



Florida Arbovirus Surveillance Week 39: September 21 – 27, 2014

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) and California encephalitis group viruses (CEV). Malaria, a non-viral mosquito-borne disease is also included. During the period of September 21- 27, 2014 the following arboviral activity was recorded in Florida.

WNV activity: Two human cases of WNV illness and one WNV positive asymptomatic blood donor were reported this week. No horses with WNV infection were reported this week. Twenty-three sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to WNV this week in Bay, Brevard, Citrus, Flagler, Nassua, Orange, Pinellas, Putnam, Seminole, St. Johns and Volusia Counties. In 2014, positive samples from 114 sentinel chickens, 5 horses, 7 human cases, and 2 asymptomatic blood donors have been received from 25 counties.

EEEV activity: No human cases of EEE were reported this week. One horse with EEEEV infection was reported this week in Marion County. No sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to EEEEV this week. In 2014, positive samples from 154 sentinel chickens, 2 deer, and 53 horses have been received from 32 counties.

International Travel-Associated Dengue Fever Cases: Six cases of dengue fever were reported this week in persons that had international travel. In 2014, 60 travel-associated cases have been reported.

Dengue Fever Cases Acquired in Florida: No new cases of locally acquired dengue fever were reported this week. In 2014, a total of five cases of locally acquired dengue fever have been reported.

International Travel-Associated Chikungunya Fever Cases: Fourteen cases of chikungunya fever were reported this week in persons that had international travel. In 2014, 252 travel-associated cases have been reported.

Chikungunya Fever Cases Acquired in Florida: No new cases of locally acquired chikungunya fever were reported this week. In 2014, a total of 11 cases of locally acquired chikungunya fever have been reported.

Advisories/Alerts: Alachua, Broward, Clay, Columbia, Duval, Jefferson, Leon, Levy, Lafayette, Marion, Pasco, Polk, Santa Rosa, St. Johns, Suwannee, Volusia and Washington Counties are currently under a mosquito-borne illness advisory. Escambia, Miami-Dade, Palm Beach and St. Lucie Counties are 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. There is a Level 1 (Watch) Travel Health Notice from the CDC for multiple countries in the Caribbean related to the continued transmission of chikungunya which was updated August 11, 2014. <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices/watch/chikungunya-caribbean>

2014 Human Case Summary*

West Nile Virus Illnesses Acquired in Florida: A total of seven human cases of WNV illness acquired in Florida have been reported in 2014; two in Escambia (July, August), one in Duval (August), one in

Leon (August), one in Pasco (August), one in Polk (September) and one in Volusia (August) Counties. Two asymptomatic positive blood donors were reported from Santa Rosa (July) and St. Johns (September) Counties.

International Travel-Associated Dengue Fever Cases: Sixty cases of dengue with onset in 2014 have been reported in individuals with travel history to a dengue endemic country in the two weeks prior to onset. Countries of origin were: Bangladesh, Bolivia, Brazil (2), Caribbean, Columbia, Costa Rica (3), Cuba (23), Cuba/Bahamas, Dominican Republic (8), El Salvador, Guadeloupe, Haiti, Honduras (4), Mexico (2), Puerto Rico (5), Sri Lanka, Trinidad (2), and Venezuela (2). Counties reporting cases were: Alachua, Brevard (2), Broward (6), Clay, Collier, Highlands, Hillsborough (4), Lee, Manatee (2), Marion, Miami-Dade (26), Orange (3), Osceola (4), Palm Beach (2), Pinellas, Seminole, St. Lucie (2), and Volusia. Five of the cases were reported in non-Florida residents. In 2014, 29 of the 60 cases of dengue reported in Florida have been serotyped by PCR. Additional serotyping and strain typing are being conducted.

	# of cases per serotype – 2014
DENV-1	10
DENV-2	11
DENV-3	1
DENV-4	6
DEN-1&2	1
	29

Dengue Fever Cases Acquired in Florida: In 2014, a total of five cases of locally acquired dengue fever have been reported. Five cases of dengue in Miami-Dade residents with onset in June and August have been reported as acquired in Miami-Dade County.

International Travel-Associated Chikungunya Fever Cases: Two hundred and fifty-two cases of chikungunya with onset in 2014 have been reported in individuals with travel history to a chikungunya endemic country or area experiencing an outbreak in the two weeks prior to onset. Countries of origin were: Antigua (2), Antigua/Barbuda, Bequia, Cuba (3), Dominca/Gaudalupe, Dominican Republic (78), El Salvador, Guyana (7), Haiti (103), Haiti/Dominican Republic, Honduras, Jamaica (6), Martinique (2), Philippines, Puerto Rico (39), Puerto Rico/Dominican Republic (2), St. Lucia, St. Thomas/St. Martin/Bahamas, and Trinidad/Tobago. Counties reporting cases were: Alachua (2), Brevard (3), Broward (42), Charlotte (2), Clay (2), Duval (7), Escambia, Flagler, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough (19), Indian River, Lake (2), Lee (6), Leon (2), Manatee (2), Marion, Miami-Dade (47), Monroe, Nassau, Okaloosa (2), Orange (30), Osceola (8), Palm Beach (33), Pasco (3), Pinellas (6), Polk (13), Santa Rosa, Sarasota (2), Seminole (5), St. Johns, St. Lucie (2), and Volusia (2). Twenty of the cases were reported in non-Florida residents.

