



## Florida Arbovirus Surveillance Week 1: December 29, 2013 – January 4, 2014

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 of December 29, 2013 – January 4, 2014 the following arboviral activity was recorded in Florida.

There have been no reports in 2014 of arbovirus cases in humans or horses and no antibody positive sentinels. Numbers here are for onsets in the 2013 calendar year unless otherwise noted.

**WNV activity:** No human cases of WNV illness were reported this week. No horses with WNV infection were reported this week. No sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to WNV this week. In 2013, positive samples from six humans, 10 equines, 1 wild bird, 1 alpaca, and 309 sentinel chickens have been received from 26 counties.

**EEEV activity:** No human cases of EEE were reported this week. One horse with EEEV infection was reported this week in Gilchrist County. Two sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to EEEV this week in Orange and Walton Counties. In 2013, positive samples from two humans, five birds, 38 equines, two deer, and 189 sentinel chickens have been received from 30 counties.

**DENV activity:** No cases of locally acquired dengue were reported this week. In 2013, a total of 23 cases of locally acquired dengue have been reported in 21 Florida residents and two out-of-state-residents. Exposures occurred in two counties, Martin (22) or Miami-Dade (1).

**SLEV activity:** Four sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to SLEV this week in Hillsborough and Manatee Counties. In 2013, 92 positive samples have been received from nine counties.

**HJV activity:** No sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to HJV this week. In 2013, 34 positive samples have been received from 11 counties.

**Advisories/Alerts:** Alachua, Bradford, Gilchrist, Hillsborough, Levy, Marion, Miami-Dade, Putnam Counties are currently under a mosquito-borne illness advisory. Duval County is currently under a mosquito-borne illness alert. No other counties are currently under mosquito-borne illness advisory or alert. A CDC Health Alert Network (HAN) health advisory was issued in December for the Caribbean region announcing the first locally acquired cases of Chikungunya fever in the Americas.

### 2013 Human Case Summary\*

**WNV infection Acquired in Florida:** Six human cases of WNV illness with onset in August (1), September (3), October (1), November (1) have been reported in 2013 in Alachua (1), Duval (3), Leon (1) and Nassau (1) Counties. One asymptomatic positive blood donor was identified in August. The donor is a resident of Florida and has outdoor exposure in multiple northeast Florida counties.

**EEEV Infection Acquired in Florida:** Two human cases of EEE with onset in January (1) and March (1) have been reported in 2013 in Levy (1) and Hillsborough (1) County residents.

**Dengue Infection Acquired in Florida:** In 2013, a total of 23 cases of locally acquired dengue have been reported.

Twenty-two cases of dengue have been reported as acquired in Martin County with onsets in June (2), July (5), August (14), and September (1) 2013. Of these 22 cases, fifteen are residents of Martin County; four are residents of St. Lucie County; one is a resident of Palm Beach County; and two are out-of-state visitors.

One case of dengue in a Miami-Dade resident with onset in August, 2013 has been reported as acquired in Miami-Dade County.

**Imported Dengue:** One hundred twenty-seven cases of dengue with onset in 2013 have been reported in individuals with travel history to a dengue endemic country in the two weeks prior to onset. Countries of origin were: Angola, Bangladesh (3), Barbados, Bolivia, Brazil (3), the Caribbean, Columbia (5), Costa Rica (4), Cuba (7), Dominica, Dominican Republic (12), El Salvador, Haiti (7), Honduras (4), India, Indonesia, Jamaica (5), Mexico (2), Nicaragua (3), Nigeria (2), Panama (2), Philippines (2), Puerto Rico (49), Saint Martin (2), Trinidad and Tobago, Venezuela (4), and U.S. Virgin Islands (2). Counties reporting cases were: Alachua (2), Brevard (2), Broward (10), Clay, Collier, Duval (4), Hillsborough (2), Indian River, Lake, Lee (2), Marion, Miami-Dade (45), Nassau, Orange (17), Osceola (5), Palm Beach (13), Pasco, Pinellas, Polk (3), Santa Rosa, Sarasota (3), Seminole (3), St. Johns (2), St. Lucie (2) and Volusia (3). Twelve of the cases were reported in non-Florida residents.

In 2013, 88 of the 150 cases of dengue reported in Florida have been serotyped by PCR. Additional serotyping and strain typing are being conducted.

