

Florida Arbovirus Surveillance Week 33: August 11-17, 2019

Arbovirus surveillance in Florida includes endemic mosquito-borne viruses such as West Nile virus (WNV), Eastern equine encephalitis virus (EEEV), and St. Louis encephalitis virus (SLEV), as well as exotic viruses such as dengue virus (DENV), chikungunya virus (CHIKV), Zika virus (ZIKV), and California encephalitis group viruses (CEV). Malaria, a parasitic mosquito-borne disease is also included. During the period of August 11-17, 2019, the following arboviral activity was recorded in Florida.

WNV activity: No human cases of WNV infection were reported this week. No horses with WNV infection were reported this week. One eagle with WNV infection was reported this week in Orange County. Thirty-one sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to WNV this week in Brevard, Citrus, Indian River, Lee, Nassau, Orange, Palm Beach, Polk, St. Johns, St. Lucie, Volusia, and Walton counties. In 2019, one horse, one eagle, and 100 sentinel chickens have been reported from 19 counties.

SLEV activity: No human cases of SLEV infection were reported this week. No sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to SLEV this week. In 2019, no positive samples have been reported.

EEEV activity: No human cases of EEEV infection were reported this week. No horses with EEEV infection were reported this week. Two sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to EEEV this week in Nassau County. In 2019, 25 horses, one emu, one eagle, and 95 sentinel chickens have been reported from 29 counties.

International Travel-Associated Dengue Fever Cases: Sixteen cases of dengue fever were reported this week in persons that had international travel. In 2019, 107 travel-associated cases have been reported.

Dengue Fever Cases Acquired in Florida: No cases of locally acquired dengue fever were reported this week. In 2019, two cases of locally acquired dengue fever have been reported.

International Travel-Associated Chikungunya Fever Cases: No cases of chikungunya fever were reported this week in persons that had international travel. In 2019, five travel-associated cases have been reported.

Chikungunya Fever Cases Acquired in Florida: No cases of locally acquired chikungunya fever were reported this week. In 2019, no cases of locally acquired chikungunya fever have been reported.

International Travel-Associated Zika Fever Cases: Two cases of Zika fever were reported this week in persons that had international travel. In 2019, 31 travel-associated cases have been reported.

Zika Fever Cases Acquired in Florida: No cases of locally acquired Zika fever were reported this week. In 2019, no cases of locally acquired Zika fever have been reported.

Advisories/Alerts: Bay, Calhoun, Citrus, DeSoto, Holmes, Indian River, Miami-Dade, Orange, Suwannee, and Walton counties are currently under a mosquito-borne illness advisory. No other counties are currently under mosquito-borne illness advisory or alert.

There are no areas of ongoing, active Zika transmission in Florida. For additional information on current CDC recommendations, please visit www.cdc.gov/zika/intheus/florida-update.html. For additional information on Zika virus cases from 2016–2018, including up-to-date numbers, please visit https://zikafreefl.org/.

There are Level 2 Travel Health Notices for Brazil and Nigeria related to the transmission of yellow fever virus. Additional information on travel health notices can be found at the following link: wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices.

For a map of arboviral disease activity in the United States, please visit the following link: wwwn.cdc.gov/arbonet/maps/ADB_Diseases_Map/index.html.

2019 Human Case Summary*

International Travel-Associated Chikungunya Fever Cases: Five cases of chikungunya fever with onset in 2019 have been reported in individuals with travel history to a chikungunya endemic country in the two weeks prior to onset. Countries of origin were: Brazil, Haiti, India, and Thailand (2). Counties reporting cases were: Alachua, Manatee, Marion, Orange, and Palm Beach. Two cases were reported in non-Florida residents.

International Travel-Associated Dengue Fever Cases: One hundred seven cases of dengue fever with onset in 2019 have been reported in individuals with travel history to a dengue endemic country in the two weeks prior to onset. Countries of origin were: Belize (2), Brazil (2), Cambodia/Thailand/Vietnam, Central America/Mexico, Colombia, Colombia/Venezuela, Costa Rica (2), Cuba (63), Dominican Republic (2), El Salvador, Guatemala (3), Haiti (2), Honduras (6), India (2), India/Malaysia, Jamaica (7), Malaysia/Singapore, Mexico, Nicaragua (3), Philippines, Thailand, and Venezuela (3). Counties reporting cases were: Brevard, Broward (9), Duval (2), Hillsborough (5), Lake, Lee (3), Miami-Dade (60), Orange (7), Osceola, Palm Beach (10), Pasco, Pinellas (2), Polk, Putnam, Sarasota, Seminole, and St. Lucie. Five cases were reported in non-Florida residents. Two cases met the criteria for severe dengue (dengue shock syndrome [DSS] or dengue hemorrhagic fever [DHF]). Those at greater risk for DSS and DHF include persons with previous dengue infection, pregnant women, infants, the elderly, and those with co-morbidities. However, severe illness can also occur in those without any of these risk factors. In 2019, 91 cases of dengue reported in Florida have been serotyped by PCR. Additional serotyping and strain typing are being conducted.