Chikungunya Fever Cases Acquired in Florida: In 2014, a total of eleven cases of locally acquired chikungunya fever have been reported. One case of chikungunya fever with onset in July was acquired in Broward County. Two cases of chikungunya fever with onset in June were acquired in Miami-Dade County. Four cases of chikungunya fever with onset in July were acquired in Palm Beach County. Four cases of chikungunya fever with onset in July and August were acquired in St. Lucie County.

International Travel-Associated Malaria Cases: Forty-six cases of malaria with onset in 2014 have been reported. Countries of origin were: Angola (3), Cameroon, Dominican Republic, East Africa, Equatorial Guinea (2), Ghana, Ghana/Rwanda, Ghana/Senegal, Ghana/Togo, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India (5), Ivory Coast (3), Kenya (2), Nigeria (6), Nigeria/Ethiopia, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Sierra Leone (5), Sudan, Uganda (2), and multiple sub-Saharan African countries (3). Counties reporting cases were: Broward (6), Clay, Duval, Escambia, Hernando, Hillsborough (8), Leon, Miami-Dade (8), Okaloosa (2), Orange (6), Osceola (2), Palm Beach (4), Pasco, Pinellas (2), Santa Rosa, and Seminole. Nine of the cases were reported in non-Florida residents.

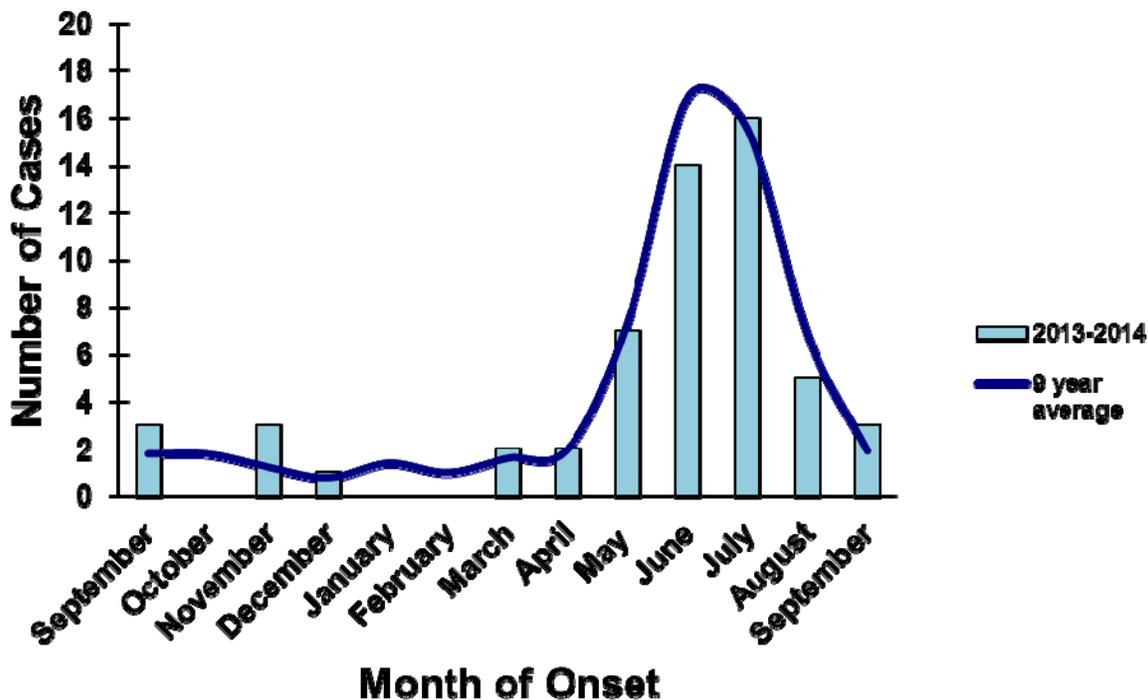
Thirty-three cases (72%) were diagnosed with *Plasmodium falciparum*. Nine cases (20%) were diagnosed with *Plasmodium vivax*. Two cases (4%) were diagnosed with *Plasmodium malariae*. Two cases (4%) were diagnosed with *Plasmodium ovale*.

