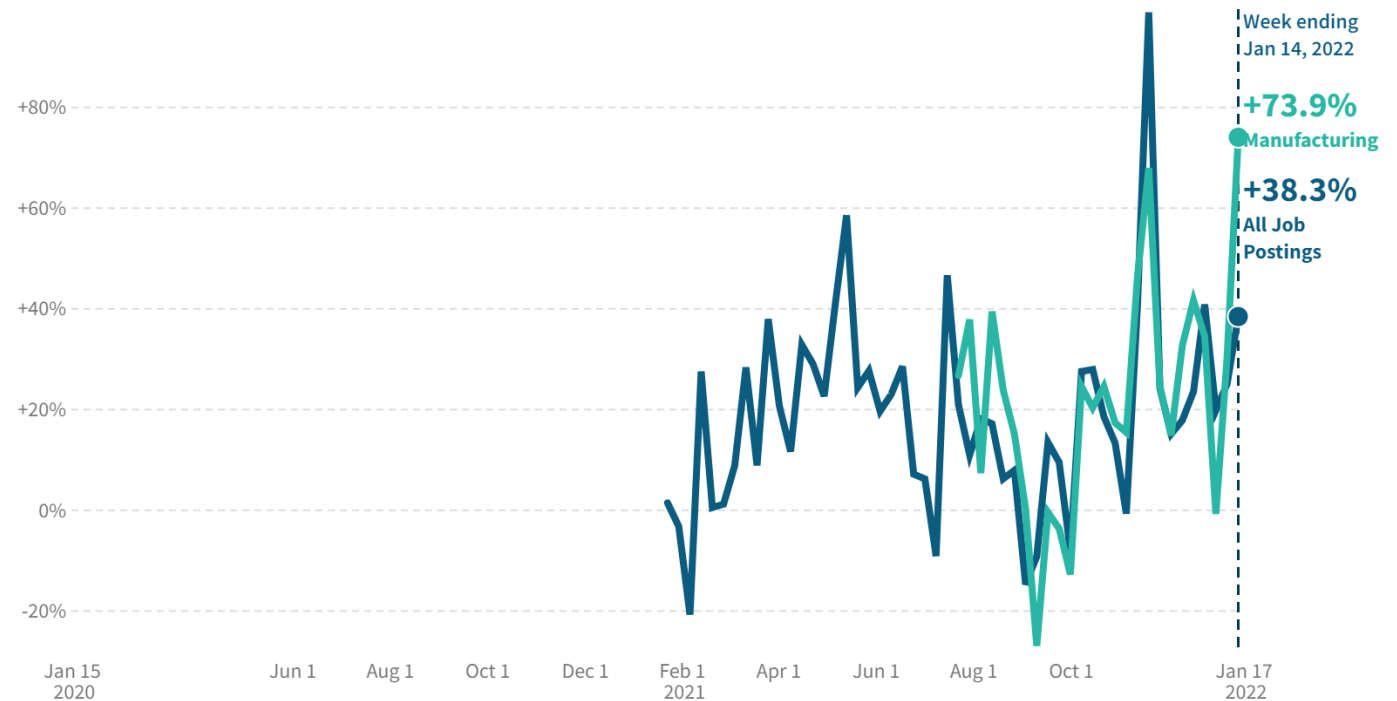
Employer Name	Job Openings
Ochsner Health System	2,135
Tulane University	1,493
CHRISTUS Health	1,129
McDonald's Corporation	810
HCA Healthcare, Inc.	776
La Dept of State Civil Service	654
Dollar Tree, Inc.	531
Lake Charles Memorial Health Sys	509
Pizza Hut, Inc.	466

PERCENT CHANGE IN JOB POSTING IN LOUISIANA

The chart below represents the percent change in job posting by industry in Louisiana as of January 14, 2022 with January 2020 as the baseline.

<u>Industry</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Education & Health Services	+19%
Manufacturing	+74%
Leisure & Hospitality	0%
Professional	+38%
Financial	+81%

In Louisiana, as of January 14 2022, total job postings increased by **38.3%** compared to January 2020.



data source: **Burning Glass Technologies**

TAX REVENUE

TAX REVENUE OVERVIEW

An overview of sales, vehicle sales, and hotel occupancy taxes collected in the December 2021 reflecting sales activity in November 2021.

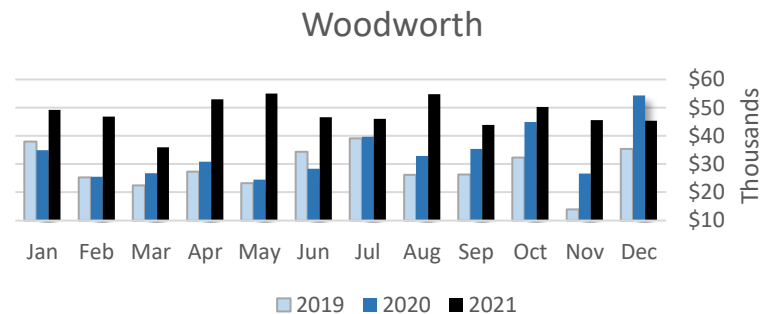
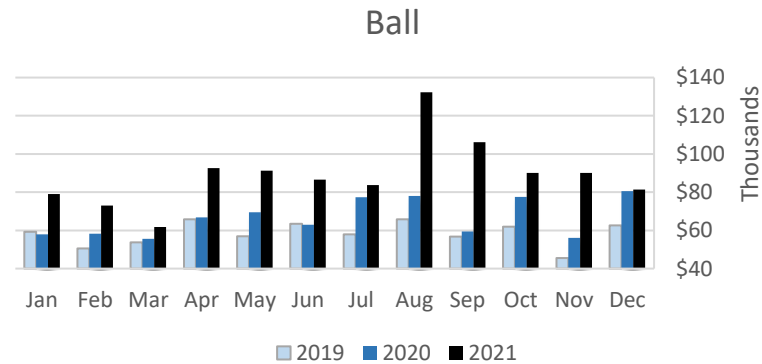
December 2021

Sales Tax	M/M	Y/Y	YTD		Vehicle Sales Tax	M/M	Y/Y	YTD
Alexandria	2%	-3%	13%		Avoyelles	-20%	-5%	15%
Avoyelles	-4%	9%	23%		Evangeline	-23%	8%	23%
Catahoula	-10%	2%	44%		Natchitoches*	-15%	5%	11%
Concordia	5%	1%	14%		Rapides	-14%	-9%	24%
Evangeline	0%	49%	31%		St. Landry	-7%	17%	19%
Grant	-4%	10%	18%					
La Salle	1%	4%	17%					
Natchitoches	-5%	11%	16%		Hotel Occupancy Tax			
Pineville	6%	-3%	7%		Avoyelles	-19%	64%	21%
Rapides	1%	-7%	15%		Natchitoches	-9%	41%	25%
St. Landry	9%	15%	10%		Rapides	-25%	-2%	18%

Notes: December tax revenue reflects sales activity in November. * This entry reflects November data. N/a = Not available
Data Source noted in detailed reports.

RAPIDES PARISH TOWNS & CITIES

An overview of sales tax revenue in Rapides Parish other towns and cities in December 2021 (excluding Alexandria and Pineville).



December

	Dec-20	Nov-21	Dec-21	% M/M	% Y/Y	%YTD
Ball	\$80,551	\$90,045	\$81,395	-9.6%	1.0%	34.0%
Boyce	\$52,712	\$46,032	\$39,270	-14.7%	-25.5%	35.0%
Cheneyville	\$2,745	\$3,138	\$2,949	-6.0%	7.4%	-6.0%
Glenmora	\$22,107	\$20,750	\$19,843	-4.4%	-10.2%	10.0%
Lecompte	\$32,317	\$23,124	\$23,178	0.2%	-28.3%	7.0%
Woodworth	\$54,288	\$45,514	\$45,356	-0.3%	-16.5%	41.0%


Note: Current tax revenue reflects sales activity in prior month.


Data Source: Rapides Parish Police Jury Treasurer's Reports, January 2022.


ALEXANDRIA SALES TAX

(TR) Alexandria total sales tax revenue for December with previous month, year, and YTD comparisons.

(BR) Alexandria total monthly sales tax revenue from 2019 to present.

December  2%

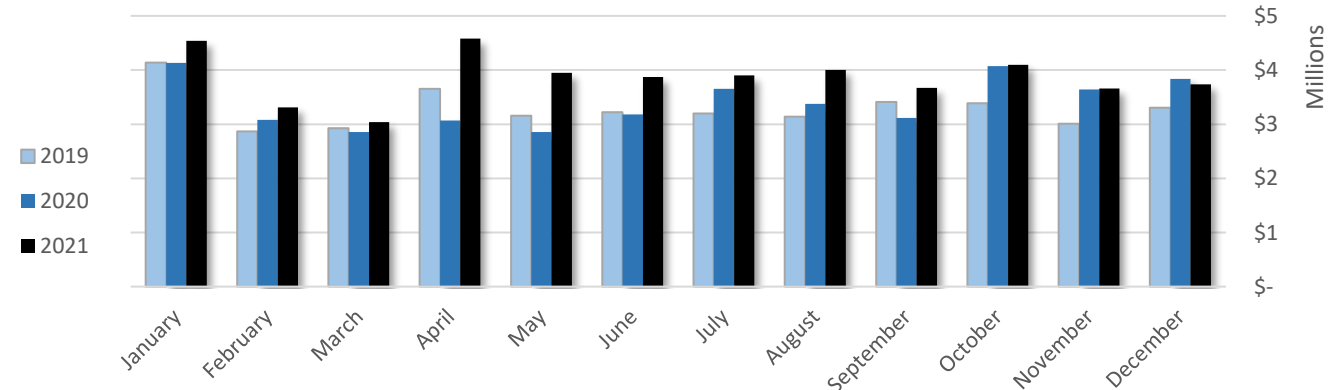
Dec YoY  -3%

Dec YTD  13%

December

	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 3,170,790	\$ 3,304,565	\$ 3,837,325	\$ 3,734,534
November	\$ 2,969,135	\$ 3,009,970	\$ 3,644,343	\$ 3,659,805
% Chg over Prev Month	6.8%	9.8%	5.3%	2.0%
% Chg over Prev Year		4.2%	16.1%	-2.7%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$ 38,822,965	\$ 39,422,880	\$ 40,876,845	\$ 46,361,662
% Chg over Prev YTD		1.5%	3.7%	13.4%

Alexandria Sales Tax Revenue
2019-2021





Note: December sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in November.
Data Source: Rapides Parish Police Jury Treasurer's Reports, January 2022.


AVOYELLES SALES TAX

Avoyelles Parish total sales tax revenue for December with previous month, year, and year-to-date comparisons. Vehicle and hotel tax revenues are excluded.

December

December 
-4%

Dec YoY 
9%

Dec YTD 
23%

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 1,277,728	\$ 1,315,332	\$ 1,483,307	\$ 1,565,736	\$ 1,708,107
November	\$ 1,331,874	\$ 1,327,497	\$ 1,381,375	\$ 1,740,322	\$ 1,771,546
% Chg over Prev Month	-4.1%	-0.9%	7.4%	-10.0%	-3.6%
% Chg over Prev Year		2.9%	12.8%	5.6%	9.1%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$16,822,643	\$16,686,430	\$17,621,515	\$18,179,299	\$22,298,320
% Chg over Prev YTD		-0.8%	5.6%	3.2%	22.7%


Note: December sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in November.


Data Source: Avoyelles Parish School Board. January 2022.


AVOYELLES VEHICLE SALES TAX

Avoyelles Parish vehicle sales tax revenue for December with previous month, year, and year-to-date comparisons.

December

December  -20%

Dec YoY  -5%

Dec YTD  15%

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 224,365	\$ 213,280	\$ 217,793	\$ 300,598	\$ 285,905
November	\$ 263,934	\$ 252,683	\$ 344,537	\$ 338,066	\$ 355,777
% Chg over Prev Month	-15.0%	-15.6%	-36.8%	-11.1%	-19.6%
% Chg over Prev Year		-4.9%	2.1%	38.0%	-4.9%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$ 3,273,164	\$ 3,135,135	\$ 3,346,864	\$ 3,576,377	\$ 4,114,543
% Chg over Prev YTD		-4.2%	6.8%	6.9%	15.0%


Note: December sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in November.


Data Source: Avoyelles Parish School Board. January 2022


CATAHOULA SALES TAX

Catahoula Parish total sales tax revenue for December with previous month, year, and year-to-date comparisons.

December

December 
-10%

Dec YoY 
2%

Dec YTD 
44%

	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 443,759	\$ 530,966	\$ 543,087	\$ 551,876
November	\$ 457,913	\$ 353,919	\$ 410,962	\$ 614,526
% Chg over Prev Month	-3.1%	50.0%	32.2%	-10.2%
% Chg over Prev Year		19.7%	2.3%	1.6%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$ 5,782,429	\$ 5,700,428	\$ 5,891,740	\$ 8,510,038
% Chg over Prev YTD		-1.4%	3.4%	44.4%


Note: December sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in November.


Data Source: Catahoula Parish Tax Administrator, January 2022


CONCORDIA SALES TAX

Concordia Parish total sales tax revenue for December with previous month, year, and year-to-date comparisons.

December

December 
5%

Dec YoY 
1%

Dec YTD 
14%

	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 990,723	\$ 1,172,459	\$ 1,255,832	\$ 1,267,286
November	\$ 1,048,864	\$ 944,540	\$ 1,004,142	\$ 1,207,293
% Chg over Prev Month	-5.5%	24.1%	25.1%	5.0%
% Chg over Prev Year		18.3%	7.1%	0.9%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$ 12,231,460	\$ 13,392,009	\$ 13,319,751	\$ 15,167,240
% Chg over Prev YTD		9.5%	-0.5%	13.9%

Note: December sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in November.


Data Source: Concordia Parish Tax Administrator. January 2022


EVANGELINE SALES TAX

Evangeline Parish total sales tax revenue for December with previous month, year and YTD comparisons.