	# of cases per serotype – 2019
DENV-1	9
DENV-2	70
DENV-3	11
DENV-2 & 3	1

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Dengue Fever Cases Acquired in Florida: In 2019, two cases of locally acquired dengue fever have been reported in Miami-Dade County, with onsets in March and July.

International Travel-Associated Zika Fever Cases: In 2019, 31 cases of Zika fever have been reported in individuals with travel history to a country or area experiencing Zika virus activity. Countries of origin were: Brazil, Colombia (1), Cuba (4), Guatemala (5), Haiti (9), Honduras (4), Jamaica, Nicaragua, Philippines, Puerto Rico, and Venezuela (2). Counties reporting cases were: Broward (5), Collier (2), Duval, Hillsborough, Indian River, Lee, Miami-Dade (14), Orange (4), Palm Beach, and Sarasota. Three cases were reported in non-Florida residents. Florida is monitoring a total of 18 pregnant women in 2019.

International Travel-Associated Malaria Cases: Forty-one cases of malaria with onset in 2019 have been reported. Countries of origin were: Angola (2), Congo, Democratic Republic of the Congo (4), Ghana (6), Guyana, India, Ivory Coast (5), Kenya (3), Liberia (2), Nigeria (10), Papua New Guinea, Sudan, Uganda, and Zambia (3). Counties reporting cases were: Brevard, Broward (3), Duval (8), Hillsborough (4), Lake (2), Miami-Dade (5), Orange (6), Pasco (3), Pinellas (5), Polk (2), Seminole, and Volusia. Ten cases were reported in non-Florida residents.

Thirty-seven cases (90%) were diagnosed with *Plasmodium falciparum*. Three cases (7%) was diagnosed with *Plasmodium vivax*. One case (3%) was diagnosed with *Plasmodium ovale*.

Veterinary Cases*

*Veterinary cases are reported by date of onset. Only mammalian veterinary cases are included in the graphs.

One eagle with WNV infection was reported this week in Orange County.



Veterinary EEEV Disease in Florida, August 2018-2019





Sentinel Chickens*

The table below is for the reporting of confirmatory laboratory results from this week. Some of the samples were collected at earlier dates. The date of collection is recorded for samples collected on that day along with the total number of positives and the corresponding seroconversion rate for the week the sample was collected.

Thirty-one sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to WNV this week in Brevard, Citrus, Indian River, Lee, Nassau, Orange, Palm Beach, Polk, St. Johns, St. Lucie, Volusia, and Walton counties. Two sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to EEEV this week in Nassau County. One sentinel chicken tested positive for antibodies to Highlands J Virus (HJV) this week in Walton County.

	Seroconversion Rates (%)					County Totals				
County	Collection Date	Flavi	SLEV	WNV	Alpha	EEEV	HJV	Collection Week	YTD	
Brevard	7/19/19	6.15		6.15				4 WNV	11 WNV, 1 EEEV	
Dicvalu	7/31/19-8/1/19	3.23		3.23				2 WNV		
Citrus	8/6/19	6.49		6.49				5 WNV	8 WNV, 4 EEEV	
Indian River	8/2/19	4.35		4.35				1 WNV	9 WNV	
Lee	8/5/19-8/6/19	2.00		2.00				2 WNV	3 WNV	
Nassau	8/3/19	5.88		5.88	5.88	5.88		2 WNV, 2 EEEV	2 WNV, 7 EEEV	
Orange	8/1/19	1.94		1.94				1 WNV	17 WNV, 6 EEEV	
Dolm Doooh	7/22/19	4.55		4.55				1 WNV	5 WNV	
Palm Beach	8/5/19	13.64		13.64				3 WNV		
Doll	7/29/19	9 3.33 3.33 1 V		1 WNV						
Polk	8/5/19	3.23		3.23				1 WNV	7 WNV, 5 EEEV	
St. Johns	7/29/19	3.45		3.45				2 WNV	8 WNV, 6 EEEV	
St. Johns	8/5/19	5.36		5.36				3 WNV		
St. Lucie	8/1/19	3.33		3.33				1 WNV	1 WNV	
Volusia	7/29/19	9.76		9.76				4 WNV		
	8/5/19	4.88		4.88				2 WNV	15 WNV, 5 EEEV	
Walton	7/29/19				0.93		0.93	1 HJV	2 WNV, 42 EEEV,	
	8/5/19	0.88		0.88				1 WNV	3 HJV	





Mosquito Pools

No mosquito pools tested positive for EEEV, WNV, or Zika this week.

County	Collection Date	Result	Species	County YTD

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, two reports representing a total of two dead birds were received from two counties.

In 2019, 259 reports representing a total of 482 dead birds (14 crows, 11 jays, 65 raptors, and 23 doves) were received from 39 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/.

