

CENLA ECONOMIC DASHBOARD

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Natchitoches Edition



KEY FINDINGS

March 21, 2022 CENLA Economic Dashboard

COVID-19

Region 6 has 43.9% of the population vaccinated as of mid-March, up from 43.3% in February, while Region 7 has a 44.2% of the population vaccinated as of mid-March, up from 43.7% in February. Rapides and Avoyelles have the highest percentage of completed vaccinations in mid-March in Region 6 at 48.9% and 46.9%, while Caddo and Bossier have the highest percentage of completed vaccinations in mid-February in Region 7 at 45.9%% and 44.5%, respectively. Natchitoches is ranked third in Region 7 at 43.7%.

Relatively speaking, the 5th wave which started in December is practically over. However, risk of new variants remains. The *Dashboard* will monitor case counts, percent testing positive, and other relevant data for changes in trend.

EMPLOYMENT

In January 2022, 62,125 were employed in the Alexandria metro area, a decrease of 150 since December. However, December's preliminary employment count was revised upward from 61,224 to 62,125, an increase of 901. Unemployment in Alexandria MSA reached a multi-year low of 2.6% in December before climbing to 3.1% in January. Central Louisiana's unemployment rate was up 0.5% in January to 3.9%, compared to 4.3% statewide. Rapides and Grant had the 11th and 15th lowest unemployment rate in the state, respectively. Natchitoches ranked 24th.

The Alexandria labor market remains tight with 6,389 openings for 2,015 unemployed. It's unemployed-to-job-opening ratio of .32 means there are more than three jobs for each unemployed.

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CONSUMER SPENDING

Changes in consumer spending are measured by changes in sales tax revenue. Sales taxes collected in February reflects sales activity in January. Consumer spending in January was down in all eleven jurisdictions reporting, ranging from -18% to -38% over the previous month. However, nearly all jurisdictions still reported year-to-date gains, with the exception of Catahoula and Alexandria. Natchitoches has the highest year-to-date gain in the region at 29%. Vehicle sales were down across four of the five parishes that reported vehicle sales tax revenue. Only Evangeline reported an increase.

Online shopping in central Louisiana in January fell significantly from the record breaking 2021 holiday season (November and December). January sales which is reflected in February sales tax collection, fell -30% from December 2021 to \$1.3 million. Every parish saw a decline in January online sales activity, ranging from -25% in Rapides to -38% in Grant.

TRAVEL

Only Rapides posted an increase in hotel occupancy sales tax revenue in January. Avoyelles and Natchitoches posted -64% and -51% declines, respectively, compared to the previous month. Hotel occupancy rate data are now available for the Alexandria/Pineville area. February's occupancy rate was 55.0% compared to 50.9% in January.

Nationally, air passenger traffic in February 2022 increased 17% from January. In addition, U.S. air passenger traffic in February was up 98% from a year ago. Pre-pandemic comparison data for air passenger traffic among Louisiana's airports will not be available until June. 2019 is used as the base year for measuring the full return of passenger traffic.

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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 year-to-date in 2022 in Alexandria are up 13% while the value of residential permits year-to-date are down -29%. Commercial permits in Alexandria totaled \$12M YTD compared to \$10.6M in 2021. Residential permits in Alexandria YTD totaled \$2.4 million down from \$3.3M in 2021. Avoyelles had a significant increase in permits in February, \$36.3M compared to \$5.2M in January, bringing its YTD increase to 216%. Other notable YTD increases were Pineville 521%, Evangeline 328%, Natchitoches 90%, and the City of Natchitoches 56%.

HOUSING

The US Lumber Price Index in January increased for the fifth consecutive month. In February 2022, the US Lumber Price Index increased 3.7% from January. Currently, the Index stands 23% above a year ago.

Monthly housing market data are not available this issue. Instead, homeownership rates in select parishes are included. As of 2020, Grant and Avoyelles have homeownership rates of 77% and 72%, respectively, while Evangeline and Natchitoches have rates of 64% and 55%, respectively.

NEW BUSINESSES

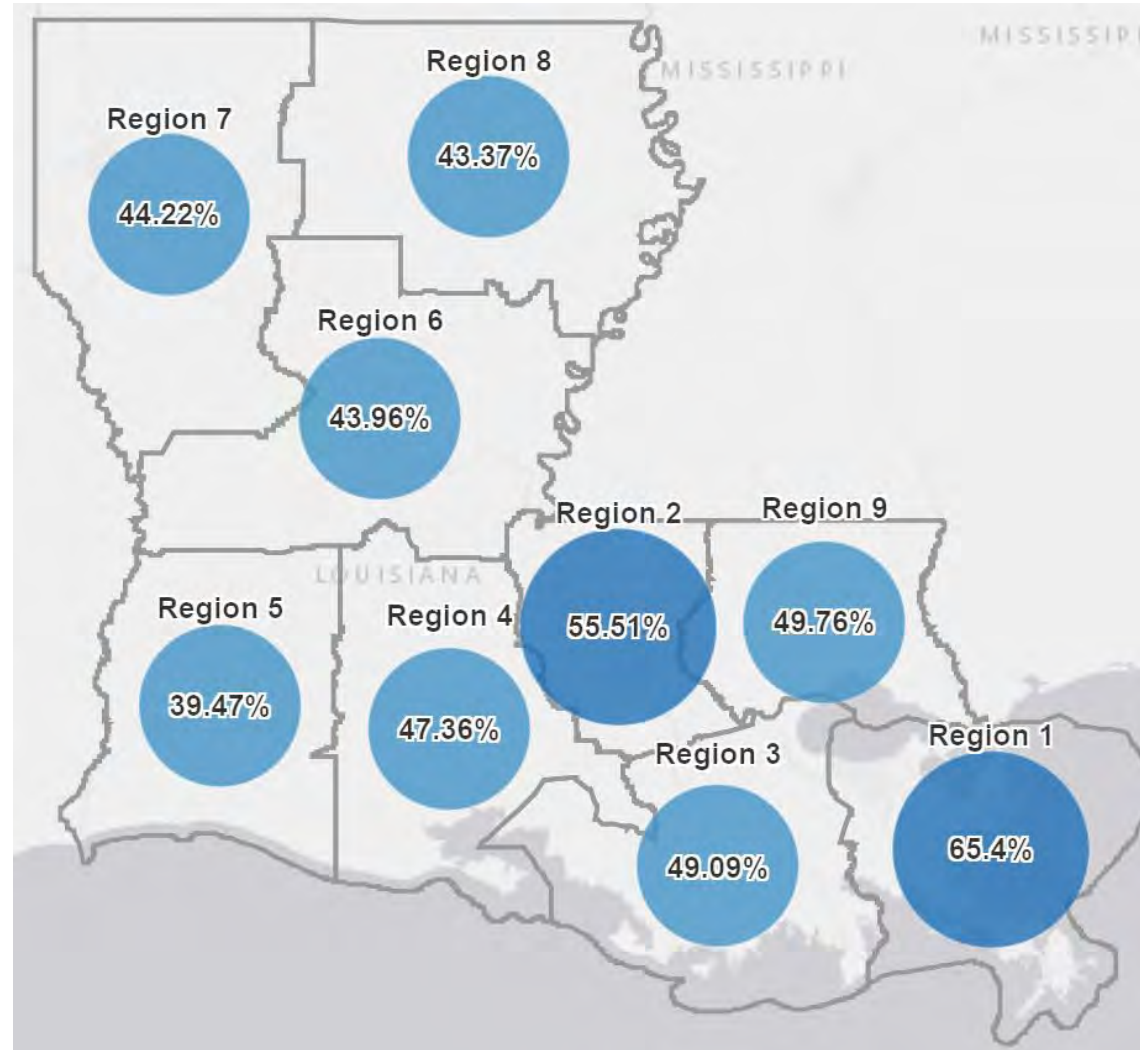
The number of new businesses established in Rapides in February 2022 decreased -34% from January but was 11% higher year-to-date than the first two months of 2021. Statewide, new business applications in February 2022 increased 2.5% from January 2022, but were down 3.5% from February 2021.

COVID-19

COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

COVID-19 vaccinations as a percent of region population as of March 14, 2022.

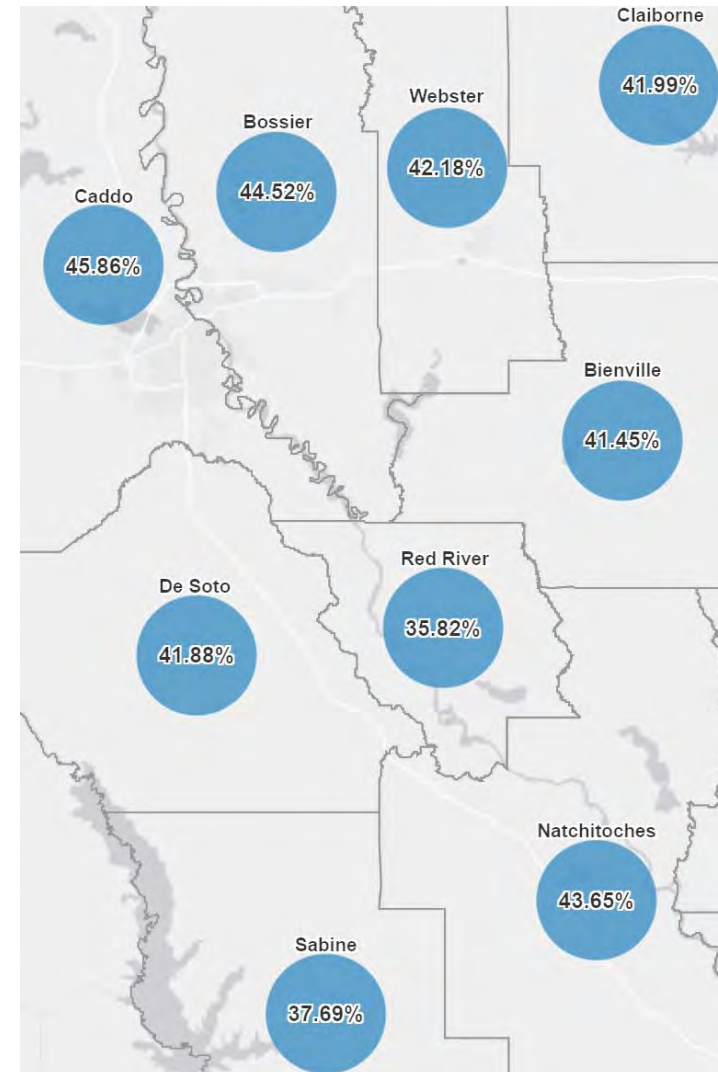
- ✓ Region 6 has 43.9% of the population vaccinated as of March 19, up from 43.3% on Feb. 16.
- ✓ Region 7 has a 44.2% of the population vaccinated as of March 19, up from 43.7% on Feb. 16.



COVID-19 VACCINATIONS BY PARISH IN REGION 7

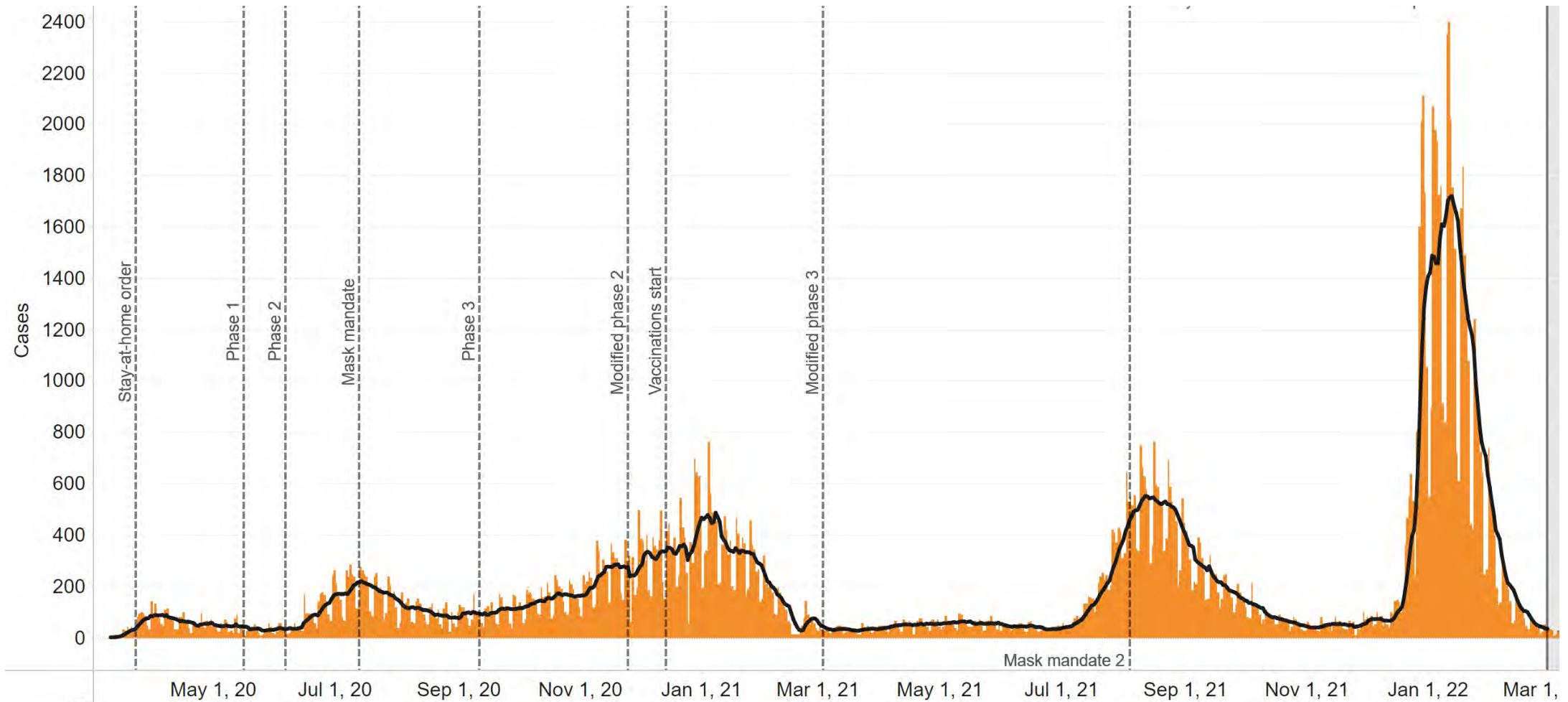
COVID-19 vaccinations as a percent of parish population as of March 14, 2022.

- ✓ Caddo and Bossier have the highest percentage of completed vaccinations on March 14 in Region 7 at 45.9% and 44.5%, respectively.
- ✓ Natchitoches is ranked third at 43.7%.



COVID-19 CASES BY COLLECTION DATE IN REGION 7

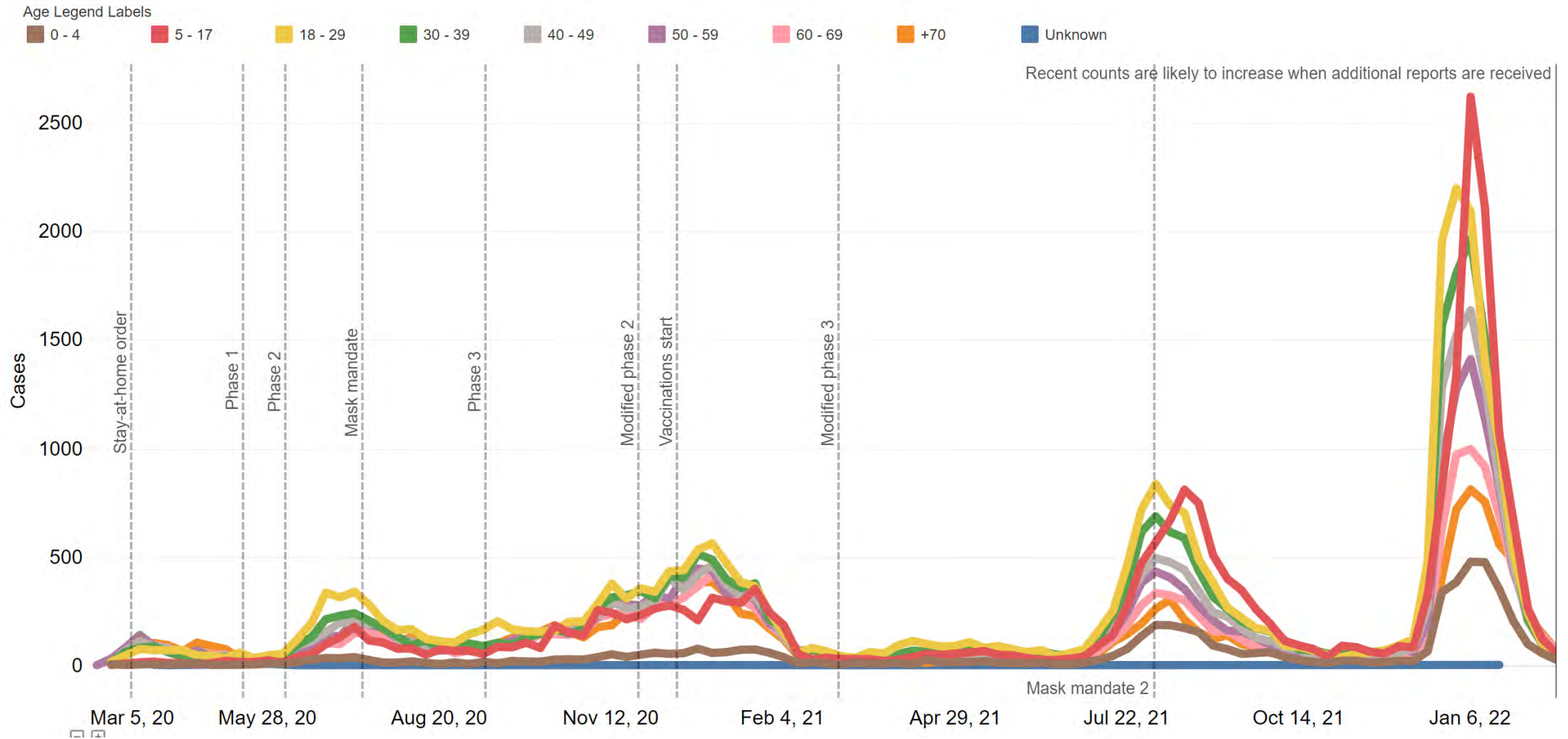
COVID-19 cases by collection date as of March 14, 2022 in Louisiana with a 7-day moving average.



Source: Louisiana Office of Public Health, Region 6 (Central Louisiana), March 14, 2022.