Veterinary Cases*

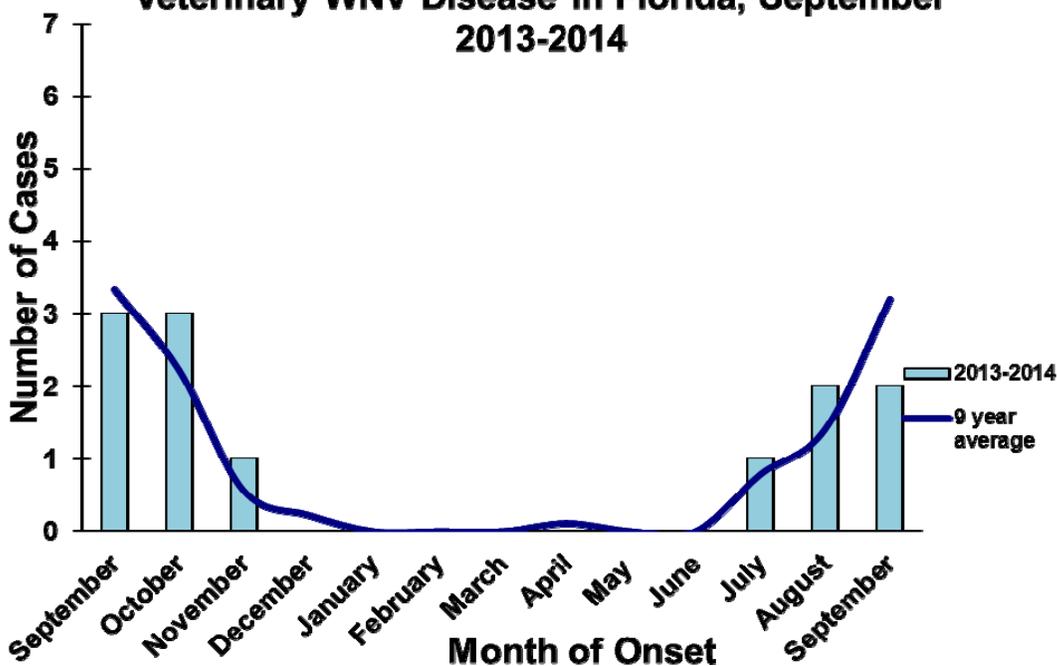
*Veterinary cases are reported by date of onset

One horse with EEEV infection was reported this week in Marion County.

Veterinary EEE in Florida, September 2013-2014



Veterinary WNV Disease in Florida, September 2013-2014



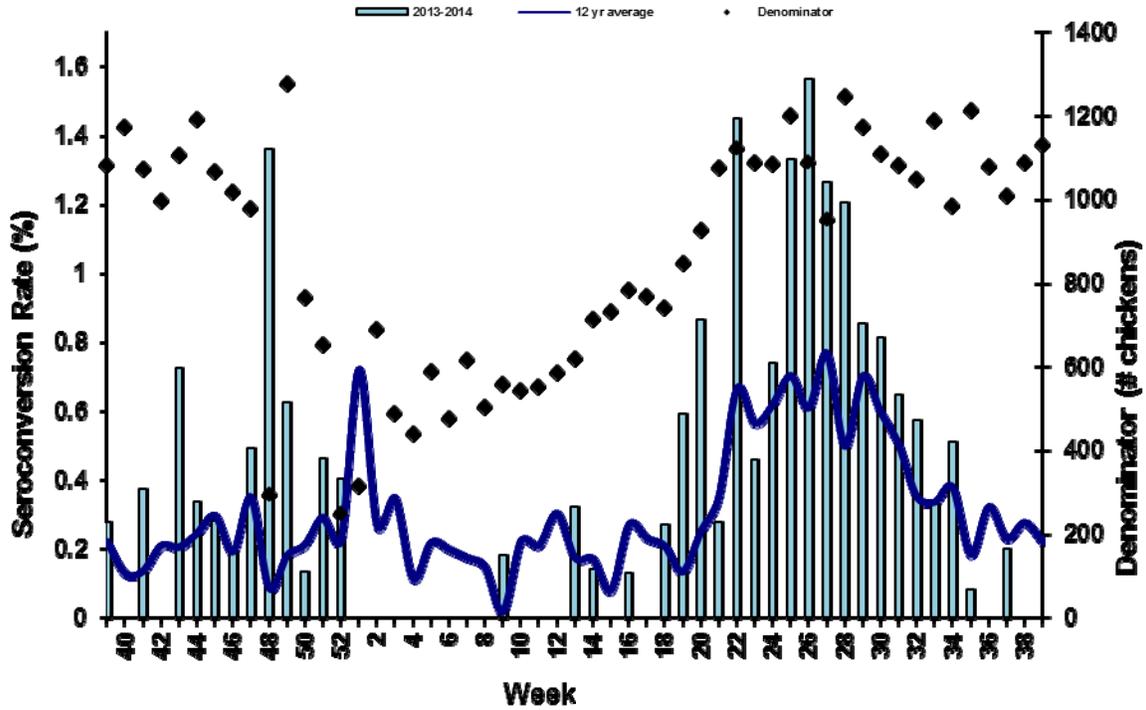
Sentinel Chickens

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.

