Arbovirus surveillance in Florida includes endemic mosquito-borne viruses such as West Nile virus (WNV), Eastern equine encephalitis virus (EEEV), St. Louis encephalitis virus (SLEV), and Highlands J virus (HJV) and exotic viruses such as Dengue virus (DENV) and California encephalitis group viruses (CEV). Malaria, a non-viral mosquito-borne disease is also included. During the period April 17 – April 23, 2011, the following arboviral activity was recorded in Florida:

**DENV activity:** No new cases of dengue associated with Key West were reported this week.

**EEEV activity:** One blue jay in Okaloosa County and two blue jays in Santa Rosa County tested positive for antibodies to EEEV.

**WNV activity:** No WNV activity was reported this week.

**SLEV activity:** No SLEV activity was reported this week.

**HJV activity:** No HJV activity was reported this week.

**Advisories/Alerts:** Miami-Dade County is under mosquito-borne illness advisory.

### Year to Date Human Case Summary

**Dengue Acquired in Florida:** In 2011, one case of locally acquired dengue has been reported in Miami-Dade County.

**Imported Dengue:** Four cases of dengue with onset in 2011 have been reported in individuals with travel history to a dengue endemic country in the two weeks prior to onset. Countries of origin were Colombia, India, Turks and Caicos Islands and Venezuela. Counties reporting cases were Miami-Dade (2), Pasco and Pinellas.

**Imported Malaria:** Twenty-seven imported cases of malaria with onset in 2011 have been reported. Countries of origin were: Ethiopia (2), Eritrea, Guyana, Haiti (12), India (3), Liberia (2), Mali, Mexico, Nigeria, Peru, Rwanda and Uganda. Counties reporting cases were: Alachua, Brevard, Broward (3), Collier (2), Duval (2), Hillsborough, Indian River, Lee (2), Miami-Dade (7), Orange, Palm Beach (4) Pinellas and St. Lucie.

### Sentinel Chickens

No positive sentinels reported this week.
**Live Wild Birds**

Out of 21 live wild birds collected from three counties on April 8 - April 14, 2011, one blue jay in Okaloosa County and two blue jays in Santa Rosa County tested positive for antibodies to EEEV.

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**Dead Birds**

The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) collects reports of dead birds, which can be an indication of arbovirus circulation in an area. This week, 8 reports representing 15 dead birds were received from 7 counties. Two were identified as crows and one as a raptor. None were identified as jays. In 2011, one hundred and sixteen reports representing a total of 410 dead birds (7 crows, 28 jays, 32 raptors, 343 others) were received from 34 of Florida’s 67 counties. Please note that FWC collects reports of birds that have died from a variety of causes, not only arboviruses. Dead birds should be reported to [www.myfwc.com/bird/](http://www.myfwc.com/bird/)

**Maps**

*Florida Arbovirus Surveillance April 17 - April 23, 2011*

[Map showing Florida counties with mosquito-borne illness advisory]
### YTD Arbovirus Activity by County

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For more surveillance information, please see the DOH website at:  
http://www.doh.state.fl.us/Environment/medicine/arboviral/index.html

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