COVID-19 REGION 7 CASES BY AGE GROUP

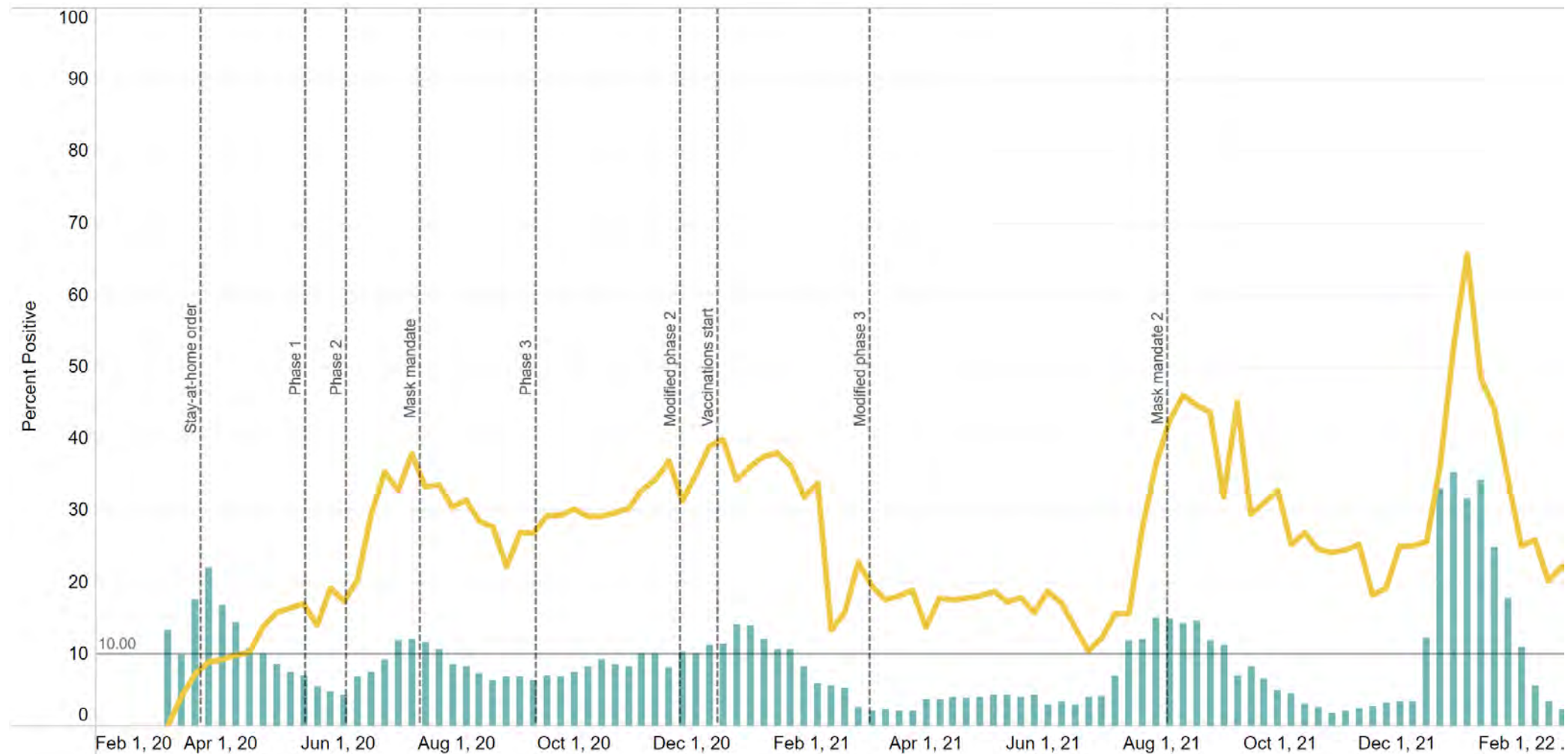
Cases over time by age group in Louisiana through March 14, 2022.



Source: Louisiana Office of Public Health, Region 6 (Central Louisiana), March 14, 2022.

COVID-19 % POSITIVE AND TEST VOLUME REGION 7

COVID-19 percent positive and test volume in Region 6 as of March 14, 2022.

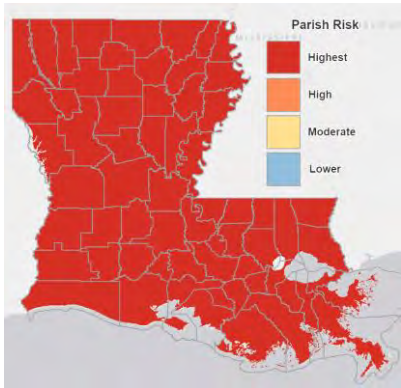


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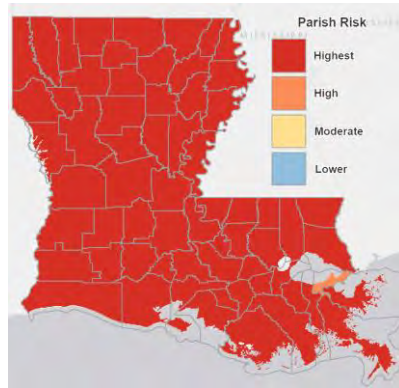
COVID-19 STATEWIDE RISK BY PARISH

COVID-19 statewide risk by parish over time.

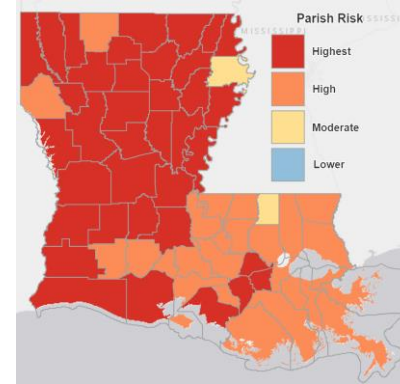
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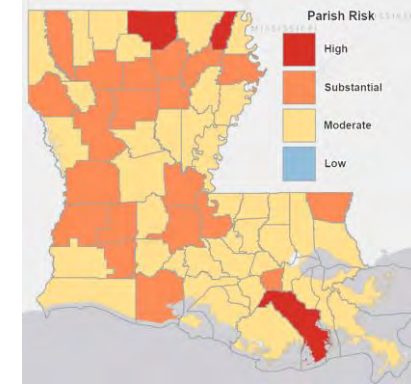
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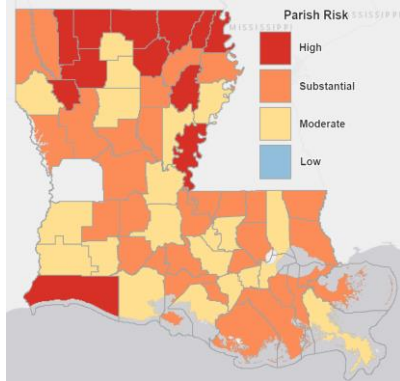
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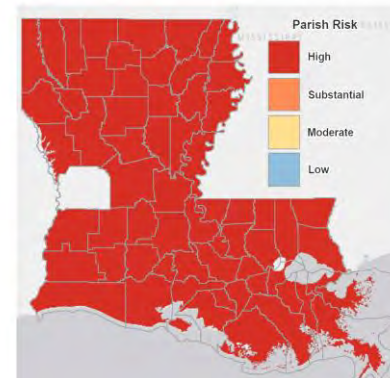
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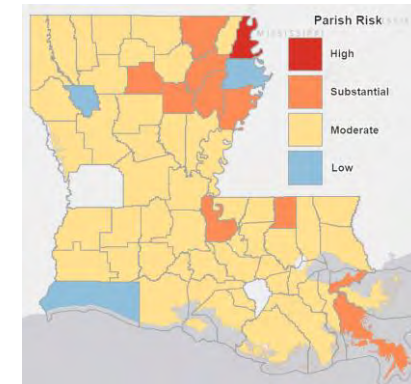
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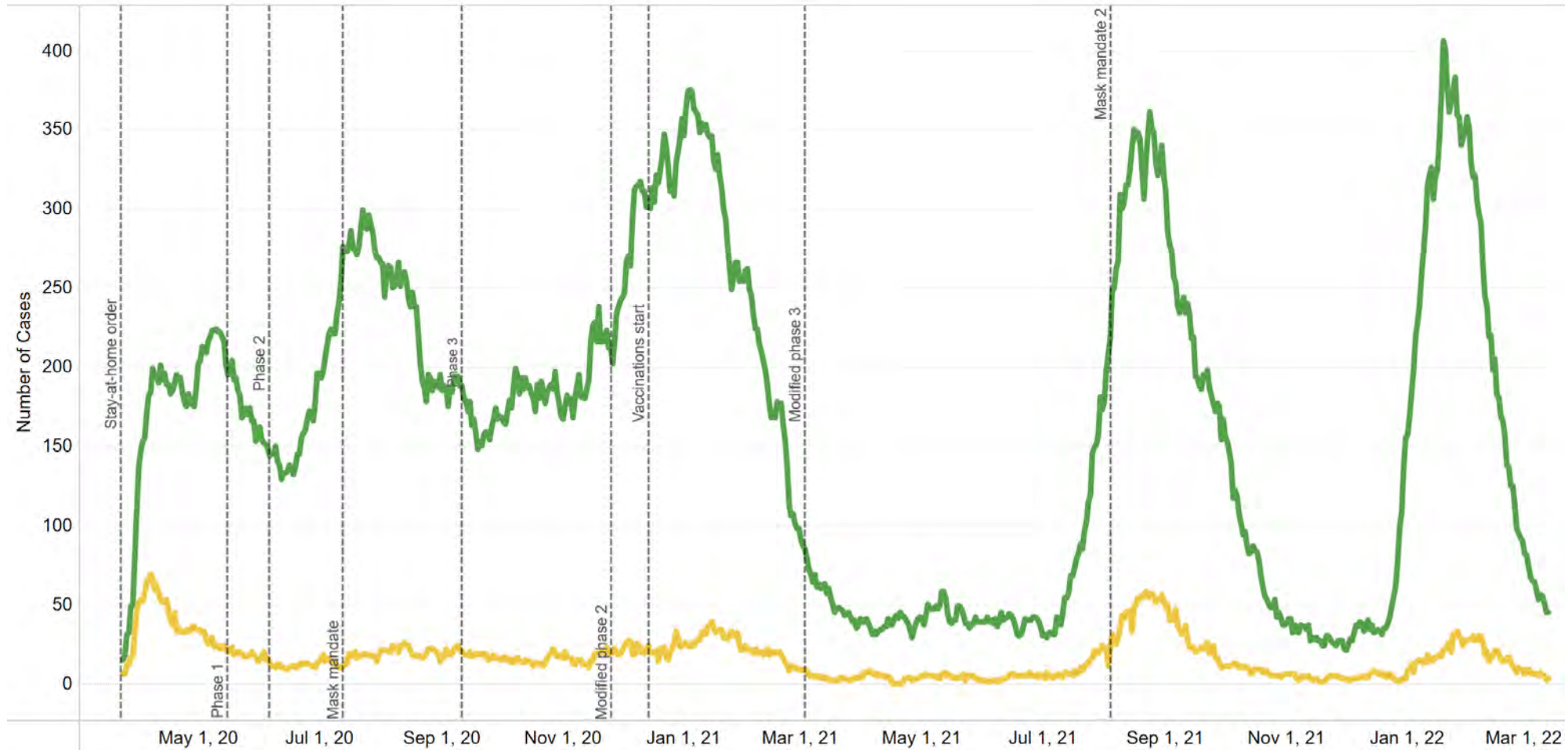


March 18, 2022



COVID-19 HOSPITALIZED & VENTILATED

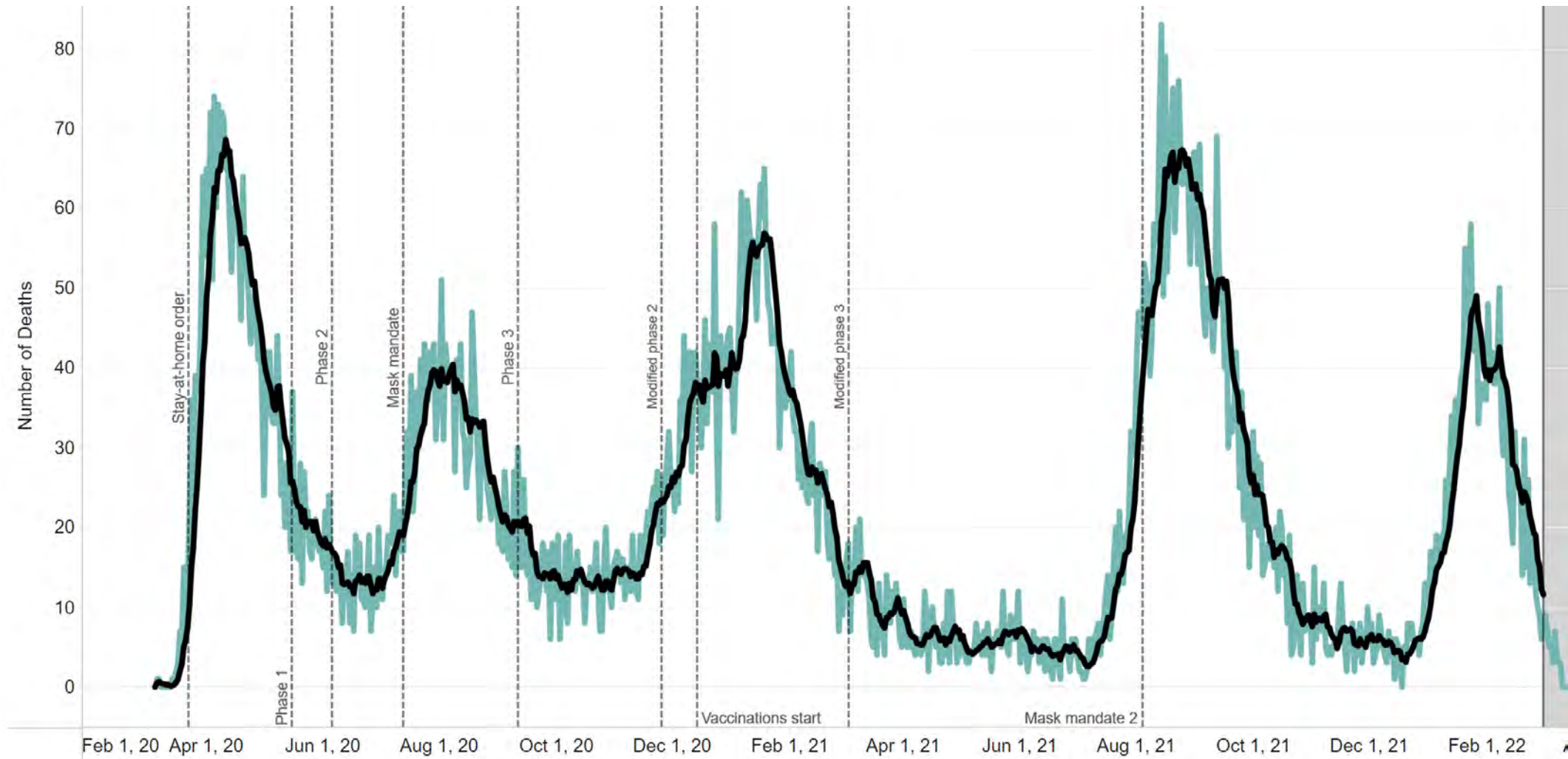
Number of cases hospitalized (green line) and ventilated (yellow line) in Region 7 as of March 14, 2022.



Source: Louisiana Office of Public Health, Region 6 (Central Louisiana), March 14, 2022.

COVID-19 DEATHS STATEWIDE BY DATE

COVID-19 deaths by date of death statewide as of March 14, 2022.



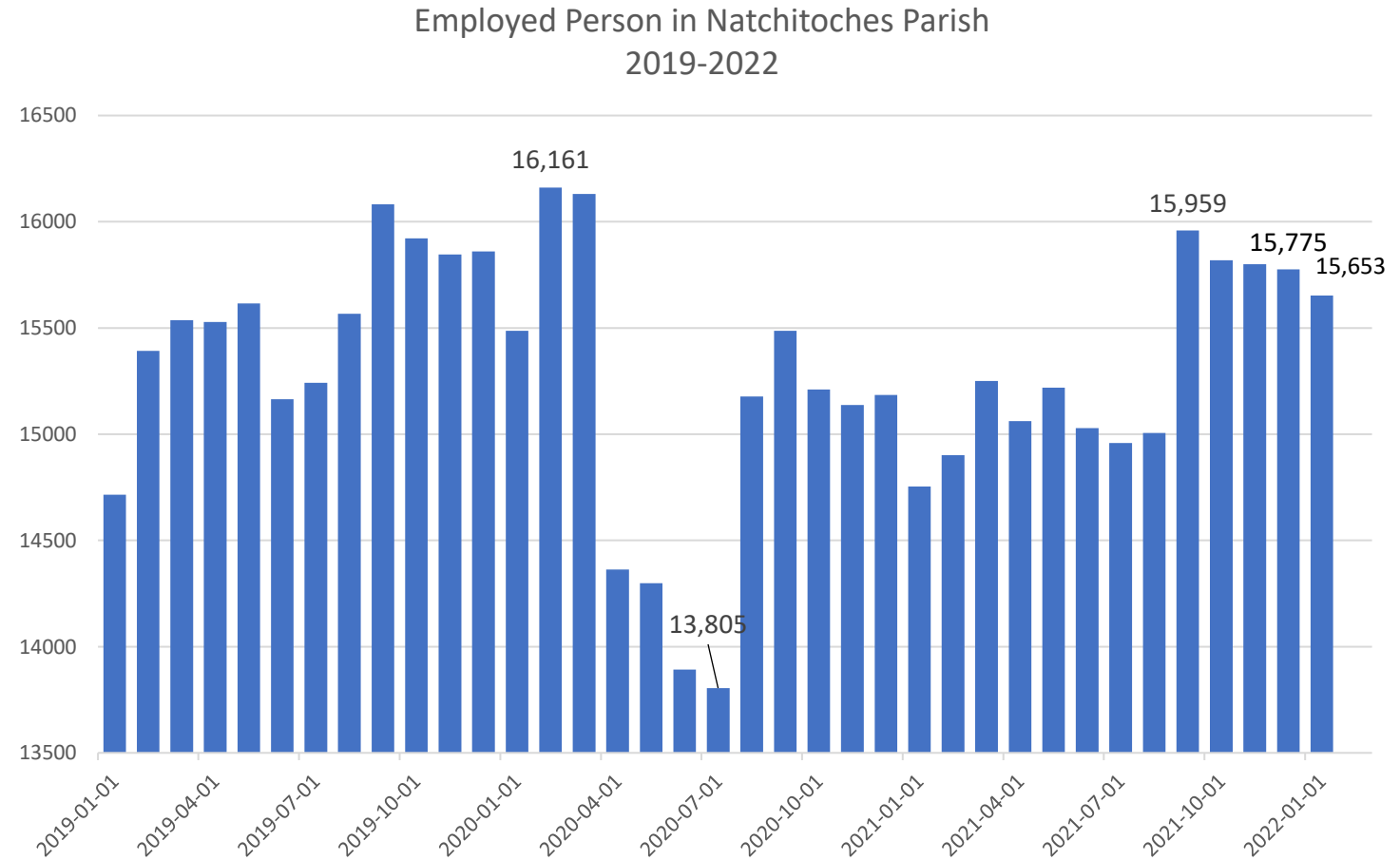
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EMPLOYMENT

EMPLOYMENT IN NATCHITOCHESES

Employed persons in Natchitoches parish from 2019 – 2022.