December

December 0%

Dec YoY  49%

Dec YTD  31%

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 1,373,448	\$ 1,436,980	\$ 1,390,677	\$ 1,523,452	\$ 2,269,568
November	\$ 1,519,480	\$ 1,488,901	\$ 1,976,232	\$ 1,771,601	\$ 2,262,876
% Chg over Prev Month	-9.6%	-3.5%	-29.6%	-14.0%	0.3%
% Chg over Prev Year		4.6%	-3.2%	9.5%	49.0%
YTD	\$ 16,608,775	\$ 16,581,886	\$ 17,376,100	\$ 17,858,095	\$ 23,370,695
% Chg over Prev YTD		-0.2%	4.8%	2.8%	30.9%

Note: December sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in November. Evangeline implemented a 1% sales tax increase July 1, 2021.

Data Source: Evangeline Parish Sales Tax Commissioner. January 2022

EVANGELINE VEHICLE SALES TAX

Evangeline Parish vehicle sales tax revenue for December with previous month, year and YTD comparisons.

December

December



-23%

Dec YoY



8%

Dec YTD



23%

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 254,715	\$ 249,226	\$ 219,748	\$ 306,309	\$ 329,723
November	\$ 267,499	\$ 295,869	\$ 330,988	\$ 339,180	\$ 428,648
% Chg over Prev Month	-4.8%	-15.8%	-33.6%	-9.7%	-23.1%
% Chg over Prev Year		-2.2%	-11.8%	39.4%	7.6%
YTD	\$ 3,203,824	\$ 3,205,417	\$ 3,303,929	\$ 3,581,958	\$ 4,393,371
% Chg over Prev YTD		0.0%	3.1%	8.4%	22.7%


Note: December sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in November. Evangeline implemented a 1% sales tax increase July 1, 2021.


Data Source: Evangeline Parish Sales Tax Commissioner. January 2022


GRANT SALES TAX

(TR) Grant sales tax revenue for December with previous month, year, and YTD comparisons.

(BR) Grant monthly sales tax revenue from 2019 to present.

December  -4%

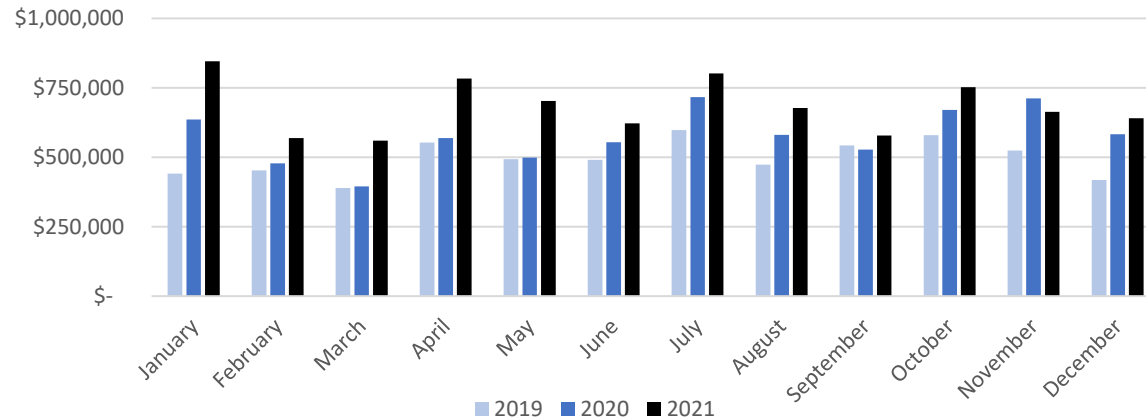
Dec YoY  10%

Dec YTD  18%

December

	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 509,622	\$ 418,667	\$ 582,796	\$ 640,149
November	\$ 497,133	\$ 524,391	\$ 711,713	\$ 663,541
% Chg over Prev Month	2.5%	-20.2%	-18.1%	-3.5%
% Chg over Prev Year		-17.8%	39.2%	9.8%
YTD (Jan - Dec)		\$ 5,954,740	\$ 6,919,392	\$ 8,194,332
% Chg over Prev YTD			16.2%	18.4%

Grant Parish Sales Tax Revenue
2019-2021




Note: December sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in November.
Data Source: Grant Parish Sheriff's Office, January 2022.

LA SALLE SALES TAX

La Salle Parish total sales tax revenue for December with previous month, year, and year-to-date comparisons.

December

December 
1%

Dec YoY 
4%

Dec YTD 
17%

	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 806,187	\$ 923,277	\$ 927,632	\$ 959,729
November	\$ 960,470	\$ 775,187	\$ 814,227	\$ 953,565
% Chg over Prev Month	-16.1%	19.1%	13.9%	0.6%
% Chg over Prev Year		14.5%	0.5%	3.5%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$ 10,682,008	\$ 10,714,139	\$ 10,448,878	\$ 12,272,162
% Chg over Prev YTD		0.3%	-2.5%	17.4%

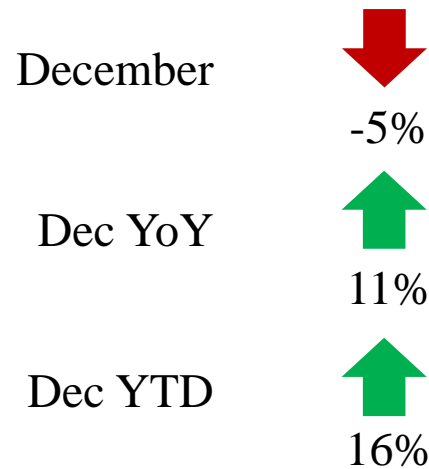
Note: December sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in November.

Data Source: La Salle Parish Tax Administrator, January 2021

NATCHITOCHESES SALES TAX

(TR) Natchitoches sales tax revenue for December with previous month, year, and YTD comparisons.

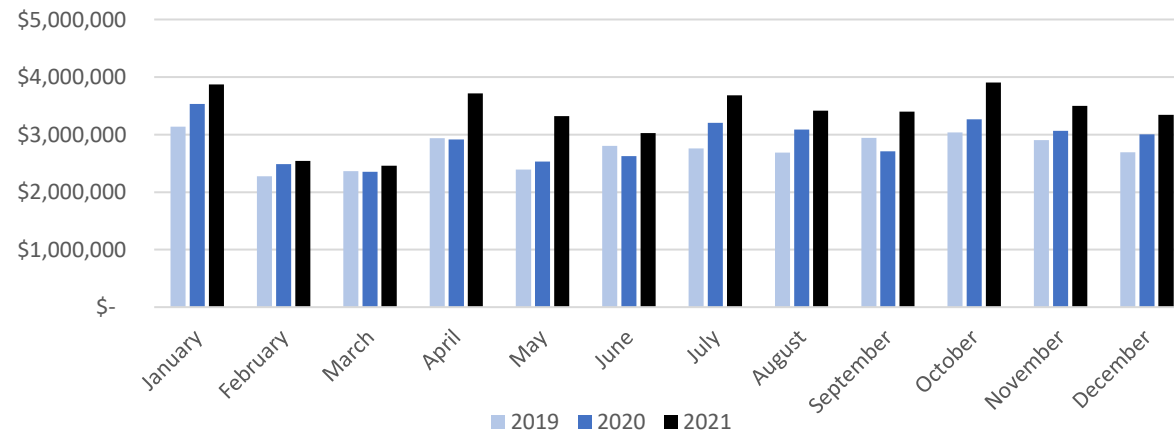
(BR) Natchitoches monthly sales tax revenue from 2019 to present.



December

	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 2,694,977	\$ 3,005,083	\$ 3,342,236
November	\$ 2,905,066	\$ 3,067,779	\$ 3,503,058
% Chg over Prev Month	-7.2%	-2.0%	-4.6%
% Chg over Prev Year		11.5%	11.2%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$32,954,016	\$34,788,843	\$40,195,555
% Chg over Prev YTD		5.6%	15.5%

Natchitoches Parish Sales Tax Revenue
2019-2021



Note: December sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in November.
Data Source: Natchitoches Parish Tax Commission, January 2022.


NATCHITOCHESES VEHICLE SALES TAX


(TR) Natchitoches vehicle sales tax revenue for November with previous month, year, and YTD comparisons.


(BR) Natchitoches monthly vehicle sales tax revenue from 2019 to present.

November*

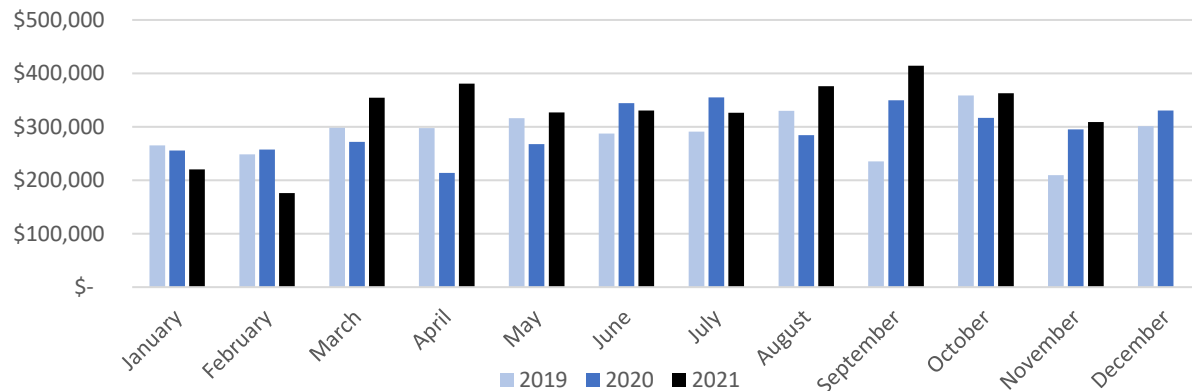
	2019	2020	2021
November	\$ 209,849	\$ 295,325	\$ 309,179
October	\$ 358,593	\$ 316,647	\$ 362,996
% Chg over Prev Month	-41.5%	-6.7%	-14.8%
% Chg over Prev Year		40.7%	4.7%
YTD (Jan - Nov)	\$ 3,138,198	\$ 3,212,077	\$ 3,578,573
% Chg over Prev YTD		2.4%	11.4%

November  -15%

Nov YoY  5%

Nov YTD  11%

Natchitoches Parish Vehicle Sales Tax Revenue
2019-2021



Note: November sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in October. *December 2021 vehicle sales tax revenue was not available at time of publication.

Data Source: Natchitoches Parish Tax Commission, January 2022.


PINEVILLE SALES TAX


(TR) Pineville sales tax revenue for December with previous month, year, and YTD comparisons.


(BR) Pineville monthly sales tax revenue from 2019 to present.

December

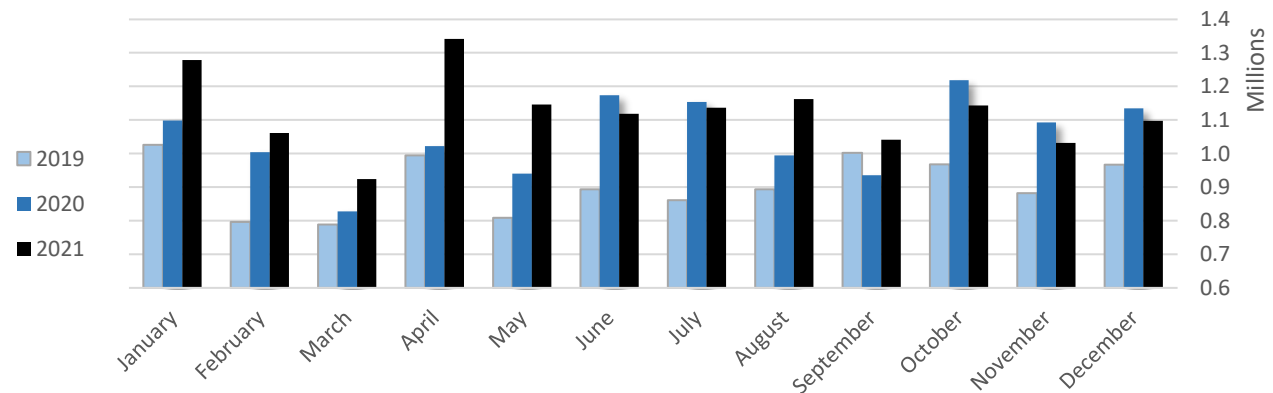
	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 799,180	\$ 966,455	\$ 1,134,648	\$ 1,097,164
November	\$ 783,455	\$ 881,728	\$ 1,092,633	\$ 1,031,203
% Chg over Prev Month	2.0%	9.6%	3.8%	6.4%
% Chg over Prev Year		20.9%	17.4%	-3.3%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$ 10,368,350	\$ 10,881,178	\$ 12,595,065	\$ 13,479,726
% Chg over Prev YTD		4.9%	15.8%	7.0%

December 
6%

Dec YoY 
-3%

Dec YTD 
7%

Pineville Sales Tax Revenue
2019-2021

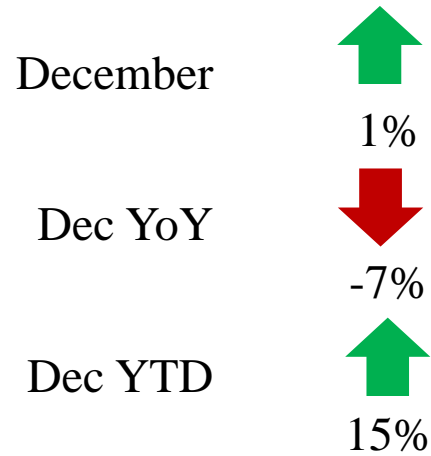


Note: Current sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in the prior month.
Data Source: Rapides Parish Police Jury Treasurer's Reports, January 2022.

RAPIDES SALES TAX

(TR) Rapides Parish sales tax revenue for December with previous month, year, and YTD comparisons.

