



Florida Arbovirus Surveillance Week 29: July 15-21, 2012

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 of July 15-21, 2012, the following arboviral activity was recorded in Florida:

DENV activity: No new cases of locally acquired dengue were reported this week.

EEEV activity: One equine case of EEE was reported in Washington County. Two sentinel chickens in Alachua and Bay counties tested positive for antibodies to EEEV. In 2012, positive samples from 1 human, 12 equines and 27 sentinel chickens have been received from 17 counties.

WNV activity: Six sentinel chickens in Walton, Sarasota, and Volusia counties tested positive for antibodies to WNV. In 2012, positive samples from 57 sentinel chickens have been received from 12 counties.

SLEV activity: No SLEV activity was reported this week. In 2012, positive samples from five sentinel chickens have been received from three counties

HJV activity: No HJV activity was reported this week. In 2012, positive samples from six sentinel chickens have been received from four counties.

Advisories/Alerts: Holmes, St. Johns, Walton, and Washington counties are under mosquito-borne illness advisories. No other counties are currently under mosquito-borne illness advisory or alert.

Year to Date Human Case Summary*

EEEV Infection Acquired in Florida: One human case of EEEV with onset in June has been reported in 2012 in a Holmes County resident who also spent time in Washington County.

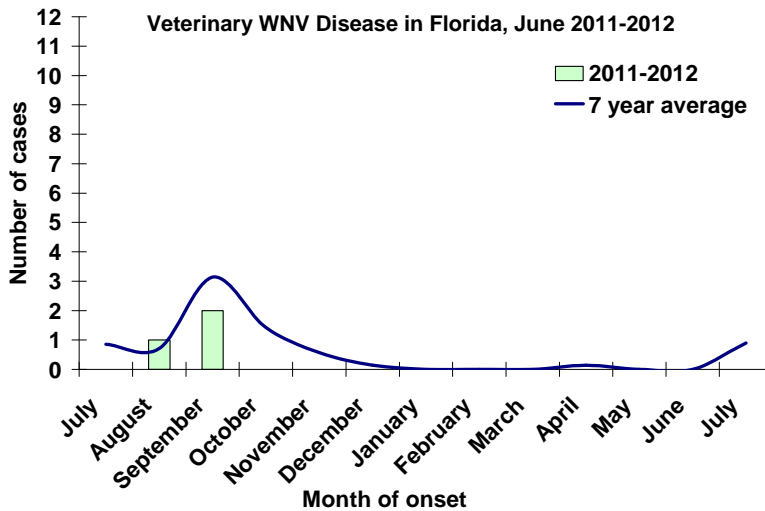
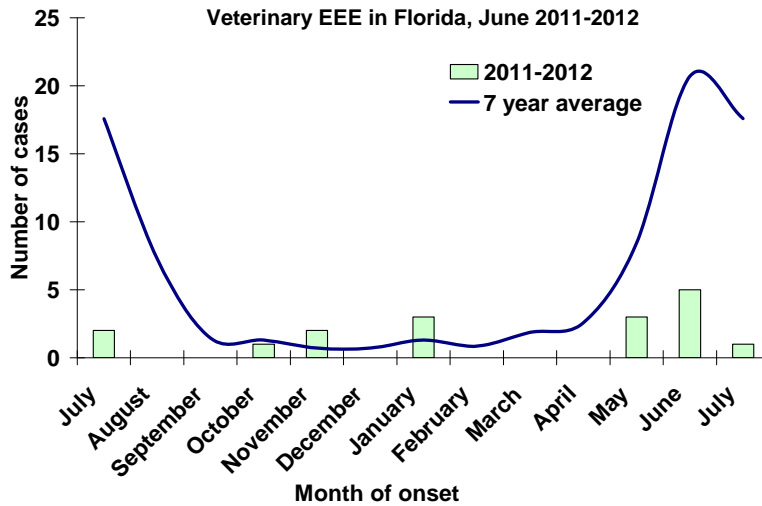
Imported Dengue: Twenty-five cases of dengue with onset in 2012 have been reported in individuals with travel history to a dengue endemic country in the two weeks prior to onset. Countries of origin were Brazil, Colombia, Cuba (3), Dominican Republic (3), Ecuador (3), Ghana, Guyana, Haiti (5), Jamaica (2), Mexico, Puerto Rico (2), Suriname, and Turks & Caicos. Counties reporting cases were Brevard, Broward (6), Duval, Hillsborough, Lee, Miami-Dade (8), Orange (3), Palm Beach, Sarasota (2), and Seminole. Four of the cases were reported in non-Florida residents.

