

# Florida Arbovirus Surveillance Week 44: October 26 – November 1, 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 October 26- November 1, 2014 the following arboviral activity was recorded in Florida.

**WNV** activity: No human cases of WNV illness were reported this week. No horses with WNV infection were reported this week. Nineteen sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to WNV this week in Brevard, Citrus, Flagler, Hernando, Hillsborough, Nassau, Orange, Putnam, Seminole, St. Johns, Sumter, and Volusia Counties. In 2014, positive samples from 263 sentinel chickens, 5 horses, 13 human cases, and 2 asymptomatic blood donors have been received from 29 counties.

**SLEV activity:** No human cases of SLE were reported this week. Three sentinel chicken tested positive for antibodies to SLEV this week in Manatee and Nassau Counties. In 2014, positive samples from 2 human cases and 94 sentinel chickens have been received from 12 counties.

**EEEV activity:** No human cases of EEE were reported this week. One horse with EEEV infection was reported this week in Flagler County. No sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to EEEV this week. In 2014, positive samples from 154 sentinel chickens, 2 deer, and 56 horses have been received from 32 counties.

**International Travel-Associated Dengue Fever Cases:** Three cases of dengue fever were reported this week in persons that had international travel. In 2014, 71 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 six cases of locally acquired dengue fever have been reported.

**International Travel-Associated Chikungunya Fever Cases:** Twenty cases of chikungunya fever were reported this week in persons that had international travel. In 2014, 333 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, Flagler, Jefferson, Leon, Levy, Lafayette, Marion, Pasco, Polk, Putnam, Santa Rosa, St. Johns, Suwannee and Washington Counties are currently under a mosquito-borne illness advisory. Duval, Escambia, Miami-Dade, Palm Beach, St. Lucie and Volusia 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. <a href="http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices/watch/chikungunya-caribbean">http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices/watch/chikungunya-caribbean</a>

## 2014 Human Case Summary\*

West Nile Virus Illnesses Acquired in Florida: A total of thirteen human cases of WNV illness acquired in Florida have been reported in 2014; one in Alachua (August), three in Escambia (July, August, September), one in Duval (August), one in Leon (August), one in Marion (October), one in Pasco (August), one in Polk (September) and four in Volusia (August, September) Counties. Two asymptomatic positive blood donors were reported from Santa Rosa (July) and St. Johns (September) Counties.

International Travel-Associated Dengue Fever Cases: Seventy-one 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 (26), Cuba/Bahamas, Dominican Republic (9), El Salvador (2), Guadeloupe, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti (3), Honduras (5), Jamaica, Mexico (2), Puerto Rico (5), Sri Lanka, Trinidad (2), and Venezuela (2). Counties reporting cases were: Alachua, Brevard (2), Broward (7), Clay, Collier, Highlands, Hillsborough (4), Lee, Manatee (2), Marion, Miami-Dade (33), Orange (4), Osceola (5), Palm Beach (2), Pinellas, Seminole (2), St. Lucie (2), and Volusia. Six of the cases were reported in non-Florida residents. In 2014, 32 of the 71 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	11
DENV-2	11
DENV-3	2
DENV-4	7
DEN-1&2	1
	32

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

International Travel-Associated Chikungunya Fever Cases: Three hundred and thirty-three 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 (6), Dominica/Guadalupe, Dominican Republic (82), El Salvador (2), Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana (10), Haiti (104), Haiti/Dominican Republic, Honduras, India, Jamaica (29), Martinique (2), Philippines, Puerto Rico (76), Puerto Rico/Dominican Republic (2), South America, St. Lucia (2), St. Thomas/St. Martin/Bahamas (2), Trinidad, Trinidad/Tobago, and Virgin Islands (2). Counties reporting cases were: Alachua (2), Brevard (4), Broward (64), Charlotte (2), Clay (2), Collier, Duval (9), Escambia (2), Flagler, Hernando (3), Highlands, Hillsborough (23), Indian River, Lake (3), Lee (14), Leon (2), Manatee (2), Marion, Miami-Dade (56), Monroe, Nassau, Okaloosa (2), Orange (38), Osceola (13), Palm Beach (34), Pasco (3), Pinellas (10), Polk (19), Santa Rosa, Sarasota (2), Seminole (8), St. Johns, St. Lucie (3), and Volusia (4). Twenty-four 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.

