

## Preparation for the upcoming 2018 Influenza Season in the United States



### Project Overview:

#### Motivation:

The United States had in the recent Years increasing death numbers influenza season where more people than usual suffer from the flu. Some people, particularly those in vulnerable populations, develop serious complications and end up in the hospital. Hospitals and clinics need additional staff to treat these extra patients.

### Objective:

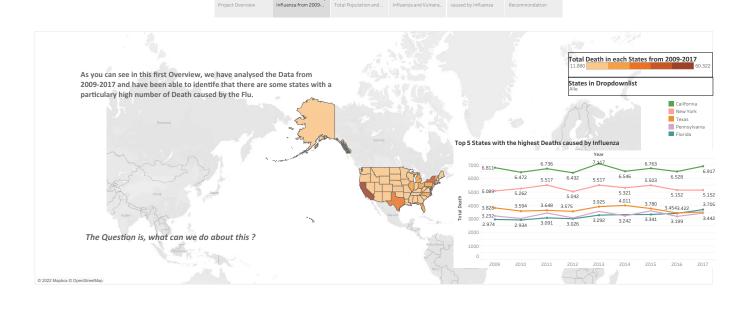
Determine when to send staff, and how many, to each state.

The agency covers all hospitals in each of the fifty states of the United States, and the project will plan for the upcoming influenza season.

#### **General Information:**

#### Research Hypothesis

If People of the Vulnerable Age Groups get infected [i.e., Kids below 14 and People above 64 as well as People with severe Sickness] it is more likely they will be at Risk for Death caused by the Flu. Taking this into account additional Care can be adjusted to the Population where most people are living. Adjusting staffing according to the Regions where most Vulnerable Age Groups are living will have a positive Impact on



In this Vizualization we can see the comparisson of the Total Population and the Vulnerable Age Group.

Vulnerable populations [i.e. Kids below 14 aswell as Citizen above 64] are groups and communities at a higher risk for poor health as a result of the barriers they experience to social, economic, political and environmental resources, as well as limitations due to illness or disability.

Vulnerable Group

6.480 50.72

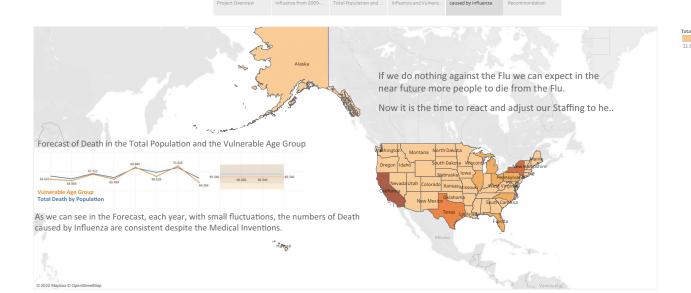
Total population

5.465.761 339

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### Conclusion:

We have identified the following States which are the most affected by the Flu and should receive more staffing in order to decrease the Death-Rate caused by the Flu.

California New York Texas Pennsylvania Florida..



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# Recommendation

In order to tackle the Deathrate and lower it down we should send additional Medical Personal to the Top Affected States we have identified in our Analysis.

This will help the Overall Deathrate to be lowered but expecially also the Vulnerable Age Group.

With this in effect , ongoing Surveys to adress Changes in Workload, we can expect lower Deathrate overall.

Increasing the Budget spent on Marketing for Vaccinations, this will help aswell for more people getting Vaccinated and lowering the Deathrate as a Result.