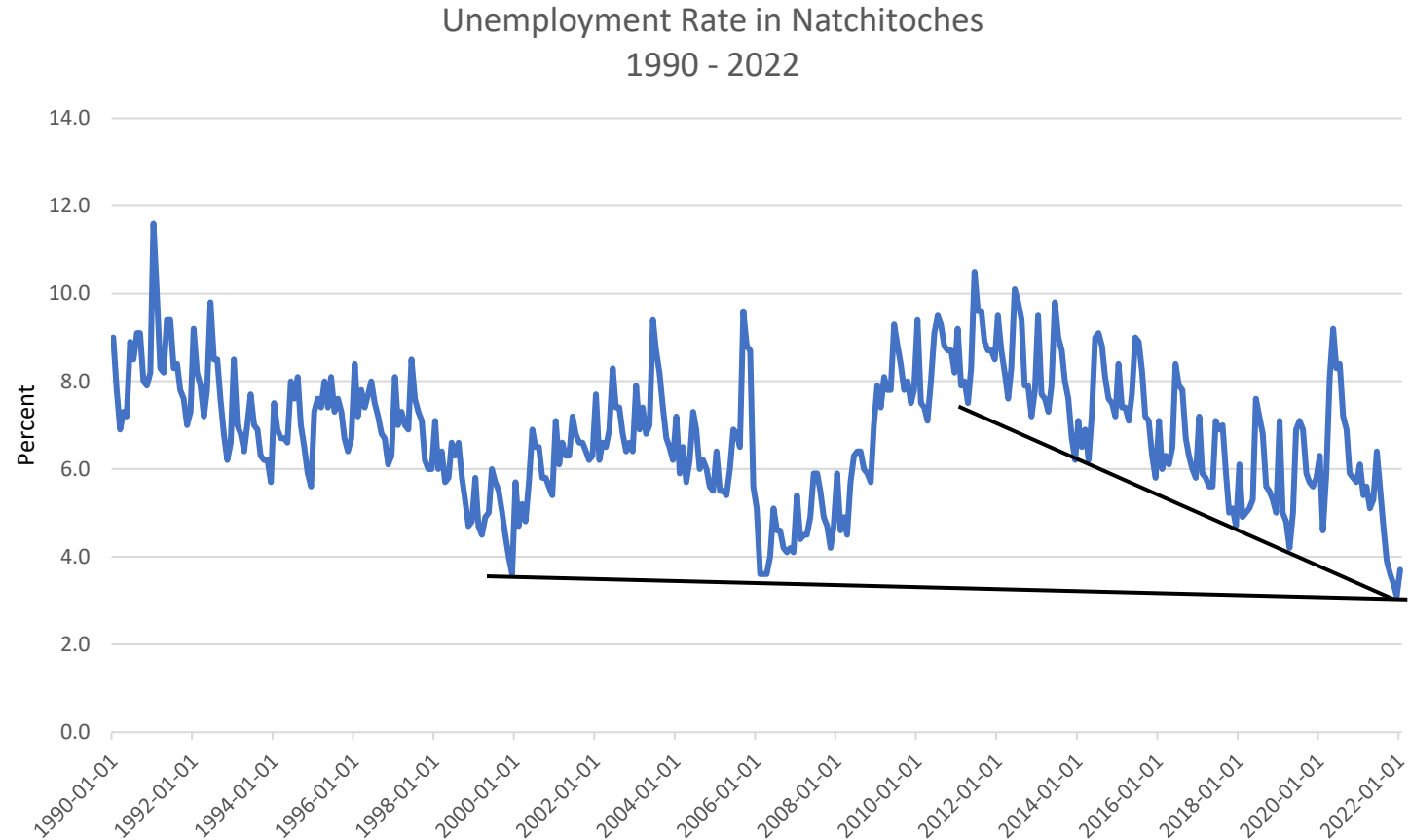
- ✓ In January 2022, 15,653 were employed in Natchitoches parish, a decrease of 123 from December.
- ✓ Unemployment in Natchitoches parish rose to 3.7% in January from 3.1% in December.



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN NATCHITOCHESES

Unemployment rate in the Natchitoches from 1990 – 2022.

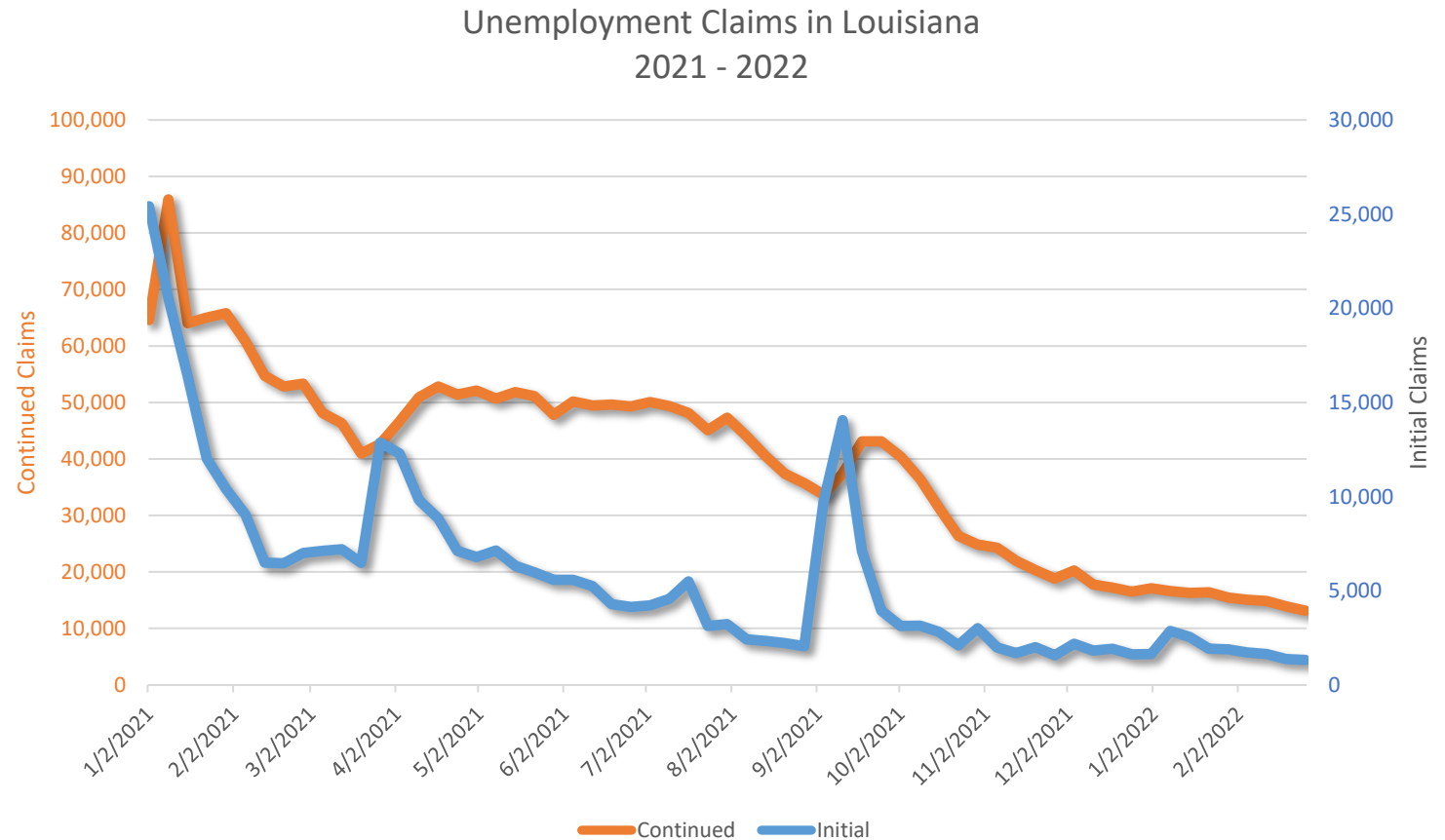
- ✓ In December 2021, the unemployment rate for Natchitoches hit 3.1%, breaking the record lows of 3.6% set in April 2006 and December 1999.
- ✓ The unemployment rate in Natchitoches parish has been in a downtrend channel since April 2011.



UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS IN LOUISIANA

Initial and continued unemployment claims in Louisiana from January 2021 to February 2022.

- ✓ Statewide average weekly initial unemployment claims filed in February fell to 1,517 from 2,178 in January, a decrease of -30%.
- ✓ Statewide average weekly continued unemployment claims filed in February fell to 14,240 from 16,368 in January, a decrease of -13%.



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BY CENLA PARISH

The table below shows January 2022 preliminary unemployment rate, labor force, and employment data for central Louisiana parishes.

- In January, parishes in central Louisiana had an unemployment rate of 3.9%, compared to 3.4% in December.

- ✓ January's 3.9% unemployment rate for Cenla compared favorably to the state's 4.3% rate.

- ✓ LaSalle had the lowest unemployment rate in the state in January, with Rapides ranked 11th, Grant ranked 15th, and Natchitoches ranked 24th.

Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate Jan 2022	Unemployment Rate Dec 2021
Allen	8,202	7,844	358	4.4%	3.6%
Avoyelles	14,568	13,971	597	4.1%	3.4%
Catahoula	3,444	3,304	140	4.1%	3.3%
Concordia	6,803	6,470	333	4.9%	4.0%
Evangeline	11,782	11,263	519	4.4%	3.6%
Grant	8,273	7,996	277	3.3%	2.8%
La Salle	6,565	6,397	168	2.6%	2.2%
Natchitoches	16,261	15,653	608	3.7%	3.1%
Rapides	55,867	54,129	1,738	3.1%	2.6%
St. Landry	31,626	29,994	1,632	5.2%	4.3%
Vernon	23,668	22,763	905	3.8%	3.2%

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AMONG LA METROS

The table below shows January 2022 preliminary unemployment rate, labor force, and employment data for Metropolitan Statistical Areas and the state.

- ✓ At 3.1%, the Alexandria MSA had the lowest unemployment rate among the state's major metro areas for the 21th straight month.
- Louisiana's unemployment rate rose 0.6% in January to 4.3% from 3.7% in December.

Area	Unemployment Rate	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed
Alexandria	3.1%	64,140	62,125	2,015
Baton Rouge	3.8%	417,123	401,443	15,680
Lafayette	3.8%	211,006	202,962	8,044
Monroe	3.9%	77,583	74,542	3,041
Houma-Thibodaux	4.2%	82,960	79,436	3,524
Lake Charles	4.2%	100,145	95,976	4,169
Shreveport-Bossier City	4.2%	183,950	176,251	7,699
Louisiana	4.3%	2,060,315	1,972,181	88,134
New Orleans-Metairie	4.9%	584,683	555,805	28,878
Hammond	5.2%	55,943	53,046	2,897

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 January 2022.

✓ In January 2022, the Alexandria MSA had the tightest labor market in the state with only 0.32 unemployed persons per job opening, meaning there were three job openings for every unemployed.

✓ Every metro area in the state had more job openings than unemployed. However, rising unemployment may be the beginning of a trend reversal.

January 2022

Rank	Metro Area	Unemployed	Job Openings	Unemployed per Job Opening
1	Alexandria	2,015	6,389	0.32
2	Lafayette	4,775	9,512	0.50
3	Lake Charles	4,169	6,766	0.62
4	New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner	28,333	44,243	0.64
5	Shreveport-Bossier City	7,109	11,191	0.64
6	Baton Rouge	15,680	23,465	0.67
7	Monroe	3,041	4,098	0.74
8	Houma-Bayou Cane-Thibodaux	3,524	3,748	0.94

TOP EMPLOYERS

The tables below shows employers with the highest number of job openings advertised online on March 13, 2022.

Alexandria MSA

Employer	Job Openings
CHRISTUS Health	361
HCA Healthcare, Inc.	157
Rapides Parish School District	66
Louisiana Department of State Civil Service	40
City of Alexandria, LA	30
LHC Group Inc	29
Anders Group	23

Louisiana

Employer Name	Job Openings
Ochsner Health System	3,648
Tulane University	1,425
St. Dominic Hospital	1,231
CHRISTUS Health	1,109
LCMC Health	1,051
McDonald's Corporation	819
LHC Group Inc	616
Dollar Tree, Inc.	599

PERCENT CHANGE IN JOB POSTING IN LOUISIANA

The chart below represents the percent change in job posting by industry in Louisiana as of March 11, 2022 with January 2020 as the baseline.

In **Louisiana**, as of March 11 2022, total job postings increased by **61.3%** compared to January 2020.

<u>Industry</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Education & Health Services	+31%
Manufacturing	+104%
Leisure & Hospitality	+52%
Professional	+51%
Financial	+87%



data source: **Burning Glass Technologies**

TAX REVENUE

TAX REVENUE OVERVIEW

An overview of sales, vehicle sales, and hotel occupancy taxes collected in the February 2022 reflecting sales activity in January 2022.

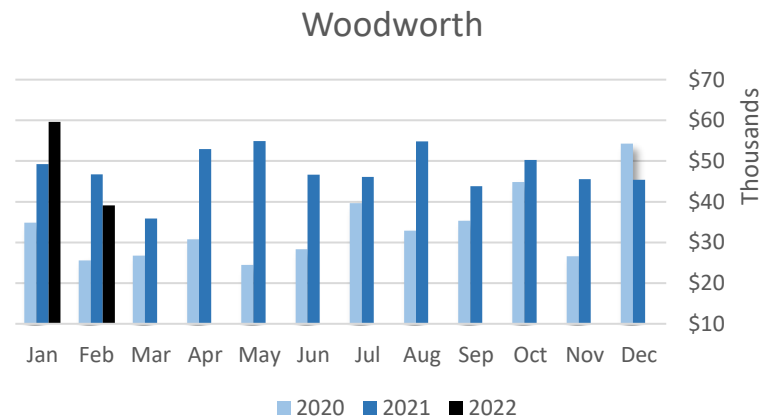
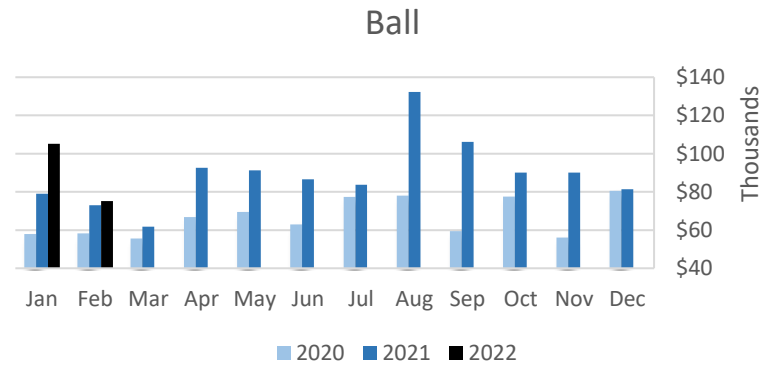
February 2022

Sales Tax	M/M	Y/Y	YTD		Vehicle Sales Tax	M/M	Y/Y	YTD
Alexandria	-31%	-2%	1%		Avoyelles	-2%	0%	-1%
Avoyelles	-33%	0%	7%		Evangeline	10%	5%	-1%
Catahoula	-38%	-5%	14%		Natchitoches*	-21%	15%	15%
Concordia	-22%	11%	6%		Rapides	-14%	-11%	-6%
Evangeline	-18%	30%	28%		St. Landry	-4%	6%	1%
Grant	-33%	11%	12%					
La Salle	-20%	16%	17%					
Natchitoches	-26%	29%	20%		Hotel Occupancy Tax			
Pineville	-18%	1%	1%		Avoyelles	-64%	0%	26%
Rapides	-26%	1%	1%		Natchitoches	-51%	42%	39%
St. Landry	-26%	4%	6%		Rapides	9%	29%	22%

Notes: February tax revenue reflects sales activity in January. * Current month data are not available. N/a = Not available
Data Source noted in detailed reports.

RAPIDES PARISH TOWNS & CITIES

An overview of sales tax revenue in other Rapides Parish towns and cities in February 2022 (excluding Alexandria and Pineville).



February

	Feb-21	Jan-22	Feb-22	% M/M	% Y/Y	%YTD
Ball	\$73,013	\$105,157	\$75,132	-28.6%	2.9%	18.5%
Boyce	\$40,085	\$48,994	\$40,823	-16.7%	1.8%	-2.2%
Cheneyville	\$2,187	\$2,080	\$2,371	14.0%	8.4%	-14.8%
Glenmora	\$17,917	\$20,574	\$20,271	-1.5%	13.1%	-7.7%
Lecompte	\$20,731	\$28,119	\$25,116	-10.7%	21.2%	3.8%
Woodworth	\$46,760	\$59,664	\$39,064	-34.5%	-16.5%	2.8%

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

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


ALEXANDRIA SALES TAX


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


(BR) Alexandria total monthly sales tax revenue from 2020 to present.

