



Florida Arbovirus Surveillance Week 49: December 5 - December 11, 2010

Arbovirus surveillance in Florida includes endemic mosquito-borne viruses 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 December 5-December 11, 2010, the following arboviral activity was recorded in Florida:

DENV activity: No new cases of locally acquired dengue were reported this week. In 2010, there have been 61 locally-acquired cases in Key West, one in Broward County, and one in Miami-Dade County.

EEEV activity: One sentinel chicken in Walton County and one live wild bird in Okaloosa County tested positive for antibodies to EEEV. In 2010, positive samples from five humans, 93 equines, 171 sentinel chickens, 48 live wild birds, and six mosquito pools have been received from 45 of Florida's 67 counties.

WNV activity: One human case of WNV was reported in Lee County. Fifteen sentinel chickens in Flagler, Hendry, Hillsborough, Indian River, Manatee, St. Johns and Volusia counties tested positive for antibodies to WNV. Two live wild birds tested positive to antibodies to a flavivirus in Okaloosa County. In 2010, positive samples from 13 humans, 24 equines, 1 reptile, 548 sentinel chickens, one mosquito pool, and five live wild birds (flavivirus positive) have been received from 39 counties.

SLEV activity: No SLEV activity was reported this week. In 2010, positive samples from five sentinel chickens have been received from one county.

HJV activity: No HJV activity was reported this week. In 2010, positive samples from 92 sentinel chickens have been received from 14 counties.

Advisories/Alerts: Brevard, Collier, Hillsborough, Monroe, and Orange counties are under mosquito-borne illness alerts. Broward, Clay, De Soto, Duval, Flagler, Glades, Hendry, Highlands, Indian River, Jackson, Lake, Leon, Marion, Martin, Miami-Dade, Osceola, Palm Beach, Polk, Putnam, St. Lucie, Volusia, Walton, Wakulla, and Washington counties are under mosquito-borne illness advisories.

Year to Date Human Case Summary

Eastern Equine Encephalitis Acquired in Florida: Four human cases of EEE have been reported in 2010 in Hillsborough (2), Wakulla, and Leon counties with onset dates in June and July (3). One incidental infection was reported in Hillsborough County.

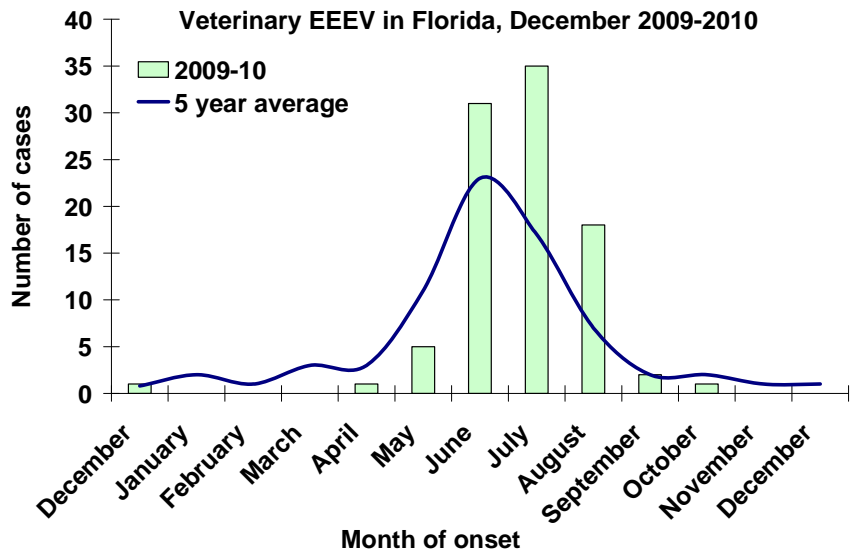
West Nile Virus Infection Acquired in Florida: Twelve human cases of WNV have been reported in 2010 in Osceola, Orange (2), Collier (2), Broward, Duval, De Soto, Lee, Suwannee, Brevard, and Highlands counties with onset in July (2), August (4), September (3), and October (3). The Suwannee County case had travel outside the county, primarily in Florida. One positive asymptomatic blood donor was reported in Brevard County.

