

# Florida Arbovirus Surveillance Week 29: July 14-20, 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 July 14-20, 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. Six sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to WNV this week in Indian River, Lee, and Orange counties. In 2019, one horse and 27 sentinel chickens have been reported from 14 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. One horse with EEEV infection was reported this week in DeSoto County. Seven sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to EEEV this week in Alachua, St. Johns, and Walton counties. In 2019, 25 horses, one emu, one eagle, and 77 sentinel chickens have been reported from 27 counties.

**International Travel-Associated Dengue Fever Cases:** Five cases of dengue fever were reported this week in persons that had international travel. In 2019, 54 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, one case of locally acquired dengue fever has 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, four 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:** One case of Zika fever was reported this week in a person that had international travel. In 2019, 27 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, DeSoto, Holmes, 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 <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/zika/intheus/florida-update.html">www.cdc.gov/zika/intheus/florida-update.html</a>. For additional information on Zika virus cases from 2016–2018, including up-to-date numbers, please visit <a href="https://zikafreefl.org/">https://zikafreefl.org/</a>.

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: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/travel/notices">www.cdc.gov/travel/notices</a>. For a map of arboviral disease activity in the United States, please visit the following link: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/arbonet/maps/ADB\_Diseases\_Map/index.html">www.cdc.gov/arbonet/maps/ADB\_Diseases\_Map/index.html</a>.

## 2019 Human Case Summary\*

**International Travel-Associated Chikungunya Fever Cases:** Four 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. Counties reporting cases were: Manatee, Marion, Orange, and Palm Beach. Two cases were reported in non-Florida residents.

International Travel-Associated Dengue Fever Cases: Fifty-four 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), Central America/Mexico, Colombia, Colombia/Venezuela, Costa Rica, Cuba (32), Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras (2), Jamaica (4), Malaysia/Singapore, Mexico, Nicaragua, Thailand, and Venezuela (2). Counties reporting cases were: Broward (6), Hillsborough (3), Lake, Lee, Miami-Dade (32), Orange (5), Palm Beach (2), Pasco, Pinellas, Putnam, and St. Lucie. Four cases were reported in non-Florida residents. In 2019, 43 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	3
DENV-2	34
DENV-3	5
<b>DENV-2 &amp; 3</b>	1
Total	43

**Dengue Fever Cases Acquired in Florida:** In 2019, one case of locally acquired dengue fever has been reported in Miami-Dade County, with onset in March.

International Travel-Associated Zika Fever Cases: In 2019, 27 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 (3), Guatemala (5), Haiti (7), Honduras (4), Jamaica, Nicaragua, Philippines, Puerto Rico, and Venezuela. Counties reporting cases were: Broward (3), Collier (2), Duval, Hillsborough, Indian River, Lee, Miami-Dade (12), Orange (4), Palm Beach, and Sarasota. Two cases were reported in non-Florida residents. Florida is monitoring a total of 15 pregnant women in 2019.

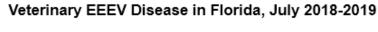
International Travel-Associated Malaria Cases: Twenty-eight cases of malaria with onset in 2019 have been reported. Countries of origin were: Angola (2), Congo, Democratic Republic of the Congo (4), Ghana (5), Ivory Coast (4), Kenya (3), Liberia, Nigeria (5), Papua New Guinea, Sudan, and Uganda. Counties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

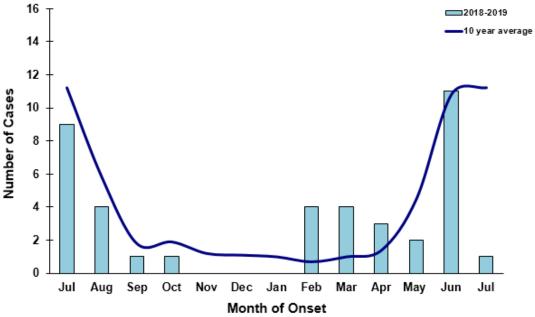
Twenty-seven cases (96%) were diagnosed with *Plasmodium falciparum*. One case (4%) was diagnosed with *Plasmodium vivax*.

# **Veterinary Cases\***

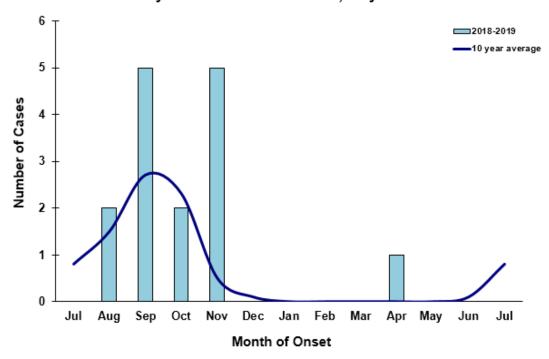
\*Veterinary cases are reported by date of onset. Only mammalian veterinary cases are included in the graphs.

