



## Your Health - It's In Your Hands

COVID19

FOOD FOR THOUGHT – NUMBERS & FACT CHECKER

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO) states the following about seasonal influenza on their website

QUOTE: “Illnesses range from mild to severe and even death. Hospitalization and death occur mainly among high risk groups. Worldwide, these annual epidemics are estimated to result in about 3 to 5 million cases of severe illness, and about 290 000 to 650 000 respiratory deaths.”

“In industrialized countries most deaths associated with influenza occur among people age 65 or older. Epidemics can result in high levels of worker/school absenteeism and productivity losses. Clinics and hospitals can be overwhelmed during peak illness periods.”

“Seasonal influenza is characterized by a sudden onset of fever, cough (usually dry), headache, muscle and joint pain, severe malaise (feeling unwell), sore throat and a runny nose. The cough can be severe and can last 2 or more weeks. Most people recover from fever and other symptoms within a week without requiring medical attention. But influenza can cause severe illness or death especially in people at high risk.”

(For information only: quote from the WHO: “9.6 million people worldwide are estimated to have died from cancer in 2018.”)

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION (CDC)

QUOTE: “According to the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) in the US, CDC estimates that so far this season there have been at least 38 million flu illnesses, 390,000 hospitalizations and 23,000 deaths from flu.”

I am not sure when this has been posted but I found the information at least a few weeks ago which means the current high numbers of Covid-19 in the US cannot have been included in the above information.

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Serious conditions have been present in almost all the people who died.

Statistics are based on 16,925 confirmed cases in Italy that lead to 355 deaths; average age of the victims in this analysis was 79.

- No known underlying condition: 1%
- 1 condition: 25 %
- 2 conditions: 26%
- 3+ conditions: 48%

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### ITALIAN NEWS CONFERENCE

The day when Italy announced that 800 people had died, at that time the highest death rate in a single day, I happened to listen to the news from Germany. There was a clip from a news conference in Italy. The person who gave the briefing about the Covid19 situation confirmed that 800 people had died that day, but the number included all deaths.

### TOTAL MENTIONS IN THE MEDIA

Source: Total Google News hits

This information is from several weeks ago.

Covid-19, 2.1 billion times compared to

HIV, 69.5 million

SARS, 66.3 million

MERS, 33.1 million

Ebola, 16.2 million.

### AIDS – SARS – EBOLA ....

In the past we have been told that many diseases would affect every single one of us and that vast numbers of people would die.

### NUMBER OF PEOPLE: INFECTED – RECOVERED - DIED

The numbers circulating in the media cannot be accurate, at best they can be interpreted as a trend. The figures published are based on the number of tested cases; however, there is a large percentage of the population that could be infected but is not being tested. This means, the percentage of people who have recovered is much higher and percentage wise, the death rate is lower.

### PRESENTATION/SPREAD OF ILLNESS

I talked to a medical doctor in Germany to make sure I am providing correct information. It has been mentioned that people can be asymptomatic while being infected with Covid-19. This is common for infectious diseases and not a unique characteristic of this virus.