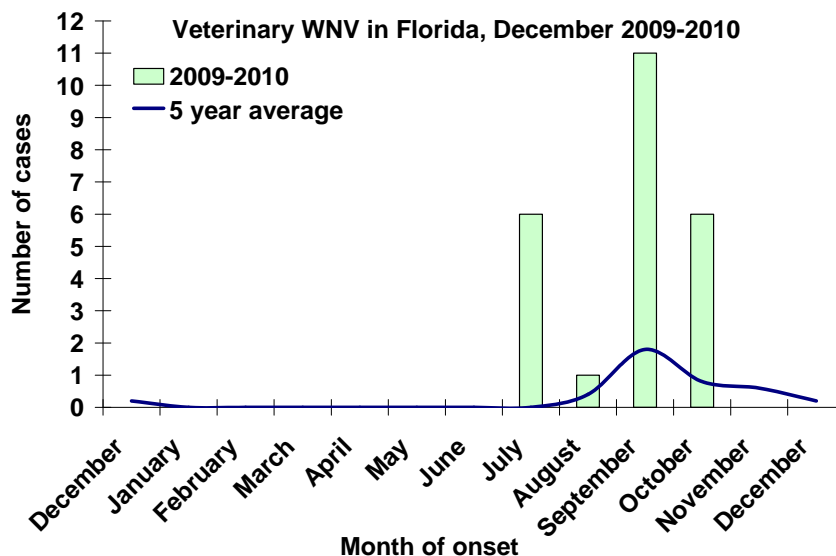
Dengue Acquired in Florida: In 2010, 63 cases of locally acquired dengue have been reported in Broward (1), Miami-Dade (1) and Monroe (61-Key West) counties. Of the Key West cases, 52 are Key West residents, eight are residents of other Florida counties, and one resides out of state. Onset dates ranged from March 17 to October 30, 2010.

Imported Dengue: One hundred and twenty-seven cases of dengue with onset in 2010 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, Brazil, Colombia (8), Costa Rica (4), Dominican Republic (13), Ecuador, El Salvador, Ghana, Grenada (4), Guatemala (2), Haiti (5), Honduras (6), Jamaica (5), Martinique (2), Mexico, Nicaragua (11), Pakistan, Philippines, Puerto Rico (36), Thailand, Trinidad, Venezuela (16), Virgin Islands (3), Malaysia/Dubai/Bangladesh, and Panama/Venezuela (slash indicates travel to more than one country). Counties reporting cases were Alachua (2), Broward (20), Collier (2), Duval (3), Escambia, Flagler, Hendry, Hillsborough (7), Lake, Lee, Manatee, Marion, Miami-Dade (48), Monroe, Orange (9), Osceola (6), Palm Beach (10), Pasco, Pinellas, Polk (2), Seminole (3), St. Lucie (2), and Volusia (3).

Imported Malaria: One case of malaria with cryptic origin (possible Florida acquired) was reported in Duval County. One hundred and twenty two imported cases of malaria with onset in 2010 have been reported. Countries of origin were: Angola, Cameroon, Dominican Republic, Eritrea, Ghana (4), Guinea, Guyana, Haiti (71), Honduras (4), India (8), Indonesia, Ivory Coast (2), Kenya, Malawi (2), Nigeria (7), Pakistan (2), Peru, Philippines, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Togo, Uganda, Venezuela, West Africa (2), Zambia/South Africa, Africa (2), and unknown (2). Counties reporting cases were: Alachua, Brevard (3), Broward (19), Charlotte, Citrus (2), Collier (4), Duval (5), Escambia (3), Hillsborough (5), Lake, Lee, Leon, Miami-Dade (30), Manatee (2), Orange (15), Osceola (3), Palm Beach (16), Pasco, Pinellas, Polk (2), Sarasota, Seminole, St. Lucie, Volusia (2), and Wakulla.