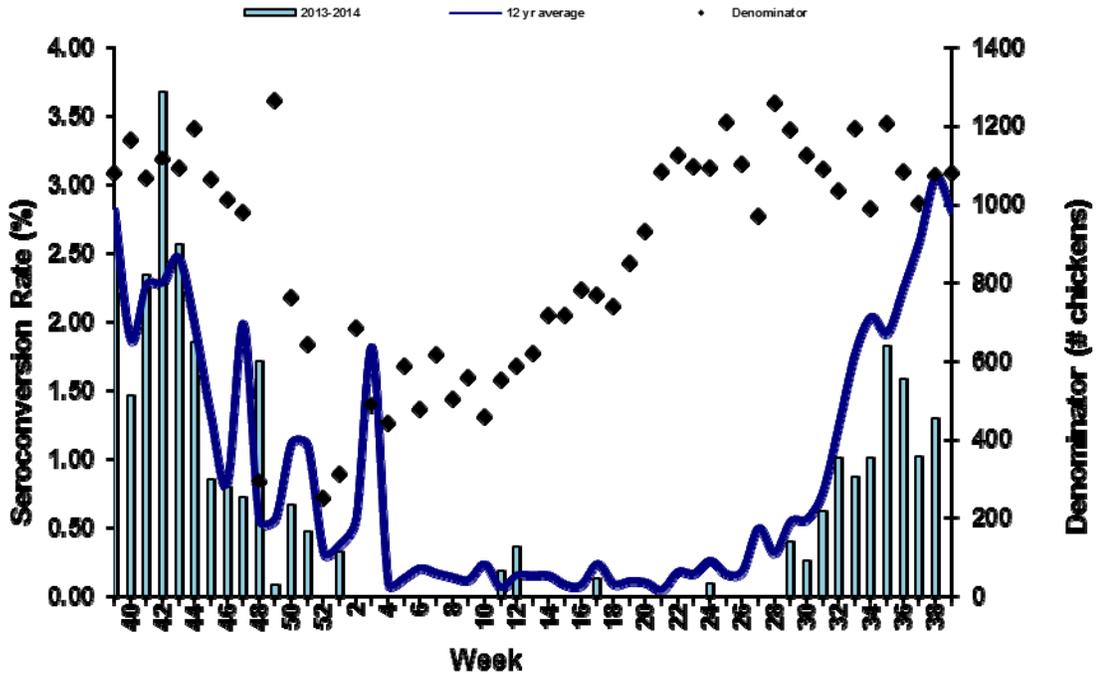
Twenty-three sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to WNV this week in Bay, Brevard, Citrus, Flagler, Nassau, Orange, Pinellas, Putnam, Seminole, St. Johns and Volusia Counties. Fifteen sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to SLEV this week in Hillsborough, Lee, Manatee, Nassau, Orange, Pinellas and Sarasota Counties (state total of 58 positives for 2014).

County	Collection Date	Seroconversion Rates (%)						County Totals	
		Flavi	SLEV	WNV	Alpha	EEEV	HJV	Collection Week	YTD
Bay	09/16/14	10.00		10.00				1 WNV	6 EEEV, 1 HJV, 5 WNV
Brevard	08/29/14	1.64		1.64				1 WNV	
	09/12/14	4.00		4.00				2 WNV	9 WNV
Citrus	09/02/14	1.43		1.43				1 WNV	
	09/15/14	5.56		5.56				4 WNV	16 EEEV, 6 HJV, 6 WNV
Flagler	09/02/14	8.33		8.33				1 WNV	
	09/15/14	10.00		10.00				1 WNV	11 EEEV, 5 HJV, 5 WNV
Hillsborough	09/16/14	1.32	1.32					1 SLEV	2 EEEV, 6 SLEV, 4 WNV
Lee	09/16/14	4.05	4.05					3 SLEV	7 SLEV
Manatee	09/16/14	5.48	5.48					4 SLEV	6 SLEV
Nassau	09/12/14	8.70	4.35	4.35				1 SLEV, 1 WNV	13 EEEV, 4 HJV, 7 WNV, 2 SLEV
Orange	09/02/14	1.77		1.77				2 WNV	
	09/15/14	0.87	0.87					1 SLEV	18 EEEV, 4 HJV, 5 WNV, 1 SLEV
Pinellas	09/15/14	9.62	5.77	3.85				3 SLEV, 2 WNV	28 SLEV, 1 HJV, 2 WNV
Putnam	09/16/14	12.50		12.50				1 WNV	7 EEEV, 8 WNV, 6 HJV
Sarasota	09/02/14	2.70	2.70					2 SLEV	6 SLEV, 1 WNV
Seminole	09/15/14	12.50		12.50				3 WNV	6 WNV
St. Johns	09/02/14	9.43		9.43				5 WNV	
	09/15/14	2.38		2.38				1 WNV	20 EEEV, 7 HJV, 22 WNV
Volusia	09/01/14	7.14		7.14				3 WNV	3 EEEV, 1 HJV, 15 WNV