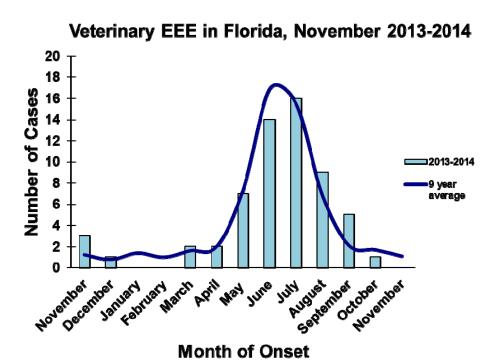
International Travel-Associated Malaria Cases: Fifty-one cases of malaria with onset in 2014 have been reported. Countries of origin were: Angola (3), Cameroon, Dominican Republic, East Africa, Equatorial Guinea (2), Ghana, Ghana/Rwanda, Ghana/Senegal, Ghana/Togo, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India (7), Ivory Coast (3), Kenya (3), Nigeria (7), Nigeria/Ethiopia, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Sierra Leone (5), Sudan, Togo, Uganda (2), and multiple sub-Saharan African countries (3).

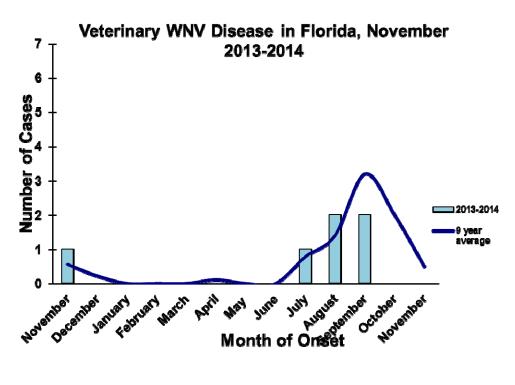
Counties reporting cases were: Broward (7), Clay, Duval (2), Escambia, Hernando, Hillsborough (8), Leon, Miami-Dade (11), Okaloosa (2), Orange (6), Osceola (2), Palm Beach (4), Pasco, Pinellas (2), Santa Rosa, and Seminole. Eleven of the cases were reported in non-Florida residents.

Thirty-six cases (70%) were diagnosed with *Plasmodium falciparum*. Eleven cases (22%) were diagnosed with *Plasmodium vivax*. Two cases (4%) were diagnosed with *Plasmodium malariae*. Two cases (4%) were diagnosed with *Plasmodium ovale*.

### **Veterinary Cases\***

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





<sup>\*</sup>Veterinary cases are reported by date of onset

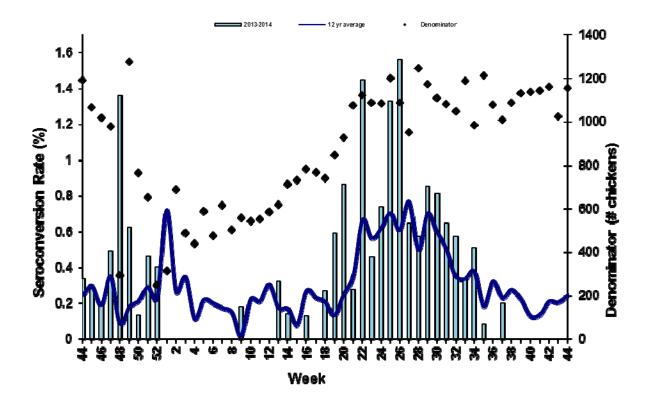
### **Sentinel Chickens**

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.

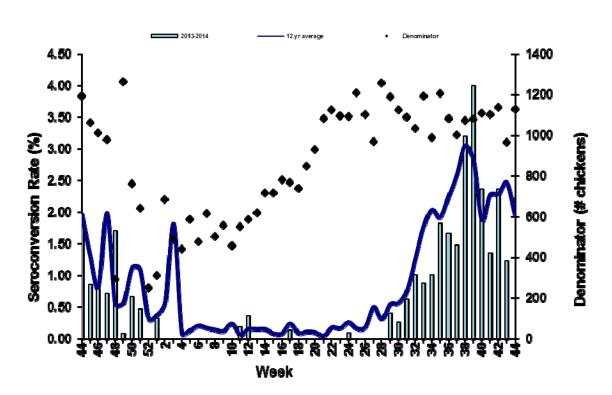
Nineteen sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to WNV this week in Brevard, Citrus, Flagler, Hernando, Hillsborough, Nassau, Orange, Putnam, Seminole, St. Johns, Sumter, and Volusia Counties. Three sentinel chicken tested positive for antibodies to SLEV this week in Manatee and Nassau Counties (state total of 94 positives for 2014). One sentinel chicken tested positive for antibodies to HJV this week in Putnam County (state total of 62 positives for 2014).