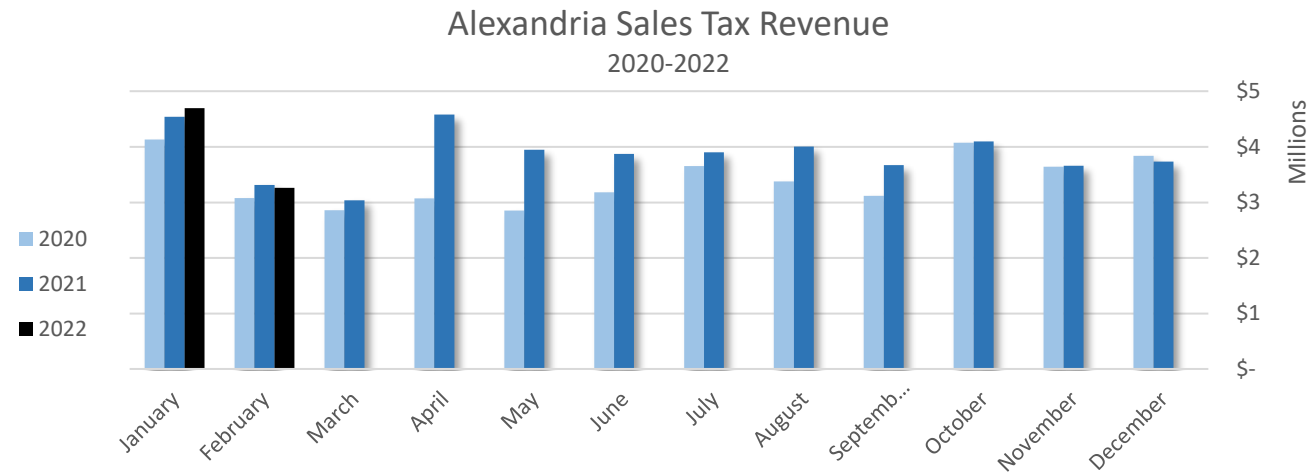
February

	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 2,868,635	\$ 3,079,930	\$ 3,313,658	\$ 3,264,360
January	\$ 4,140,983	\$ 4,132,795	\$ 4,542,155	\$ 4,696,275
% Chg over Prev Month	-30.7%	-25.5%	-27.0%	-30.5%
% Chg over Prev Year		7.4%	7.6%	-1.5%
YTD (Jan)	\$ 7,009,618	\$ 7,212,725	\$ 7,855,813	\$ 7,960,635
% Chg over Prev YTD		2.9%	8.9%	1.3%

February  -31%

Feb YoY  -2%

Feb YTD  1%



Note: February sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in January.

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

AVOYELLES SALES TAX

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

February

February



-33%

Feb YoY



0.3%

Feb YTD



7%

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 1,113,435	\$ 1,177,667	\$ 1,212,841	\$ 1,557,712	\$ 1,562,150
January	\$ 1,761,723	\$ 1,896,263	\$ 1,847,251	\$ 2,074,759	\$ 2,329,526
% Chg over Prev Month	-36.8%	-37.9%	-34.3%	-24.9%	-32.9%
% Chg over Prev Year		5.8%	3.0%	28.4%	0.3%
YTD (Jan-Feb)	\$ 2,875,157	\$ 3,073,930	\$ 3,060,093	\$ 3,632,471	\$ 3,891,675
% Chg over Prev YTD		6.9%	-0.5%	18.7%	7.1%



Note: February sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in January.

Data Source: Avoyelles Parish School Board. March 2022.

AVOYELLES VEHICLE SALES TAX

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

February

		2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	
February	 -2%	\$ 236,976	\$ 287,839	\$ 287,866	\$ 330,453	\$ 330,453	
January		\$ 229,782	\$ 191,942	\$ 255,336	\$ 348,146	\$ 338,628	
Feb YoY	0%	% Chg over Prev Month	3.1%	50.0%	12.7%	-5.1%	-2.4%
		% Chg over Prev Year		21.5%	0.0%	14.8%	0.0%
Feb YTD	 -1%	YTD (Jan - Feb)	\$ 466,758	\$ 479,782	\$ 543,203	\$ 678,599	\$ 669,080
		% Chg over Prev YTD		2.8%	13.2%	24.9%	-1.4%


Note: February sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in January.


Data Source: Avoyelles Parish School Board. March 2022


CATAHOULA SALES TAX

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

February

February 
-38%

Feb YoY 
-5%

Feb YTD 
14%

	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 424,857	\$ 460,357	\$ 520,518	\$ 492,832
January	\$ 514,971	\$ 511,212	\$ 604,484	\$ 789,116
% Chg over Prev Month	-17.5%	-9.9%	-13.9%	-37.5%
% Chg over Prev Year		8.4%	13.1%	-5.3%
YTD (Jan - Feb)	\$ 939,828	\$ 971,569	\$ 1,125,002	\$ 1,281,948
% Chg over Prev YTD		3.4%	15.8%	14.0%


Note: February sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in January.


Data Source: Catahoula Parish Tax Administrator, March 2022


CONCORDIA SALES TAX

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

February

February  -22%

Feb YoY  11%

Feb YTD  6%

	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 894,512	\$ 936,784	\$ 1,060,357	\$ 1,173,354
January	\$ 1,305,652	\$ 1,125,374	\$ 1,462,464	\$ 1,493,942
% Chg over Prev Month	-31.5%	-16.8%	-27.5%	-21.5%
% Chg over Prev Year		4.7%	13.2%	10.7%
YTD (Jan - Feb)	\$ 2,200,164	\$ 2,062,158	\$ 2,522,821	\$ 2,667,296
% Chg over Prev YTD		-6.3%	22.3%	5.7%


Note: February sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in January.


Data Source: Concordia Parish Tax Administrator. March 2022


EVANGELINE SALES TAX

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

February

February  -18%

Feb YoY  30%

Feb YTD  28%




	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 1,297,401	\$ 1,421,713	\$ 1,457,691	\$ 1,608,232	\$ 2,085,392
January	\$ 1,733,668	\$ 1,684,820	\$ 1,674,965	\$ 2,001,054	\$ 2,531,152
% Chg over Prev Month	-25.2%	-15.6%	-13.0%	-19.6%	-17.6%
% Chg over Prev Year		9.6%	2.5%	10.3%	29.7%
YTD (Jan-Feb)	\$ 3,031,069	\$ 3,106,533	\$ 3,132,656	\$ 3,609,286	\$ 4,616,544
% Chg over Prev YTD		2.5%	0.8%	15.2%	27.9%

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

Data Source: Evangeline Parish Sales Tax Commissioner. March 2022

EVANGELINE VEHICLE SALES TAX

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

		<i>February</i>					
		2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	
February	 10%	\$ 272,076	\$ 347,675	\$ 320,877	\$ 358,527	\$ 374,645	
Feb YoY	 5%	\$ 259,767	\$ 292,397	\$ 286,825	\$ 361,503	\$ 341,667	
		% Chg over Prev Month	4.7%	18.9%	11.9%	-0.8%	9.7%
		% Chg over Prev Year		27.8%	-7.7%	11.7%	4.5%
Feb YTD	 -1%						
		YTD (Jan - Feb)	\$ 531,843	\$ 640,072	\$ 607,702	\$ 720,030	\$ 716,312
		% Chg over Prev YTD		20.3%	-5.1%	18.5%	-0.5%

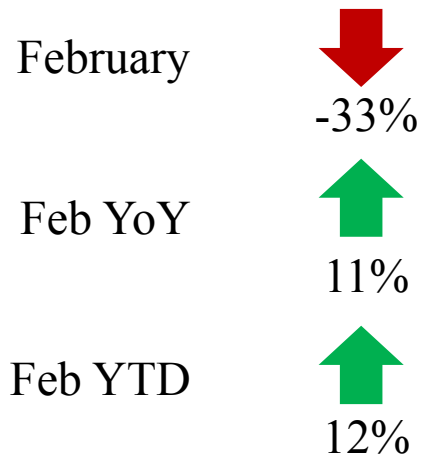
Note: February sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in January. Evangeline implemented a 1% sales tax increase July 1, 2021.

Data Source: Evangeline Parish Sales Tax Commissioner. March 2022

GRANT SALES TAX

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

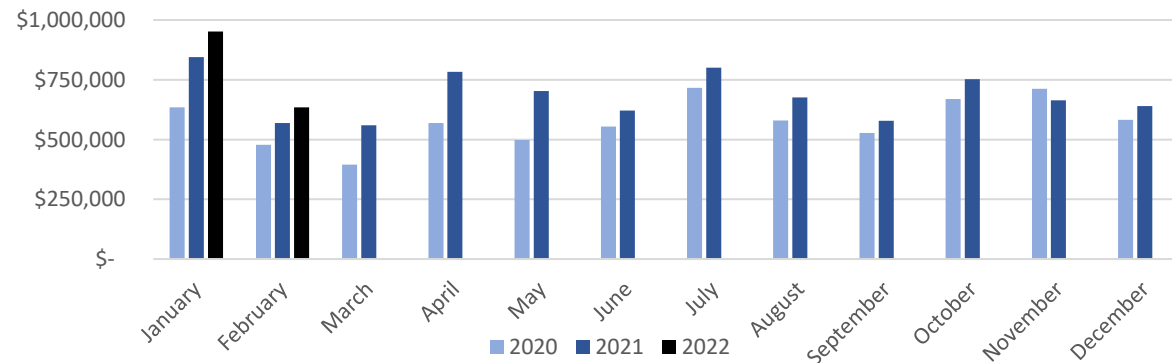
(BR) Grant monthly sales tax revenue from 2020 to present.



February

	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 452,252	\$ 478,335	\$ 569,528	\$ 634,531
January	\$ 440,925	\$ 635,226	\$ 845,305	\$ 951,606
% Chg over Prev Month	2.6%	-24.7%	-32.6%	-33.3%
% Chg over Prev Year		5.8%	19.1%	11.4%
YTD (Jan - Feb)	\$ 893,177	\$ 1,113,561	\$ 1,414,833	\$ 1,586,137
% Chg over Prev YTD		24.7%	27.1%	12.1%

Grant Parish Sales Tax Revenue
2020-2022





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


LA SALLE SALES TAX

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

February

February 
-20%

Feb YoY 
16%

Feb YTD 
17%

	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 783,427	\$ 814,504	\$ 901,836	\$ 1,042,656
January	\$ 1,239,753	\$ 936,466	\$ 1,115,428	\$ 1,308,363
% Chg over Prev Month	-36.8%	-13.0%	-19.1%	-20.3%
% Chg over Prev Year		4.0%	10.7%	15.6%
YTD (Jan - Feb)	\$ 2,023,180	\$ 1,750,971	\$ 2,017,264	\$ 2,351,019
% Chg over Prev YTD		-13.5%	15.2%	16.5%

Note: February sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in January.

Data Source: La Salle Parish Tax Administrator, March 2022

NATCHITOCHESES SALES TAX

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

(BR) Natchitoches monthly sales tax revenue from 2020 to present.

February

	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 2,278,349	\$ 2,487,086	\$ 2,545,399	\$ 3,270,980
January	\$ 3,141,147	\$ 3,533,755	\$ 3,873,228	\$ 4,442,544
% Chg over Prev Month	-27.5%	-29.6%	-34.3%	-26.4%
% Chg over Prev Year			2.3%	28.5%
YTD (Jan - Feb)	\$ 5,419,496	\$ 6,020,841	\$ 6,418,627	\$ 7,713,524
% Chg over Prev YTD		11.1%	6.6%	20.2%

February



-26%

Feb YoY



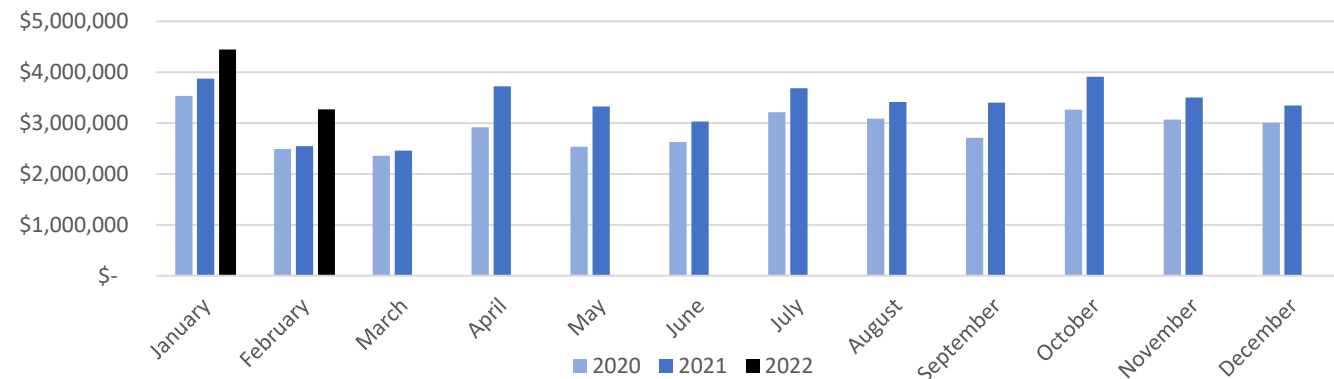
29%

Feb YTD



20%

Natchitoches Parish Sales Tax Revenue
2020-2022




Note: February sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in January.


Data Source: Natchitoches Parish Tax Commission, March 2022.


NATCHITOCHESES VEHICLE SALES TAX

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

(BR) Natchitoches monthly vehicle sales tax revenue from 2020 to present.

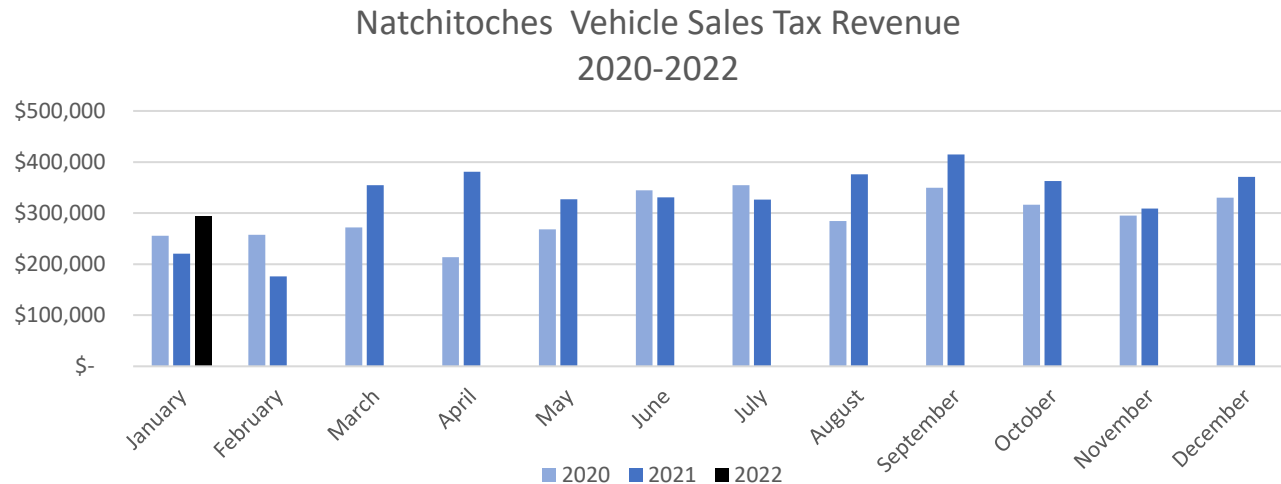
January  -21%

Jan YoY  15%

Jan YTD  15%

*January**

	2019	2020	2021	2022
January	\$ 265,383	\$ 255,474	\$ 220,644	\$ 293,717
December		\$ 301,235	\$ 330,343	\$ 371,042
% Chg over Prev Month		-15.2%	-33.2%	-20.8%
% Chg over Prev Year		-3.7%	-16.9%	15.0%
YTD (Jan - Dec)	\$ 265,383	\$ 255,474	\$ 220,644	\$ 293,717
% Chg over Prev YTD		-3.7%	-16.9%	15.0%



Note: January sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in December. *February 2022 vehicle sales tax revenue was not available at time of publication.

Data Source: Natchitoches Parish Tax Commission, March 2022.


PINEVILLE SALES TAX


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


(BR) Pineville monthly sales tax revenue from 2020 to present.

February

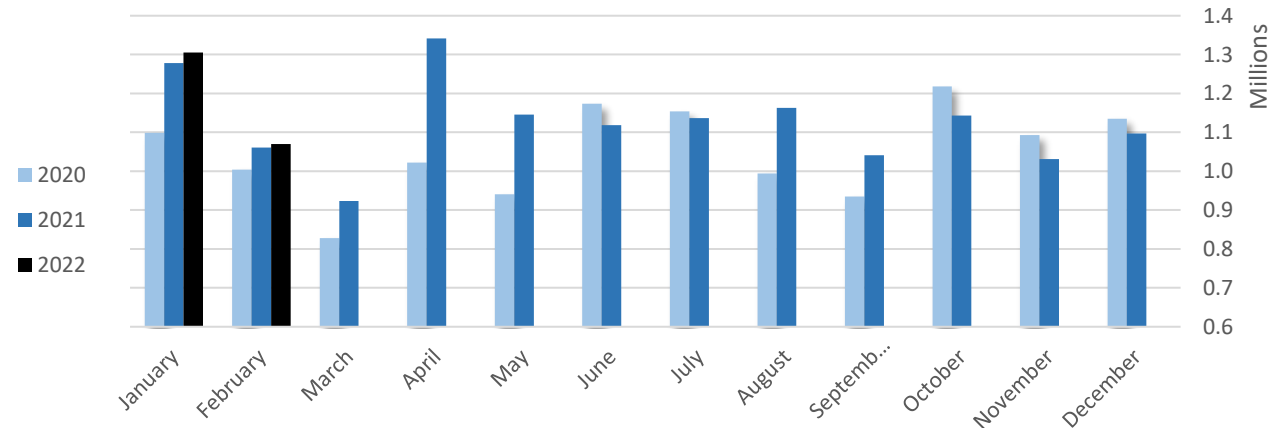
	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 796,423	\$ 1,004,243	\$ 1,061,220	\$ 1,070,275
January	\$ 1,026,165	\$ 1,098,450	\$ 1,278,518	\$ 1,305,610
% Chg over Prev Month	-22.4%	-8.6%	-17.0%	-18.0%
% Chg over Prev Year		26.1%	5.7%	0.9%
YTD (Jan-Feb)	\$ 1,822,588	\$ 2,102,693	\$ 2,339,738	\$ 2,375,885
% Chg over Prev YTD		15.4%	11.3%	1.5%

February  -18%

Feb YoY  1%

Feb YTD  2%

Pineville Sales Tax Revenue
2020-2022

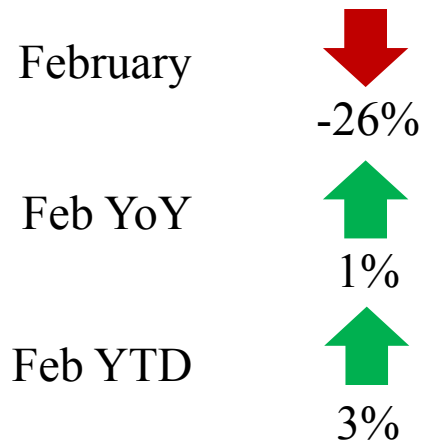


Note: Current sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in the prior month.
Data Source: Rapides Parish Police Jury Treasurer's Reports, March 2022.