	<b># of cases per serotype – 2013</b>
<b>DENV-1</b>	59
<b>DENV-2</b>	4
<b>DENV-3</b>	5
<b>DENV-4</b>	20
	<b>88</b>

**Imported Malaria:** Fifty-two cases of malaria with onset in 2013 have been reported. Countries of origin were: Benin, Cameroon, Chad (3), Democratic Republic of the Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Ghana (5), Guinea (2), Guyana (6), Haiti (6), India (4), Kenya (2), Liberia, Mozambique, Nigeria (6), Peru, Sierra Leone (2), Solomon Islands, South Sudan, Sudan (2), Togo, Uganda (3), and an undetermined African country. Counties reporting cases were: Alachua (2), Broward (3), Duval (5), Hillsborough (8), Lake (2), Lee (2), Manatee, Miami-Dade (10), Orange (8), Osceola (2), Palm Beach (5), Pinellas, and Seminole (3). Three of the cases were reported in non-Florida residents.

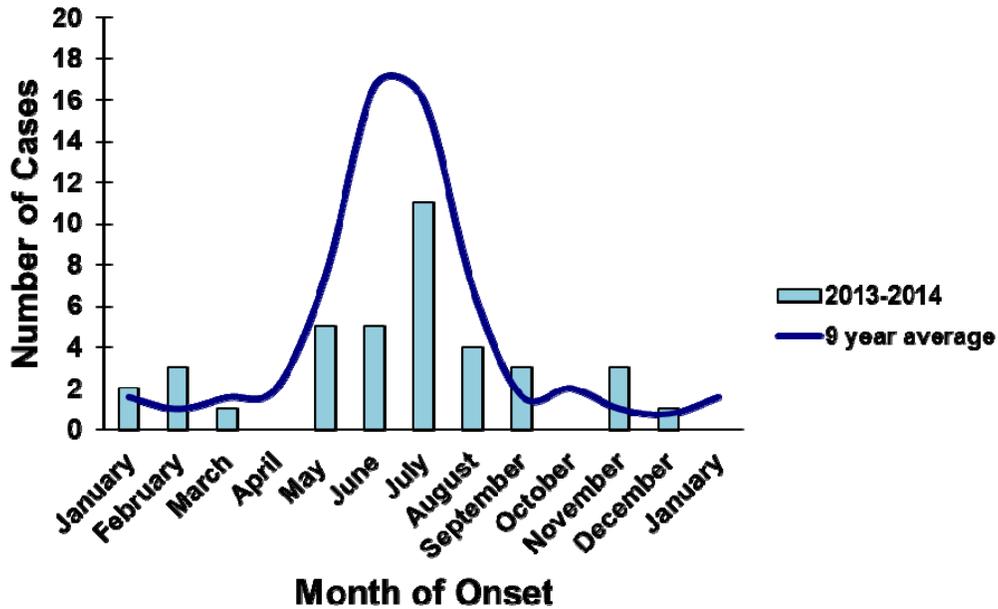
Forty cases (77%) were diagnosed with *Plasmodium falciparum*, eight (15%) with *Plasmodium vivax*, three with *Plasmodium ovale* (6%), and one mixed *Plasmodium falciparum/ Plasmodium vivax* (2%).

## Veterinary Cases\*

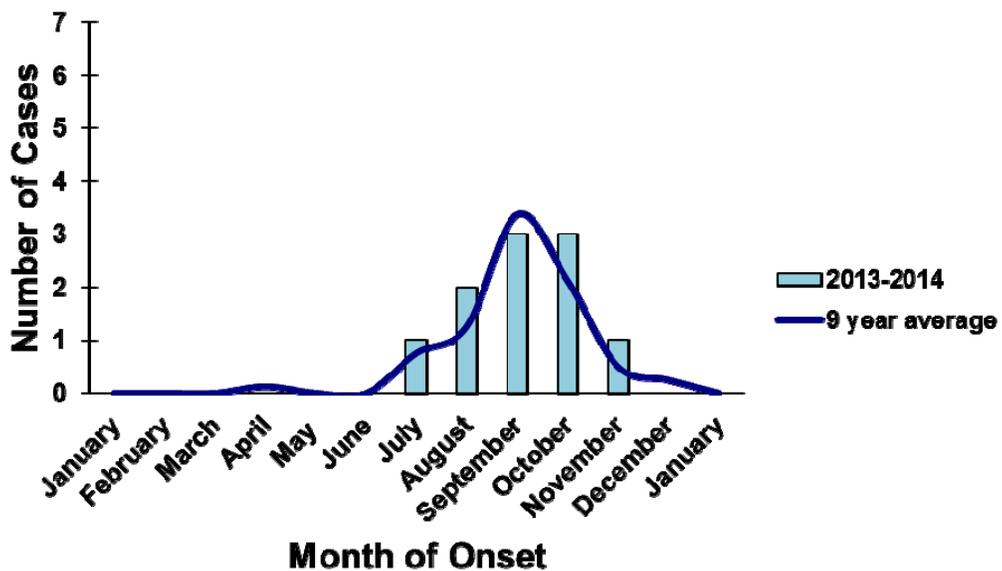
\*Veterinary cases are reported by date of onset