			Seroconversion Rates (%)				County Totals		
County	Collection Date	Flavi	SLEV	WNV	Alpha	EEEV	HJV	Collection Week	YTD
Brevard	10/16/14	2.22		2.22				1 WNV	26 WNV
Citrus	10/20/14	2.99		2.99				2 WNV	16 EEEV, 7 HJV, 17 WNV
Flagler	10/20/14	12.50		12.50				1 WNV	11 EEEV, 6 HJV, 14 WNV
Hernando	10/20/14	5.56		5.56				1 WNV	2 EEEV, 5 WNV
Hillsborough	10/21/14	1.32		1.32				1 WNV	2 EEEV, 14 SELV, 10 WNV
Manatee	10/20/14		3.23					2 SLEV	20 SLEV, 1 WNV
Nassau	10/18/14	11.76	5.88	5.88				2 WNV, 2 SLEV	13 EEEV, 4 HJV, 14 WNV, 5 SLEV
Orange	10/16/14	3.48		3.48				4 WNV	
	10/20/14	3.74		3.74				4 WNV	18 EEEV, 4 HJV, 27 WNV, 1 SLEV
Putnam	10/14/14				11.11		11.11	1 HJV	
	10/21/14	20.00		20.00				1 WNV	7 EEEV, 18 WNV, 8 HJV
Seminole	10/20/14	5.26		5.26				1 WNV	15 WNV
St. Johns	10/06/14	6.38		6.38				3 WNV	
	10/20/14	2.17		2.17				1 WNV	20 EEEV, 7 HJV, 42 WNV
Sumter	10/20/14	3.13		3.13				1 WNV	5 WNV
Volusia	10/20/14	2.70		2.70				1 WNV	3 EEEV, 1 HJV, 27 WNV, 2 SLEV

# Sentinel Seroconversions to EEEV in Florida, 2013-2014



# Sentinel Seroconversions to WNV in Florida, 2013-2014



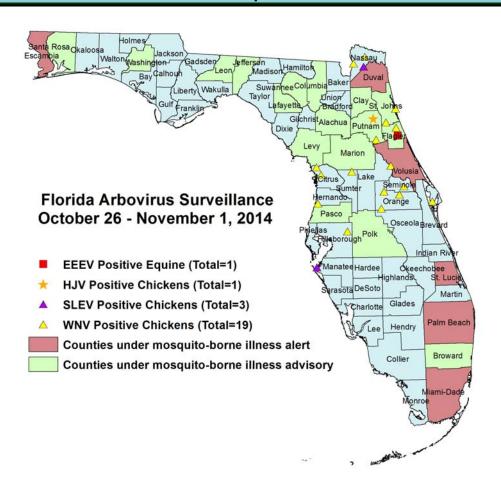
### **Dead Birds**

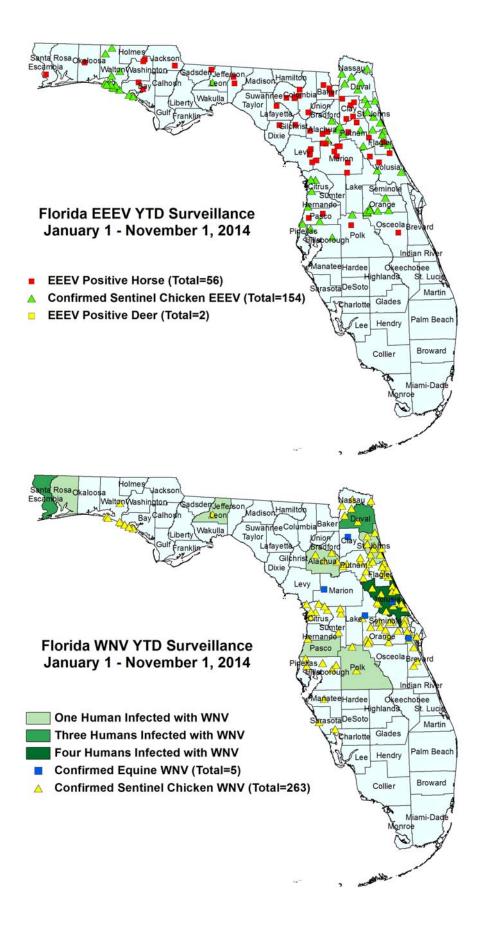
The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) collects reports of dead birds, which can be an indication of arbovirus circulation in an area. This week, 9 reports representing 25 dead birds including 3 raptors were received from 5 counties.