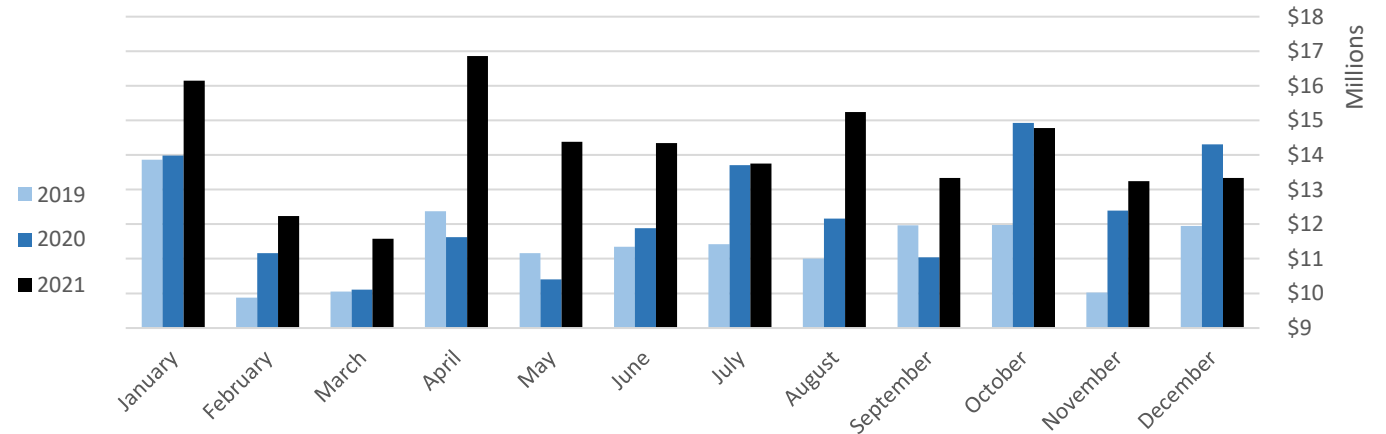
(BR) Rapides monthly sales tax revenue from 2019 to present.



December

	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 10,707,459	\$ 11,949,427	\$ 14,310,091	\$ 13,331,411
November	\$ 10,345,035	\$ 10,020,103	\$ 12,392,688	\$ 13,241,984
% Chg over Prev Month	3.5%	19.3%	15.5%	0.7%
% Chg over Prev Year		11.6%	19.8%	-6.8%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$ 132,626,141	\$ 137,003,634	\$ 147,714,442	\$ 169,210,555
% Chg over Prev YTD		3.3%	7.8%	14.6%

Rapides Parish Total Sales Tax Revenue
2019 - 2021



Note: Current sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in the prior month.
Data Source: Rapides Parish Police Jury Treasurer's Reports, January 2022.

RAPIDES VEHICLE SALES TAX

Rapides Parish vehicle sales tax revenue for December with previous month, year, and YTD comparisons.

December

December



-14%

Dec YoY



-9%

Dec YTD



24%




	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 859,567	\$ 1,026,339	\$ 1,361,953	\$ 1,234,386
November	\$ 1,074,996	\$ 1,026,339	\$ 1,361,953	\$ 1,438,175
% Chg over Prev Month	-20.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-14.2%
% Chg over Prev Year		19.4%	32.7%	-9.4%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$12,471,050	\$13,158,376	\$15,276,958	\$18,960,245
% Chg over Prev YTD		5.5%	16.1%	24.1%

*Data for December 2019 and 2020 included November sales and is evenly divided between the months.

Data Source: Rapides Parish Police Jury Treasurer's Reports, January 2022.

ST. LANDRY SALES TAX

St. Landry Parish sales tax revenue for December with previous month, year, and YTD comparisons.




		<i>December</i>				
		2018	2019	2020	2021	
December	 9%	\$ 5,373,575	\$ 5,662,822	\$ 6,109,745	\$ 7,049,948	
Dec YoY	 15%	\$ 5,469,251	\$ 5,187,307	\$ 6,821,590	\$ 6,490,074	
		% Chg over Prev Month	-1.7%	9.2%	-10.4%	8.6%
		% Chg over Prev Year		5.4%	7.9%	15.4%
Dec YTD	 10%					
		YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$68,841,515	\$69,912,003	\$77,708,999	\$85,658,162
		% Chg over Prev YTD		1.6%	11.2%	10.2%

Note: December sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in November.

Data Source: Tax revenue data from St. Landry Parish School Board. January 2022

ST. LANDRY VEHICLE SALES TAX

St. Landry Parish vehicle sales tax revenue for December with previous month, year, and YTD comparisons.

		<i>December</i>				
		2018	2019	2020	2021	
December	 -7%	\$ 735,058	\$ 1,560,312	\$ 791,899	\$ 929,755	
Dec YoY	 17%	\$ 794,158	\$ 780,156	\$ 917,278	\$ 1,002,152	
		% Chg over Prev Month	-7.4%	100.0%	-13.7%	-7.2%
		% Chg over Prev Year		112.3%	-49.2%	17.4%
Dec YTD	 19%					
		YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$ 9,498,887	\$ 9,876,102	\$10,090,514	\$12,018,299
		% Chg over Prev YTD		4.0%	2.2%	19.1%

Note: December sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in November.

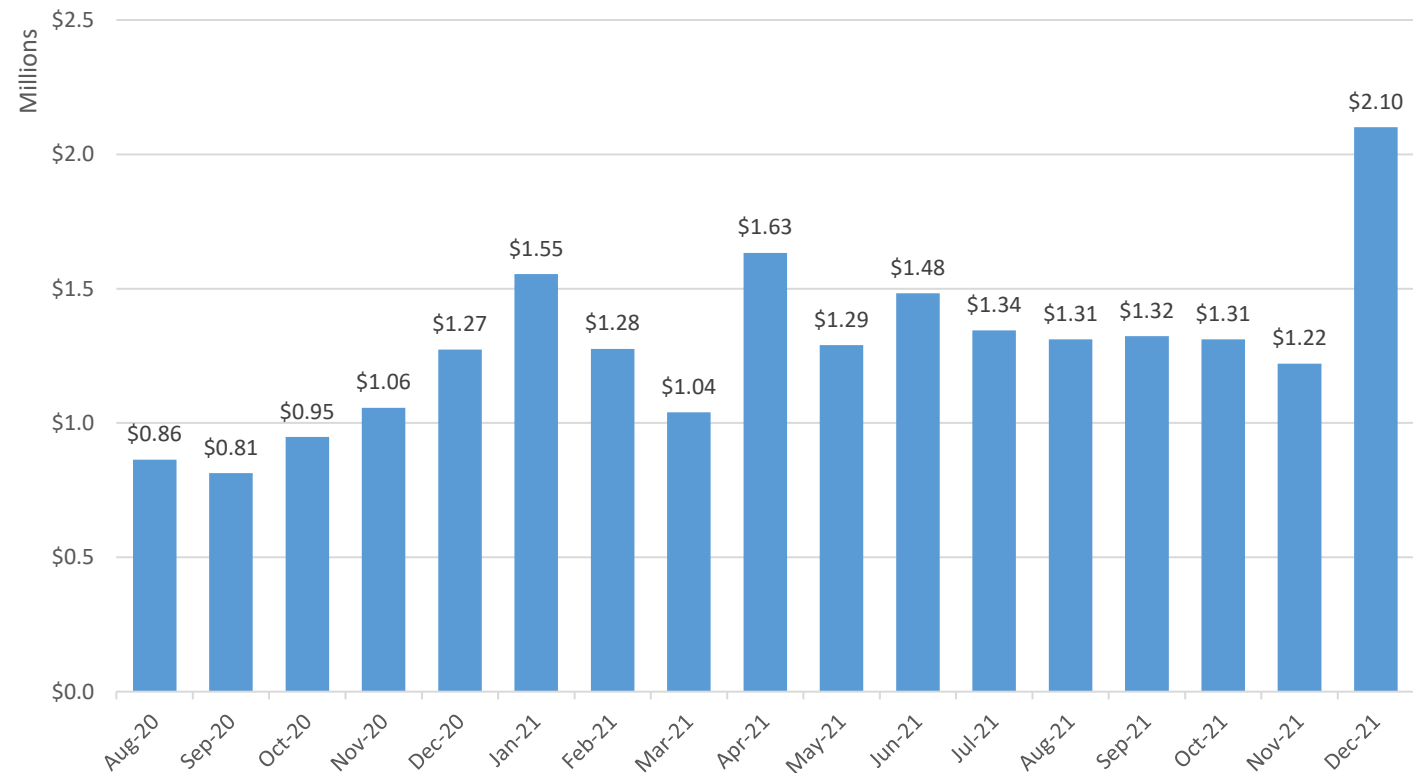
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REMOTE SELLERS TAX REVENUE IN CENLA

Remote seller tax revenue is tax revenue from online sales by location of the seller at the time of purchase.

- ✓ Since August 2020 when remote sellers tax revenue collection started, \$21.8 million in sales tax revenue have been collected from online sales in central Louisiana with Rapides collecting \$6.6 million.
- ✓ Online sales tax revenue in Cenla jumped 72% in December from November and is up 65% over December 2020.

Remote Sellers Sales Tax Collection in Cenla
August 2020 - December 2021



Note: Sales tax revenue collected in December reflects sales activity in November.

Data Source: Louisiana Sales and Use Tax Commission for Remote Sellers. August 2020 – December 2021

REMOTE SELLERS TAX REVENUE BY PARISH

Remote seller tax revenue by parish with month-over-month and year-over-year comparisons.

✓ Total online sales tax revenue in Cenla in December 2021 leaped 72% from a month earlier and 65% from December 2020.

	Dec-21	Nov-21	Dec-20	M/M	Y/Y	YTD
Allen	\$ 96,845	\$ 58,985	\$ 69,016	64%	40%	\$ 828,383
Avoyelles	\$ 149,266	\$ 84,156	\$ 86,472	77%	73%	\$ 1,168,407
Catahoula	\$ 51,240	\$ 29,494	\$ 31,566	74%	62%	\$ 434,109
Concordia	\$ 70,572	\$ 40,440	\$ 41,710	75%	69%	\$ 559,553
Evangeline	\$ 158,758	\$ 95,108	\$ 84,969	67%	87%	\$ 1,370,611
Grant	\$ 80,851	\$ 47,663	\$ 50,354	70%	61%	\$ 637,019
LaSalle	\$ 59,490	\$ 33,123	\$ 31,690	80%	88%	\$ 637,019
Natchitoches	\$ 171,712	\$ 99,053	\$ 94,463	73%	82%	\$ 1,283,385
Rapides	\$ 635,693	\$ 355,793	\$ 386,024	79%	65%	\$ 5,095,974
St Landry	\$ 388,798	\$ 233,330	\$ 237,188	67%	64%	\$ 3,200,575
Vernon	\$ 237,479	\$ 143,821	\$ 159,311	65%	49%	\$ 2,018,847
Total (Cenla)	\$ 2,100,704	\$ 1,220,966	\$1,272,763	72%	65%	\$ 16,888,391

Note: Sales tax revenue collected in December reflects sales activity in November.

Data Source: Louisiana Sales and Use Tax Commission for Remote Sellers. August 2020 – December 2021

REMOTE SELLERS TAX REVENUE IN RAPIDES

Remote sellers tax revenue from online sales in Rapides Parish from July 2020 – December 2021.

December



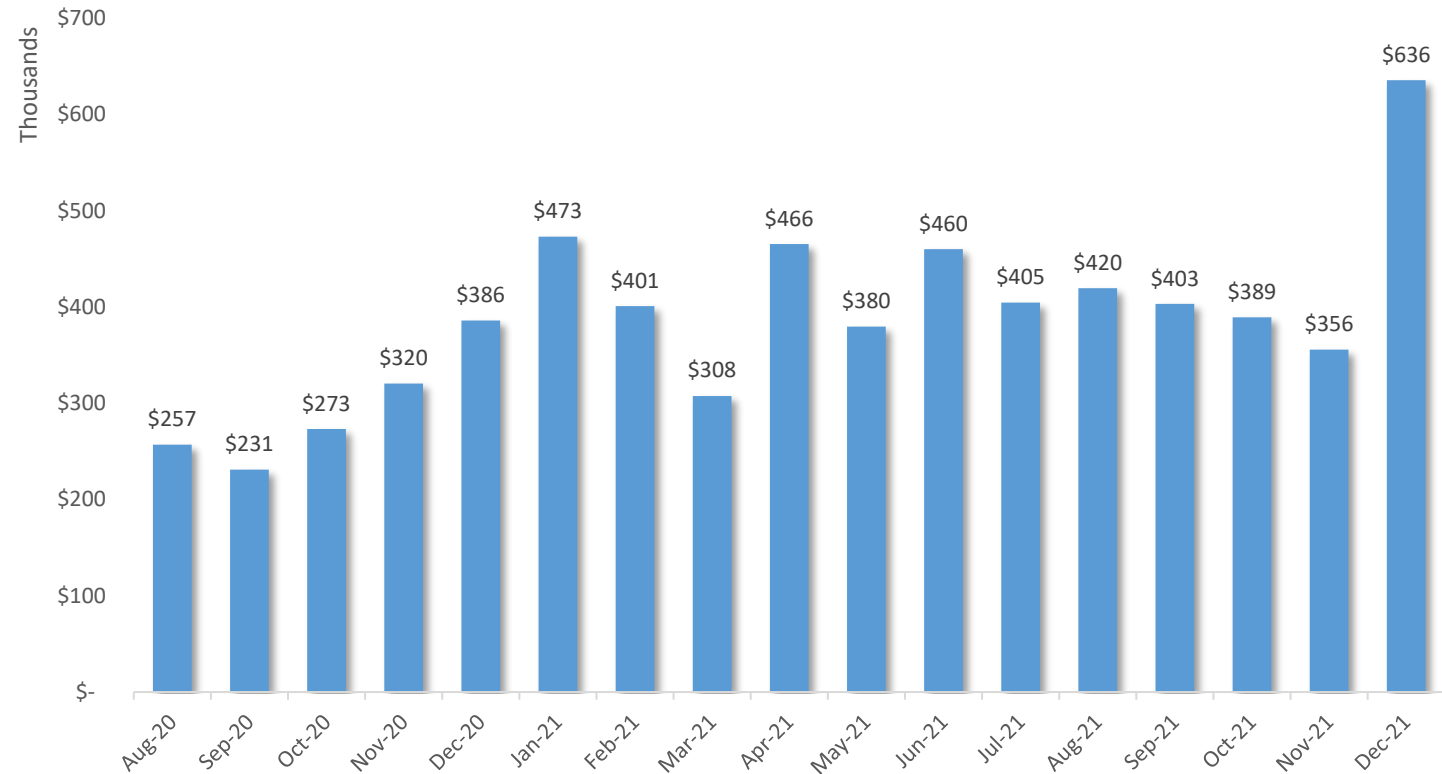
72%

Dec YoY



65%

Rapides Remote Sellers Tax Revenue
2020-2021





Note: Sales tax revenue collected in one month reflects sales activity in the prior month.