County	Onset Date	Species	Virus	Status	County YTD
Gilchrist	12/12/13	Equine	EEEV	Euthanized	6 EEEV

### Veterinary EEE in Florida, January 2013-2014



### Veterinary WNV Disease in Florida, January 2013-2014

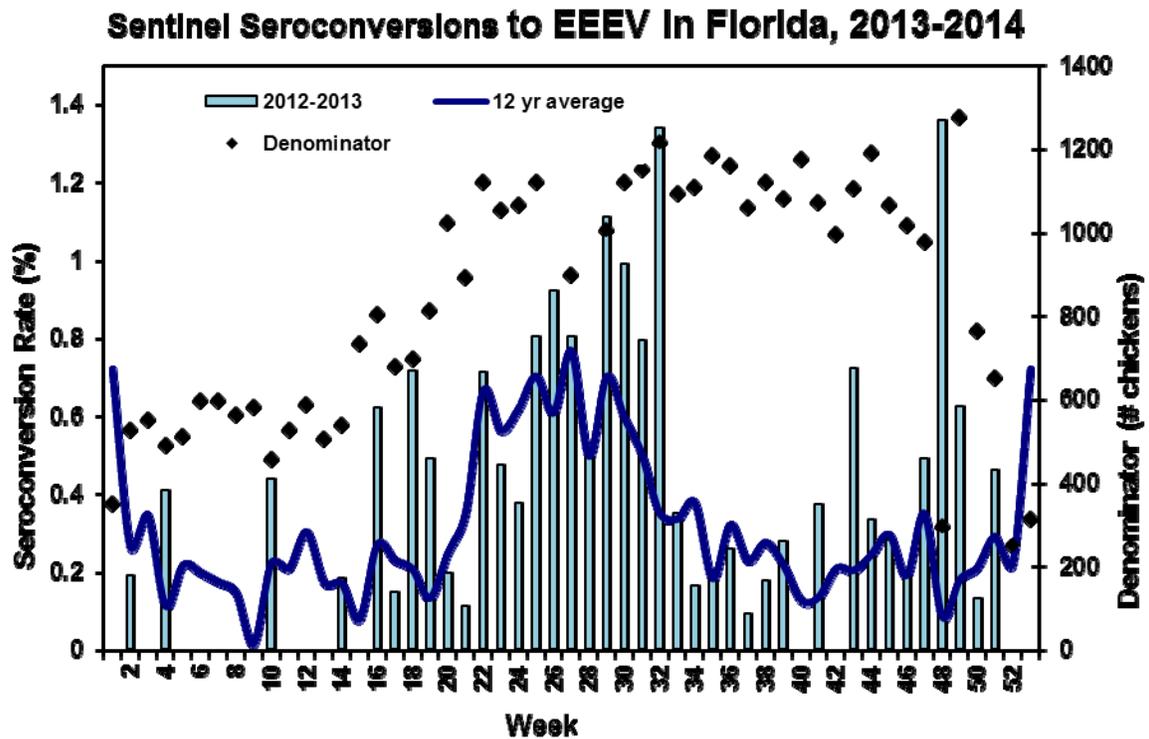


## Sentinel Chickens

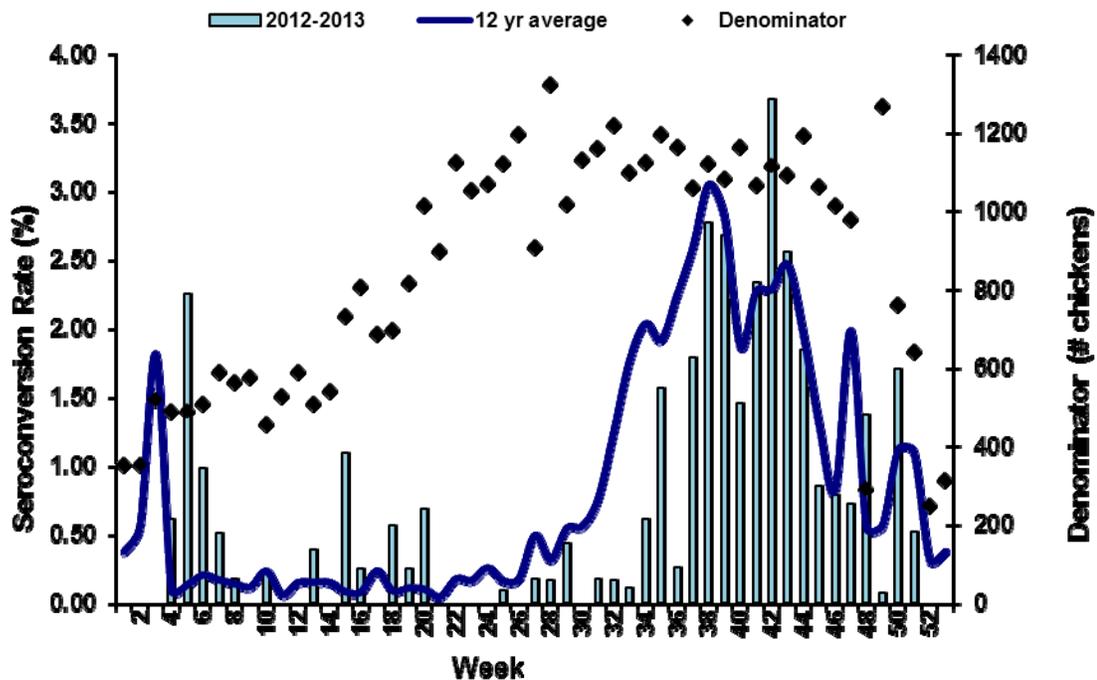
The table below is for the reporting of confirmatory laboratory results from this week. Some of the samples were collected at earlier dates. The date of collection is recorded for samples collected on that day along with the total number of positives and the corresponding seroconversion rate for the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

Two sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to EEEV this week in Orange and Walton Counties. Four sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to SLEV this week in Hillsborough and Manatee Counties.

County	Collection Date	Seroconversion Rates (%)				County Totals	
		SLEV	WNV	EEEV	HJV	Collection Week	YTD
Hillsborough	11/13/2013	3.37				3 SLEV	5 WNV, 39 SLEV
Manatee	12/20/2013	1.47				1 SLEV	7 WNV, 7 SLEV
Orange	12/19/2013			2.50		1 EEEV	39 EEEV, 4 WNV, 2 HJV
Walton	12/16/2013			3.81		4 EEEV	64 EEEV, 73 WNV, 11 HJV



## Sentinel Seroconversions to WNV In Florida, 2013-2014



### 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, 5 reports representing 13 dead birds, including 1 raptor and 1 dove were received from 4 counties.

In 2013, 639 reports representing a total of 1989 dead birds (33 crow, 21 jays, 125 raptors, 45 doves) were received from 52 of Florida's 67 counties. In 2014, 3 reports representing a total of 11 dead birds (0 crows, 0 jays, 1 raptor, 1 dove) were received from 3 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/)

