Spanish Flu VS COVID-19

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This year we have been hit with a sickness that we identify as COVID-19. People think it's so bad, but is that really the case? I will be comparing COVID-19 and the flu outbreak people faced back in 1920 to see which one has impacted people more.

First, let's see the cases of the two sicknesses to see who has more cases in the span we have had to deal with COVID-19. Let's talk about the flu cases and COVID-19. The cases of COVID-19 is an estimate of 35.3 million people. In the same time span, the Spanish Flu had over 500 million people. In these cases, there is a big difference between both of them. The counts from the cases have been recorded by the CDC.



Source

Now that we know the amount of cases both illnesses have, let's look at how many people have died from both. So far, COVID-19 has had 1.04 million deaths. The Spanish Flu cases ranged up to 50 million people who died. All of the deaths are what the CDC has recorded.

These illnesses have both disrupted things like: schooling shops, closing and opening back up, or shops even closing. They both have a high number of cases and deaths, but the Spanish Flu had more impact on the people than COVID-19 has so far. We still don't know if COVID-19 will be more dangerous than the Spanish Flu.