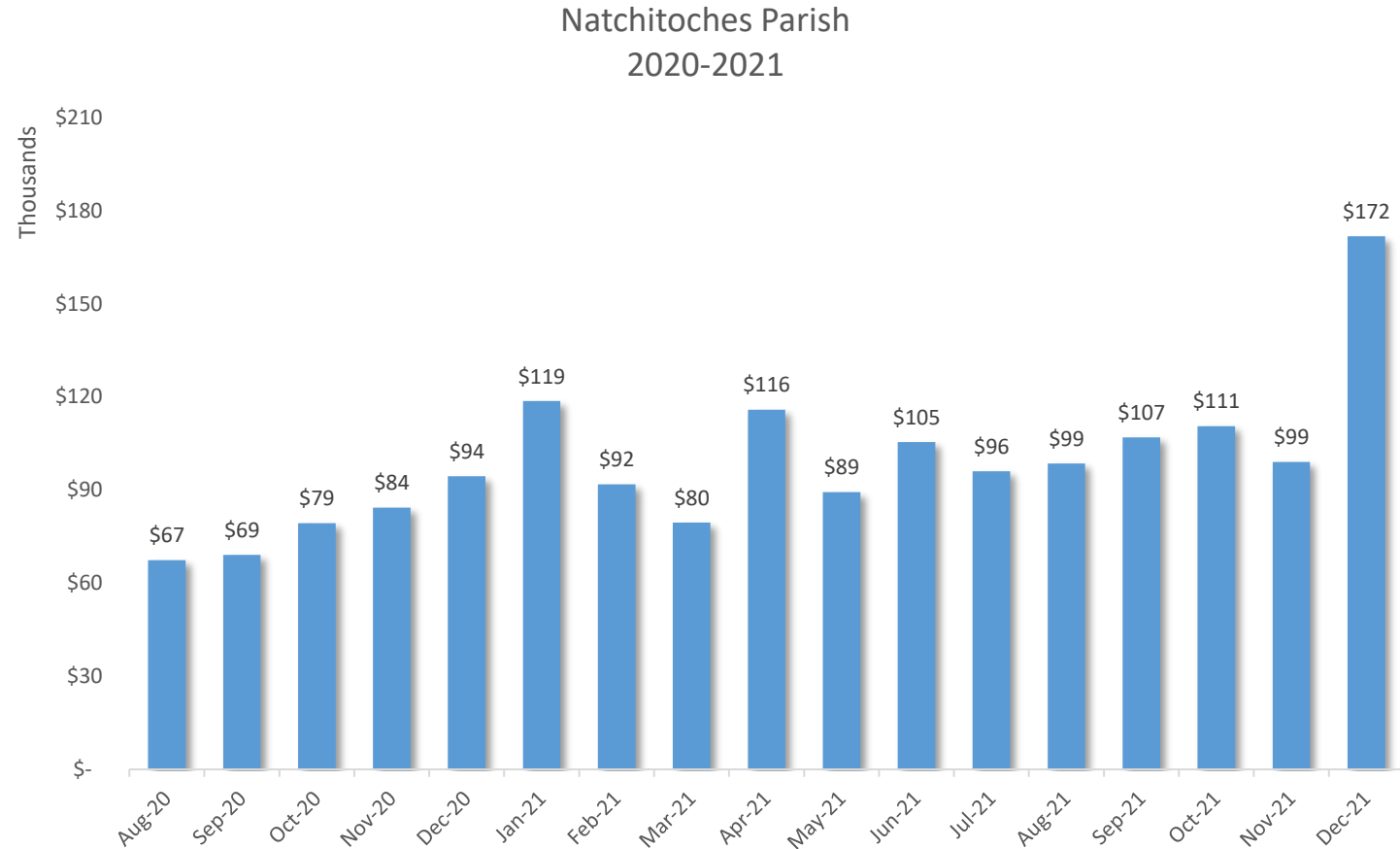
Data Source: Louisiana Sales and Use Tax Commission for Remote Sellers. August 2020 – December 2021

REMOTE SELLERS TAX REVENUE IN NATCHITOCHES

Remote sellers tax revenue from online sales in Natchitoches Parish from July 2020 – December 2021.

December 
73%

Dec YoY 
82%




Note: Sales tax revenue collected in one month reflects sales activity in the prior month.


Data Source: Louisiana Sales and Use Tax Commission for Remote Sellers. August 2020 – December 2021

LOUISIANA TAX REVENUES

(TR) Louisiana tax revenue from all sources for December with previous month, year, and YTD comparisons.

(BR) Louisiana monthly tax revenue from 2019 to present.

December 
22%

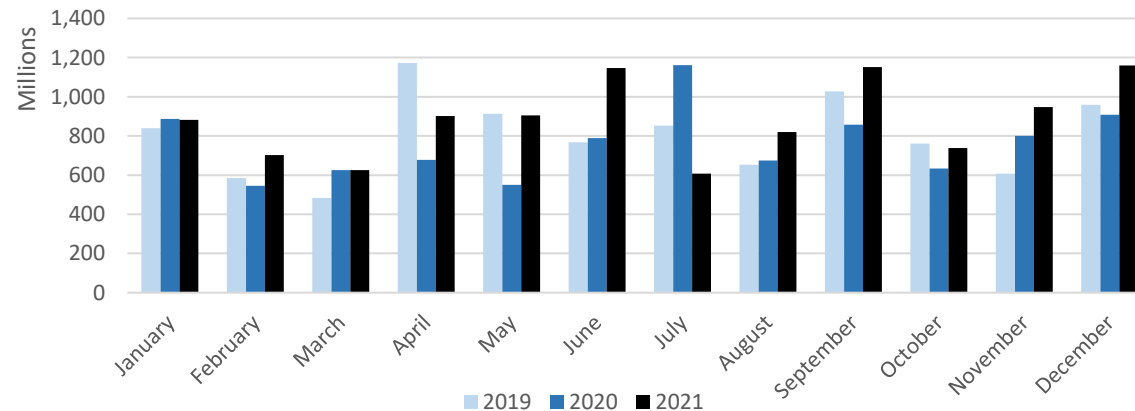
Dec YoY 
28%

Dec YTD 
16%

December

	2019	2020	2021
December	958,572,282	908,904,289	1,160,044,680
November	607,012,096	800,492,001	948,051,862
% Chg over Prev Month	57.9%	13.5%	22.4%
% Chg over Prev Year		-5.2%	27.6%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$ 9,621,763,726	\$ 9,112,518,909	\$10,589,060,914
% Chg over Prev YTD		-5.3%	16.2%


Louisiana Tax Revenue
2019-2021





BUILDING PERMITS

ALEXANDRIA COMMERCIAL PERMITS

The valuation (estimated development cost) of new commercial construction permits issued by the City of Alexandria in December 2021 with previous month, year, and YTD comparisons.

December  -13%

Dec YoY  -1%

Dec YTD  35%


December


	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 4,620,147	\$ 911,056	\$ 2,915,030	\$ 2,890,245
November	\$ 7,723,169	\$ 1,226,520	\$ 3,149,812	\$ 3,321,890
% Chg over Prev Month	-40%	-26%	-7%	-13%
% Chg over Prev Year		-80%	220%	-1%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$ 50,078,255	\$ 46,537,421	\$ 27,738,854	\$ 37,373,278
% Chg over Prev YTD		-7%	-40%	35%


ALEXANDRIA RESIDENTIAL PERMITS

The valuation (estimated development cost) of new residential construction permits issued by the City of Alexandria in December 2021 with previous month, year, and YTD comparisons.

December

December 
18%

Dec YoY 
-6%


Dec YTD 
50%

	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 876,542	\$ 7,372,315	\$ 2,264,942	\$ 2,131,015
November	\$ 45,917,143	\$ 853,447	\$ 1,011,285	\$ 1,799,607
% Chg over Prev Month	-98.1%	763.8%	124.0%	18.4%
% Chg over Prev Year		741.1%	-69.3%	-5.9%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$ 75,563,702	\$ 27,927,288	\$ 16,570,861	\$ 24,866,222
% Chg over Prev YTD		-63.0%	-40.7%	50.1%


ALLEN PARISH PERMIT VALUATIONS

This chart shows the valuation of permits issued by Rapides Area Planning Commission in Allen Parish in December between 2018-2021 with month-to-month, year-to-year, and year-to-date comparisons.

December

December  -100%

Dec YoY  -100%

Dec YTD  85%

	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 480,000	\$ 180,000	\$ 256,390	
November	\$ 144,963	\$ 210,000	\$ 336,289	\$ 782,238
% Chg Prev Month	231%	-14%	-24%	-100%
% Chg from Prev Year		-63%	42%	-100%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$4,183,633	\$6,521,291	\$5,010,330	\$9,285,468
% Chg over Prev YTD		56%	-23%	85%

AVOYELLES PARISH PERMIT VALUATIONS

This chart shows the valuation of permits issued by Rapides Area Planning Commission in Avoyelles Parish in December between 2019-2021 with month-to-month, year-to-year, and year-to-date comparisons.

December

December 
-34%

Dec YoY 
-89%

Dec YTD 
-23%


	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 2,377,498	\$ 53,436,561	\$ 5,808,535
November	\$ 2,573,451	\$ 9,846,941	\$ 8,837,452
% Chg Prev Month	-8%	443%	-34%
% Chg from Prev Year		2148%	-89%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$ 52,058,317	\$ 105,478,303	\$ 81,055,994
% Chg over Prev YTD		103%	-23%

EVANGELINE PARISH PERMIT VALUATIONS

This chart shows the valuation of permits issued by Rapides Area Planning Commission in Evangeline Parish in December between 2018-2021 with month-to-month, year-to-year, and year-to-date comparisons.

December

December 
18%

Dec YoY 
349%


Dec YTD 
149%


	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 715,184	\$ 1,599,000	\$ 369,600	\$ 1,660,000
November	\$ 912,000	\$ 2,202,228	\$ 1,370,852	\$ 1,403,354
% Chg Prev Month	-22%	-27%	-73%	18%
% Chg from Prev Year		124%	-77%	349%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$12,096,109	\$ 19,917,169	\$ 12,912,460	\$ 32,101,305
% Chg over Prev YTD		65%	-35%	149%


PINEVILLE PERMIT VALUATIONS

This chart shows the valuation of permits issued by Rapides Area Planning Commission in the City of Pineville in December between 2018-2021 with month-to-month, year-to-year, and year-to-date comparisons.

December

December  6%




Dec YoY  -52%

Dec YTD  -41%

	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 265,142	\$ 155,280	\$ 165,600	\$ 79,133
November	\$ 548,000	\$ 571,775	\$ 167,000	\$ 75,000
% Chg Prev Month	-52%	-73%	-1%	6%
% Chg from Prev Year		-41%	7%	-52%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$ 9,627,233	\$19,781,136	\$16,719,823	\$ 9,850,929
% Chg over Prev YTD		105%	-15%	-41%

RAPIDES PARISH PERMIT VALUATIONS

This chart shows the valuation of permits issued by Rapides Area Planning Commission in Rapides Parish (excluding Alexandria) in December between 2018-2021 with month-to-month, year-to-year, and year-to-date comparisons.

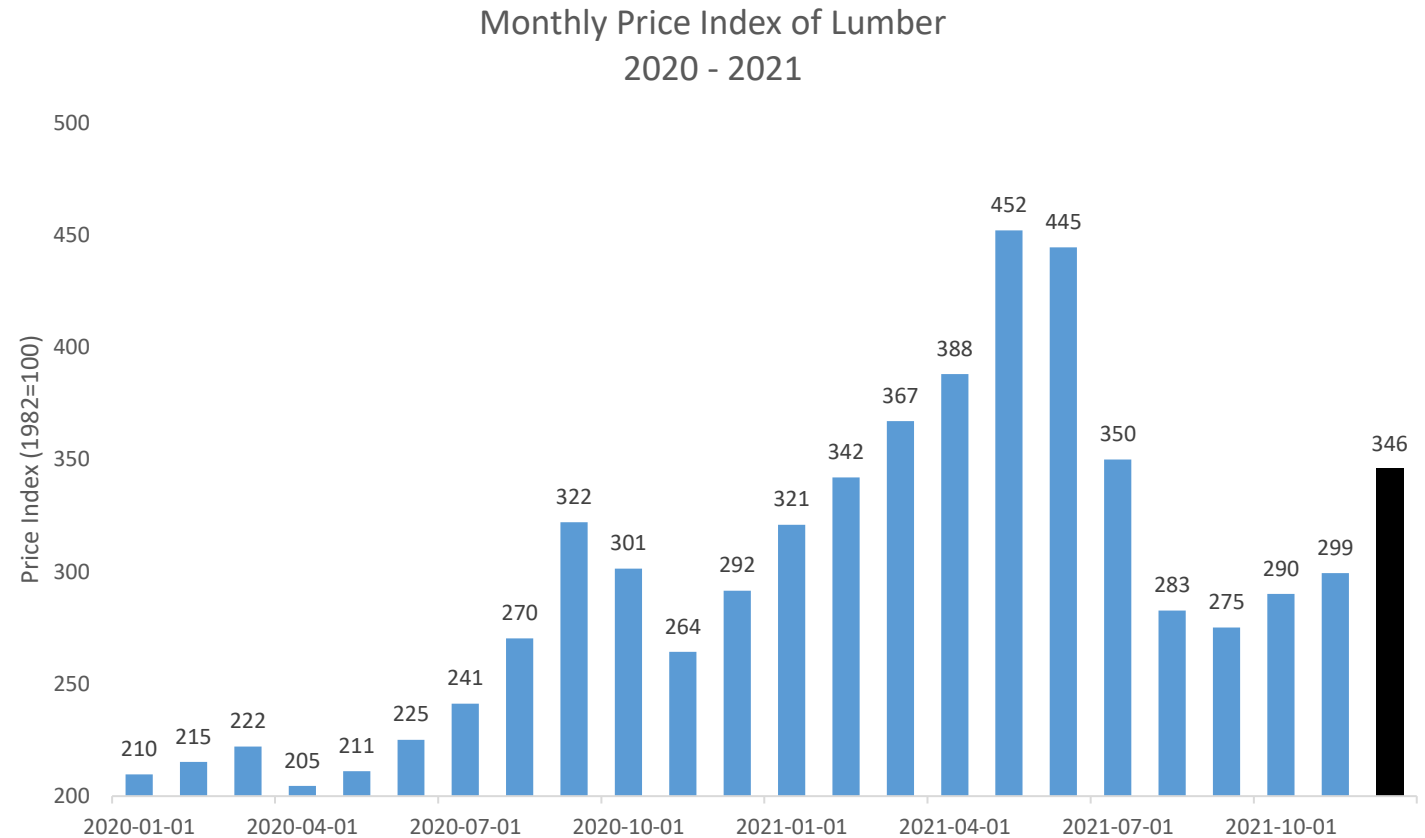
		<i>December</i>				
		2018	2019	2020	2021	
December	 -8%	\$ 2,652,400	\$ 837,385	\$36,064,905	\$ 4,456,820	
Dec YoY	 -88%	\$ 2,267,460	\$ 8,121,040	\$ 3,446,890	\$ 4,863,860	
Dec YTD	 458%					
		% Chg Prev Month	17%	-90%	946%	-8%
		% Chg from Prev Year		-68%	4207%	-88%
		YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$41,733,056	\$72,021,513	\$81,049,776	\$451,878,143
		% Chg over Prev YTD		73%	13%	458%

HOUSING

LUMBER PRICES

The chart represents the Lumber Price Index in the U.S. from January 2020 – December 2021.