Sentinel Seroconversions to EEEV In Florida, 2013-2014



Sentinel Seroconversions to WNV In Florida, 2013-2014



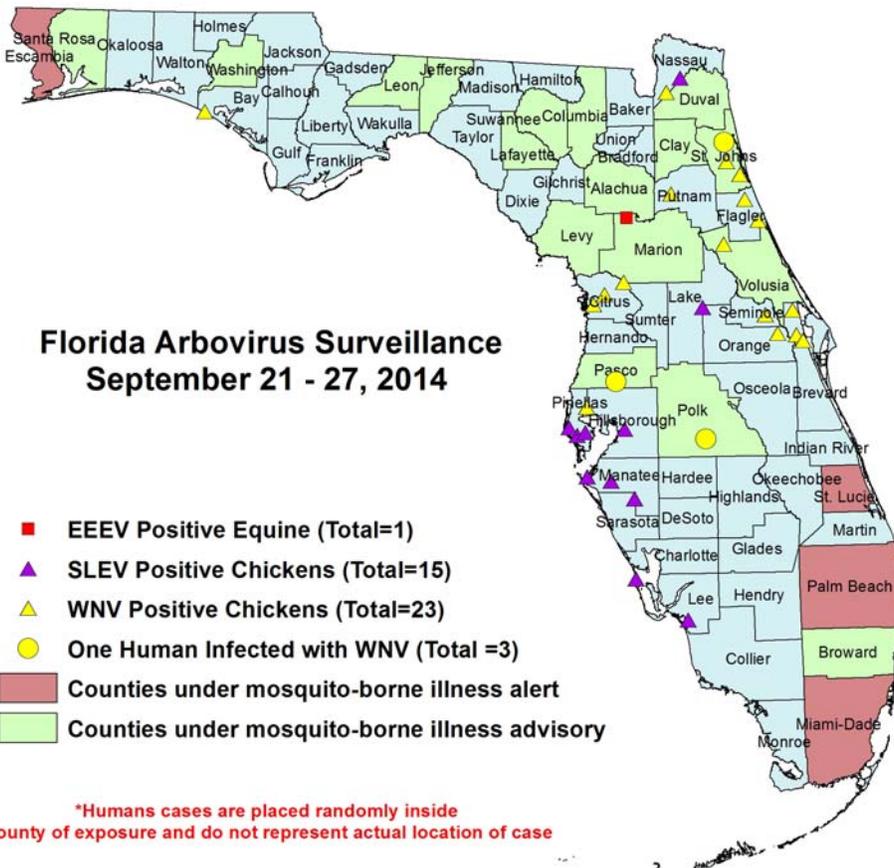
Dead Birds

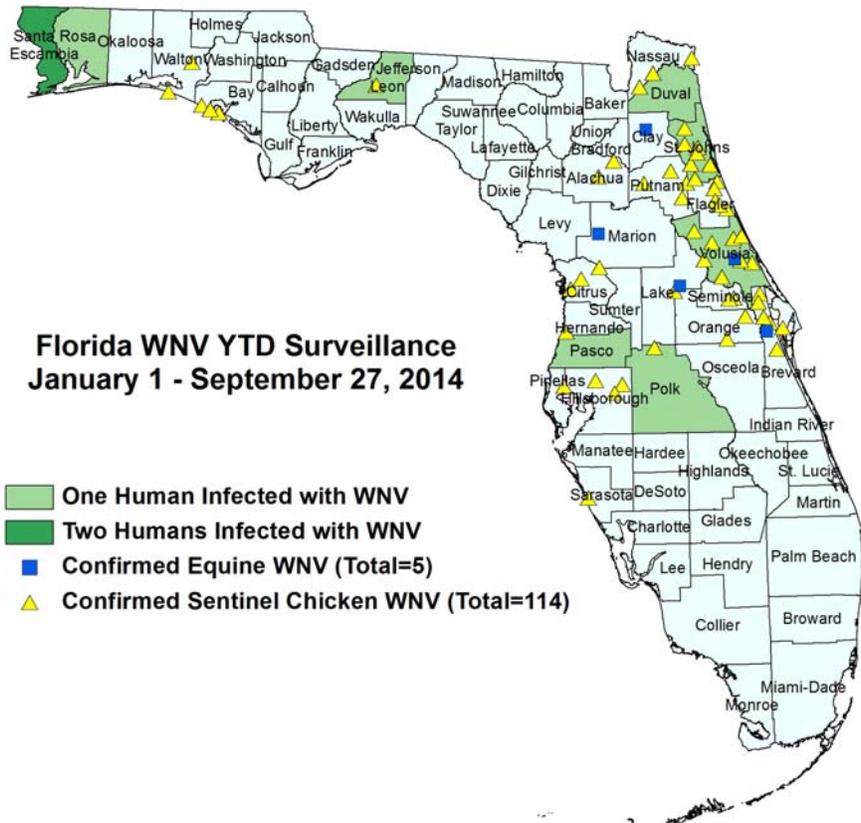
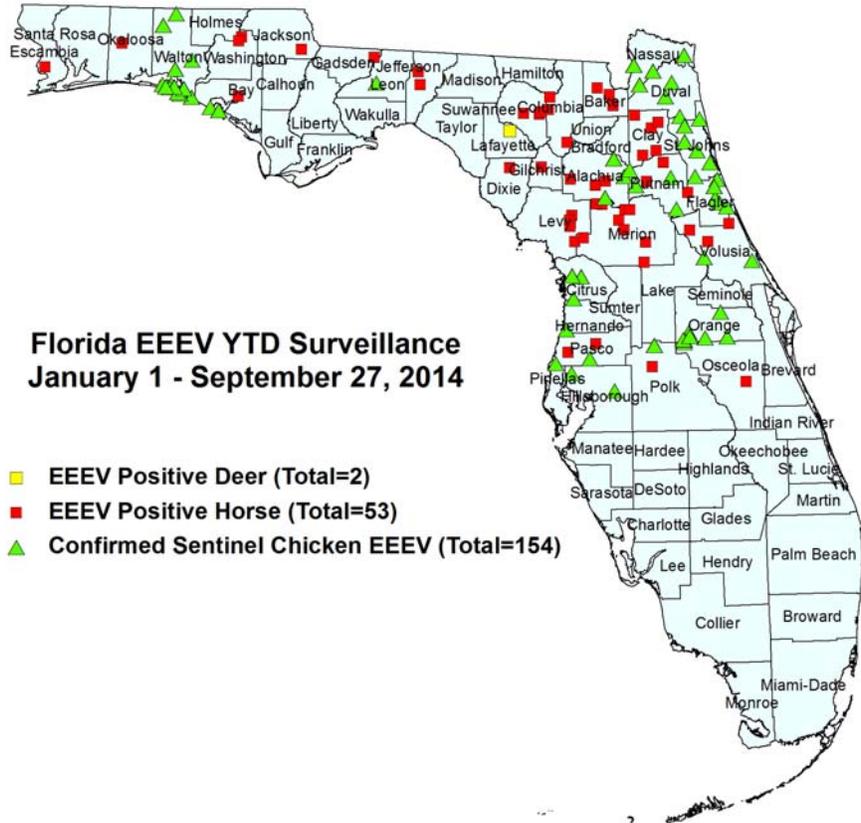
The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) collects reports of dead birds, which can be an indication of arbovirus circulation in an area. This week, 4 reports representing 18 dead birds including 2 raptors were received from 4 counties.

