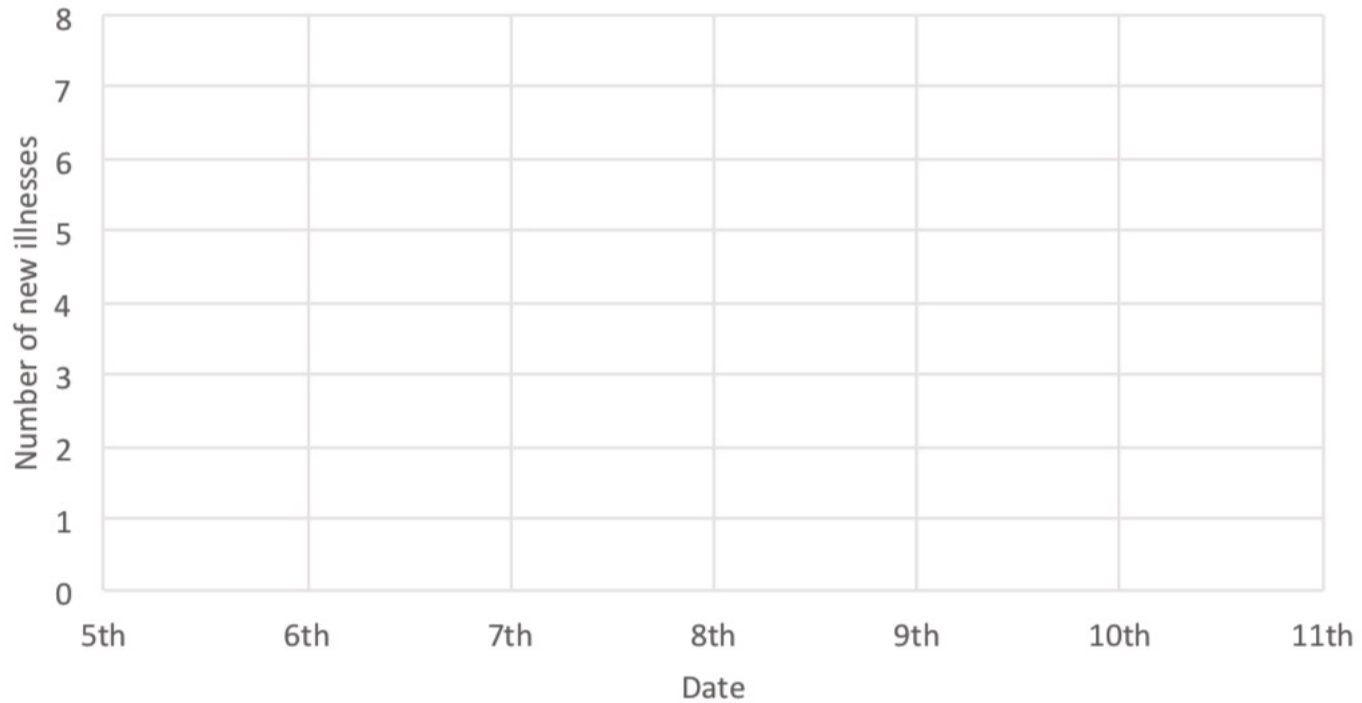


Outbreak Investigation: Epidemic Curve

The incubation period is the time between exposure to a **pathogen** and the onset of symptoms. Knowing about the incubation period can provide clues about which pathogen was responsible for the outbreak.

Instructions: Determine when each person first reported his or her sickness. Graph your results below to determine when the majority of people became ill.



On what date did the most people become sick?

What is the mode (value that occurs most often) incubation period? In other words, how many days passed between the event and the date when the most people became sick?