- In December 2021, the US Lumber Price Index increased 16% from the previous month.
- The US Lumber Price Index in December was 19% above a year ago.



ALEXANDRIA HOUSING DATA

The count of active listings, median days on the market, average listing price, and median listing price for the Alexandria MSA for December 2018-2021 with month-to-month and year-over-year comparisons.

Average Listing Price

	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$217,712	\$221,831	\$267,747	\$229,910
November	\$216,945	\$216,945	\$270,621	\$234,339
% Chg Prev Month	0.4%	2.3%	-1.1%	-1.9%
% Chg from Prev Year		1.9%	20.7%	-14.1%

Active Listing Count

	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	488	466	243	178
November	520	449	245	179
% Chg Prev Month	-6.2%	3.8%	-0.8%	-0.6%
% Chg from Prev Year		-4.5%	-47.9%	-26.7%

Median Listing Price

	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$175,050	\$179,950	\$215,250	\$186,250
November	\$175,050	\$180,050	\$221,800	\$185,000
% Chg Prev Month	0.0%	-0.1%	-3.0%	0.7%
% Chg from Prev Year		2.8%	19.6%	-13.5%

Median Days on Market

	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	105	95	94	66
November	94	92	83	69
% Chg Prev Month	11.7%	2.7%	13.3%	-4.4%
% Chg from Prev Year		-10.0%	-0.5%	-30.3%

ACTIVE LISTINGS BY MSA

The count of active single-family and condo/townhome listings from 2017-2021 for Alexandria, Fort Polk (Leesville), Natchitoches, and Opelousas.

Change from Year Ago

Alexandria



-27%

Leesville



-13%

Natchitoches

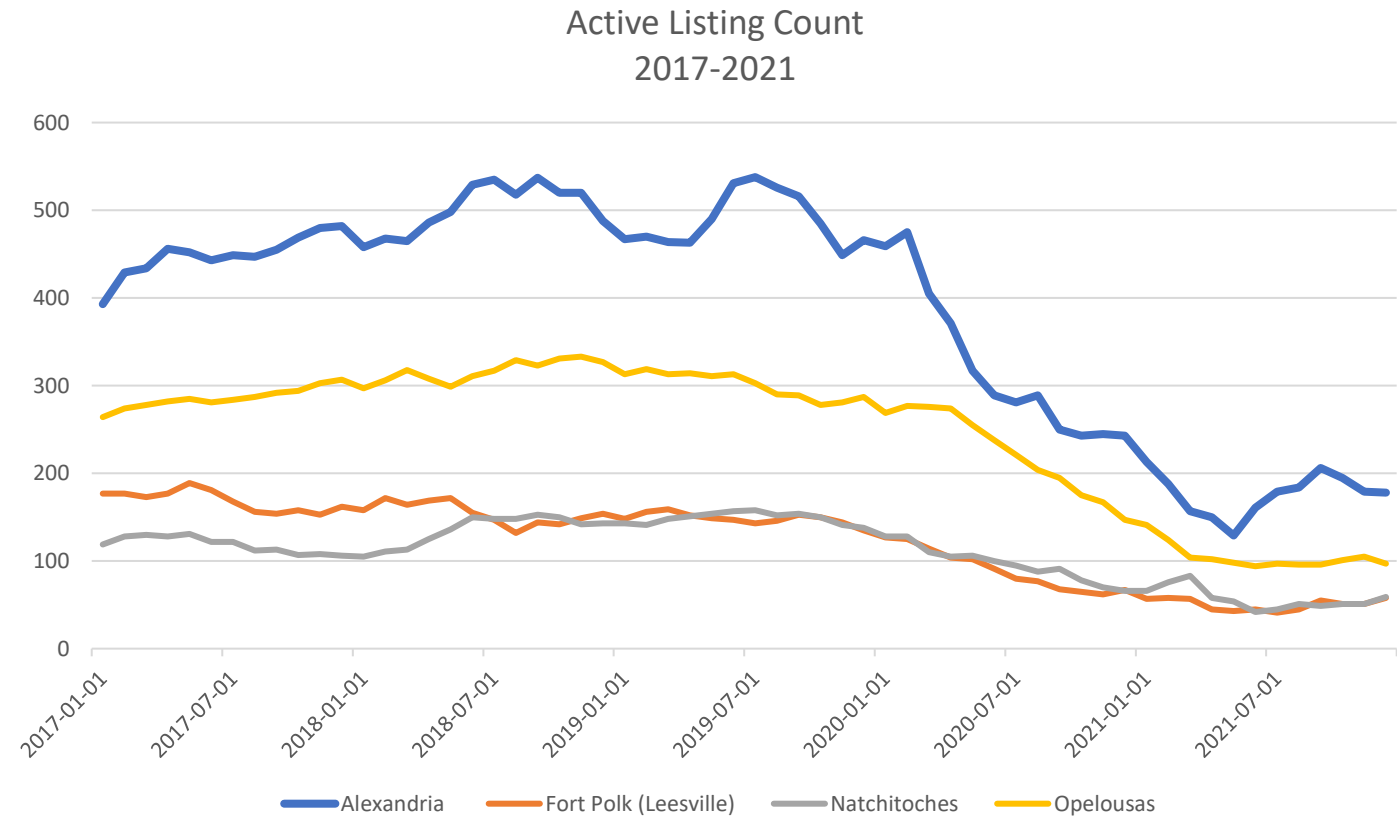


-11%

Opelousas



-34%



MEDIAN DAYS ON MARKET BY MSA

The median number of days property listings spend on the market from 2017-2021 for Alexandria, Fort Polk (Leesville), Natchitoches, and Opelousas.

Change from Year Ago

Alexandria



-28%

Leesville



-24%

Natchitoches

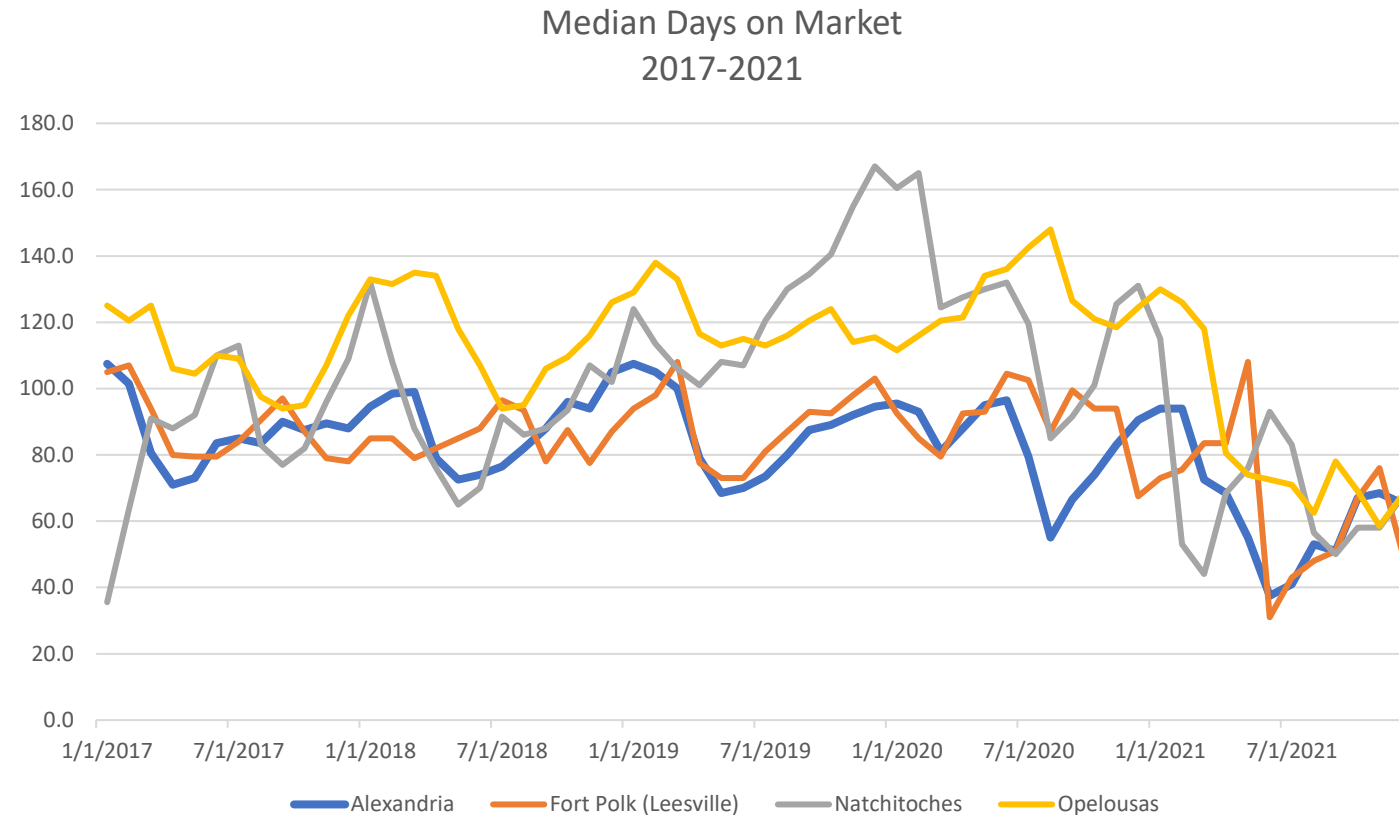


-49%

Opelousas



-46%



MEDIAN LISTING PRICE BY MSA

The median listing price of houses from 2017-2021 for Alexandria, Fort Polk (Leesville), Natchitoches, and Opelousas.

Change from Year Ago

Alexandria



-13%

Leesville



-20%

Natchitoches



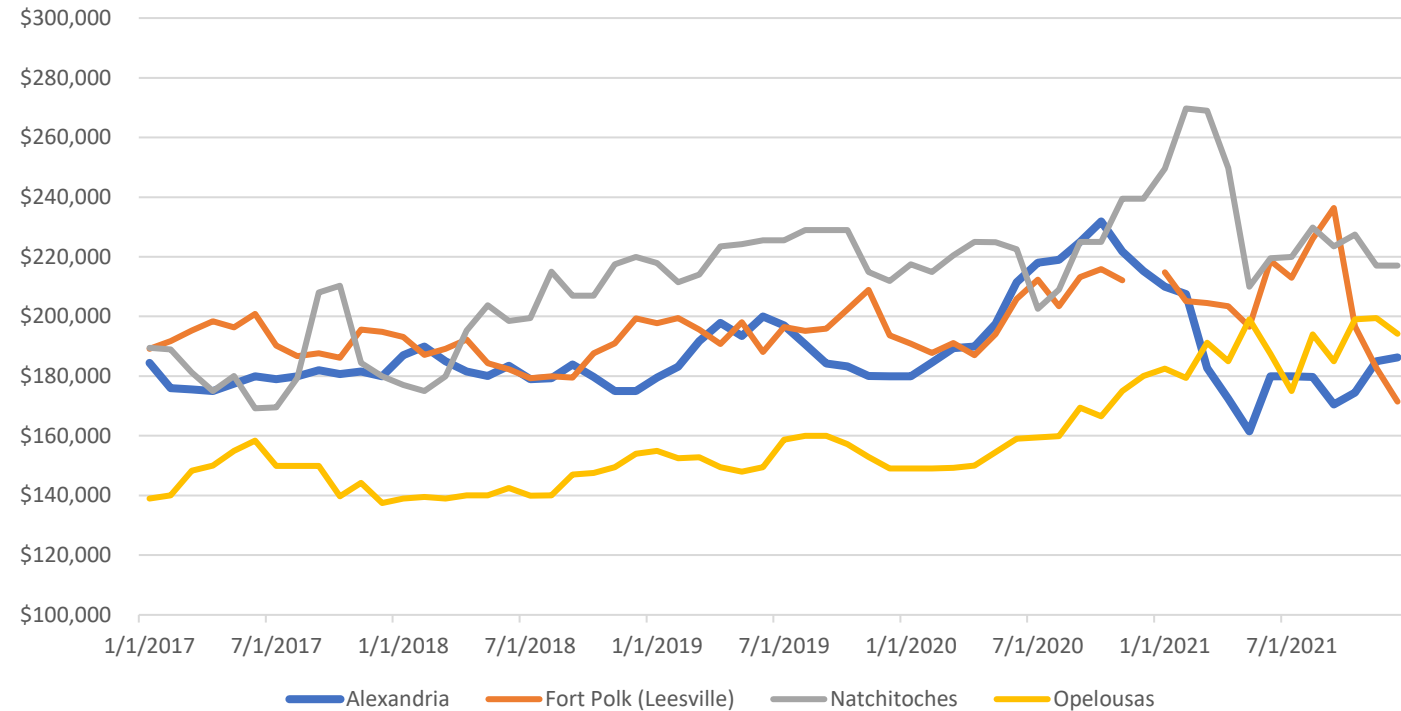
-9%

Opelousas



8%

Median Listing Price
2017-2021



AVERAGE LISTING PRICE BY MSA

The average listing price of houses from 2017-2021 for Alexandria, Fort Polk (Leesville), Natchitoches, and Opelousas.