RAPIDES SALES TAX

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

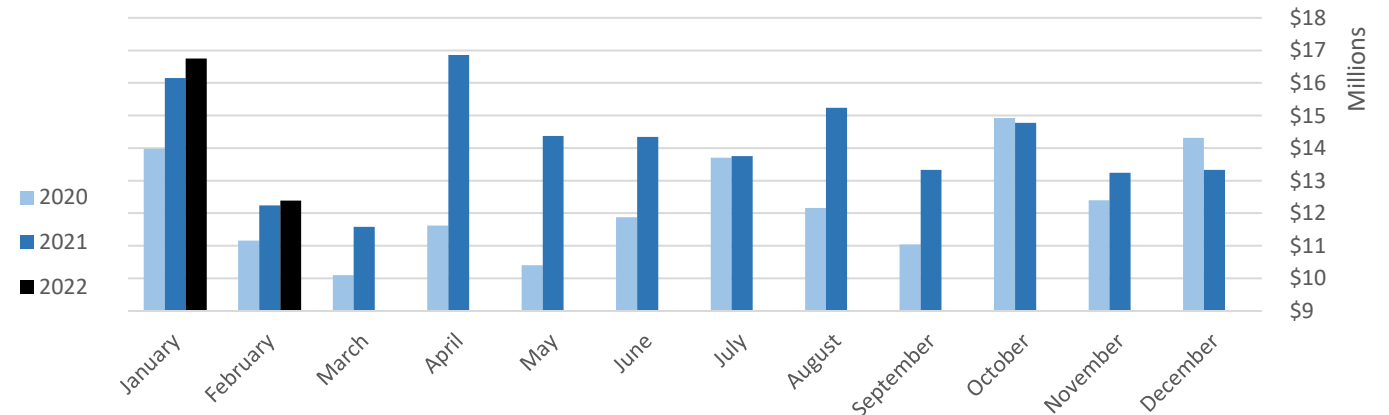
(BR) Rapides monthly sales tax revenue from 2020 to present.



February

	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 9,878,422	\$ 11,163,593	\$ 12,235,503	\$ 12,387,486
January	\$ 13,858,944	\$ 13,981,762	\$ 16,147,576	\$ 16,750,854
% Chg over Prev Month	-28.7%	-20.2%	-24.2%	-26.0%
% Chg over Prev Year		13.0%	9.6%	1.2%
YTD (Jan - Feb)	\$ 23,737,366	\$ 25,145,355	\$ 28,383,079	\$ 29,138,340
% Chg over Prev YTD		5.9%	12.9%	2.7%

Rapides Parish Total Sales Tax Revenue
20120-2022





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


RAPIDES VEHICLE SALES TAX

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

February

February  -14%

Feb YoY  -11%


Feb YTD  -6%


	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 1,142,475	\$ 1,171,176	\$ 1,282,207	\$ 1,145,955
January	\$ 874,306	\$ 1,040,447	\$ 1,369,215	\$ 1,337,852
% Chg over Prev Month	30.7%	12.6%	-6.4%	-14.3%
% Chg over Prev Year		2.5%	9.5%	-10.6%
YTD (Jan-Feb)	\$ 2,016,780	\$ 2,211,623	\$ 2,651,422	\$ 2,483,807
% Chg over Prev YTD		9.7%	19.9%	-6.3%


ST. LANDRY SALES TAX

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

February

February 
-26%

Feb YoY 
4%

Feb YTD 
6%

	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 5,191,009	\$ 5,224,951	\$ 6,107,045	\$ 6,351,429
January	\$ 7,019,121	\$ 8,146,901	\$ 7,895,905	\$ 8,525,245
% Chg over Prev Month	-26.0%	-35.9%	-22.7%	-25.5%
% Chg over Prev Year		0.7%	16.9%	4.0%
YTD (Jan-Feb)	\$12,210,130	\$13,371,852	\$14,002,950	\$14,876,674
% Chg over Prev YTD		9.5%	4.7%	6.2%


Note: February sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in January.


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


ST. LANDRY VEHICLE SALES TAX

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

February

February 
-4%

Feb YoY 
6%

Feb YTD 
1%

	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 815,297	\$ 983,889	\$ 939,891	\$ 888,098
January	\$ 676,376	\$ 812,922	\$ 857,601	\$ 926,131
% Chg over Prev Month	20.5%	21.0%	9.6%	-4.1%
% Chg over Prev Year		20.7%	-4.5%	-5.5%
YTD (Jan-Feb)	\$ 1,491,673	\$ 1,796,811	\$ 1,797,492	\$ 1,814,228
% Chg over Prev YTD		20.5%	0.0%	0.9%

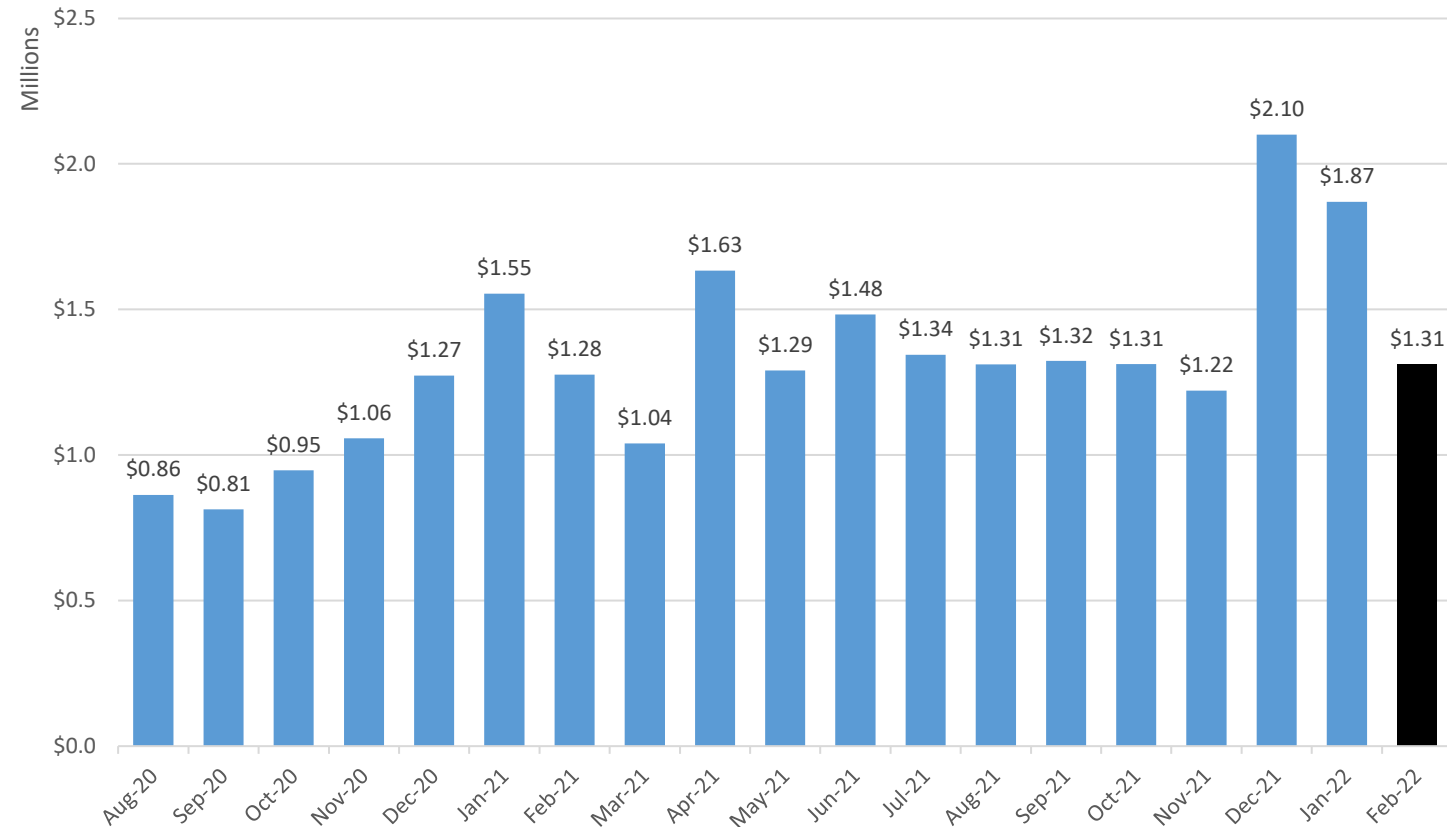
Note: February sales tax revenue reflects sales activity in January.

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

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.

Remote Sellers Sales Tax Collection in Cenla
August 2020 - February 2022



✓ Since August 2020 when remote sellers tax revenue collection started, \$25 million in sales tax revenue have been collected from online sales in central Louisiana.

✓ In the first two months of 2022, \$3.18 million in online sales taxes have been collected compared to \$2.83 million in 2021.

Note: Sales tax revenue collected in February reflects sales activity in January.

Data Source: Louisiana Sales and Use Tax Commission for Remote Sellers. August 2020 – February 2022

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 February 2022 fell -30% from a month earlier but is up 3% from February 2021 and is up 12% year-to-date.

	Feb-22	Jan-22	Feb-21	M/M	Y/Y	YTD
Allen	\$ 64,057	\$ 91,473	\$ 64,643	-30%	-1%	3%
Avoyelles	\$ 83,734	\$ 128,456	\$ 80,243	-35%	4%	17%
Catahoula	\$ 32,843	\$ 48,410	\$ 34,545	-32%	-5%	11%
Concordia	\$ 41,709	\$ 66,073	\$ 39,835	-37%	5%	16%
Evangeline	\$ 95,962	\$ 142,540	\$ 79,686	-33%	20%	31%
Grant	\$ 44,896	\$ 71,986	\$ 47,966	-38%	-6%	6%
LaSalle	\$ 36,036	\$ 56,000	\$ 32,377	-36%	11%	21%
Natchitoches	\$ 111,632	\$ 152,702	\$ 91,854	-27%	22%	26%
Rapides	\$ 403,713	\$ 539,709	\$ 400,934	-25%	1%	8%
St Landry	\$ 247,412	\$ 354,119	\$ 246,450	-30%	0%	13%
Vernon	\$ 150,319	\$ 218,329	\$ 157,506	-31%	-5%	7%
Total (Cenla)	\$ 1,312,313	\$ 1,869,797	\$ 1,276,039	-30%	3%	12%


Note: Sales tax revenue collected in February reflects sales activity in January.


Data Source: Louisiana Sales and Use Tax Commission for Remote Sellers. August 2020 – February 2022


REMOTE SELLERS TAX REVENUE IN NATCHITOCHESES

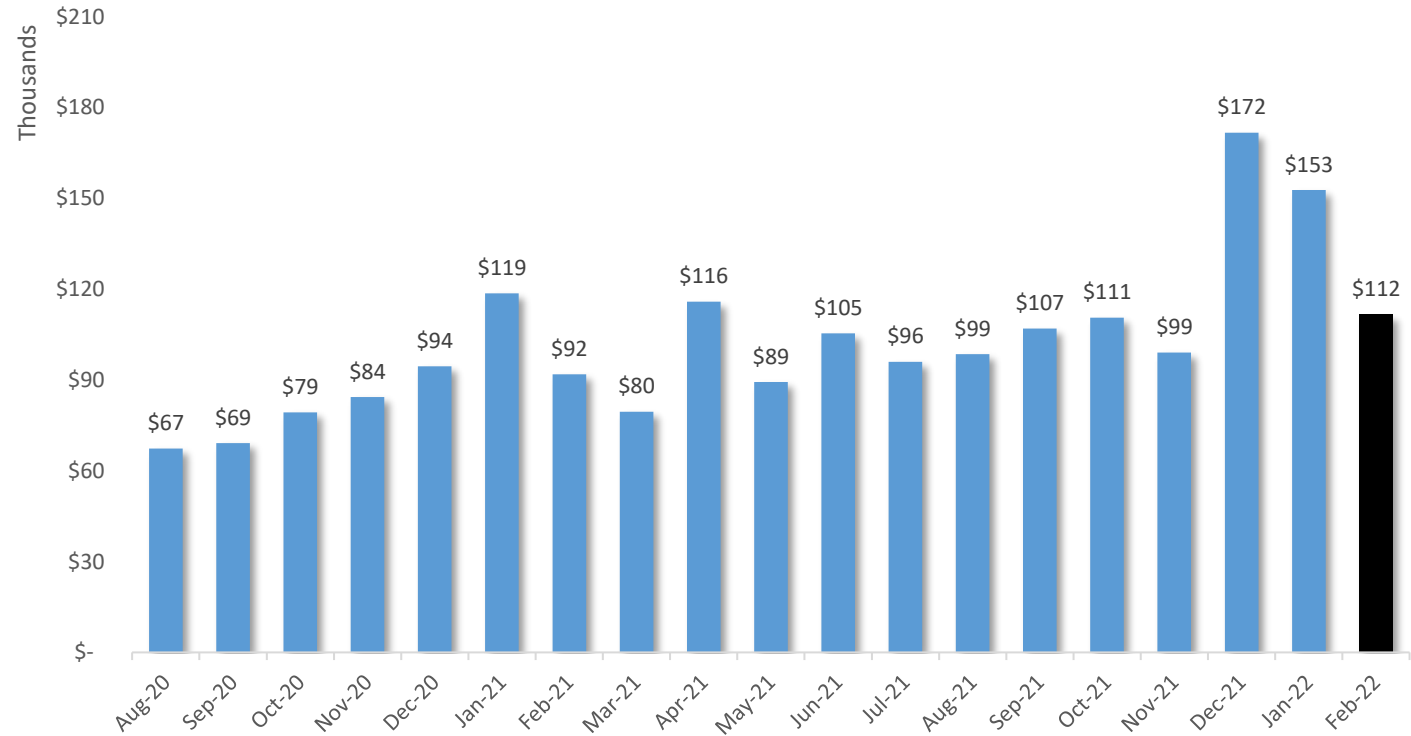
Remote sellers tax revenue from online sales in Natchitoches Parish from July 2020 – February 2022.

Natchitoches Parish
2020-2022

February  -27%

Feb YoY  22%

Feb YTD  26%




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 – February 2022


LOUISIANA TAX REVENUES

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

(BR) Louisiana monthly tax revenue from 2020 to present.

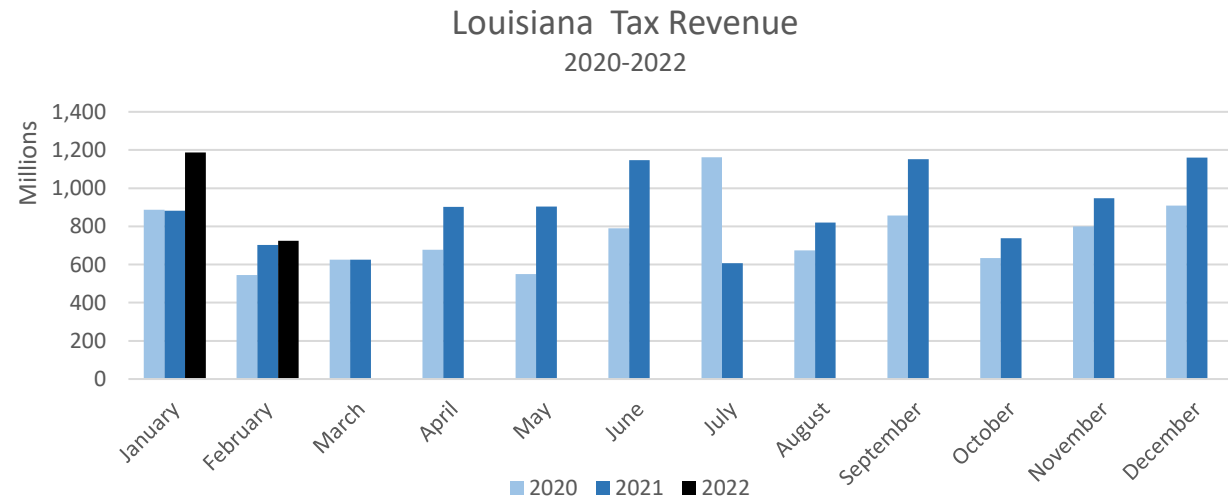
February  -39%

Feb YoY  3%

Feb YTD  21%

February


	2020	2021	2022
February	544,968,034	702,988,473	724,388,130
January	886,656,780	882,522,631	1,186,729,061
% Chg over Prev Month	-38.5%	-20.3%	-39.0%
% Chg over Prev Year		29.0%	3.0%
YTD (Jan-Feb)	\$ 1,431,624,814	\$ 1,585,511,104	\$ 1,911,117,191
% Chg over Prev YTD		10.7%	20.5%





BUILDING PERMITS

ALEXANDRIA COMMERCIAL PERMITS

The valuation (estimated development cost) of new commercial construction permits issued by the City of Alexandria in February 2022 with previous month, year, and YTD comparisons.

February 
1345%

Feb YoY 
32%


Feb YTD 
13%


February


	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 4,694,401	\$ 1,163,472	\$ 8,499,638	\$ 11,194,878
January	\$ 1,402,884	\$ 1,340,555	\$ 2,072,746	\$ 774,474
% Chg over Prev Month	235%	-13%	310%	1345%
% Chg over Prev Year		-75%	631%	32%
YTD (Jan-Feb)	\$ 6,097,285	\$ 2,504,027	\$ 10,572,384	\$ 11,969,352
% Chg over Prev YTD		-59%	322%	13%

ALEXANDRIA RESIDENTIAL PERMITS

The valuation (estimated development cost) of new residential construction permits issued by the City of Alexandria in February 2022 with previous month, year, and YTD comparisons.

February  -37%

Feb YoY  -52%

Feb YTD  -29%


February


	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 1,857,830	\$ 969,361	\$ 1,834,964	\$ 883,955
January	\$ 1,402,884	\$ 1,207,410	\$ 1,472,183	\$ 1,404,566
% Chg over Prev Month	32.4%	-19.7%	24.6%	-37.1%
% Chg over Prev Year		-47.8%	89.3%	-51.8%
YTD (Jan-Feb)	\$ 3,260,714	\$ 2,176,771	\$ 3,307,147	\$ 2,356,138
% Chg over Prev YTD		-33.2%	51.9%	-28.8%


ALLEN PARISH PERMIT VALUATIONS

This chart shows the valuation of permits issued by Rapides Area Planning Commission in Allen Parish in February between 2019-2022 with month-to-month, year-to-year, and year-to-date comparisons.