Veterinary Cases

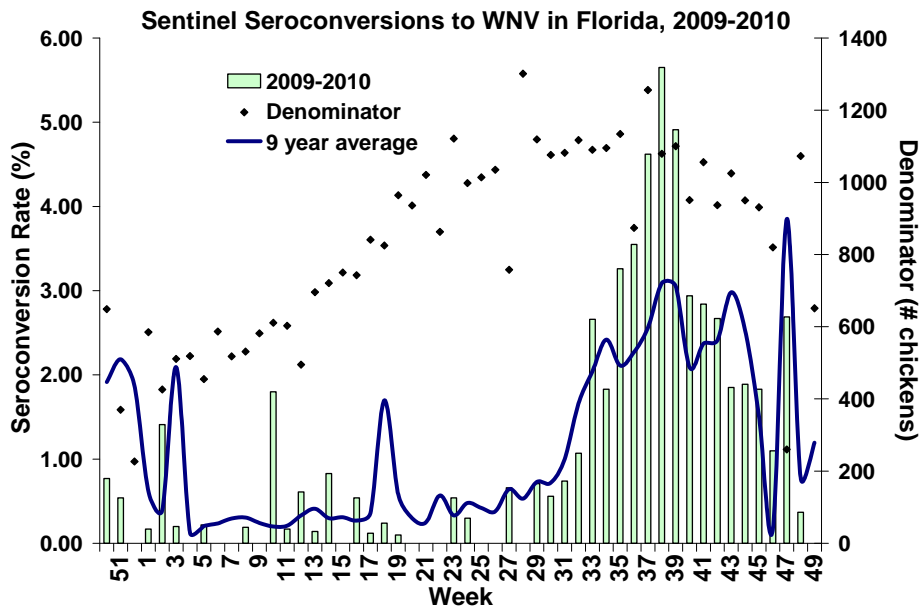
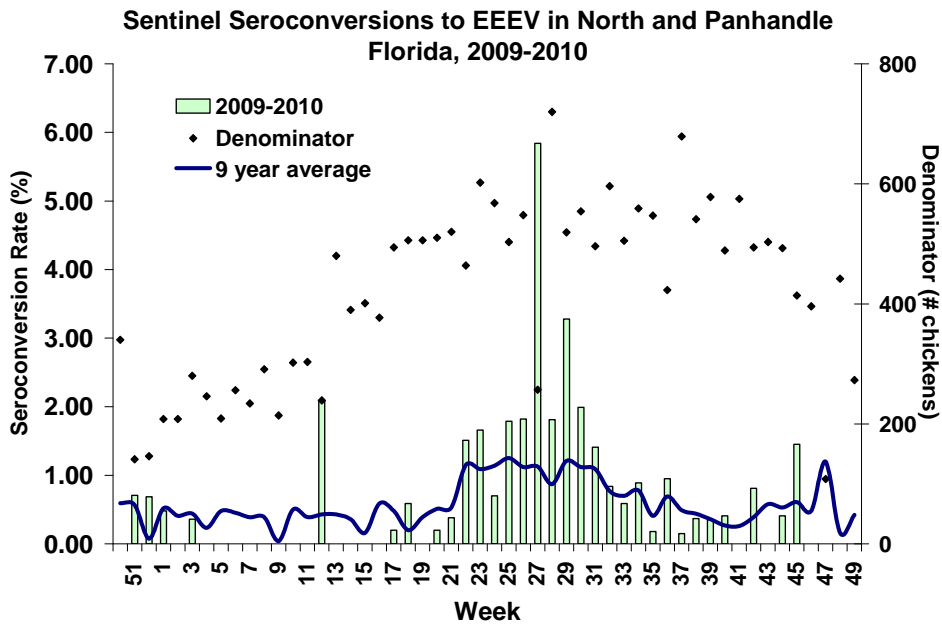




Sentinel Chickens

Fifteen sentinel chickens in Flagler, Hendry, Hillsborough, Indian River, Manatee, St. Johns and Volusia counties tested positive for antibodies to WNV. One sentinel chicken in Walton County tested positive for antibodies to EEE. Seroconversion rates are calculated by week and include previously reported results.