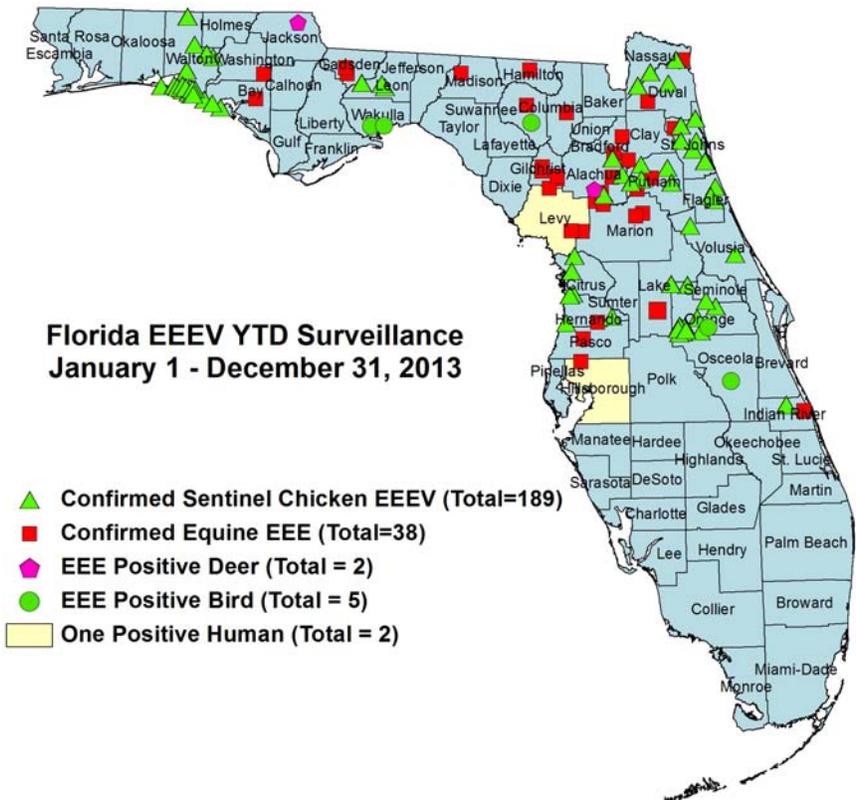
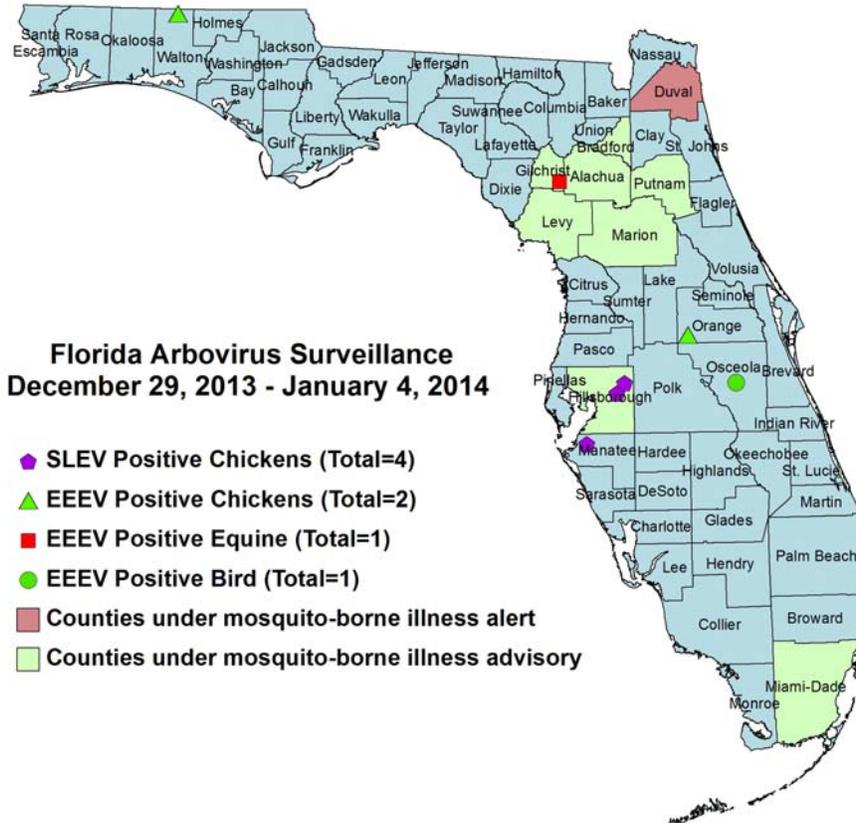
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