Imported Malaria: Thirty-seven imported cases of malaria with onset in 2012 have been reported. Countries of origin were: Afghanistan, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Colombia, Ethiopia, Ghana (4), Guyana (2), Haiti (8), Honduras (2), India, Ivory Coast (2), Nigeria (4), Uganda, Sierra Leone (2), South Africa, Sub Saharan Africa, Togo, Zambia, and multiple African countries (2). Counties reporting cases were: Alachua, Brevard, Broward (6), Charlotte, Duval (4), Hillsborough (3), Lake (2), Leon, Marion, Miami-Dade (6), Orange (3), Osceola, Palm Beach (3), Pinellas (3), and Seminole. Three of the cases were reported in non-Florida residents.

Veterinary Cases

One horse in Washington County tested positive for EEEV this week.

County	Onset Date	Species	Virus	Status	County YTD
Washington	07/01/12	Equine	EEEV	Euthanized	1 EEEV

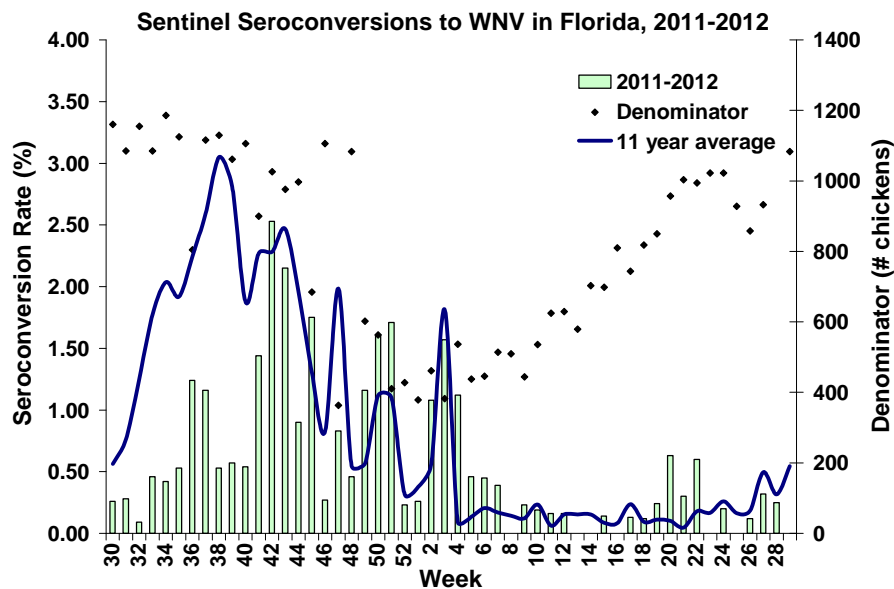
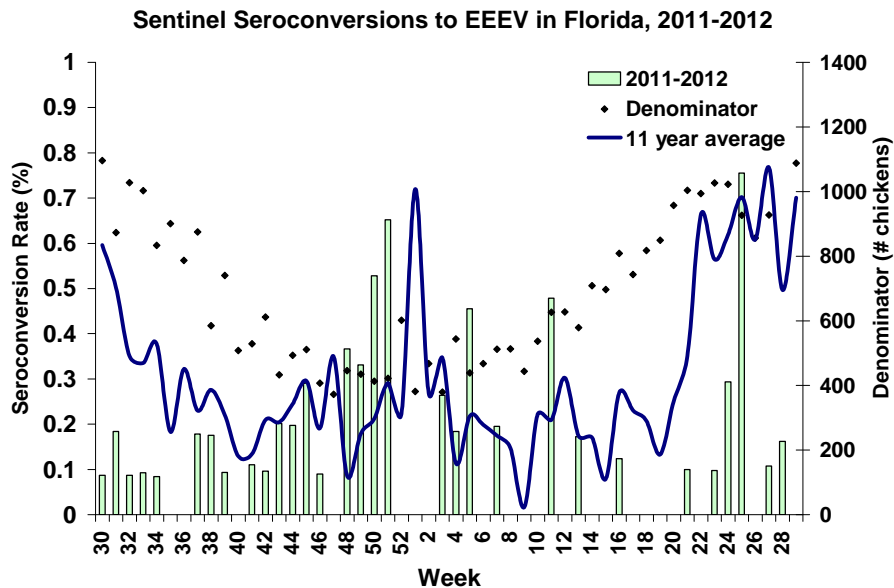