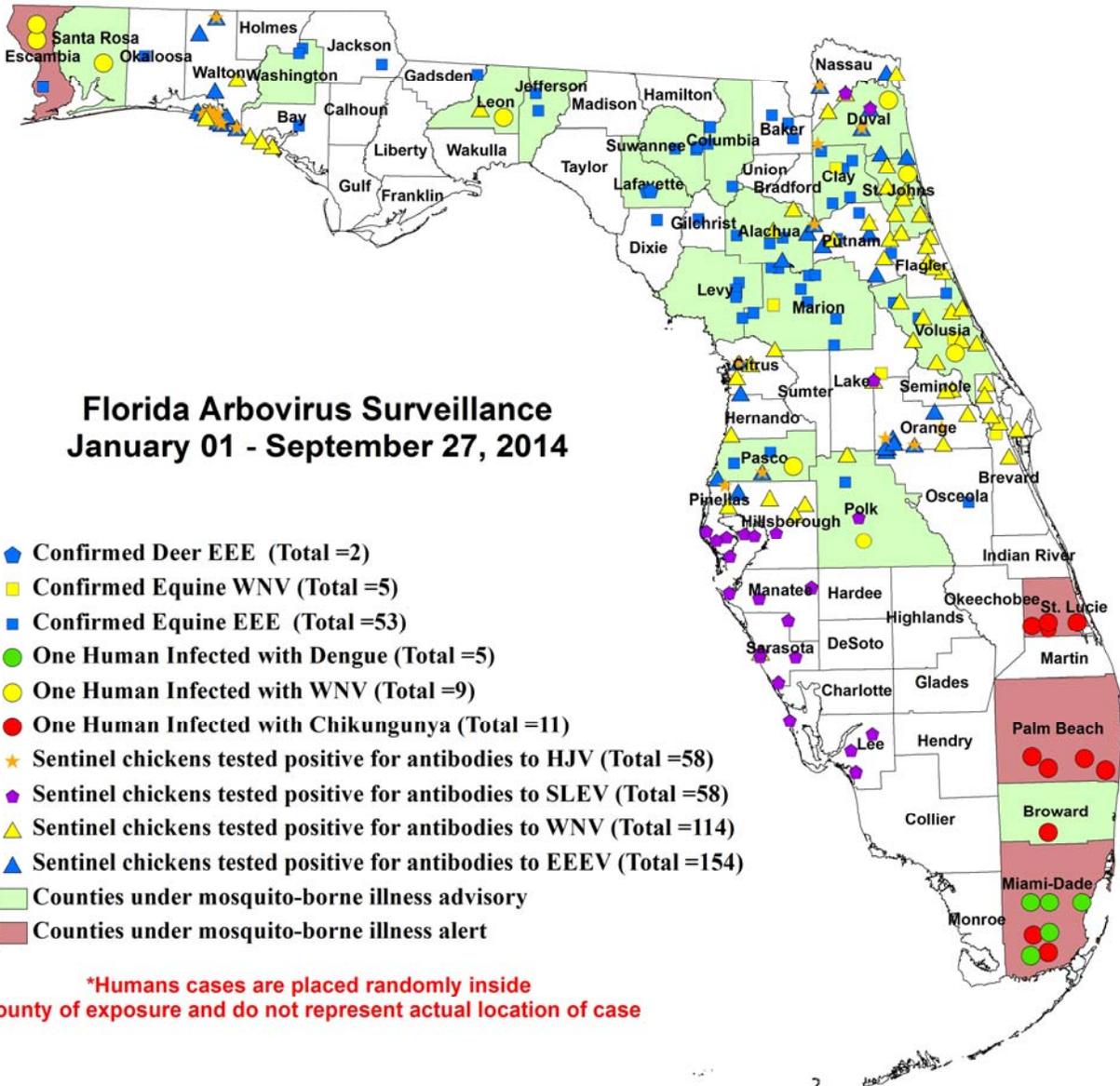
In 2014, 311 reports representing a total of 880 dead birds (27 crows, 6 jay, 65 raptors, and 31 doves) were received from 44 of Florida's 67 counties. Please note that FWC collects reports of birds that have died from a variety of causes, not only arboviruses. Dead birds should be reported to www.myfwc.com/bird/

County	Total Dead Birds	Crows	Jays	Raptors	Dove
Charlotte	1	0	0	0	0
Pasco	1	0	0	1	0
Manatee	15	0	0	0	0
Hillsborough	1	0	0	1	0

Maps







2014 Arbovirus Activity by County

County	Arbovirus Activity
Alachua	EEEV: 3 horses (6/17, 6/20, 7/4); 10 sentinels (6/9, 6/30, 7/7, 7/14, 7/21, 7/28) HJV: 1 sentinel (8/4) WNV: 5 sentinels (8/12, 8/18, 8/25)
Baker	EEEV: 3 horses (3/13, 7/10, 7/16)
Bay	EEEV: 1 horse (6/15); 6 sentinels (4/28, 5/6, 5/13, 5/22, 5/30) HJV: 1 sentinel (2/18) WNV: 12 sentinels (8/19, 8/26, 9/2, 9/9, 9/16)
Brevard	WNV: 1 horse (8/1); 9 sentinels (7/17, 8/8, 8/15, 8/20, 8/29, 9/12)
Broward	Chikungunya: 1 human (July)
Citrus	EEEV: 16 sentinels (3/24, 3/31, 5/12, 5/26, 6/2, 6/30, 7/7, 7/14, 7/21, 8/4, 8/11, 9/8) HJV: 6 sentinels (2/17, 2/24, 8/11, 8/18) WNV: 6 sentinels (1/2, 9/2, 9/15)
Clay	EEEV: 5 horses (5/2, 7/16, 7/19, 7/20, 8/2) WNV: 1 horse (9/3)
Columbia	EEEV: 3 horses (6/25, 7/18, 8/1)
Dixie	EEEV: 1 horse (5/22)