February

February 
245%

Feb YoY 
-54%


Feb YTD 
-55%


	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ -	\$2,656,118	\$2,164,000	\$1,000,000
January	\$ 728,000	\$ 355,919	\$ 699,250	\$ 290,000
% Chg Prev Month	-100%	646%	209%	245%
% Chg from Prev Year			-19%	-54%
YTD (Jan-Feb)	\$ 728,000	\$ 605,919	\$2,863,250	\$1,290,000
% Chg over Prev YTD		-17%	373%	-55%


AVOYELLES PARISH PERMIT VALUATIONS

This chart shows the valuation of permits issued by Rapides Area Planning Commission in Avoyelles Parish in February between 2019-2022 with month-to-month, year-to-year, and year-to-date comparisons.

February

February 
594%

Feb YoY 
1647%


Feb YTD 
216%


	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 2,991,003	\$ 2,656,118	\$ 2,078,210	\$ 36,302,230
January	\$ 2,645,648	\$ 355,919	\$ 11,066,424	\$ 5,232,229
% Chg Prev Month	13%	646%	-81%	594%
% Chg from Prev Year		-11%	-22%	1647%
YTD (Jan-Feb)	\$ 5,636,651	\$ 3,012,037	\$ 13,144,634	\$ 41,534,459
% Chg over Prev YTD		-47%	336%	216%


EVANGELINE PARISH PERMIT VALUATIONS

This chart shows the valuation of permits issued by Rapides Area Planning Commission in Evangeline Parish in February between 2019-2022 with month-to-month, year-to-year, and year-to-date comparisons.

February

February 
320%

Feb YoY 
318%


Feb YTD 
328%


	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 743,170	\$ 310,000	\$ 1,348,110	\$ 5,632,234
January	\$ 255,000	\$ 346,673	\$ 281,005	\$ 1,340,500
% Chg Prev Month	191%	-11%	380%	320%
% Chg from Prev Year		-58%	335%	318%
YTD (Jan-Feb)	\$ 998,170	\$ 656,673	\$ 1,629,115	\$ 6,972,734
% Chg over Prev YTD		-34%	148%	328%


NATCHITOCHEES PARISH PERMIT VALUATIONS

This table and chart shows the valuation of permits issued by Natchitoches Parish Permit Office between 2021 – 2022 with month-to-month, year-to-year, and year-to-date comparisons.

February

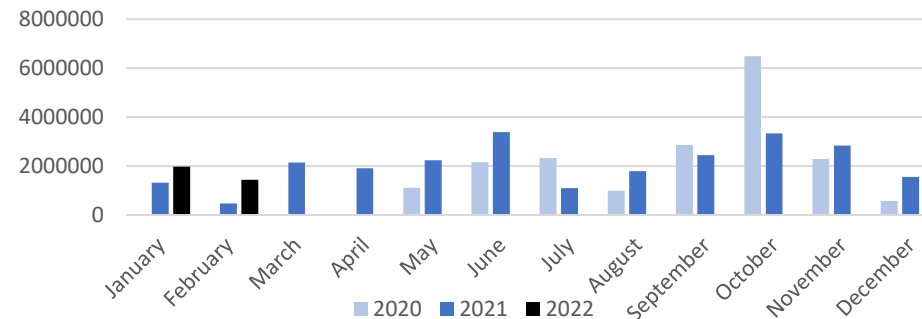
February 
-27%

Feb YoY 
205%

Feb YTD 
90%

	2021	2022
February	\$ 468,000	\$ 1,429,512
January	\$ 1,322,500	\$ 1,968,238
% Chg Prev Month	-65%	-27%
% Chg from Prev Year		205%
YTD (Jan)	\$ 1,790,500	\$ 3,397,750
% Chg over Prev YTD		90%

Natchitoches Parish Permit Valuations Issued
May 2020 - February 2022





Data Source: Natchitoches Parish Permit Office, March 2022.


CITY OF NATCHITOCHEES PERMIT VALUATIONS

This table below shows the valuation of permits issued by the City of Natchitoches Planning and Zoning Office between 2019 – 2022 with month-to-month, year-to-year, and year-to-date comparisons.

February

February 
78%

Feb YoY 
45%


Feb YTD 
56%


	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 854,797	\$ 3,326,730	\$ 1,117,560	\$ 1,622,772
January	\$ 1,062,649	\$ 1,330,539	\$ 513,474	\$ 914,136
% Chg over Prev Month	-19.6%	150.0%	117.6%	77.5%
% Chg over Prev Year		289.2%	-66.4%	45.2%
YTD (Jan-Feb)	\$ 1,917,446	\$ 4,657,269	\$ 1,631,034	\$ 2,536,908
% Chg over Prev YTD		142.9%	-65.0%	55.5%


PINEVILLE PERMIT VALUATIONS

This chart shows the valuation of permits issued by Rapides Area Planning Commission in the City of Pineville in February between 2019-2022 with month-to-month, year-to-year, and year-to-date comparisons.

February

February 
-90%




Feb YoY 
-24%

Feb YTD 
521%

	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 1,192,034	\$ 1,224,755	\$ 534,875	\$ 404,891
January	\$ 1,253,600	\$ 1,297,500	\$ 187,560	\$ 4,079,226
% Chg Prev Month	-5%	-6%	185%	-90%
% Chg from Prev Year		3%	-56%	-24%
YTD (Jan-Feb)	\$ 2,445,634	\$ 2,522,255	\$ 722,435	\$ 4,484,117
% Chg over Prev YTD		3%	-71%	521%

RAPIDES PARISH PERMIT VALUATIONS

This charts shows the valuation of permits issued by Rapides Area Planning Commission in Rapides Parish (excluding Alexandria) in February between 2019-2022 with month-to-month, year-to-year, and year-to-date comparisons.

		<i>February</i>			
		2019	2020	2021	2022
February	 -93%	\$32,929,703	\$ 4,060,633	\$ 4,595,002	\$ 404,891
Feb YoY	 -91%	\$ 3,246,119	\$ 2,468,233	\$195,523,179	\$ 6,018,448
Feb YTD	 -98%				
		% Chg Prev Month	914%	65%	-98%
		% Chg from Prev Year		-88%	13%
		YTD (Jan-Feb)	\$36,175,822	\$ 6,528,866	\$200,118,181
		% Chg over Prev YTD		-82%	2965%
					-98%

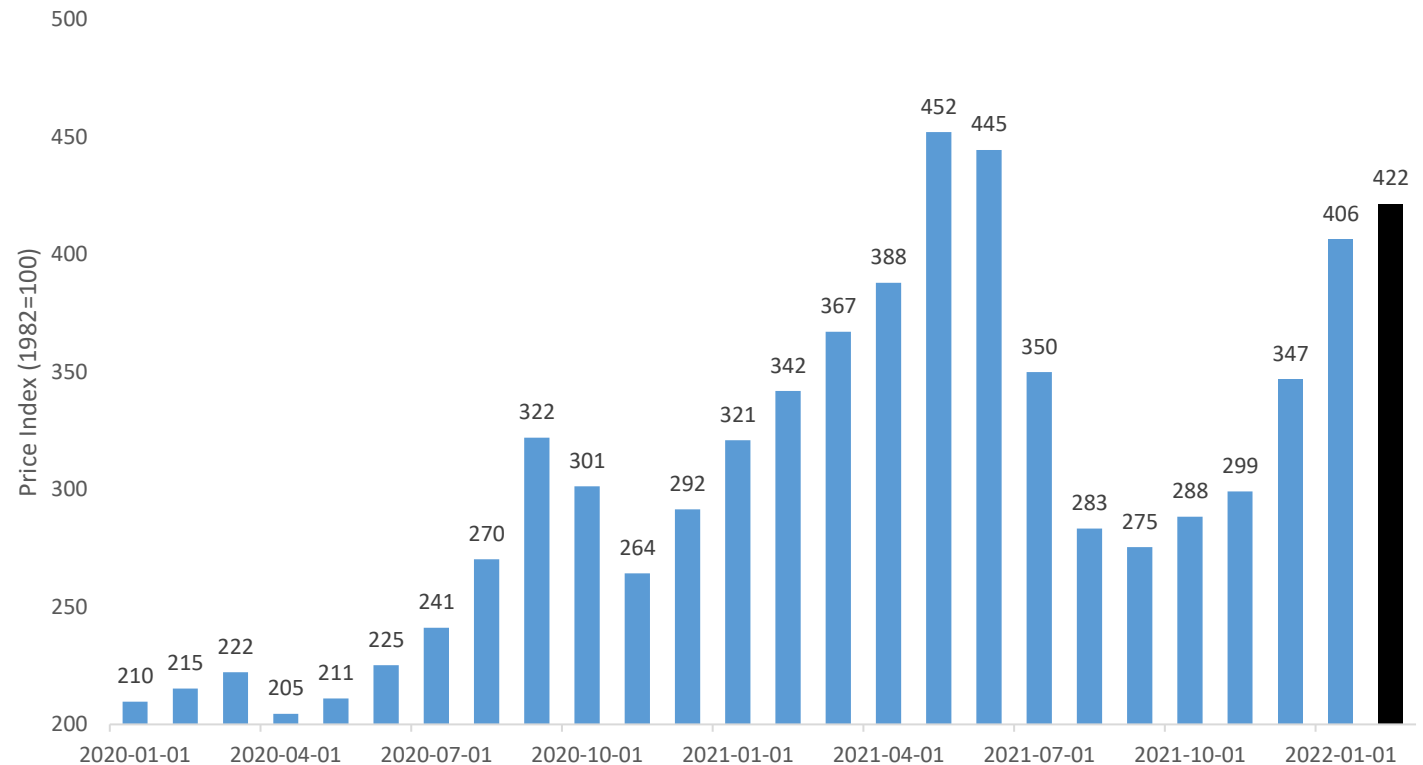
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LUMBER PRICES

The chart represents the Lumber Price Index in the U.S. from January 2020 – February 2022.

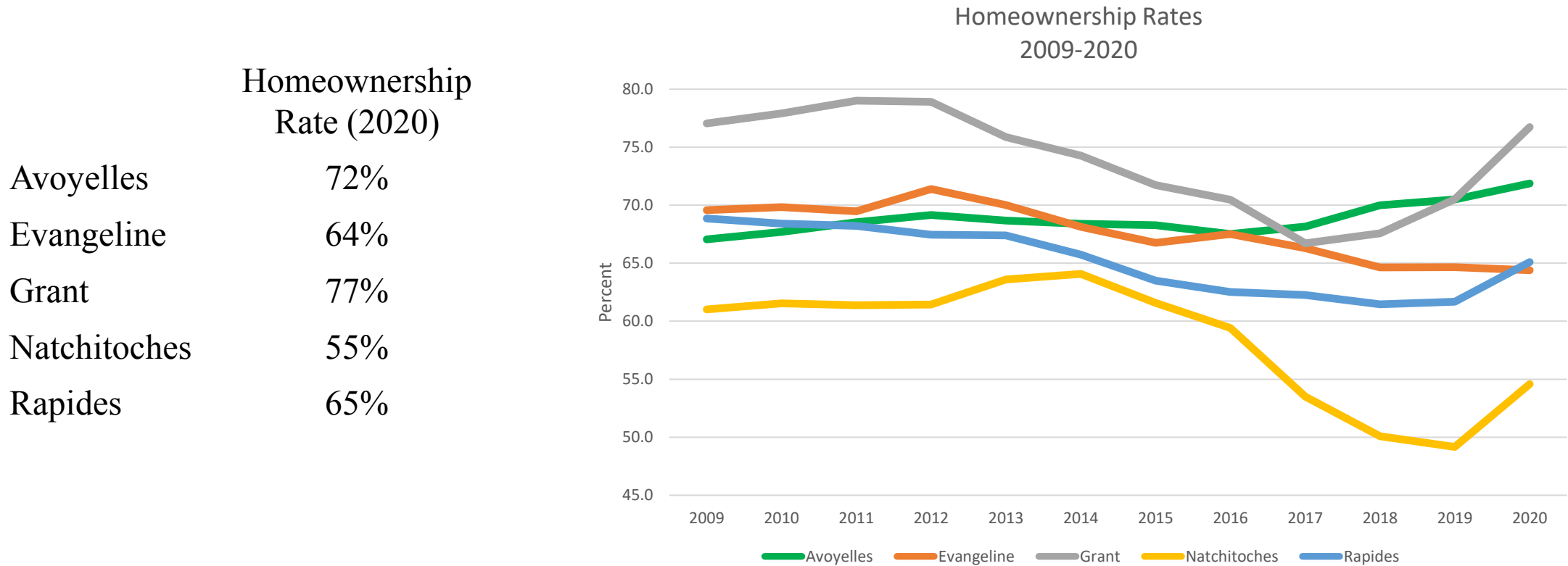
- In February 2022, the US Lumber Price Index increased 3.7% from January.
- The US Lumber Price Index has climbed for five consecutive months and stands 23% above a year ago.

Monthly Price Index of Lumber
2020 - 2022



HOMEOWNERSHIP RATES

The chart represents the homeownership rate in five central Louisiana parishes from 2009-2020. The homeownership rate is computed by dividing estimated total population in owner-occupied units by the ACS 5-year estimated total population.





TRAVEL

AVOYELLES HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX

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

February

		2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	 -64%	\$ 6,684	\$ 6,704	\$ 9,093	\$ 3,319	\$ 3,319
January		\$ 7,894	\$ 8,274	\$ 7,801	\$ 6,711	\$ 9,316
% Chg over Prev Month		-15.3%	-19.0%	16.6%	-50.5%	-64.4%
Feb YoY	0%		0.3%	35.6%	-63.5%	0.0%
YTD (Jan - Feb)		\$ 14,578	\$ 14,978	\$ 16,893	\$ 10,030	\$ 12,635
Feb YTD	 26%		2.7%	12.8%	-40.6%	26.0%

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


Data Source: Avoyelles Parish School Board. March 2022.


NATCHITOCHESES HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX


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

February

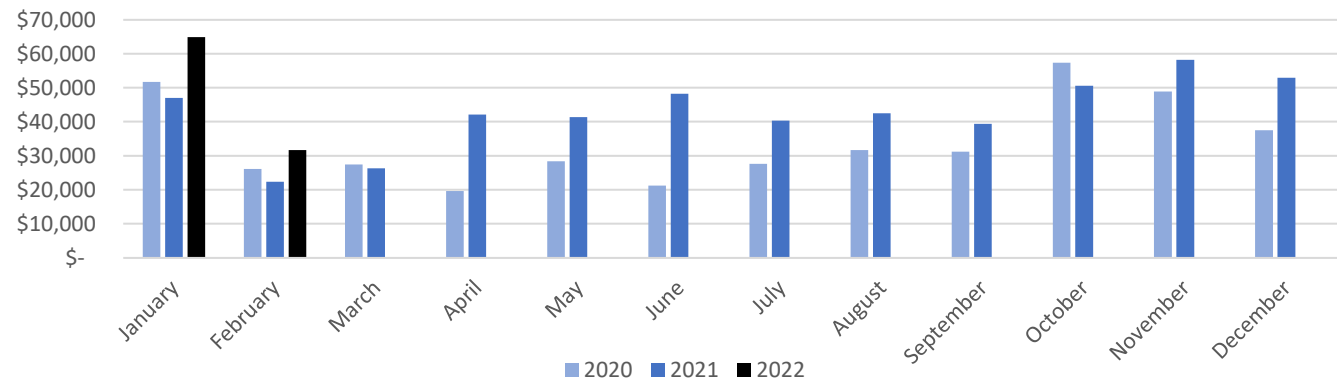
	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 23,147	\$ 26,095	\$ 22,345	\$ 31,710
January	\$ 45,059	\$ 51,747	\$ 47,023	\$ 64,883
% Chg over Prev Month	-48.6%	-49.6%	-52.5%	-51.1%
% Chg over Prev Year		12.7%	-14.4%	41.9%
YTD (Jan - Feb)	\$ 68,206	\$ 77,842	\$ 69,368	\$ 96,593
% Chg over Prev YTD		14.1%	-10.9%	39.2%

February  -51%

Feb YoY  42%

Feb YTD  39%

Natchitoches Hotel Sales Tax Revenue
2020-2022




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


Data Source: Natchitoches Parish Tax Administrator, March 2022.


RAPIDES HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX

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

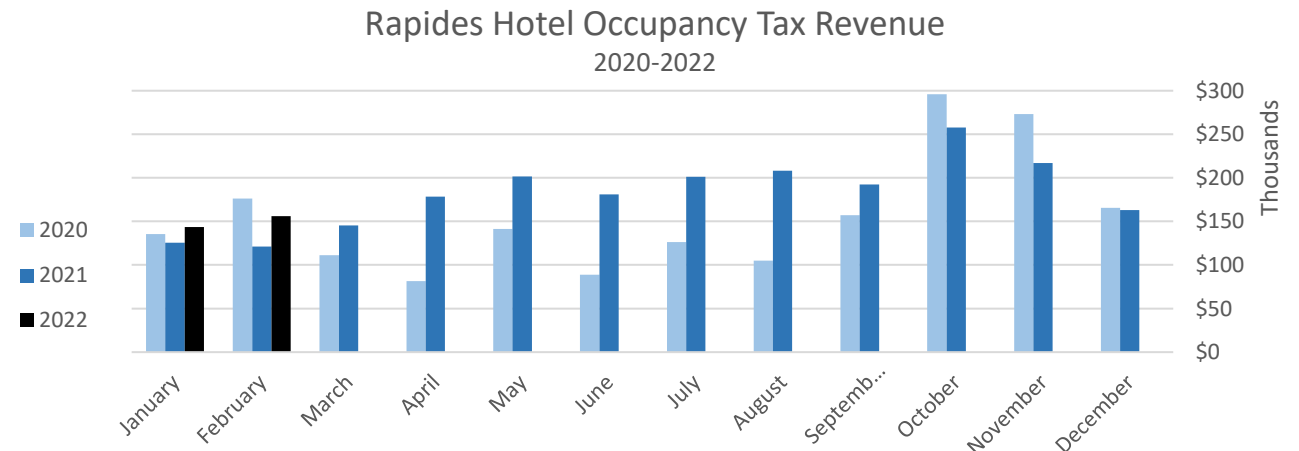
February

February 
9%

Feb YoY 
29%

Feb YTD 
22%

	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	\$ 170,915	\$ 176,249	\$ 120,971	\$ 156,160
January	\$ 114,162	\$ 135,281	\$ 125,361	\$ 143,472
% Chg over Prev Month	49.7%	30.3%	-3.5%	8.8%
% Chg over Prev Year		3.1%	-31.4%	29.1%
YTD (Jan - Feb)	\$ 285,077	\$ 311,530	\$ 246,332	\$ 299,632
% Chg over Prev YTD		9.3%	-20.9%	21.6%



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

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

RAPIDES / PINEVILLE HOTEL OCCUPANCY RATE

Alexandria / Pineville hotel occupancy rate for February with previous month, year, and year-to-date comparisons.