County	Collection Date	Seroconversion Rates (%)				County Totals	
		SLEV	WNV	EEEV	HJV	Week	YTD
Flagler	11/15/10		9.1			1 WNV	10 WNV, 19EEE, 5HJV
Hendry	11/09/10		33.3			1 WNV	13 WNV
Hillsborough	11/30/10		3.3			3 WNV	33 WNV, 2EEE, 1HJV
	11/16/10		3.3			3 WNV	
Indian River	11/09/10		2.1			1 WNV	50 WNV, 1 HJV
Manatee	11/29/10		1.6			1 WNV	18 WNV
St Johns	11/22/10		7.6			4 WNV	33 WNV, 3EEE, 3HJV
Volusia	11/22/10		13.0			3 WNV	23 WNV, 16 EEE, 4 HJV
Walton (North)	11/08/10, 11/09/10			20.8		5 EEE	51 WNV, 34 EEE, 17 HJV



Live Wild Birds

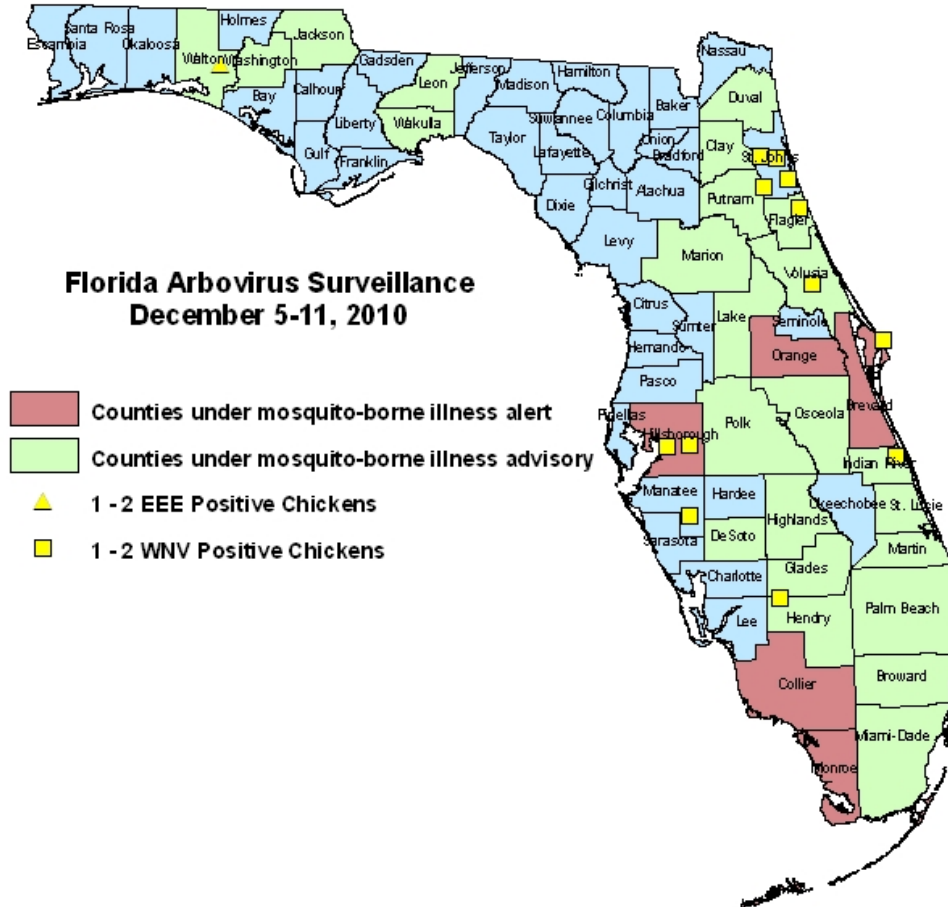
Out of 38 live wild birds collected from three counties on November 23-December 3, 2010, one blue jay from Okaloosa County tested positive for antibodies to EEEV and one cardinal and one blue jay from Okaloosa County tested positive for antibodies to a flavivirus.