Duval	EEEV: 3 sentinels (6/16, 6/19, 6/30) HJV: 6 sentinel (8/18, 8/21, 8/25) WNV: 1 human (August) SLEV: 1 sentinel (9/2)
Escambia	EEEV: 1 horse (7/16) WNV: 2 humans (July, August)
Flagler	EEEV: 1 horse (4/21); 11 sentinels (4/14, 4/28, 5/5, 5/27, 6/2, 6/16, 6/23, 6/30, 7/7) HJV: 5 sentinels (7/21, 8/18, 8/25) WNV: 5 sentinels (7/14, 8/18, 9/2, 9/8, 9/15)
Gadsden	EEEV: 1 horse (9/16)
Gilchrist	EEEV: 2 horses (5/18, 6/23)
Hernando	EEEV: 2 sentinels (6/9, 7/9) WNV: 2 sentinels (8/25)
Hillsborough	EEEV: 2 sentinels (5/13, 7/1) SLEV: 6 sentinels (1/7, 2/18, 9/2, 9/9, 9/16) WNV: 4 sentinels (3/18, 9/2)
Jackson	EEEV: 1 horse (9/3)
Jefferson	EEEV: 2 horses (7/7, 8/25)
Lafayette	EEEV: 2 deer (6/24)
Lake	WNV: 1 horse (8/19)
Lee	SLEV: 7 sentinels (1/13, 1/14, 2/11, 3/25, 9/16)
Leon	EEEV: 1 sentinel (7/14) WNV: 1 human (August), 1 sentinel (8/19)
Levy	EEEV: 4 horses (6/7, 6/21, 6/27, 6/28, 8/17)
Manatee	SLEV: 6 sentinels (7/29, 9/2, 9/16)
Marion	EEEV: 9 horses (4/12, 5/31, 6/19, 6/26, 6/29, 7/4, 7/14, 7/30, 9/10) WNV: 1 horse (9/5)
Miami-Dade	Chikungunya: 2 humans (June) Dengue: 5 humans (June, August)
Nassau	EEEV: 13 sentinels (5/27, 5/31, 6/13, 6/20, 6/23, 6/27, 7/11, 7/19, 8/22) HJV: 4 sentinels (7/25, 8/18, 8/22) WNV: 7 sentinels (8/8, 8/18, 8/22, 8/25, 9/2, 9/12) SLEV: 2 sentinels (8/29, 9/12)
Okaloosa	EEEV: 1 horse (8/15)
Orange	EEEV: 18 sentinels (5/29, 6/5, 6/16, 6/19, 6/23, 6/25, 6/26, 7/7, 7/10, 7/21, 7/31, 8/7, 8/18) HJV: 4 sentinels (1/2, 2/17, 8/25) WNV: 5 sentinels (8/4, 8/25, 9/2) SLEV: 1 sentinel (9/15)
Osceola	EEEV: 1 horse (7/30)
Palm Beach	Chikungunya: 4 humans (July)
Pasco	EEEV: 2 horses (5/31, 6/25); 4 sentinels (5/27, 6/10, 7/15) HJV: 1 sentinel (7/22) WNV: 1 human (August)
Pinellas	SLEV: 28 sentinels (7/21, 7/25, 7/28, 8/4, 8/11, 8/18, 8/25, 9/2, 9/8, 9/15) HJV: 1 sentinel (8/25) WNV: 2 sentinels (9/15)
Polk	EEEV: 5 sentinels (6/23, 6/30, 7/7); 1 horse (8/3) SLEV: 1 sentinel (8/25) WNV: 1 human (September); 1 sentinel (9/2)
Putnam	EEEV: 2 horses (6/17, 7/28); 7 sentinels (5/27, 6/17, 6/24, 7/8, 7/15, 7/22, 8/5) WNV: 8 sentinels (8/5, 8/12, 8/26, 9/9, 9/16) HJV: 6 sentinels (8/26)
Sarasota	SLEV: 6 sentinels (2/6, 2/14, 2/28, 7/28, 9/2) WNV: 1 sentinel (4/25)
Santa Rosa	WNV: 1 asymptomatic blood donor (July)
Seminole	WNV: 6 sentinels (7/30, 8/5, 9/15)
St. Johns	EEEV: 20 sentinels (5/5, 5/12, 5/27, 6/16, 6/23, 6/30, 7/21, 7/28, 9/9) HJV: 7 sentinels (7/28, 8/18, 8/25) WNV: 1 asymptomatic blood donor (September); 22 sentinels (7/21, 7/28, 8/4, 8/11, 8/18, 8/25, 9/2, 9/8, 9/15)

St. Lucie	Chikungunya: 4 humans (July, August)
Suwannee	EEEV: 3 horses (8/5, 8/13, 8/15)
Volusia	EEEV: 3 horses (3/19, 5/19, 5/24); 3 sentinels (5/27, 6/9) HJV: 1 sentinel (8/18) WNV: 1 human (August); 1 horse (7/15); 15 sentinels (7/14, 7/21, 7/28, 8/4, 8/5, 8/12, 8/18, 8/25, 9/1)
Walton	EEEV: 34 sentinels (2/24, 5/12, 5/19, 5/27, 6/3, 6/9, 6/16, 6/23, 6/30, 7/7, 7/14, 7/15, 7/21, 7/28, 8/4, 8/11, 8/12, 8/18, 8/26) HJV: 15 sentinels (3/10, 3/24, 5/12, 5/19, 6/16, 6/30, 7/15, 8/4, 8/11, 8/18, 8/25, 9/2) WNV: 3 sentinels (3/10, 3/17, 6/9)
Washington	EEEV: 2 horses (7/15, 7/22)

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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.