Change from Year Ago

Alexandria



-14%

Leesville



1%

Natchitoches



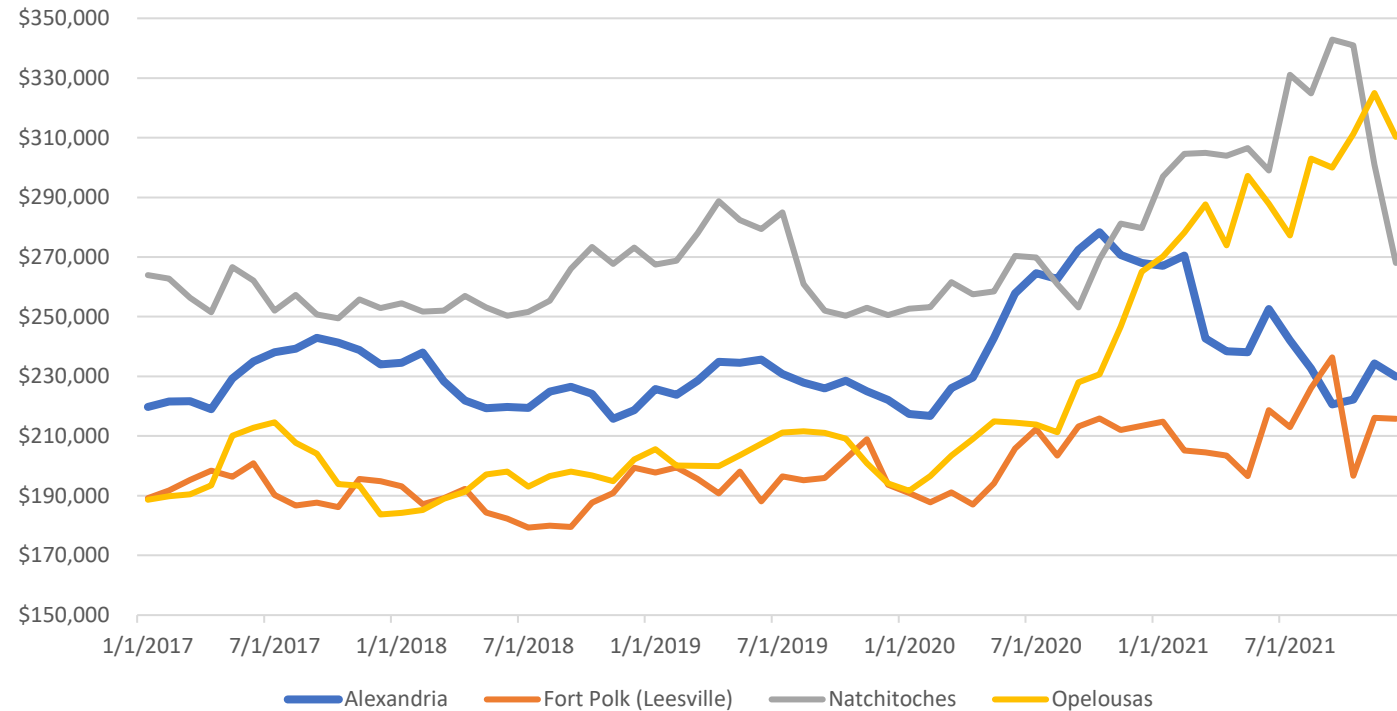
-4%

Opelousas



17%

Average Listing Price
2017-2021





TRAVEL


AVOYELLES HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX

Avoyelles Parish hotel occupancy tax revenue for December with previous month, year, and year-to-date comparisons.

December

December 
-19%

Dec YoY 
64%

Dec YTD 
21%

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 10,418	\$ 8,243	\$ 11,221	\$ 7,208	\$ 11,811
November	\$ 11,197	\$ 9,630	\$ 9,664	\$ 16,076	\$ 14,593
% Chg over Prev Month	-7.0%	-14.4%	16.1%	-55.2%	-19.1%
% Chg over Prev Year		-20.9%	36.1%	-35.8%	63.9%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$ 138,163	\$ 130,625	\$ 135,347	\$ 123,765	\$ 150,291
% Chg over Prev YTD		-5.5%	3.6%	-8.6%	21.4%


Note: December tax revenue reflects hotel occupancy activity in November. Hotel occupancy tax revenue is used as a proxy for hotel occupancy rate.


Data Source: Avoyelles Parish School Board. January 2022.

NATCHITOCHESES HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX

Natchitoches Parish hotel occupancy tax revenue for December with previous month, year, and YTD comparisons.

December

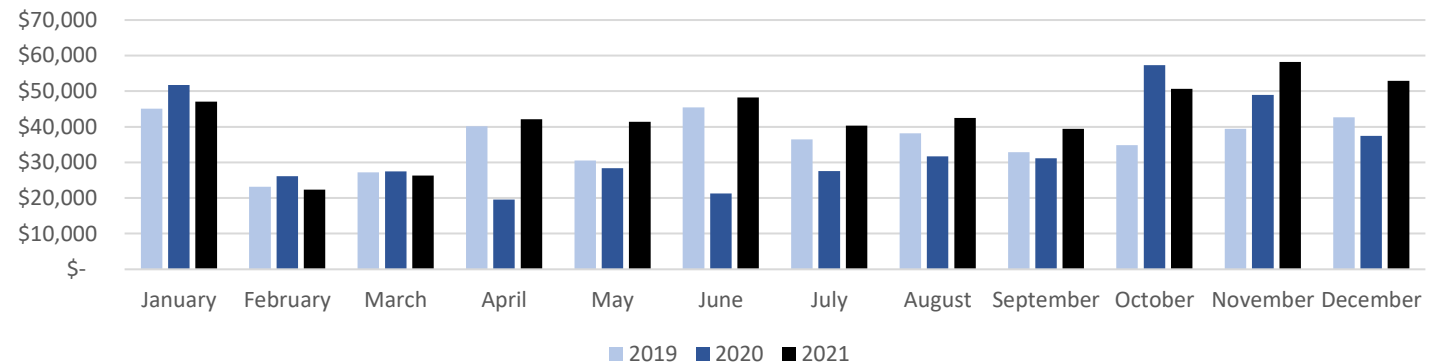
December  -9%

Dec YoY  41%

Dec YTD  25%

	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 42,357	\$ 42,609	\$ 37,453	\$ 52,888
November	\$ 37,741	\$ 39,397	\$ 48,909	\$ 58,161
% Chg over Prev Month	12.2%	8.2%	-23.4%	-9.1%
% Chg over Prev Year		0.6%	-12.1%	41.2%
YTD (Jan - Dec)		\$ 435,897	\$ 408,567	\$ 511,172
% Chg over Prev YTD			-6.3%	25.1%

Natchitoches Hotel Sales Tax Revenue
2019-2021




Note: December tax revenue reflects hotel occupancy activity in November. Hotel occupancy tax revenue is used as a proxy for hotel occupancy rate.


Data Source: Natchitoches Parish Tax Administrator, January 2022.


RAPIDES HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX

Rapides Parish hotel occupancy tax revenue for December with previous month, year, and YTD comparisons.

December

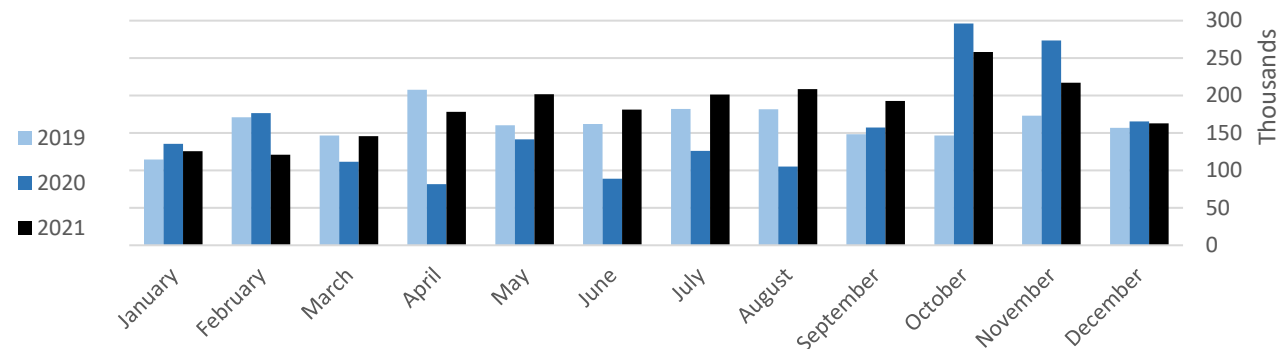
December  -25%

Dec YoY  -2%

Dec YTD  18%

	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	\$ 146,634	\$ 156,863	\$ 165,394	\$ 162,836
November	\$ 160,901	\$ 173,028	\$ 273,269	\$ 216,776
% Chg over Prev Month	-8.9%	-9.3%	-39.5%	-24.9%
% Chg over Prev Year		7.0%	5.4%	-1.5%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$ 1,899,571	\$1,948,935	\$1,857,073	\$2,191,624
% Chg over Prev YTD		2.6%	-4.7%	18.0%

Rapides Hotel Occupancy Tax Revenue
2019-2021



Note: December tax revenue reflects hotel occupancy activity in November. Hotel occupancy tax revenue is used as a proxy for hotel occupancy rate.

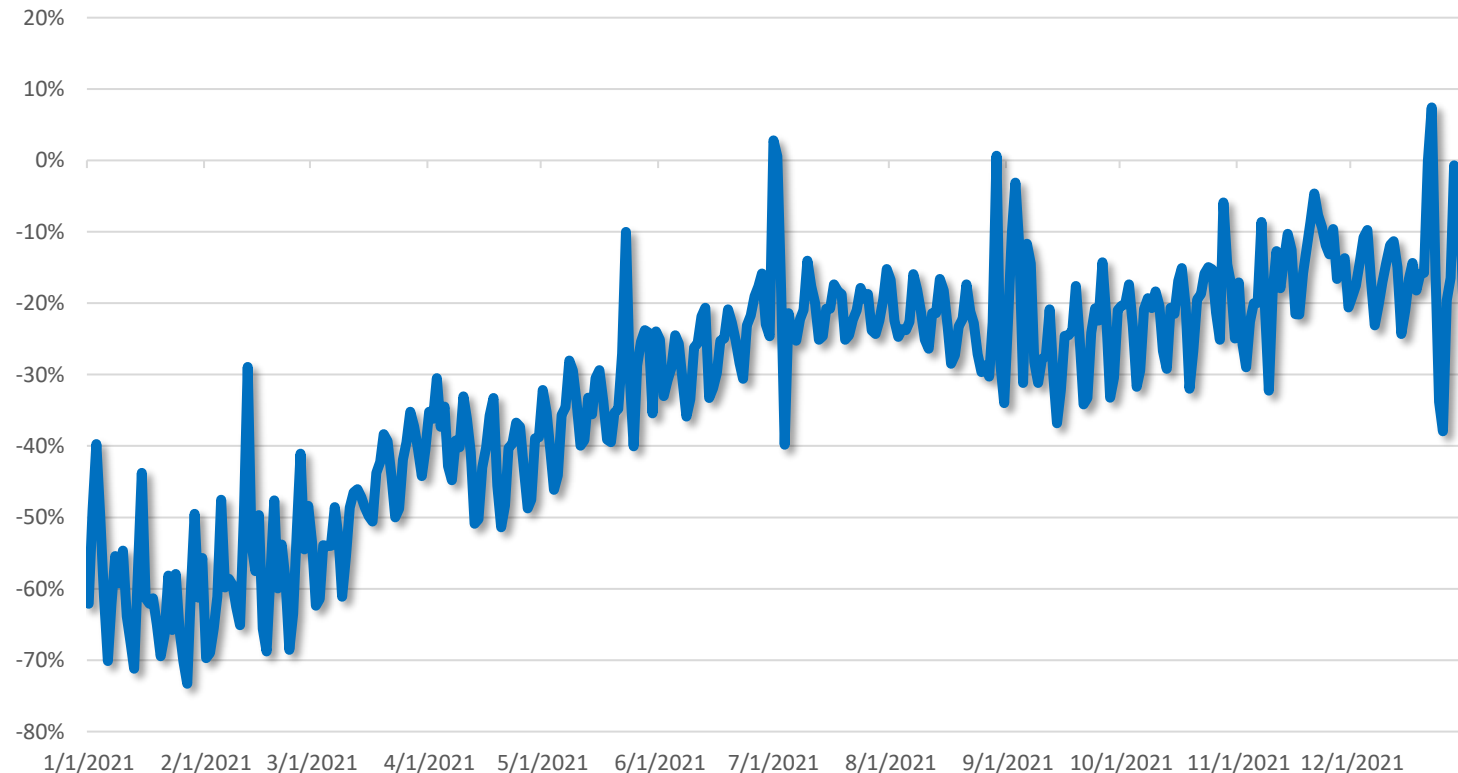
Data Source: Rapides Parish Police Jury Treasurer's Reports, January 2022.

AIR TRAVELER STATS

Nationwide daily percentage of passengers passing through current TSA checkpoints in 2021 expressed as a percentage of 2019 traffic.

- Nationally, air passenger traffic in December declined -1.1% from November.
- ✓ U.S. air passenger traffic in 2021 was 580 million, a 79% increase from 2020 but -37% below 2019.