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





### Veterinary WNV Disease in Florida, July 2018-2019



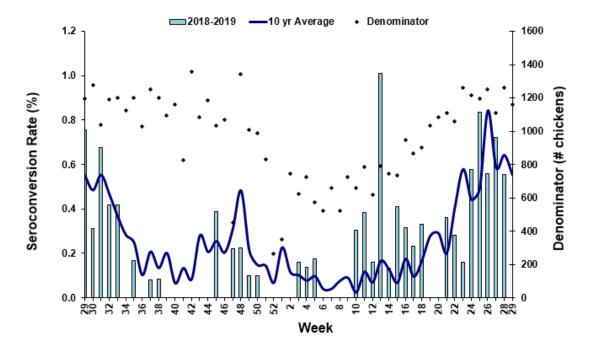
### Sentinel Chickens\*

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.

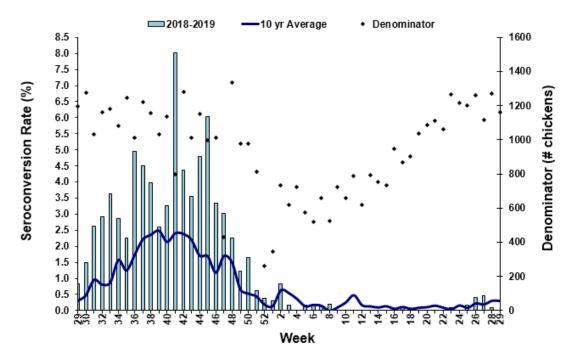
Six sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to WNV this week in Indian River, Lee, and Orange counties. Seven sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to EEEV this week in Alachua, St. Johns, and Walton counties.

			Seroconversion Rates (%)			County Totals			
County	Collection Date	Flavi	SLEV	WNV	Alpha	EEEV	HJV	Collection Week	YTD
Alachua	7/8/19				5.56	5.56		1 EEEV	1 EEEV
Indian River	7/3/19-7/5/19	4.26		4.26				2 WNV	3 WNV
Lee	7/9/19	0.98		0.98				1 WNV	1 WNV
Orange	6/20/19 6/24/19 7/1/19	0.88 1.75 0.89		0.88 1.75 0.89				1 WNV, 1 EEEV 2 WNV 1 WNV	8 WNV, 1 EEEV
St. Johns	7/8/19				1.69	1.69		1 EEEV	1 WNV, 5 EEEV
Walton	7/8/19				6.17	6.17		5 EEEV	1 WNV, 40 EEEV, 1 HJV

#### Sentinel Seroconversions to EEEV in Florida, 2018-2019



#### Sentinel Seroconversions to WNV in Florida, 2018-2019



# **Mosquito Pools**

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

County	Collection Date	Result	Species	County YTD

#### **Dead Birds**

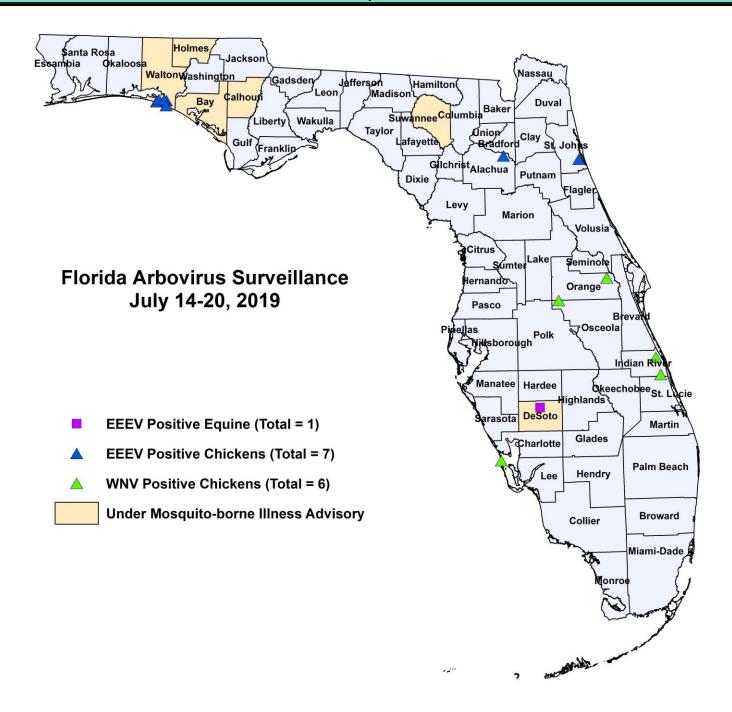
The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) collects reports of dead birds, which can be an indication of arbovirus circulation in an area. This week, eight reports representing a total of 19 dead birds, including one crow and one raptor, were received from seven counties.