February

	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	63.4	48.1	56.9	55.3
January		54.9	45.5	50.9
% Chg Prev Month		-12%	25%	9%
% Chg from Prev Year		-24%	18%	-3%
YTD (Jan-Feb)	51.0	51.7	50.9	53.0
% Chg over Prev YTD		1%	-2%	4%

February



9%

Feb YoY



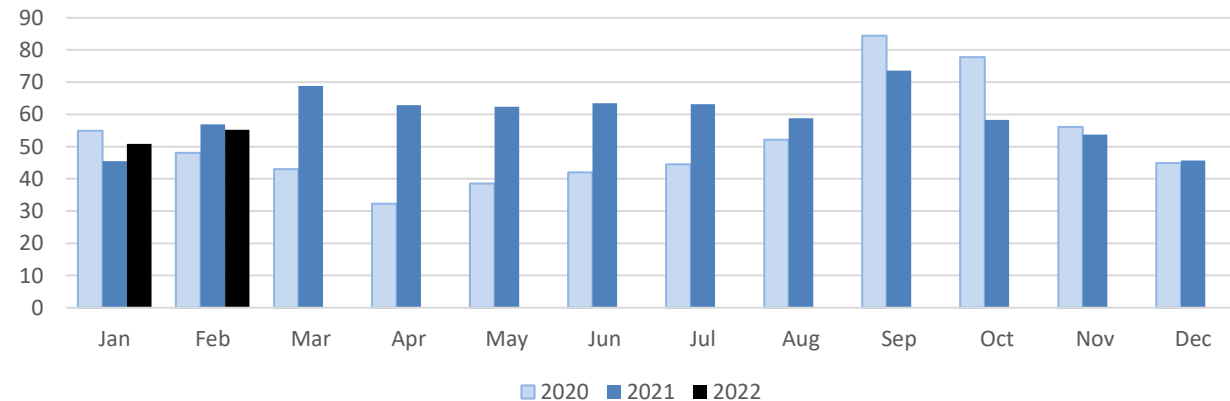
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Feb YTD



4%

Hotel Occupancy Rate for Alexandria / Pineville
2020-2022

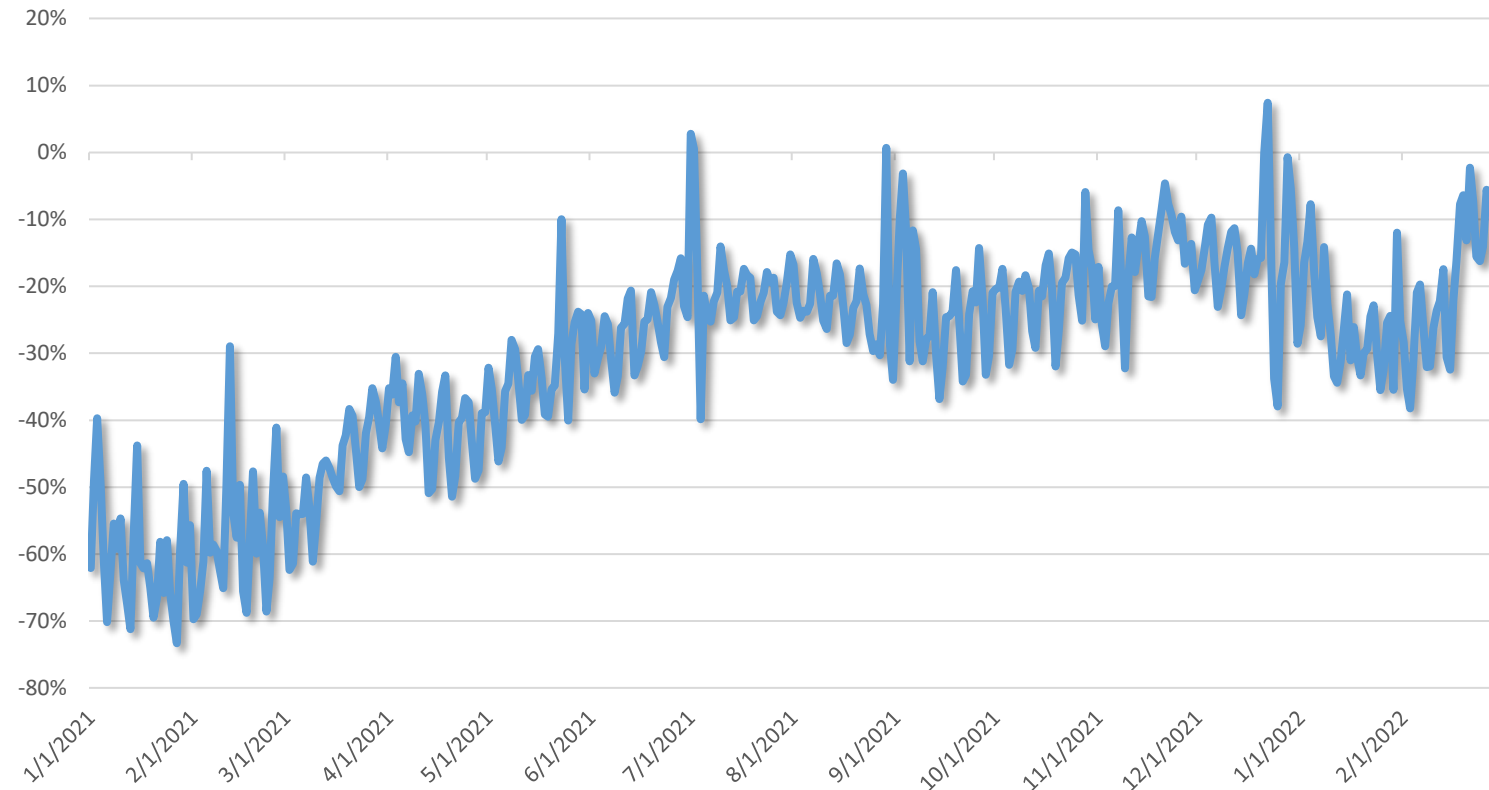


AIR TRAVELER STATS

Nationwide daily percentage of passengers passing through current TSA checkpoints in 2021-2022 expressed as a percentage of traffic in 2019.

- ✓ Nationally, air passenger traffic in February 2022 increased 17% from January 2022.
- ✓ U.S. air passenger traffic in February 2022 was up 98.5% from a year ago.

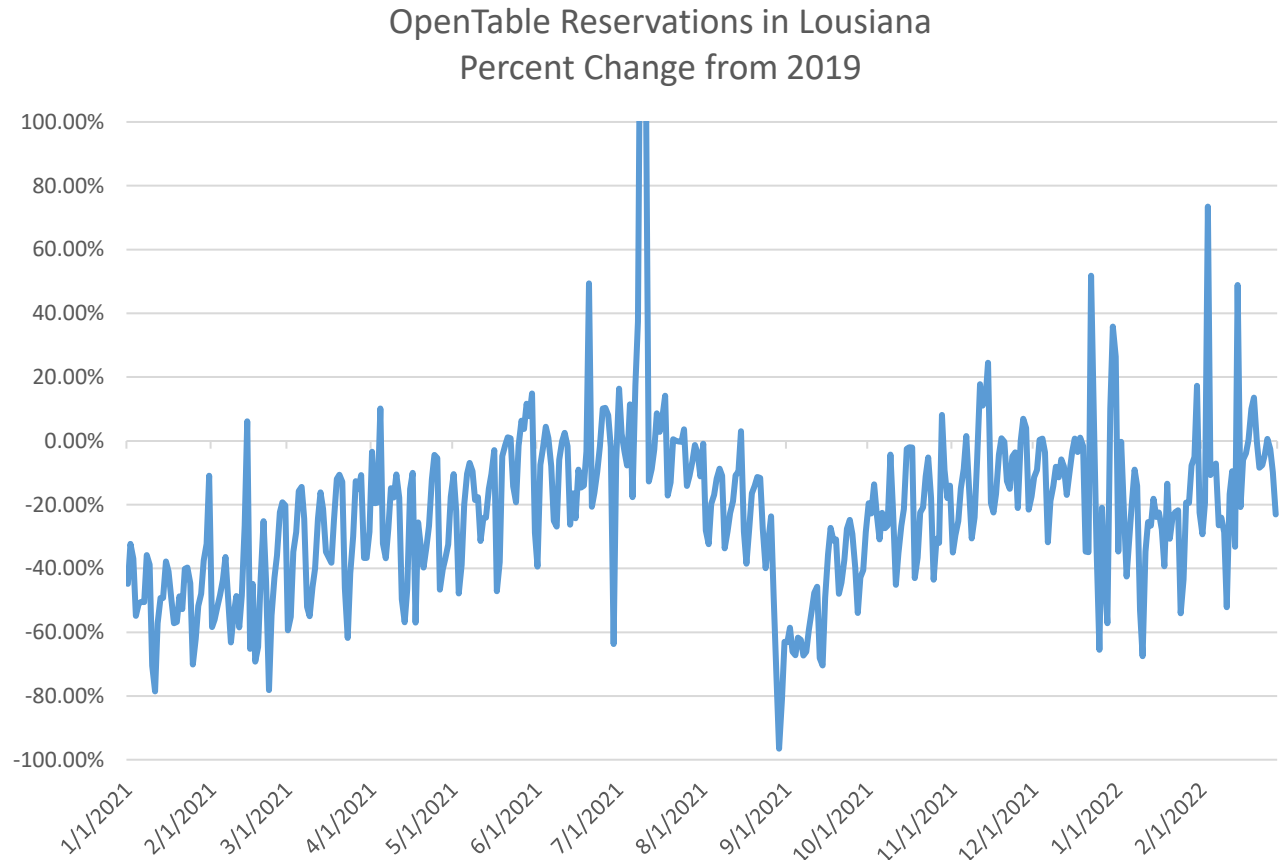
U.S. Airport Passenger Throughput Traffic in 2021-22 as a Percent of Traffic from 2019



OPEN TABLE RESERVATIONS IN LOUISIANA

This data shows seated diners at restaurants on the OpenTable network in Louisiana in 2021-2022 compared with the same day of the week in 2019, the baseline. OpenTable reservations are mostly from southeast Louisiana restaurants.

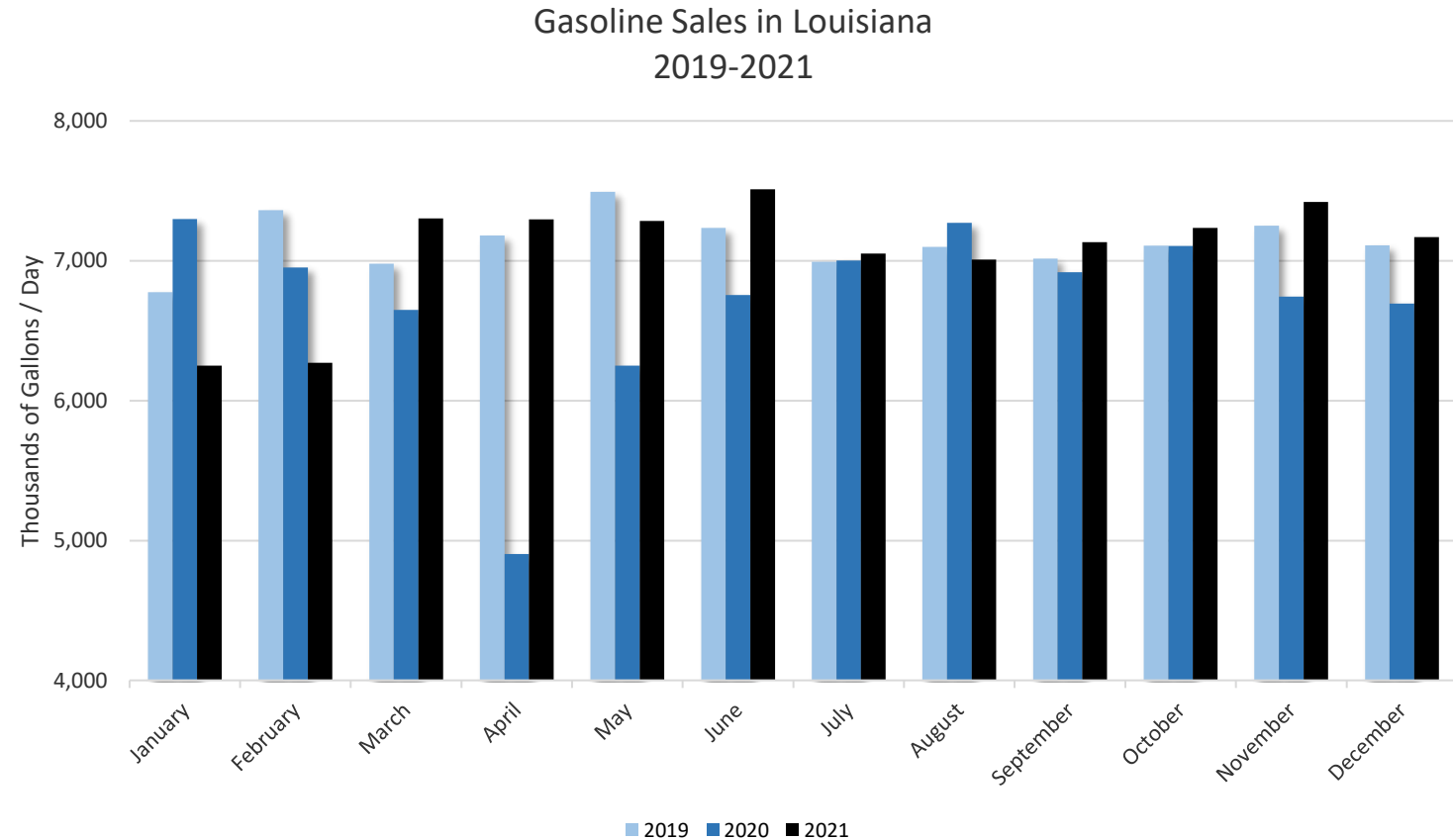
✓ *In February 2022 reservations were down -7% compared to February 2019. A year ago, reservations were down -45% compared to the baseline.*



LOUISIANA GASOLINE SALES


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


- ✓ December 2021 gasoline sales fell -3.4% from November but are up 7.1% from a year ago.
- ✓ Gasoline sales YTD in December are 5.5% above the same period in 2020, but -0.8% below 2019.



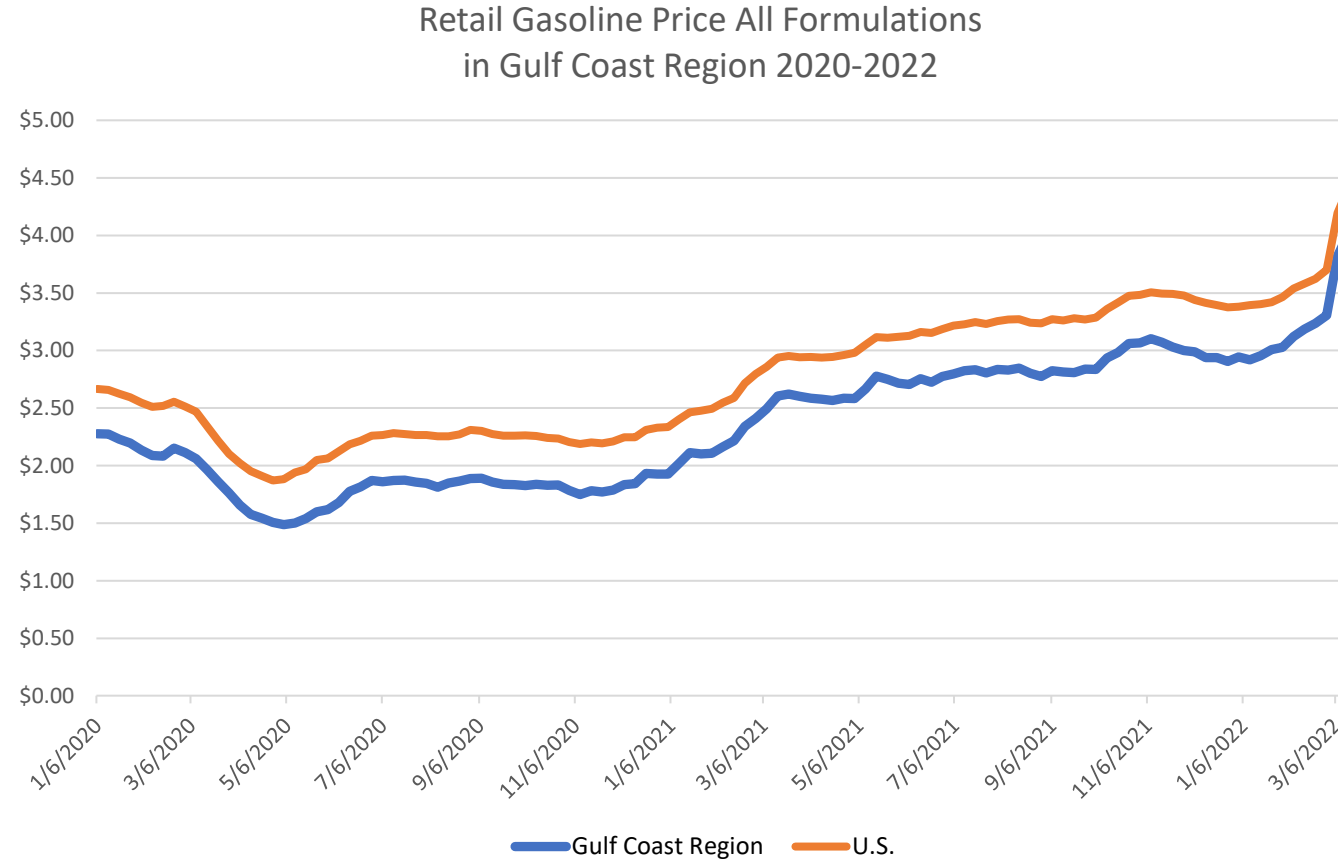
GULF COAST RETAIL GASOLINE PRICE

Weekly retail price of gasoline in the Gulf Coast region for all formulations from 2020 - 2022.