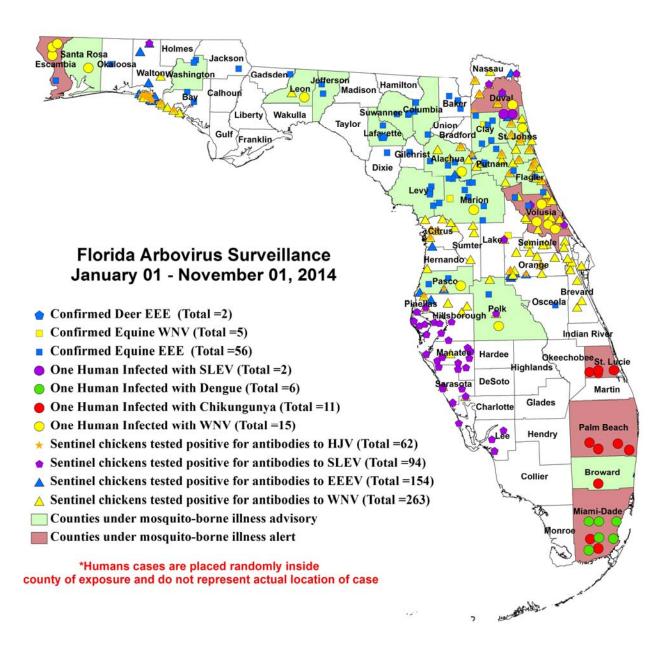
In 2014, 348 reports representing a total of 968 dead birds (28 crows, 7 jay, 72 raptors, and 33 doves) were received from 47 of Florida's 67 counties. Please note that FWC collects reports of birds that have died from a variety of causes, not only arboviruses. Dead birds should be reported to www.myfwc.com/bird/

County	Total Dead Birds	Crows	Jays	Raptors	Dove
Bay	2	0	0	0	0
Collier	1	0	0	1	0
Duval	17	0	0	1	0
Pinellas	2	0	0	1	0
Volusia	3	0	0	0	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: 1 human (August); 10 sentinels (8/12, 8/18, 8/25, 9/16, 9/22, 9/29)
Baker	EEEV: 3 horses (3/13, 7/10, 7/16)
Вау	EEEV: 2 horses (6/15, 9/22); 6 sentinels (4/28, 5/6, 5/13, 5/22, 5/30) HJV: 1 sentinel (2/18) WNV: 14 sentinels (8/19, 8/26, 9/2, 9/9, 9/16, 9/23)
Brevard	WNV: 1 horse (8/1); 26 sentinels (7/17, 8/8, 8/15, 8/20, 8/29, 9/5, 9/11, 9/12, 9/17, 9/18, 9/19, 9/26, 10/2, 10/8, 10/9, 10/10, 10/16)
Broward	Chikungunya: 1 human (July)
Charlotte	WNV: 1 sentinel (9/12) SLEV; 1 sentinel (9/26)
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: 7 sentinels (2/17, 2/24, 8/11, 8/18, 9/29) WNV: 17 sentinels (1/2, 9/2, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/13, 10/20)

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

Seminole	WNV: 15 sentinels (7/30, 8/5, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/13, 10/20)			
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)			
St. Johns	WNV: 1 asymptomatic blood donor (September); 42 sentinels (7/21, 7/28, 8/4, 8/11, 8/18, 8/25,			
	9/2, 9/8, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/13, 10/16, 10/20)			
St. Lucie	Chikungunya: 4 humans (July, August)			
Sumter	WNV: 5 sentinels (9/8, 9/29, 10/14, 10/20)			
Suwannee	EEEV: 3 horses (8/5, 8/13, 8/15)			
	EEEV: 3 horses (3/19, 5/19, 5/24); 3 sentinels (5/27, 6/9)			
	HJV: 1 sentinel (8/18)			
Volusia	WNV: 4 humans (August, September); 1 horse (7/15); 27 sentinels (7/14, 7/21, 7/28, 8/4, 8/5, 8/12,			
	8/18, 8/25, 9/1, 9/8, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/20)			
	SLEV: 2 sentinels (9/15)			
	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,			
Walton	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: 7 sentinels (3/10, 3/17, 6/9, 9/15, 9/22, 10/13)			
	SLEV: 1 sentinel (9/23)			
Washington	EEEV: 2 horses (7/15, 7/22)			

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http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/mosquito-borne-diseases/surveillance.html

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\*\*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: <a href="http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/disease-reporting-and-management/disease-reporting-and-surveillance/index.html">http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/disease-reporting-and-management/disease-reporting-and-surveillance/index.html</a>

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