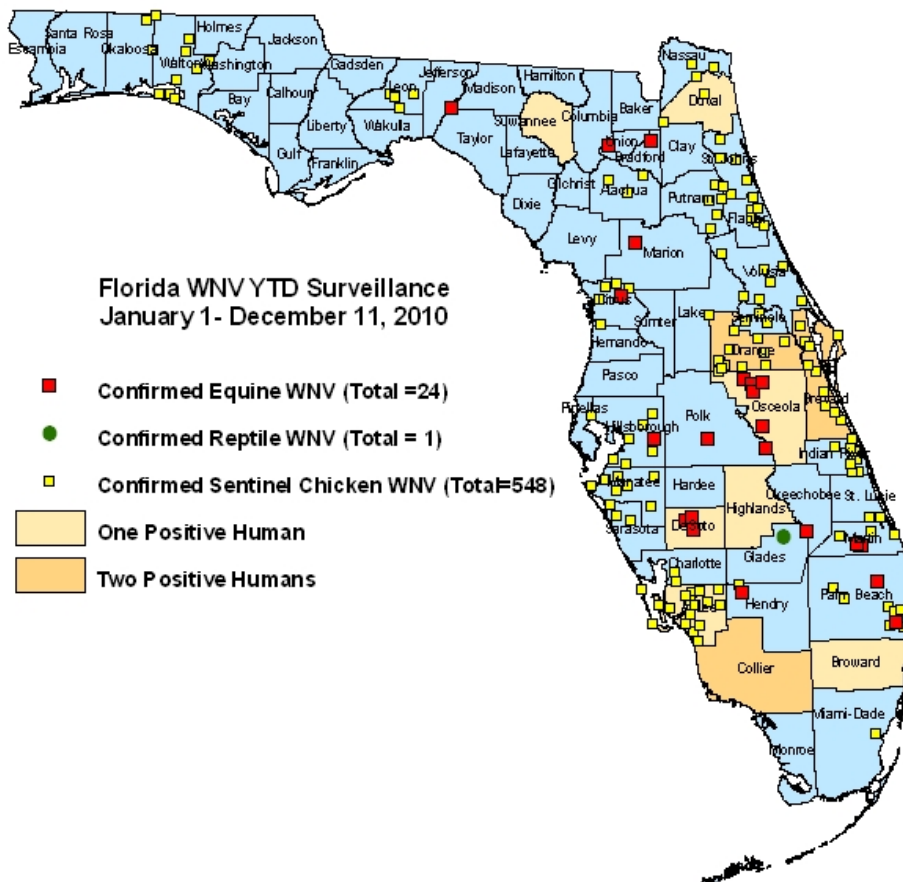
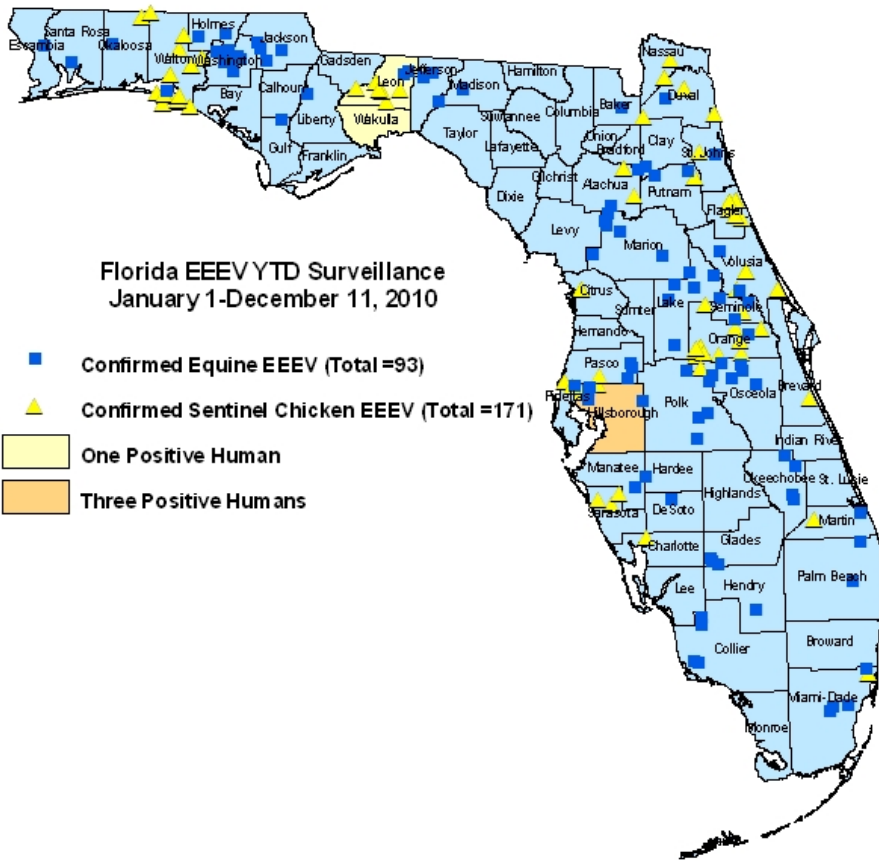
County	Collection Date	EEEV	Flavi	Species	EEEV Rate	Flavi Rate	County YTD
Okaloosa	11/22/10,	1	1	2 Blue jays	1 out of 2	1 out of 2	18 EEE, 4 Flavi
	11/23/10						
	11/29/10		1	1 Cardinal	N/A	1 out of 8	