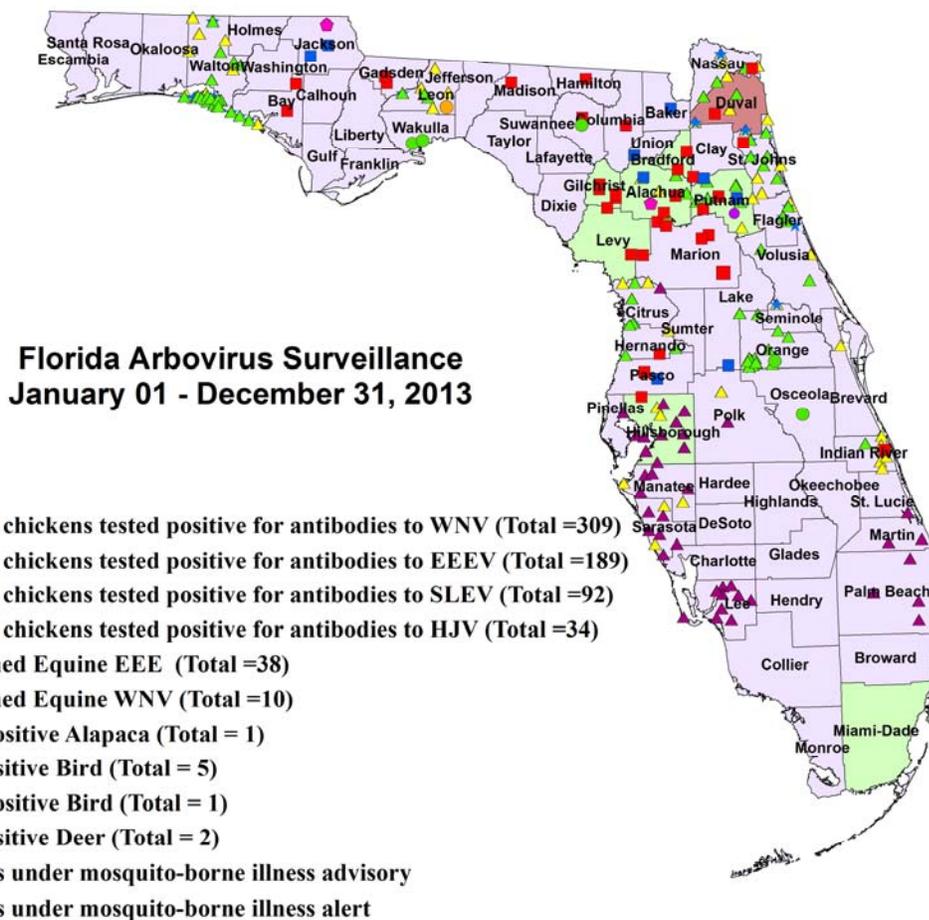
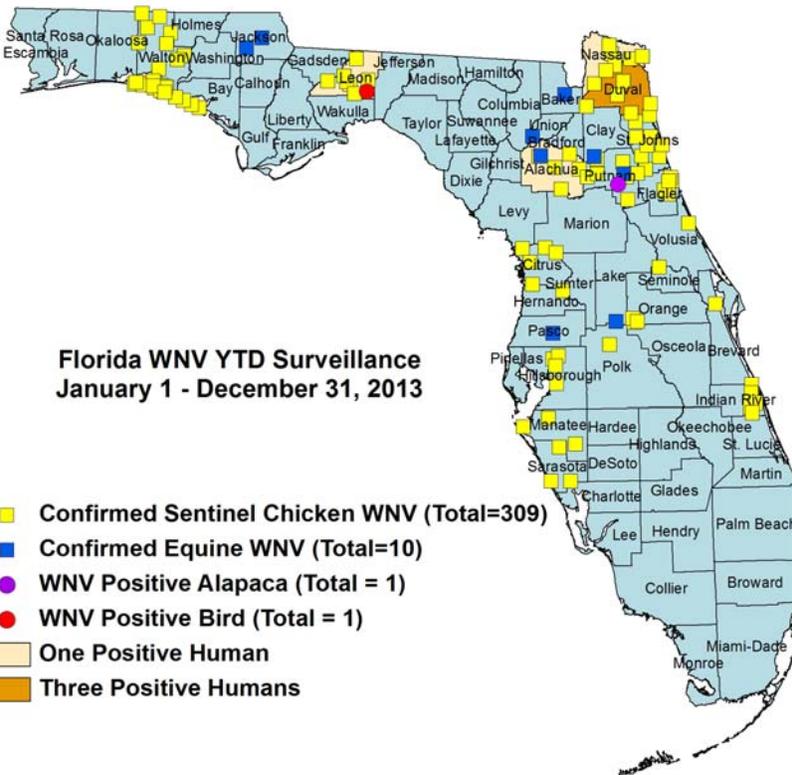
County	Total Dead Birds	Crows	Jays	Raptors	Dove
Pinellas	1	0	0	0	0
Seminole	1	0	0	0	0