Sentinel Chickens

Two sentinels in Alachua and Bay counties tested positive for antibodies to EEEV and six in Walton, Sarasota, and Volusia tested positive for antibodies to WNV. Seroconversion rates are calculated by week and include previously reported results.

County	Collection Date	Seroconversion Rates (%)				County Totals	
		SLEV	WNV	EEEV	HJV	Week	YTD
Alachua	07/09/12			5.6		1 EEEV	1 EEEV
Bay	07/10/12			5.6		1 EEEV	1 EEEV, 1 HJV
Sarasota	07/09/12		1.4			1 WNV	8 WNV, 1 SLEV
Volusia	06/25/12		4.0			1 WNV	2 WNV

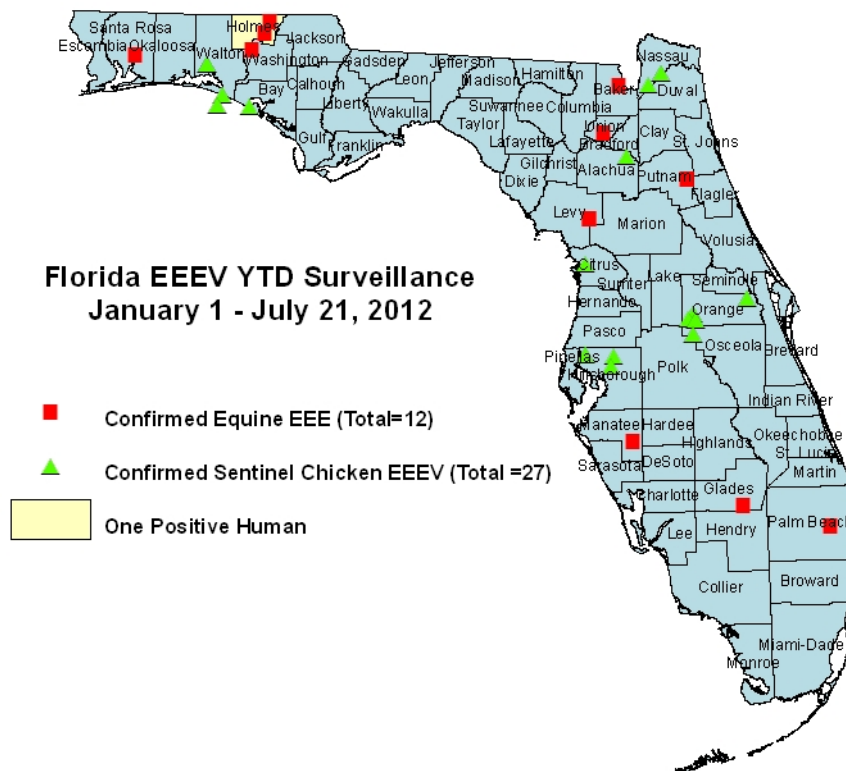
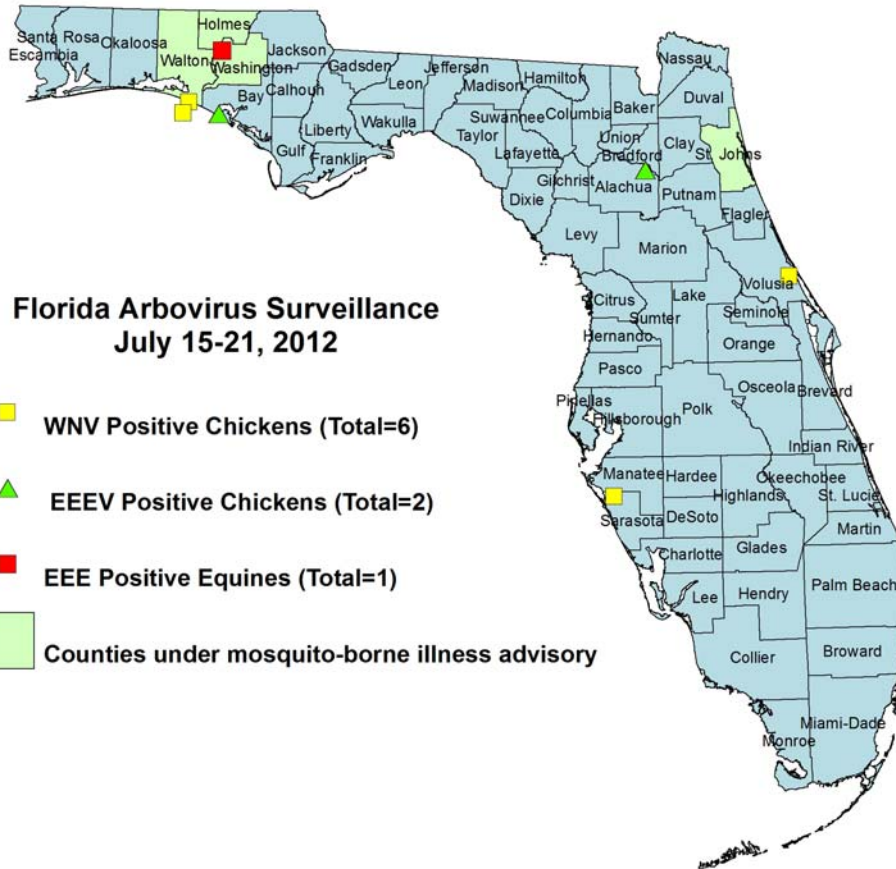
County	Collection Date	Seroconversion Rates (%)				County Totals	
		SLEV	WNV	EEEV	HJV	Week	YTD
Walton	07/09/12		1.8			2 WNV	8 WNV, 8 EEEV, 3 HJV
	7/2,7/3/12		2.7	0.88		3 WNV, 1 EEE	