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, one report representing one dead bird was received from one county. None were identified as crows, jays, or raptors. In 2010, 331 reports representing a total of 1077 dead birds (49 crows, 16 jays, 51 raptors, 961 others) have been reported from 48 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/

Maps





YTD Arbovirus Activity by County

County	Arbovirus Activity
Alachua	WNV: 12 sentinels (8/2, 8/16, 9/7, 9/13, 9/20, 9/27, 10/18, 11/8) EEE: 1 horse (7/21); 4 sentinels (7/16, 7/19, 8/2, 9/28) HJV: 1 sentinel (9/20)
Baker	EEE: 1 horse (7/26)
Bradford	WNV: 1 horse (10/06) EEE: 1 horse (6/16)
Brevard	WNV: 2 humans (1 case in October, 1 positive blood donor); 56 sentinels (7/7, 7/21, 8/4, 8/11, 8/18, 8/20, 9/1, 9/3, 9/8, 9/17, 9/22, 9/23, 9/24, 10/1, 10/6, 10/7, 10/8, 10/18, 10/20, 10/27, 11/3, 11/4, 11/10, 11/12) EEE: 1 sentinel (6/2)
Broward	DENV: 3 humans (1 acquired in Broward, 2 acquired in Key West) WNV: 1 human (August)
Charlotte	WNV: 3 sentinels (8/27, 9/10, 10/8)
Citrus	WNV: 2 horses (10/3); 15 sentinels (9/20, 9/27, 10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25, 11/8, 11/15) EEE: 5 sentinels (5/24, 6/7, 6/28, 7/12, 7/19) HJV: 3 sentinels (5/17, 5/24, 8/9)
Clay	EEE: 1 horse (6/16)
Collier	WNV: 2 humans (August) EEE: 4 horses (6/9, 6/22, 6/29, 7/9)
De Soto	WNV: 1 human (September); 3 horses (9/6, 9/10, 9/21) EEE: 1 horse (8/23)
Duval	WNV: 1 human (September); 5 sentinels (9/13, 9/27, 10/11, 10/18) EEE: 1 horse (8/18); 5 sentinels (6/21, 7/8, 7/21)
Escambia	EEE: 1 horse (8/16)
Flagler	WNV: 10 sentinels (9/13, 9/27, 10/4, 10/18, 10/25, 11/1, 11/15) EEE: 19 sentinels (3/22, 4/26, 5/3, 6/7, 6/21, 7/12, 7/19, 7/26, 8/2, 8/9, 9/27, 10/4); 3 mosquito pools (<i>Culiseta melanura</i> 4/27, 5/11, 6/15) HJV: 5 sentinels (6/14, 6/28, 8/16, 9/20, 10/18)
Glades	WNV : 1 alligator (10/1), 1 horse (10/25) EEE : 3 horses (6/20, 6/24, 7/26)
Gulf	EEE : 1 horse (9/5)
Hardee	EEE : 1 horse (8/22)
Hendry	WNV : 1 horse (9/15) ; 13 sentinels (8/18, 8/31, 9/13, 10/13, 11/09) EEE : 1 horse (7/21)
Hernando	WNV : 3 sentinels (9/27, 10/12)
Highlands	WNV : 1 human (October)
Hillsborough	WNV : 1 horse (9/3) ; 33 sentinels (1/12, 1/19, 2/22, 3/9, 3/22, 4/20, 5/11, 6/15, 9/20, 10/6, 10/12, 10/18, 10/26, 11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/30) ; 1 mosquito pool (11/23) EEE: 2 humans (June, July, 1; one incidental infection) ; 5 horses (5/29, 6/11, 7/8, 7/17); 2 sentinels (5/4, 5/18) HJV : 1 sentinel (6/28)
Holmes	EEE: 2 horses (7/23, 8/9)
Indian River	WNV: 50sentinels (7/22, 8/12, 8/19, 9/2, 9/9, 9/16, 9/23, 9/29, 9/30, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21, 10/26, 11/4,11/09) HJV: 1 sentinel (10/14)
Jackson	EEE: 4 horses (6/14, 6/28, 7/10, 8/1)
Jefferson	WNV: 1 horse (7/4) EEE: 3 horses (7/20, 8/1, 8/25)
Lake	EEE: 6 horses (5/20, 6/29, 7/4, 7/9, 7/15, 7/17)
Lee	WNV: 1 human (October); 53 sentinels (3/30, 4/20, 8/2, 8/9, 8/16, 8/24, 8/30, 9/7, 9/13, 9/14, 9/20, 9/27, 9/28, 10/4, 10/11)
Leon	DENV: 2 humans (acquired in Key West) WNV: 6 sentinels (9/20, 9/28, 10/25) EEE: 1 human (July); 2 horses (6/29, 8/5); 11 sentinels (6/1, 6/21, 8/2, 8/9, 8/16, 9/7, 9/20, 10/18, 11/1) HJV: 4 sentinels (8/16, 8/23, 10/4, 10/11)
Liberty	EEE: 1 horse (7/11)
Madison	EEE: 2 horses (6/21, 7/3)
Manatee	WNV: 18 sentinels (8/30, 9/7, 9/13, 9/20, 9/27, 10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25, 11/8, 11/29) EEE: 1 horse (7/21)
Marion	WNV: 1 horse (10/1) EEE: 6 horses (5/7, 7/22, 8/3, 9/24, 10/11)