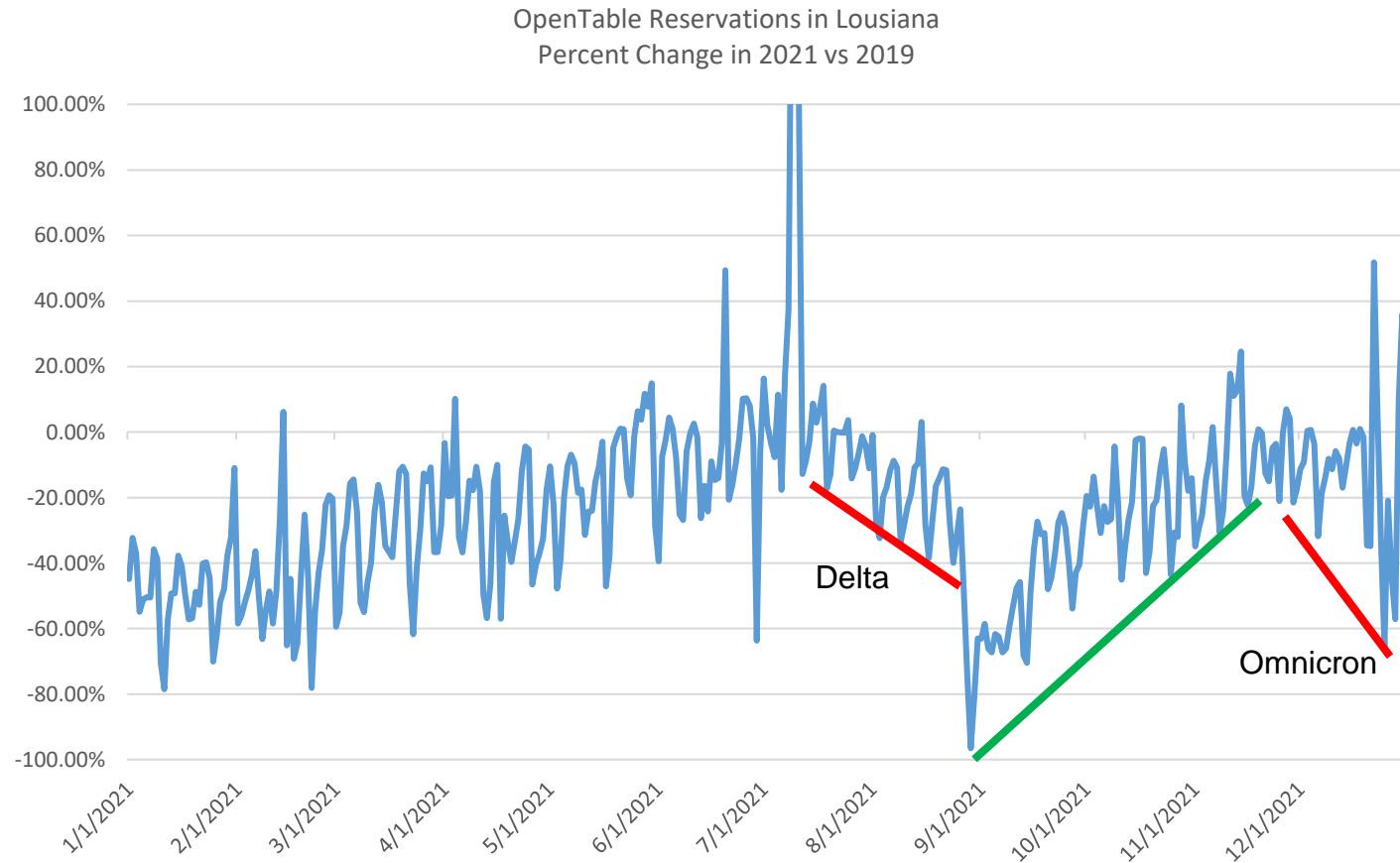
U.S. Airport Passenger Throughput Traffic
in 2021 as a Percent of 2019 Traffic



OPEN TABLE RESERVATIONS IN LOUISIANA

This data shows seated diners at restaurants on the OpenTable network in Louisiana in 2021 compared with the same day of the week for 2019. OpenTable reservations are mostly from southeast Louisiana restaurants.

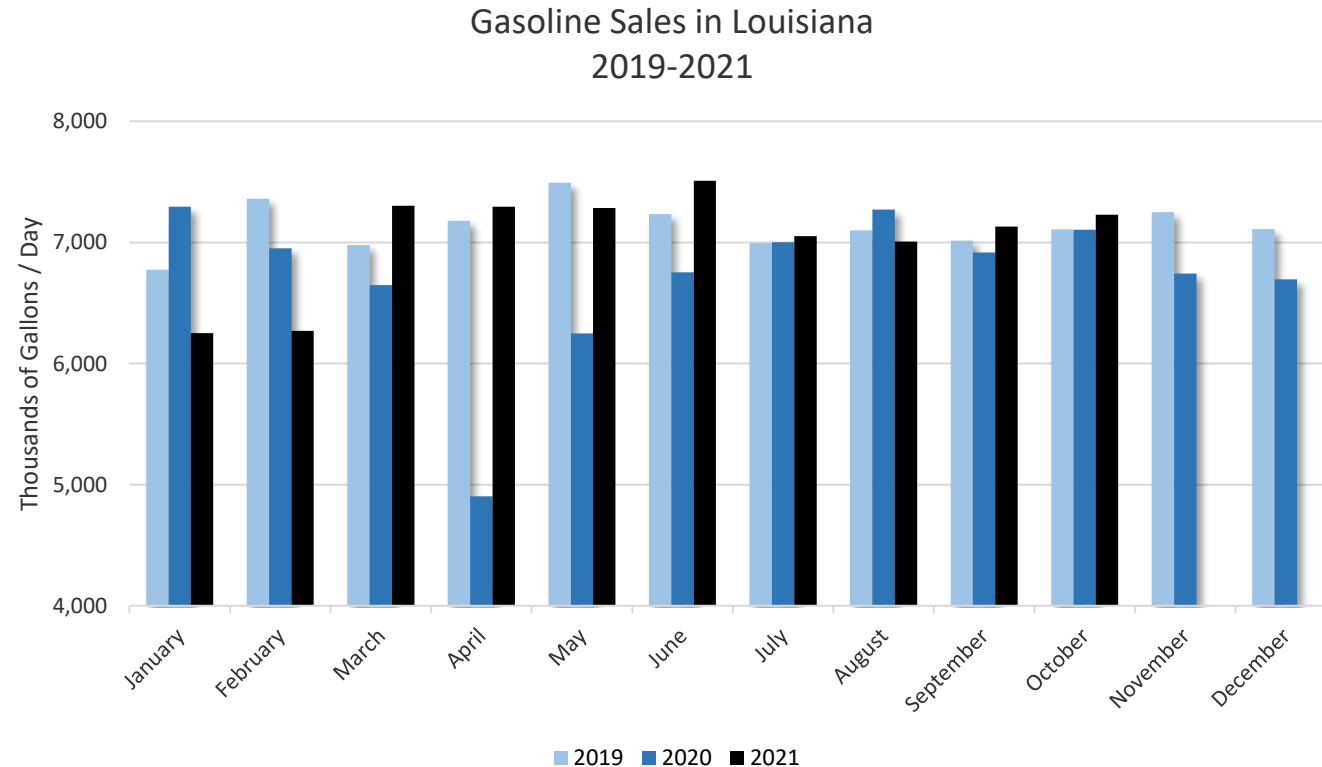
- *The uptrend in dinner reservations in Louisiana that began after Hurricane Ida has turned downward in December. The downtrend was temporarily broken in the days leading up to the Sugar Bowl in New Orleans.*
- *Compared to December 2019, reservations were down -10% in December 2021.*



LOUISIANA GASOLINE SALES

Total gasoline sales in gallons in Louisiana in 2019 - 2021.

- ✓ October 2021 gasoline sales increased 1.4% from September and are up 1.7% from a year ago.
- ✓ Gasoline sales YTD in October are 4.8% above the same period in 2020, but -1.3% below 2019.

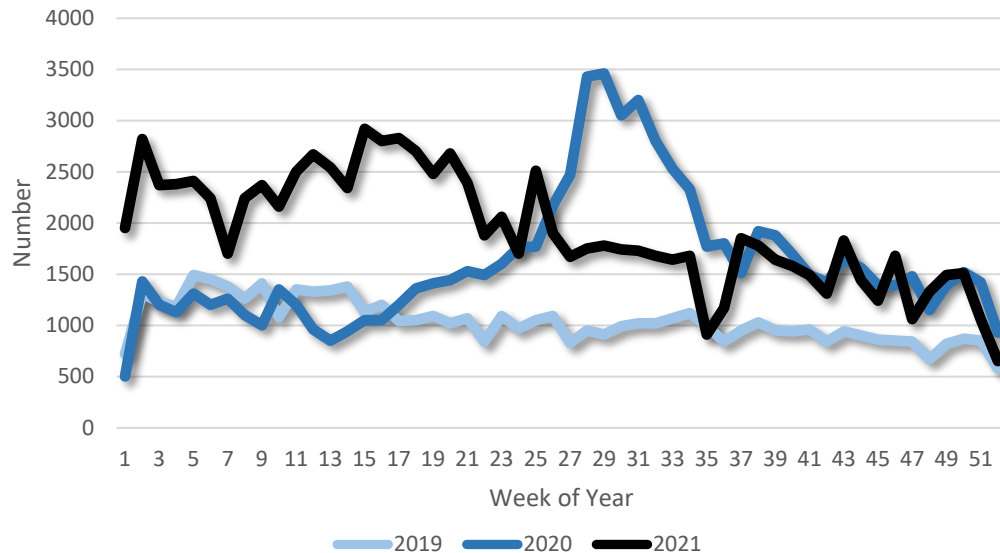


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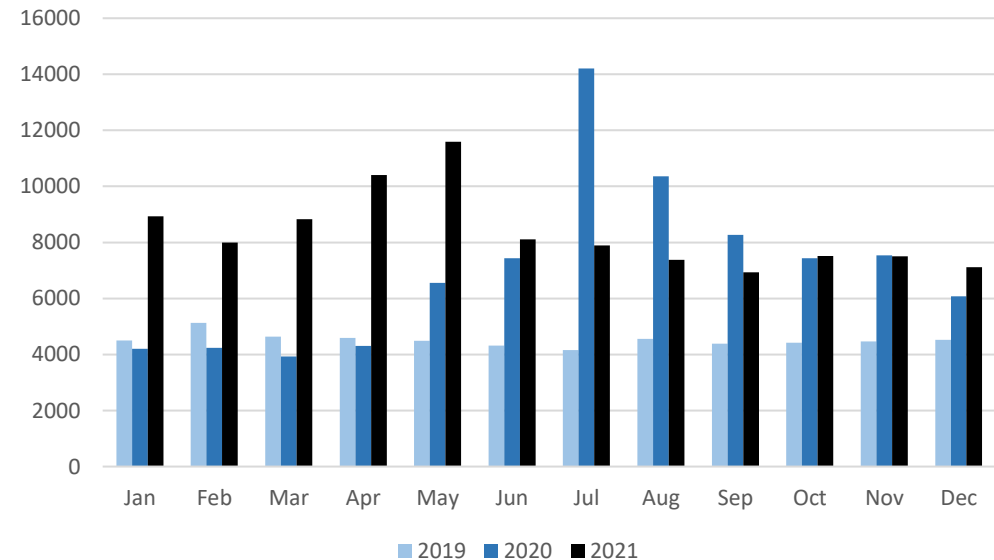
NEW BUSINESS APPS IN LOUISIANA

The chart below represents the weekly number of new businesses applications in Louisiana from 2019-2021

Weekly Business Applications in Louisiana
2019 - 2021



Monthly Business Applications in Louisiana
2019 - 2021



✓ In 2021, 100,202 new business applications were filed in Louisiana compared to 84,564 in 2020 and 54,181 in 2019, representing increases of 18% over 2020 and 85% over 2019.

Note: Data reflects businesses applications, not necessarily business formations.

Data Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Business Formation Statistics, Retrieved January 15, 2022.

NEW BUSINESSES IN RAPIDES

The chart below represents the number of new businesses established each month in Rapides from January 2019 through December 2021.

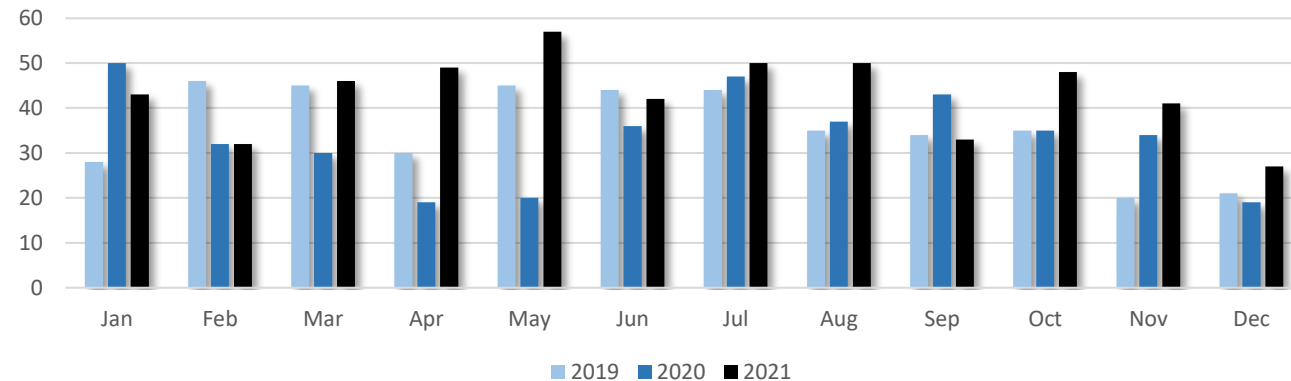
✓ The number of new businesses established in Rapides in December 2021 fell -34% from November but was 42% higher than December 2020.

✓ Year-to-date, 518 new businesses have been created in Rapides in 2021 compared to 402 in 2020, a 29% increase.

December

	2018	2019	2020	2021
December	21	21	19	27
November	21	20	34	41
% Chg Prev Month	0.0%	5.0%	-44.1%	-34.1%
% Chg from Prev Year		0.0%	-9.5%	42.1%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	494	427	402	518
% Chg over Prev YTD		-13.6%	-5.9%	28.9%

New Businesses in Rapides
2019-2021








Note: Data reflects businesses established in the current month.

Data Source: Rapides Parish Sales and Use Tax Department, January 2022.

RAPIDES OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES

Rapides Parish occupational license revenue YTD with previous YTD comparisons.