#### 2014

County	Total Dead Birds	Crows	Jays	Raptors	Dove
Palm Beach	7	0	0	0	1
Pinellas	3	0	0	0	0
Sarasota	1	0	0	1	0

## Maps





## 2013 Arbovirus Activity by County

County	Arbovirus Activity
<b>Alachua</b>	EEEV: 2 horses (2/13, 7/11) ; 1 deer (1/1); 7 sentinels (6/17, 6/24, 7/15, 8/5, 10/7, 11/4) WNV: 1 human (September); 1 horse (10/14); 16 sentinels (7/1, 8/19, 9/16, 9/24, 9/30, 10/22, 11/25)
<b>Baker</b>	WNV: 1 horse (7/9)
<b>Bay</b>	EEEV: 2 horses (8/21,11/7); 3 sentinels (5/21, 12/2) WNV: 4 sentinels (5/7, 8/26, 11/4) HJV: 2 sentinels (5/7, 5/28)
<b>Bradford</b>	EEEV: 2 horses (5/27, 5/30)
<b>Brevard</b>	WNV: 1 sentinel (10/18)
<b>Citrus</b>	EEEV: 6 sentinels (4/15, 10/7, 10/21) WNV: 14 sentinels (1/21, 1/28, 9/16, 10/21, 10/28, 11/11, 11/25, 12/9) SLEV: 1 sentinel (1/21) HJV: 2 sentinels (3/25, 4/2)
<b>Clay</b>	EEEV: 1 horse (7/17) WNV: 1 horse (8/7)
<b>Columbia</b>	EEEV: 2 horse (5/4, 5/29) WNV: 1 horse (9/9)
<b>Duval</b>	EEEV: 1 horse (11/9); 1 sentinel (8/22) WNV: 3 Humans (August, September, October), 24 sentinels (7/1, 7/15, 7/29, 8/26, 8/28, 9/3, 9/10, 9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/3, 10/21, 10/28, 11/4) HJV: 2 sentinels (6/17, 7/8)
<b>Flagler</b>	EEEV: 5 sentinels (4/22, 6/24, 7/22, 7/29) WNV: 8 sentinels (8/19, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7, 10/21, 10/28, 11/12) HJV: 5 sentinels (6/17, 7/29, 8/5, 9/3)
<b>Gadsden</b>	EEEV: 2 horses (9/3,11/10)
<b>Gilchrist</b>	EEEV: 6 horses* (2/6, 5/29, 6/28, 6/29, 12/12)
<b>Hamilton</b>	EEEV: 1 horse (5/30)
<b>Hernando</b>	EEEV: 1 horse (6/27) ; 5 sentinels (6/10, 10/21, 10/28, 11/13, 11/19) WNV: 1 sentinel (10/21)
<b>Hillsborough</b>	EEEV: 1 human (March), 1 horse (7/20) WNV: 5 sentinels (10/15, 10/22, 10/29, 12/17) SLEV: 39 sentinels (9/3, 9/17, 9/25, 9/30, 10/8, 10/15, 10/18, 10/22, 11/19, 11/13, 12/20, 12/3)
<b>Indian River</b>	EEEV: 1 horse (9/29), 2 sentinels (5/9, 8/15) WNV: 5 sentinels (7/10, 7/31, 10/10, 10/23, 10/31)
<b>Jackson</b>	EEEV: 1 deer (10/1) WNV: 2 horses (9/24, 10/25)
<b>Lake</b>	EEEV: 1 horse (1/30) WNV: 1 horse (9/16)
<b>Lee</b>	SLEV: 18 sentinels (9/2, 9/16, 9/30, 10/14, 10/21, 10/29, 11/18, 12/2, 12/3, 12/17) EEEV: 7 sentinels (6/3, 8/5, 8/12, 8/20,11/5)
<b>Leon</b>	WNV : 1 human (November); 20 sentinels (8/27, 9/17, 9/23, 10/1, 10/11, 10/21) ; 1 wild bird (10/1) HJV : 1 sentinel (10/21)
<b>Levy</b>	EEEV : 1 human (January) ; 3 horses (1/7, 7/21, 7/27)
<b>Madison</b>	EEEV : 1 horse (2/16)
<b>Manatee</b>	WNV: 7 sentinels (9/24, 10/1, 10/15, 10/29, 12/10, 12/17) SLEV: 7 sentinels (9/17, 9/24, 10/1, 11/5, 12/10, 12/20)
<b>Marion</b>	EEEV : 6 horses (7/11, 7/12, 7/18, 7/31, 8/7, 9/10)
<b>Martin</b>	Dengue : 15 humans (June, July, August, September) SLEV : 6 sentinels (9/20, 10/4)
<b>Miami-Dade</b>	Dengue : 1 human (August)