2019

County	Total Dead Birds	Crows	Jays	Raptors	Doves
Lee	1	0	0	0	0
Sarasota	1	0	0	0	0







	2019 Arbovirus Activity by County
County	Arbovirus Activity
Alachua	EEEV: 1 sentinel (7/8)
Bay	EEEV: 2 horses (2/24, 2/26), 9 sentinels (4/29, 7/1)
Brevard	WNV: 11 sentinels (1/3, 7/18, 7/19, 7/25, 7/26, 7/31, 8/1) EEEV: 1 sentinel (7/18)
Calhoun	EEEV: 3 horses (3/3, 3/22)
Charlotte	WNV: 1 sentinel (7/23)
Columbia	EEEV: 1 horse (3/30)
Citrus	WNV: 8 sentinels (1/8, 1/29, 7/23, 8/6) EEEV: 1 horse (5/11), 4 sentinels (4/26, 6/18, 7/30)
DeSoto	EEEV: 2 horses (6/23, 7/2)
Flagler	EEEV: 1 emu (3/17)
Gulf	EEEV: 1 horse (2/27)
Hamilton	EEEV: 1 eagle (3/21)
Hernando	EEEV: 1 sentinel (3/4)
Holmes	EEEV: 3 horses (6/1, 6/5, 6/20)
Indian River	WNV: 9 sentinels (1/10, 7/3, 7/5, 7/12, 719, 7/26, 8/2)
Jackson	EEEV: 1 horse (6/19)
Lee	WNV: 3 sentinels (7/9, 8/5, 8/6)

Leon	EEEV: 4 sentinels (5/28, 6/10)
Levy	EEEV: 1 horse (6/19)
Madison	WNV: 1 horse (4/1) EEEV: 1 horse (4/1)
Manatee	WNV: 1 sentinel (2/5)
Miami-Dade	Dengue: 2 humans (March, July)
Nassau	WNV: 2 sentinels (8/3) EEEV: 7 sentinels (6/21, 7/13, 7/27, 8/3)
Orange	WNV: 1 eagle (6/22), 17 sentinels (1/7, 1/10, 1/14, 6/27, 6/20, 6/24, 7/1, 7/11, 7/22, 8/1) EEEV: 6 sentinels (6/17, 7/11, 7/18, 7/25)
Osceola	EEEV: 1 horse (6/10)
Palm Beach	WNV: 5 sentinels (7/8, 7/22, 8/5) EEEV: 1 horse (2/25)
Pasco	EEEV: 1 horse (6/20)
Polk	WNV: 7 sentinels (7/8, 7/15, 7/22, 7/29, 8/5) EEEV: 1 horse (4/24), 5 sentinels (5/21, 5/24, 5/31, 6/21, 6/28)
Putnam	WNV: 3 sentinels (6/24, 7/17, 7/24) EEEV: 1 horse (4/28) 3 sentinels (5/29, 6/12, 7/24)
Sarasota	WNV: 3 sentinels (2/15, 2/22, 7/29)
Seminole	WNV: 3 sentinels (6/3, 7/15, 7/29) EEEV: 1 sentinel (4/8)
St. Johns	WNV: 8 sentinels (7/1, 7/19, 7/29, 8/5) EEEV: 6 sentinels (4/8, 4/15, 6/3, 6/24, 7/8, 7/29)
St. Lucie	WNV: 1 sentinel (8/1)
Sumter	WNV: 1 sentinel (1/8)
Suwannee	EEEV: 2 horses (6/4, 6/7)
Volusia	WNV: 15 sentinels (6/17, 6/24, 7/1, 7/15, 7/22, 7/29, 8/5) EEEV: 5 sentinels (1/14, 1/22, 1/28, 7/1, 7/15)
Walton	WNV: 2 sentinels (4/23, 8/5) EEEV: 42 sentinels (3/5, 3/11, 3/12, 3/18, 3/25, 3/26, 4/1, 4/9, 4/15, 4/23, 5/20, 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24, 7/1, 7/8, 7/22, 7/23) HJV: 3 sentinels (6/3, 7/9, 7/29)
Washington	EEEV: 2 horses (5/28)

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For more surveillance information, please see the DOH website at: www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/mosquito-borne-diseases/surveillance.html

For arbovirus surveillance information for the United States, please see the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website at: www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvbid/westnile/surv&control.htm

Case tallies included in the weekly Florida arbovirus surveillance report include confirmed and probable cases for EEE, WNV infection, SLE, dengue, chikungunya, and malaria by date of onset. Suspect cases are not included. Activity is mapped by county of exposure rather than county of residence. Case definitions being used in Florida are consistent with national criteria provided by the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE) and may be viewed at: www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/disease-reporting-and-management/disease-reporting-and-surveillance/index.html. Case tallies reported by CDC do not include suspect cases and cases are reported by patient state of residence rather than where the exposure occurred. Data is provided by county health departments, Department of Health Bureau of Public Health Laboratories, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, mosquito control agencies, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, medical providers and veterinarians. Equine cases are provided by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.