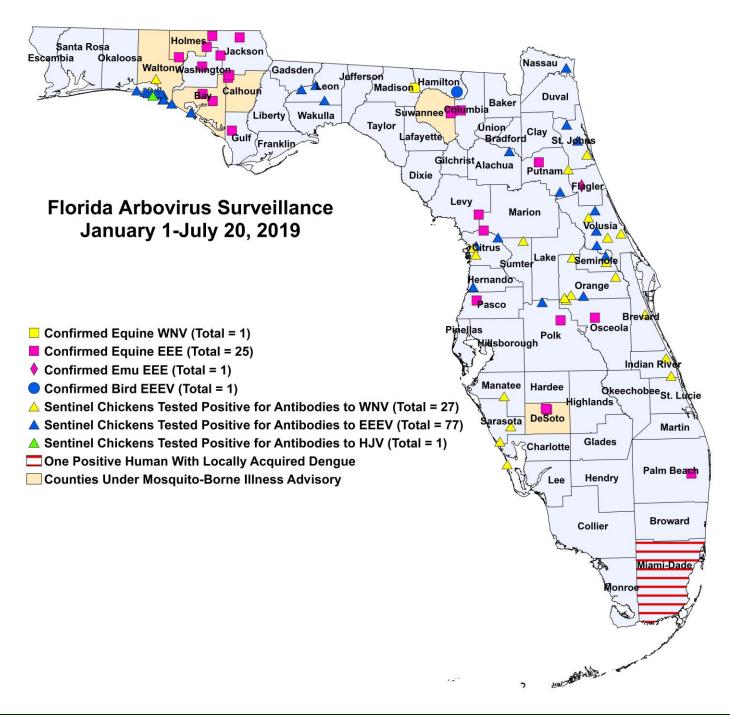
In 2019, 236 reports representing a total of 434 dead birds (12 crows, 8 jays, 59 raptors, and 10 doves) were received from 38 of Florida's 67 counties. Please note that FWC collects reports of birds that have died from a variety of causes, not only arboviruses. Dead birds should be reported to <a href="https://www.myfwc.com/bird/">www.myfwc.com/bird/</a>.

#### 2019

County	Total Dead Birds	Crows	Jays	Raptors	Doves
Alachua	1	1	0	0	0
Bay	1	0	0	0	0
Indian River	1	0	0	1	0
Manatee	1	0	0	0	0
Monroe	1	0	0	0	0
Pinellas	12	0	0	0	0
Volusia	2	0	0	0	0

# Maps





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: 1 sentinel (1/3)		
Calhoun	EEEV: 3 horses (3/3, 3/22)		
Columbia	EEEV: 1 horse (3/30)		
Citrus	WNV: 2 sentinels (1/8, 1/29) EEEV: 1 horse (5/11), 3 sentinels (4/26, 6/18)		
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: 3 sentinels (1/10, 7/3, 7/5)
Jackson	
	EEEV: 1 horse (6/19)
Lee	WNV: 1 sentinel (7/9)
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: 1 human (March)
Nassau	EEEV: 1 sentinel (6/21)
Orange	WNV: 8 sentinels (1/7, 1/10, 1/14, 6/27, 6/20, 6/24, 7/1) EEEV: 1 sentinel (6/17)
Osceola	EEEV: 1 horse (6/10)
Palm Beach	EEEV: 1 horse (2/25)
Pasco	EEEV: 1 horse (6/20)
Polk	EEEV: 1 horse (4/24), 5 sentinels (5/21, 5/24, 5/31, 6/21, 6/28)
Putnam	WNV: 1 sentinel (6/24) EEEV: 1 horse (4/28) 2 sentinels (5/29, 6/12)
Sarasota	WNV: 2 sentinels (2/15, 2/22)
Seminole	WNV: 1 sentinel (6/3) EEEV: 1 sentinel (4/8)
St. Johns	WNV: 1 sentinels (7/1) EEEV: 5 sentinels (4/8, 4/15, 6/3, 6/24, 7/8)
Sumter	WNV: 1 sentinel (1/8)
Suwannee	EEEV: 2 horses (6/4, 6/7)
Volusia	WNV: 4 sentinels (6/17, 6/24, 7/1) EEEV: 4 sentinels (1/14, 1/22, 1/28, 7/1)
Walton	WNV: 1 sentinel (4/23) EEEV: 40 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) HJV: 1 sentinel (6/3)
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.