Martin	WNV: 2 horses (9/11, 9/16); 14 sentinels (8/13, 8/27, 9/10, 9/16, 9/23, 10/1, 10/15, 10/29) EEE: 1 horse (8/4); 2 sentinels (5/28)
Miami-Dade	DENV: 2 humans (acquired in Miami-Dade, 1 acquired in Key West) SLEV: 5 sentinels (8/23, 9/7, 9/20, 9/27) WNV: 1 sentinel (10/25) EEE: 4 horses (6/7, 6/17, 7/4); 2 sentinels (6/14)
Monroe	DENV: 61 humans (acquired in Key West)
Nassau	WNV: 5 sentinels (9/6, 9/20) EEE: 6 sentinels (6/28, 7/13, 7/19, 8/9, 8/16, 8/31) HJV: 9 sentinels (6/28, 7/13, 7/19, 7/26, 8/16, 8/23, 9/20)
Okaloosa	WNV: 5 live wild birds (flavivirus positive, 4 blue jays 6/14, 11/1, 11/8, 1 cardinal 11/29) EEE: 1 horse (7/25); 18 live wild birds (1 house sparrow 1/4, 13 blue jays 1/27, 4/19, 4/21, 4/26, 7/5, 7/26, 9/16, 11/1, 11/3, 11/8, 11/23, 3 cardinals 7/5, 7/22, 8/5; 2 northern mockingbird 10/4, 11/15)
Okeechobee	EEE: 4 horses (6/14, 7/1, 7/7, 7/17)
Orange	WNV: 2 humans (1 July, 1 August); 42 sentinels (6/14, 7/6, 7/19, 7/26, 8/2, 8/16, 8/23, 8/30, 9/2, 9/7, 9/16, 9/23, 9/27, 10/4, 10/11, 10/14, 10/18, 10/21, 10/28) EEE: 1 horse (7/16); 23 sentinels (1/7, 5/3, 5/17, 6/7, 6/10, 6/14, 6/21, 7/6, 7/12, 7/19, 7/22, 7/29, 9/7, 9/13) HJV: 23 sentinels (5/17, 6/7, 6/10, 6/14, 6/24, 7/6, 7/8, 7/15, 7/19, 7/22, 8/5, 8/16, 8/19, 10/11)
Osceola	WNV: 1 human (July); 6 horses (7/14, 7/15, 7/20, 7/24, 7/26, 8/30) EEE: 7 horses (5/15 (donkey), 6/8, 6/10, 6/13, 7/9)
Palm Beach	WNV: 2 horses (9/9, 9/21); 55 sentinels (3/15, 8/2, 8/9, 8/17, 8/23, 8/30, 9/7, 9/13, 9/17, 9/20, 9/27, 10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25, 11/1) EEE: 2 horses (6/22, 8/31)
Pasco	EEE: 3 horses (6/11, 7/16, 8/7); 3 sentinels (7/6, 7/12) HJV: 3 sentinels (6/28, 7/6, 8/16)
Pinellas	DENV: 1 human (acquired in Key West) WNV: 3 sentinels (9/27, 10/18, 11/15) EEE: 3 sentinels (5/24, 7/19) HJV: 2 sentinels (4/26, 7/6)
Polk	WNV: 2 horses (9/1, 9/10) EEE: 4 horses (4/28, 6/25, 6/28, 8/19)