Rapides Parish (rural)		8%
Alexandria		3%
Pineville		1%
Other		4%
Total		4%

December Year-to-Date

Parish	\$ 618,694	\$ 644,623	\$ 611,257	\$ 661,090
% Chg over Prev YTD		4.2%	-5.2%	8.2%
Alexandria	\$ 1,906,471	\$ 1,880,797	\$ 1,893,651	\$ 1,945,367
% Chg over Prev YTD		-1.3%	0.7%	2.7%
Pineville	\$ 394,273	\$ 392,143	\$ 432,884	\$ 436,306
% Chg over Prev YTD		-0.5%	10.4%	0.8%
Other	\$ 133,962	\$ 138,998	\$ 145,084	\$ 150,755
% Chg over Prev YTD		3.8%	4.4%	3.9%
Total	\$ 3,053,400	\$ 3,056,561	\$ 3,082,876	\$ 3,193,518
% Chg over Prev YTD		0.1%	0.9%	3.6%
Parish	\$ 618,694	\$ 644,623	\$ 611,257	\$ 661,090

Note: Rapides Parish reflects unincorporated areas.

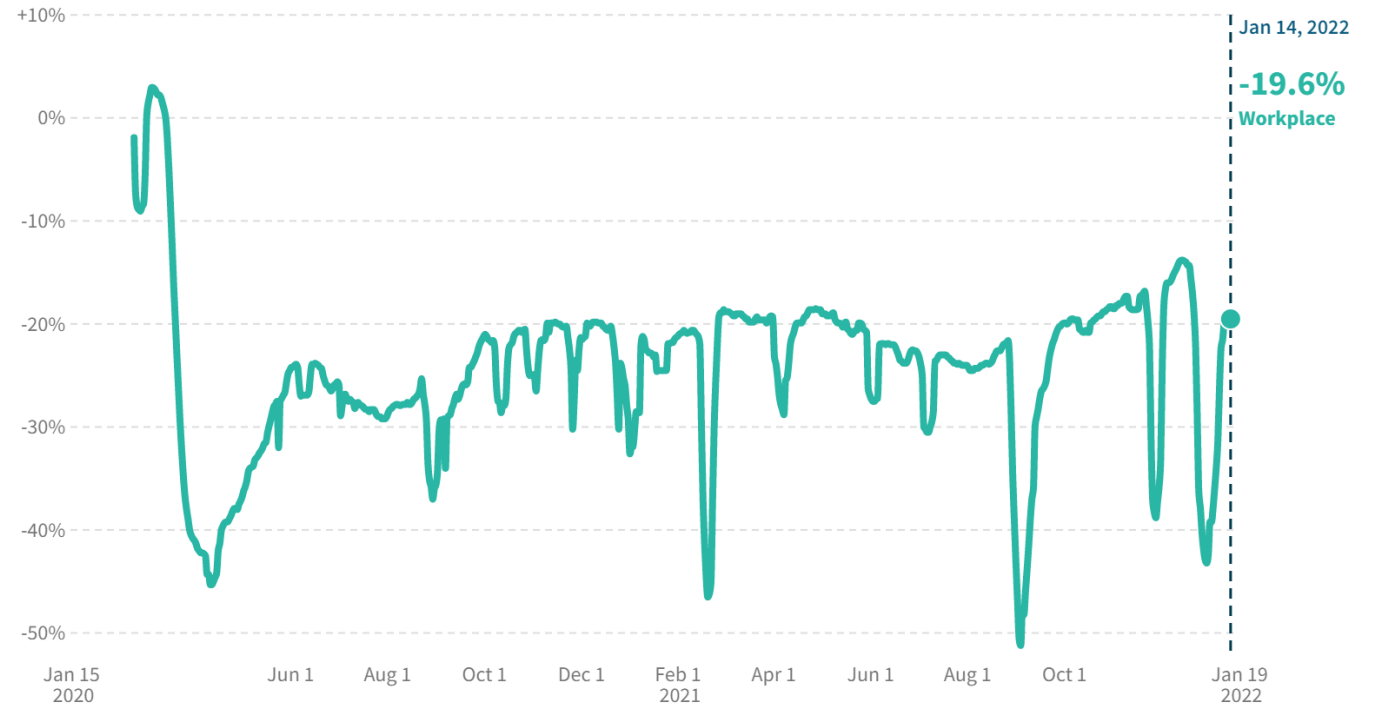
Data Source: Rapides Parish Police Jury Treasurer's Reports, January 2022.

TIME SPENT AT WORK IN CENLA

The chart represents the percent of time employees in Cenla and statewide spent at work as of January 14, 2022 with January 2020 as the baseline.

	<u>% Change in Time at Work</u>
Avoyelles	-18%
Concordia	-26%
Evangeline	-21%
Grant	0%
Natchitoches	-16%
Rapides	-15%
St. Landry	-17%
Vernon	-17%

In **Louisiana**, as of January 14 2022, total time spent at workplace locations decreased by **19.6%** compared to January 2020.

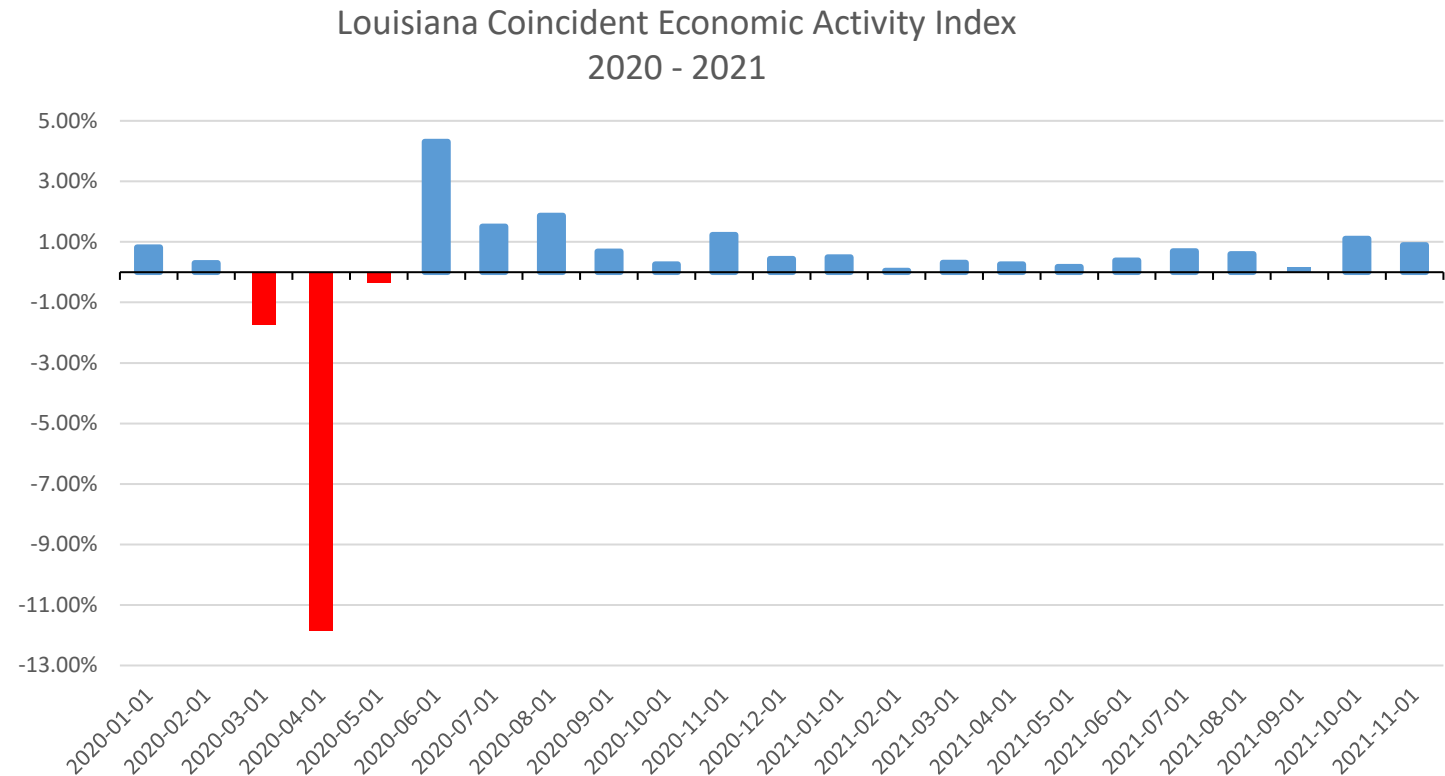


data source: **Google COVID-19 Community Mobility Reports**

LOUISIANA ECONOMIC ACTIVITY INDEX

The Coincident Economic Activity Index for Louisiana is set to match the trend in the gross state product and includes four indicators: nonfarm payroll employment, the unemployment rate, average hours worked in manufacturing and wages and salaries. The column graph below represents the percentage change in the index. A positive percentage represents an expanding statewide economy.

✓ *The Index for November 2021 increased 0.9% from October, reaching the highest level since the pandemic's start.*



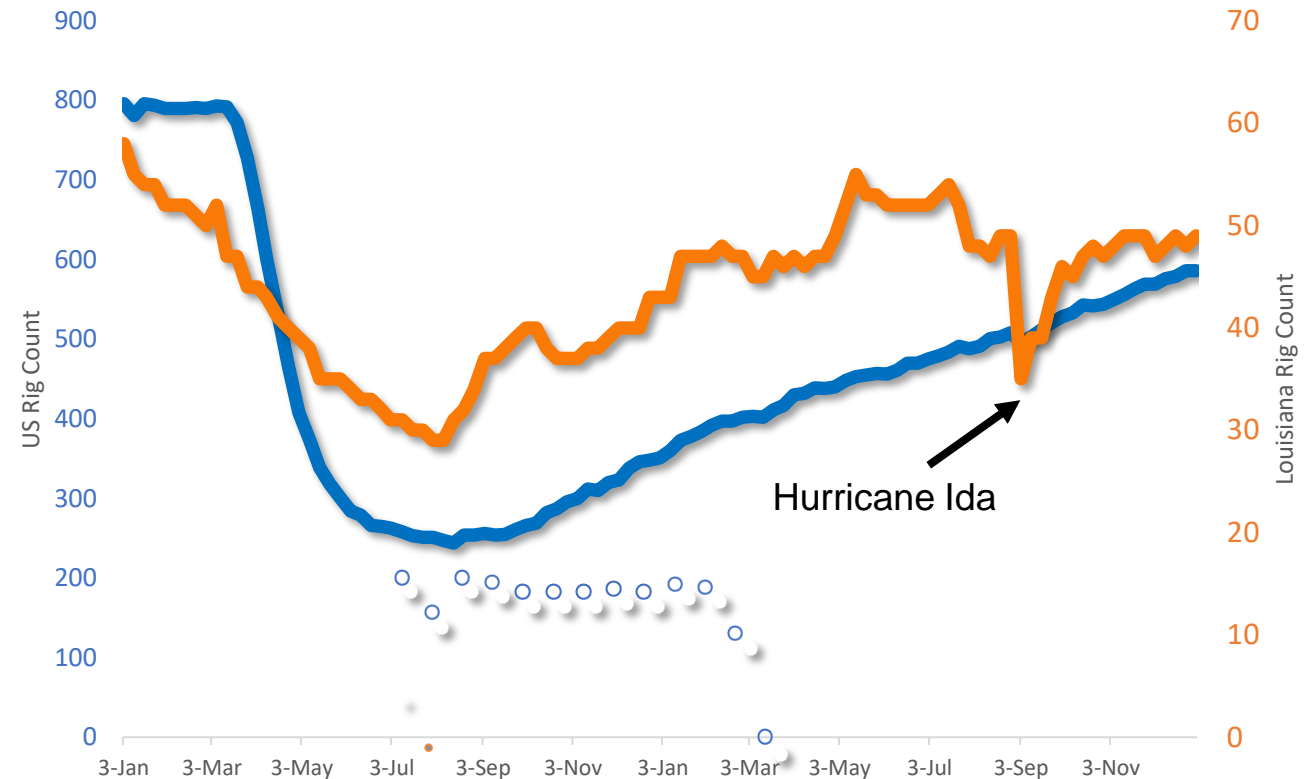
BAKER HUGHES RIG COUNT

Represents the number of drilling rigs actively exploring for or developing oil or natural gas in Louisiana and the U.S. in 2020-2021.

	Dec 20	Nov 21	Dec 21
N. LA-Land	27	34	34
Int'l Water	1	1	0
S. LA-Land	0	1	1
S. LA-Offshore	13	13	12
TOTAL LA	41	49	48
TOTAL US	339	560	579

- ✓ Rig count in Louisiana decreased by 1 rig or -2% in December from November.
- ✓ Nationwide, the rig count is up 71% from a year ago.

**Rig Count in Louisiana & US
2020-2021**



LOUISIANA GAMING REVENUE

*Gaming revenue in Louisiana for November 2021
with previous month and year comparisons.*

November 2021

November



-4%

Nov YoY






25%

	Nov-20	Oct-21	Nov-21	% Change MoM	% Change YoY
Video Poker	\$52,915,009	\$72,274,072	\$69,773,384	-3.5%	31.9%
Riverboat	\$114,650,875	\$151,297,855	\$147,569,204	-2.5%	28.7%
Landbased	\$14,746,624	\$16,597,864	\$12,698,764	-23.5%	-13.9%
Slots	\$22,411,632	\$26,825,997	\$25,852,568	-3.6%	15.4%
Total	\$204,724,140	\$266,995,788	\$255,893,920	-4.2%	25.0%

NATIONAL

NATIONAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Monthly U.S. economic indicators for November 2021 with select (*) indicators for December.

Business Formation	 -2.8%
Residential Sales	 12.4%
Residential Construction	 11.8%

Indicator	Oct-21	Nov-21
Business Formation Statistics *	-0.3%	-2.8%
Business Inventories	1.3%	1.3%
Construction Spending	0.4%	0.4%
Advance Monthly Wholesale Inventories	2.5%	1.2%
Advance Monthly Retail Inventories	0.3%	2.0%
Advance Durable Goods Manf. Shipments, Inventories, and Orders	0.1%	2.5%
New Residential Sales	-8.4%	12.4%
New Residential Construction *	-3.1%	11.8%
Advance Monthly Sales for Retail and Food Services*	0.2%	-1.8%

* Indicates the current month is December and previous month is November.

Data Source: U.S. Census, <https://www.census.gov/economic-indicators/> January 15,2022.

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