<b>County</b>	<b>Arbovirus Activity</b>
<b>Nassau</b>	EEEV : 1 horse (7/8) ; 12 sentinels (6/8, 6/15, 6/28, 7/1, 7/5, 7/12, 7/19, 7/26, 8/5, 8/10) WNV : 1 Human (September) ; 53 sentinels (7/19, 7/26, 8/3, 8/5, 8/16, 8/23, 8/30, 9/9, 9/13, 9/16, 9/20, 9/23, 9/30, 10/6, 10/7, 10/11, 10/14, 10/18, 10/21, 11/1 11/12, 11/25) HJV : 3 sentinels (6/28, 7/29)
<b>Orange</b>	EEEV : 39 sentinels (5/2, 5/30, 6/6, 6/13, 6/20, 6/24, 6/27, 7/1, 7/3, 7/11, 7/15, 7/23, 8/12, 8/22, 8/26, 9/16, 9/23, 10/24, 10/28, 10/31, 11/18, 12/2, 12/19) ; 1 bird (1/1) WNV : 4 sentinels (11/7, 11/14, 11/21) HJV : 2 sentinels (9/5, 9/12)
<b>Osceola</b>	EEEV : 1 bird (12/12)
<b>Palm Beach</b>	SLEV : 9 sentinels (9/3, 9/16, 9/17, 9/30, 10/14, 10/28) Dengue : 1 human with exposure in Martin (August)
<b>Pasco</b>	EEEV : 1 horse (7/16) WNV : 1 horse (11/11)
<b>Pinellas</b>	SLEV : 3 sentinels (10/7, 10/14)
<b>Polk</b>	WNV : 2 sentinels (10/15, 11/4) SLEV : 1 sentinel (9/9)
<b>Putnam</b>	EEEV : 3 horses (6/26, 8/8, 10/30) ; 11 sentinels (7/16, 7/23, 7/30, 8/6, 9/10, 9/24, 10/8) WNV : 1 horse (10/30) ; 1 alpaca (10/10) ; 34 sentinels (9/17, 9/24, 10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 11/5) HJV : 1 sentinel (9/10)
<b>Sarasota</b>	WNV : 3 sentinels (5/3, 9/10, 11/1) SLEV : 8 sentinels (4/5, 9/20, 9/30, 10/18, 10/28, 11/22)
<b>Seminole</b>	WNV : 2 sentinels (9/10, 11/19) HJV : 1 sentinel (5/7)
<b>St. Johns</b>	EEEV : 1 horse (3/1) ; 25 sentinels (4/8, 5/6, 5/28, 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24, 7/22, 7/29, 8/5, 8/12, 8/26, 9/3, 11/18) WNV : 31 sentinels (9/3, 9/16, 9/23, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21, 10/28, 11/4, 11/12, 11/18, 11/25) HJV : 4 sentinels (6/3, 6/17, 7/1, 9/3)
<b>St. Lucie</b>	Dengue : 4 humans with exposure in Martin (July, August)
<b>Suwannee</b>	EEEV : 1 horse (8/9), 1 bird (8/11)
<b>Volusia</b>	EEEV : 2 sentinels (7/15, 9/3) WNV : 2 sentinels (9/16, 12/2)
<b>Wakulla</b>	EEEV : 2 birds (4/8)
<b>Walton</b>	EEEV : 64 sentinels (1/7, 2/26, 3/25, 4/15, 4/29, 4/30, 5/6, 5/13, 5/28, 6/17, 6/24, 7/1, 7/8, 7/23, 7/30, 8/5, 8/6, 8/19, 8/26, 8/27, 9/23, 10/28, 11/4, 11/12, 11/25, 12/2, 12/9, 12/16) WNV : 73 sentinels (1/7, 1/14, 1/15, 1/23, 1/28, 2/4, 2/20, 3/11, 4/8, 4/9, 4/15, 4/29, 4/30, 5/7, 5/13, 5/14, 6/17, 7/8, 8/6, 8/19, 8/26, 9/3, 9/11, 9/16, 9/17, 9/23, 10/1, 10/15, 10/22, 10/28, 10/29, 11/4, 11/18, 12/9) HJV : 11 sentinels (5/13, 6/17, 7/1, 7/8, 7/29, 8/20)

\*The equine listed as Gilchrist/Columbia for 5/29/13 had exposure in both counties during the 2 weeks prior to onset and is not listed in the table above.

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**For more surveillance information, please see the DOH website at:**

<http://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:**

<http://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, 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: <http://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.