Putnam	WNV: 13 sentinels (8/27, 9/9, 9/17, 9/24, 10/1, 10/22) EEE: 2 horses (7/26, 8/8); 7 sentinels (6/4, 7/23, 7/30, 8/6, 9/9, 9/24) HJV: 4 sentinels (5/14, 8/6, 10/1)
St. Johns	WNV: 33 sentinels (8/16, 8/23, 8/30, 9/7, 9/13, 9/20, 9/27, 10/18, 11/1, 11/8, 11/22) EEE: 1 horse (6/18); 3 sentinels (6/1, 7/12, 7/26) HJV: 3 sentinels (4/26, 5/3, 7/12)
St. Lucie	WNV: 8 sentinels (9/10, 9/17, 9/24, 10/1, 10/8)
Santa Rosa	EEE: 1 horse (6/29); 20 live wild birds (11 blue jays 2/2, 3/22, 4/13, 4/19, 5/11, 5/18, 7/13, 8/31, 9/14, 7 cardinals 6/22, 7/13, 7/27, 8/3, 8/31, 11/2, 11/9, 1 red-winged blackbird 10/26, 1 house sparrow 11/16)
Sarasota	DENV: 2 humans (acquired in Key West) WNV: 9 sentinels (1/8, 10/8, 10/15, 10/25, 11/1, 11/8) EEE: 3 sentinels (1/5, 1/11, 6/1)
Seminole	WNV: 11 sentinels (9/2, 9/16, 9/23, 10/7, 10/14, 10/26, 10/28, 11/4) EEE: 3 horses (6/26, 7/15, 8/14); 1 sentinel (7/2) HJV: 1 sentinel (7/27)
Suwannee	WNV: 1 human (September)
Union	WNV: 1 horse (10/13)
Volusia	WNV: 23 sentinels (7/19, 8/9, 8/16, 8/30, 9/7, 9/13, 9/20, 9/27, 10/4, 10/11, 11/15, 11/22) EEE: 2 horses (5/7, 7/1); 16 sentinels (5/24, 6/1, 6/7, 6/14, 6/21, 6/28, 7/6, 7/12, 7/26, 8/9); 3 mosquito pools (<i>Culiseta melanura</i> 6/15, 6/22, 6/29) HJV: 4 sentinels (5/17, 7/12, 9/7, 10/4)
Wakulla	EEE: 1 human (July)
Walton	WNV: 54 sentinels (1/14, 2/4, 3/8, 3/12, 3/22, 4/7, 4/8, 4/23, 4/30, 5/5, 5/20, 6/7, 6/11, 7/8, 7/9, 7/22, 7/30, 8/12, 8/19, 8/20, 9/2, 10/12) EEE: 1 horse (8/5); 55 sentinels (1/19, 3/22, 5/3, 6/8, 6/21, 7/6, 6/28, 6/30, 7/6, 7/12, 7/15, 7/18, 7/19, 7/20, 7/26, 7/28, 8/2, 8/3, 8/9, 8/23, 8/27, 9/7, 10/4, 10/18, 11/1, 11/8, 11/9); 10 live wild birds (9 cardinals 6/24, 7/16, 7/22, 10/29, 11/19, 1 blue jay 6/24) HJV: 28 sentinels (3/22, 5/17, 6/23, 7/19, 8/2, 9/2, 9/13, 9/16, 9/20, 9/23, 9/27, 10/18, 10/25, 11/4, 11/8)
Washington	EEE: 7 horses (6/17, 6/22, 6/25, 6/28, 7/4, 7/16, 7/20)

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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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