February 
8%

Feb YoY 
45%

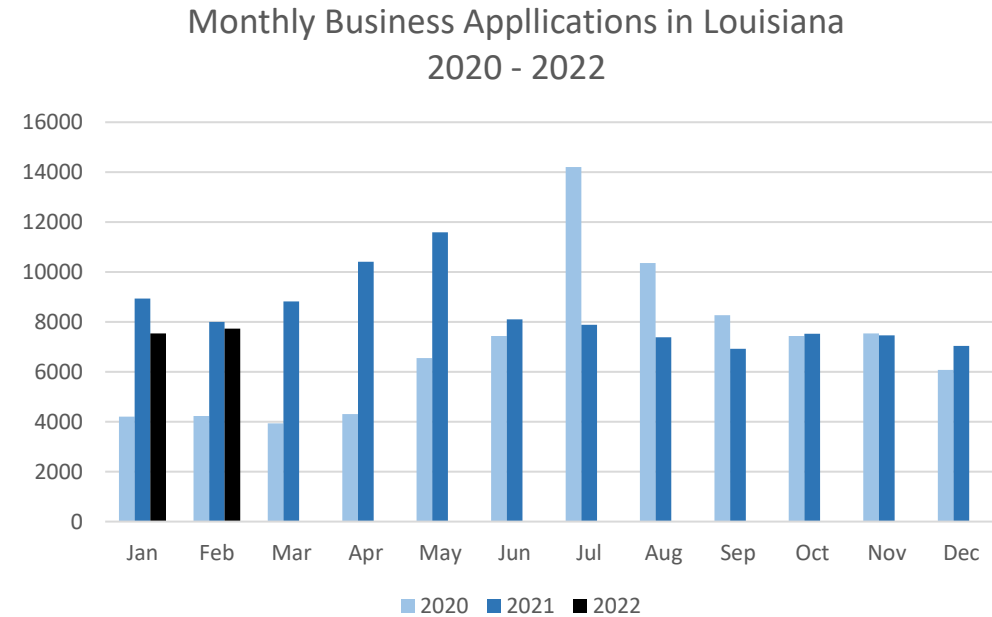
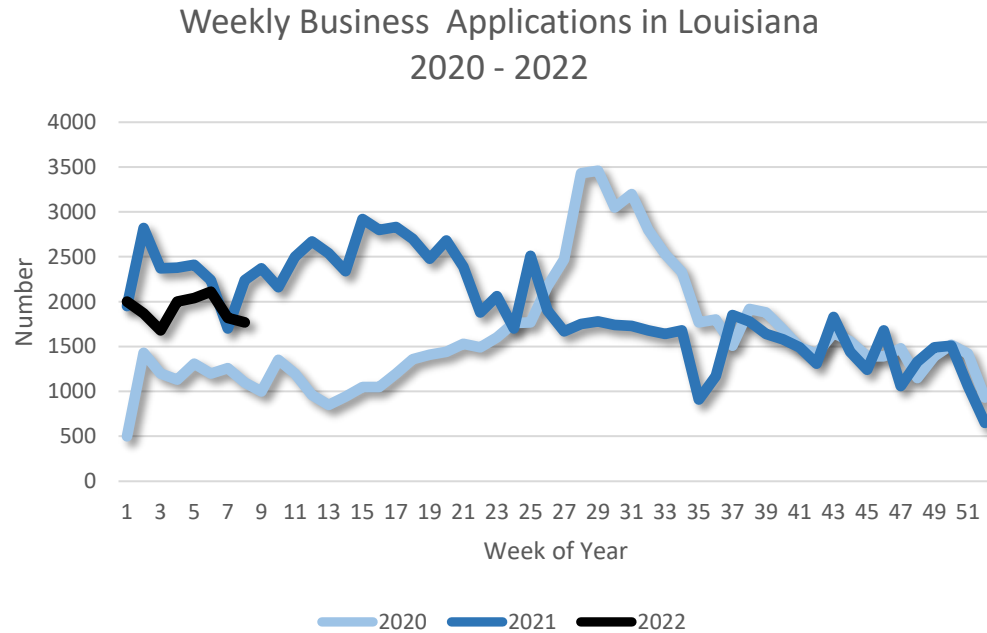
- February retail gasoline price in Gulf Coast region average \$3.21/gal. compared to 2.21 a year ago, a 45% increase.



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NEW BUSINESS APPS IN LOUISIANA

The chart below represents the weekly number of new businesses applications in Louisiana from 2020-2022



- New business applications in February 2022 increased 2.5% from January 2022, but were down 3.5% from February 2021.

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

Data Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Business Formation Statistics, Retrieved March 12, 2022.

NEW BUSINESSES IN RAPIDES

The chart below represents the number of new businesses established each month in Rapides from January 2019 through February 2022.

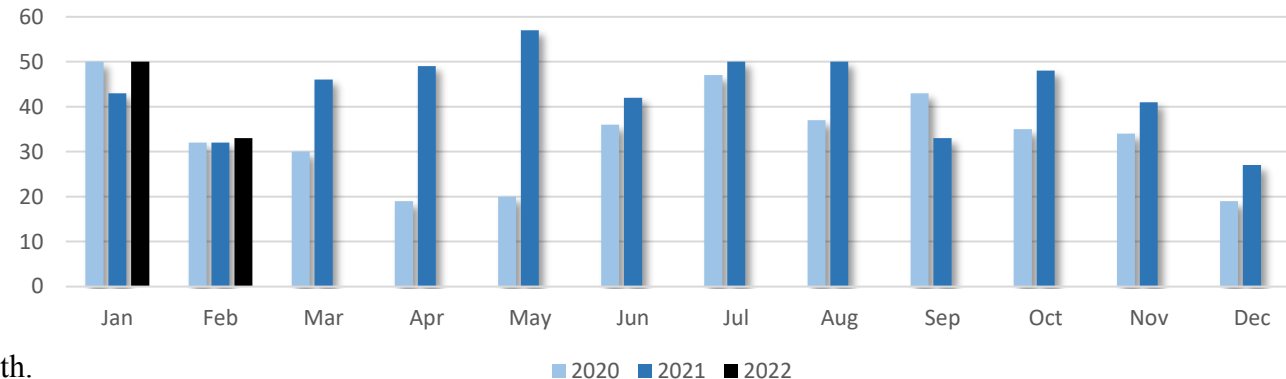
✓ The number of new businesses established in Rapides in February 2022 decreased -34% from January.

✓ Year-to-date, 83 new businesses have been created in Rapides in 2022 compared to 75 in 2021 and 82 in 2020.

February

	2019	2020	2021	2022
February	46	32	32	33
January	28	50	43	50
% Chg Prev Month	64.3%	-36.0%	-25.6%	-34.0%
% Chg from Prev Year		-30.4%	0.0%	3.1%
YTD (Jan-Feb)	74	82	75	83
% Chg over Prev YTD		10.8%	-8.5%	10.7%

New Businesses in Rapides
2020-2022

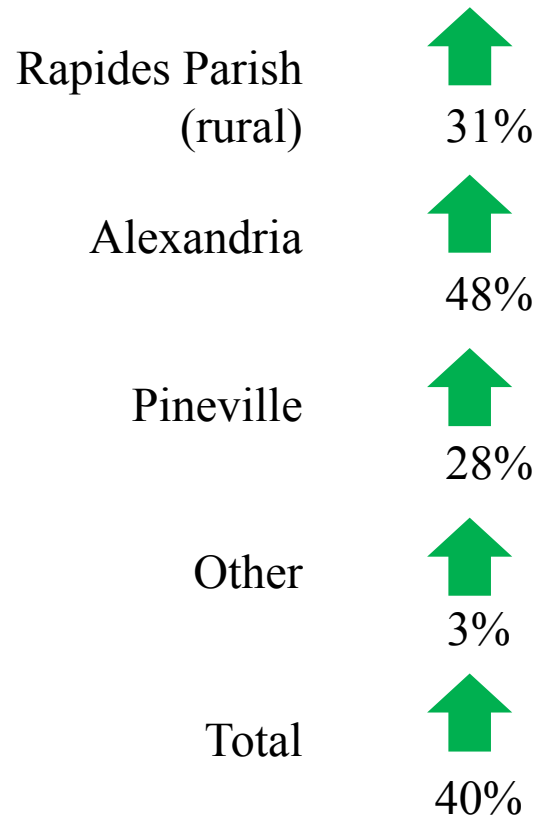


Note: Data reflects businesses established in the current month.

Data Source: Rapides Parish Sales and Use Tax Department, March 8 2022.

RAPIDES OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES

Rapides Parish occupational license revenue YTD with previous YTD comparisons.



February Year-to-Date

	2019	2020	2021	2022
Parish	\$ 292,920	\$ 297,308	\$ 259,911	\$ 340,477
% Chg over Prev YTD		1.5%	-12.6%	31.0%
Alexandria	\$ 1,098,912	\$ 10,494,467	\$ 783,413	\$ 1,161,607
% Chg over Prev YTD		855.0%	-92.5%	48.3%
Pineville	\$ 251,961	\$ 266,021	\$ 200,712	\$ 257,542
% Chg over Prev YTD		5.6%	-24.6%	28.3%
Other	\$ 66,375	\$ (9,283,233)	\$ 54,438	\$ 55,854
% Chg over Prev YTD		-14086.0%	-100.6%	2.6%
Total	\$ 1,710,168	\$ 1,774,563	\$ 1,298,474	\$ 1,815,480
% Chg over Prev YTD		3.8%	-26.8%	39.8%

Note: Rapides Parish reflects unincorporated areas. Data reflects licenses paid year-to-date.

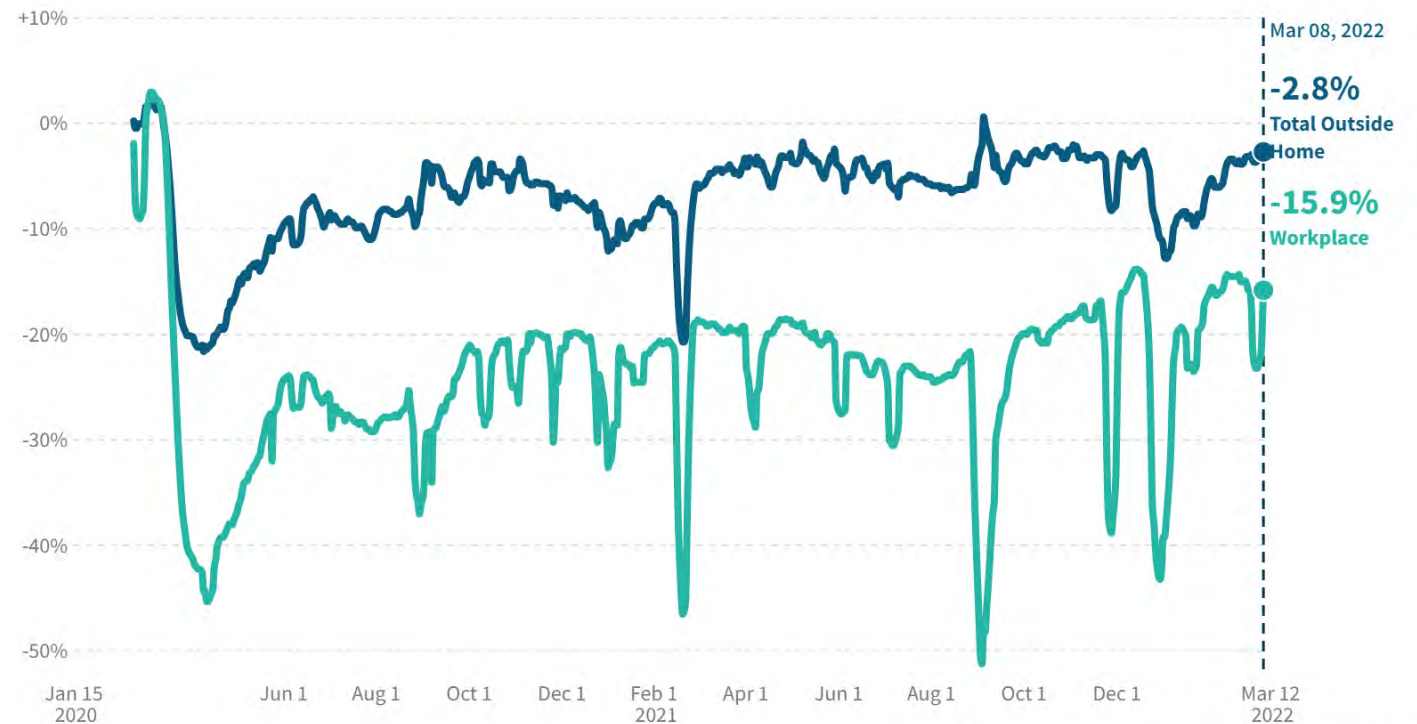
Data Source: Rapides Parish Police Jury Treasurer's Reports, March 2022.

TIME SPENT AT WORK IN CENLA

The chart represents the percent of time employees in Cenla and statewide spent at work as of March 8, 2022 with January 2020 as the baseline.

	<u>% Change in Time at Work</u>
Avoyelles	-14%
Concordia	-17%
Evangeline	-17%
Grant	+4%
Natchitoches	-11%
Rapides	-12%
St. Landry	-12%
Vernon	-6%

In **Louisiana**, as of March 08 2022, total time spent away from home decreased by **2.8%** compared to January 2020.



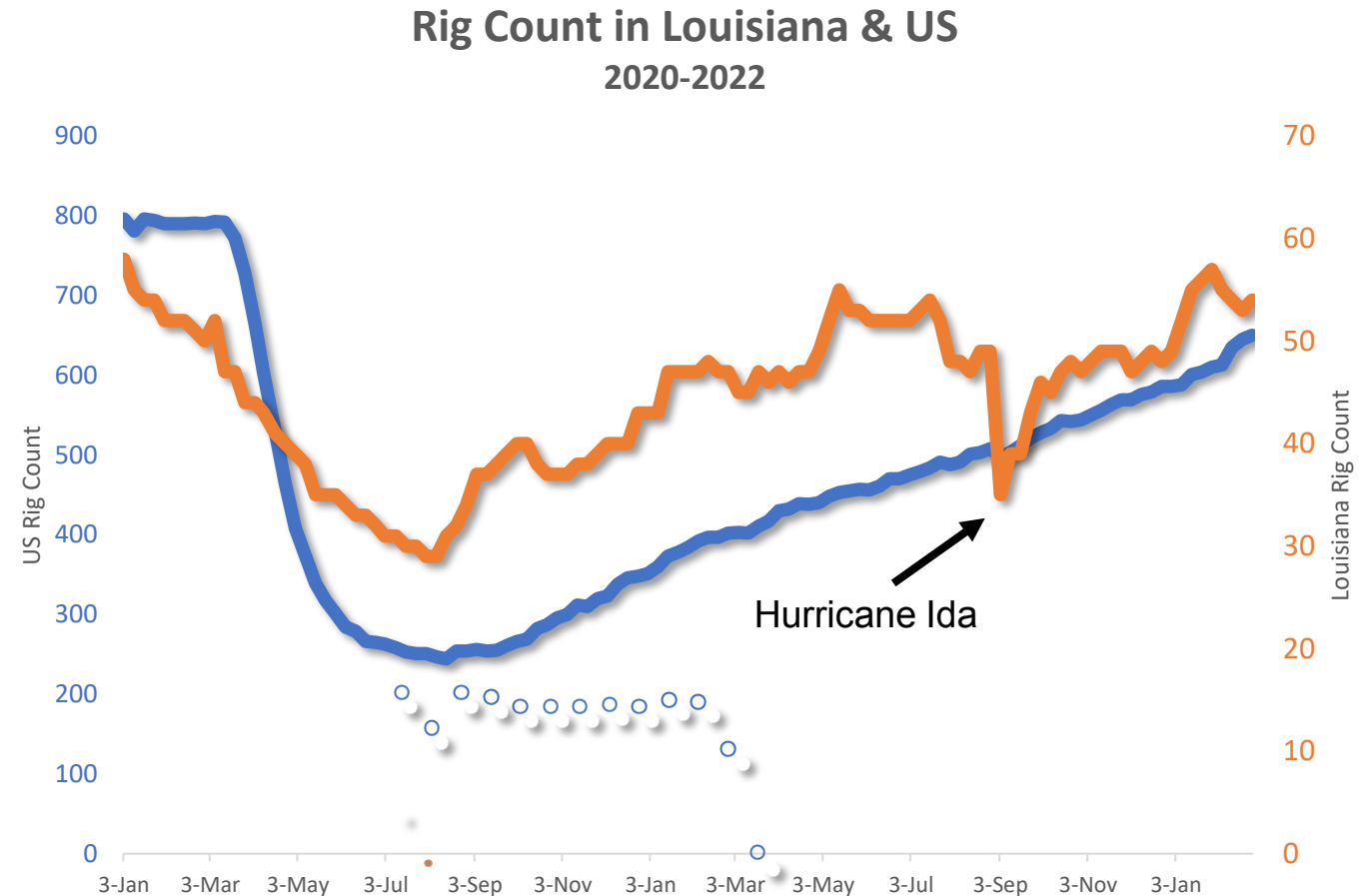
data source: **Google COVID-19 Community Mobility Reports**

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 2020-2022.

	Feb 21	Jan 21	Feb 22
N. LA-Land	32	37	39
Int'l Water	1	1	2
S. LA-Land	0	1	0
S. LA-Offshore	13	17	15
TOTAL LA	47	55	54
TOTAL US	397	601	636


- ✓ Rig count in Louisiana decreased by 1 rig February from January.
- ✓ Nationwide, the rig count is up 60% from a year ago.




LOUISIANA GAMING REVENUE

Gaming revenue in Louisiana for January 2022 with previous month and year comparisons.

January 2022

January 
-12%

Jan YoY 
8%

	Jan-21	Dec-21	Jan-22	% Change MoM	% Change YoY
Video Poker	\$61,258,981	\$74,174,255	\$65,507,470	-11.7%	6.9%
Riverboat	\$132,566,676	\$164,135,483	\$145,905,090	-11.1%	10.1%
Landbased	\$14,851,851	\$22,109,973	\$17,728,620	-19.8%	19.4%
Slots	\$27,135,312	\$28,647,249	\$24,586,303	-14.2%	-9.4%
Total	\$235,812,820	\$289,066,960	\$253,727,483	-12.2%	7.6%

* Note: Year-to-Date percentage reflects Louisiana's fiscal year July 2021 – June 2022.

Data Source: Louisiana Gaming Control Board, March 6, 2022. http://lgcb.dps.louisiana.gov/revenue_reports.html

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