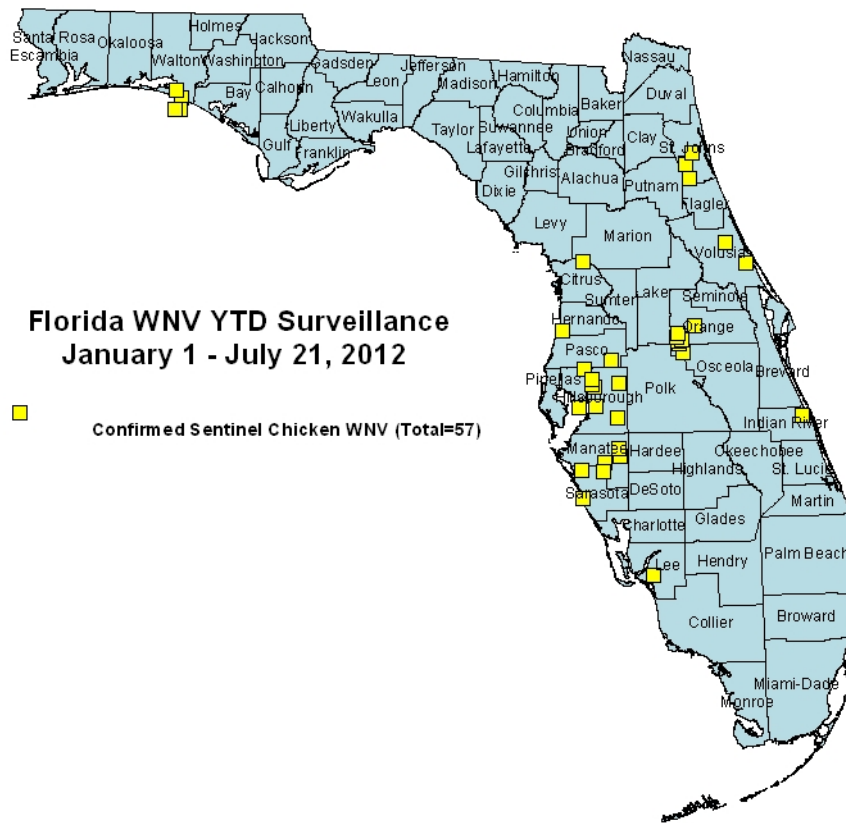


Dead Birds

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, four reports representing six dead birds were received from four counties. One was identified as a crow and one as a raptor. None were identified as jays. In 2012, 259 reports representing a total of 860 dead birds (29 crows, 9 jays, 46 raptors) were received from 50 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





Arbovirus Activity by County

County	Arbovirus Activity
Alachua	EEEV : 1 sentinel (7/9)
Bay	EEEV : 1 sentinel (7/10) HJV : 1 sentinel (5/29)
Baker	EEEV : 1 horse (6/21)
Citrus	EEEV : 1 sentinel (1/30) WNV: 1 sentinel (5/29) HJV: 1 sentinel (1/3)
Glades	EEEV: 1 horse (6/25)
Hernando	WNV: 1 sentinel (1/23)
Hillsborough	EEEV : 4 sentinels (2/14, 3/13, 4/17) WNV: 13 sentinels (1/3, 1/17, 1/24, 1/31, 2/14, 3/6, 6/12) SLEV: 3 sentinels (1/3)
Holmes	EEEV : 1 human (June); 2 horses (5/21, 6/25)
Indian River	WNV: 1 sentinel (5/24)
Lee	WNV: 1 sentinel (1/24) SLEV: 1 sentinel (3/7)
Levy	EEEV: 2 horses (1/2)
Manatee	WNV: 3 sentinels (2/1, 3/14, 5/30) EEEV: 1 horse (6/14)
Nassau	EEEV : 3 sentinels (6/16, 6/23)
Orange	EEEV : 9 sentinels (1/5, 1/9, 1/19, 1/23, 2/6, 3/15, 3/29, 5/21, 6/14) WNV: 9 sentinels (1/9, 1/12, 1/19, 1/25, 3/1)
Palm Beach	EEEV : 1 horse (6/20)
Pasco	WNV: 1 sentinel (5/29)
Putnam	EEEV: 1 horse (1/1)
Santa Rosa	EEEV : 1 horse (5/11)

County	Arbovirus Activity
Sarasota	WNV: 8 sentinels (1/9, 2/6, 3/19, 5/7, 5/14, 7/9) SLEV: 1 sentinel (7/2)
St. Johns	WNV : 9 sentinels (5/14, 5/22, 5/29) HJV : 1 sentinel (4/30)
Union	EEEV : 1 horse (5/12)
Volusia	WNV : 2 sentinels (5/29, 6/25)
Walton	WNV : 8 sentinels (4/9, 4/23, 4/30, 7/2, 7/3, 7/9) EEEV : 8 sentinels (6/4, 6/18, 7/2) HJV : 3 sentinels (5/14, 6/11, 6/18)
Washington	EEEV : 1 horse (7/1)

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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>

*Case tallies included in the weekly Florida arbovirus surveillance report include confirmed and probable cases for EEE, WNV infection, SLE, dengue, and malaria. In addition, dengue and malaria tallies may also include suspect cases. 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.doh.state.fl.us/Disease_ctrl/epi/surv/CaseDefinitions/2012CaseDef_FINAL.pdf

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 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.