

VECTOR SURVEILLANCE IN NEW JERSEY

EEE, WNV, SLE, LAC, DEN and CHIK

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Culiseta melanura and Eastern Equine Encephalitis

SITE/Boxes	Inland or Coastal	Historic Population Mean	Current Weekly Mean	Total Tested* (Collected)	Total Pools Tested* (Submitted)	EEE Isolation Pools	MFIR
Bass River (Burlington Co.)/5	Coastal	0.27	0.40	5 (7)	4 (5)		
Green Bank (Burlington Co.)/25	Coastal	2.67	0.28	22 (29)	4 (5)		
Corbin City (Atlantic Co.)/25	Coastal	0.70	0.56	89 (103)	5 (6)		
Dennisville (Cape May Co.)/50	Coastal	4.03	0.76	120 (158)	5 (6)		
Winslow (Camden Co.)/50	Inland	2.06	1.48	649 (723)	16 (18)		
Centerton (Salem Co.)/50	Inland	2.26	1.52	336 (412)	10 (12)		
Turkey Swamp (Monmouth Co.)/50	Inland	0.57	0.70	72 (107)	6 (7)		
Glassboro (Gloucester Co.)/50	Inland	0.81	0.20	103 (113)	6 (7)		

*Current week (in parentheses) results pending.

Remarks: No detection of EEE in the samples tested to date.

Traditional Resting Box Sites: No EEE positive *Cs. melanura* pools were detected at the state resting box sites. To date, 1396 *Cs. melanura* from 54 pools have been tested for EEE with an additional 10 pools containing 256 *Cs. melanura* to be tested.

Additional <i>Cs. melanura</i> trapped by counties *traps with positives indicated in BOLD .				
County	Trap types*	Number collected (pools)	Number of positive pools	MFIR
Atlantic	CO ₂	56 (7)		
Burlington	CO ₂	852 (23)		
Cape May	GR, RB	15 (8)		
Cumberland	CO ₂ , RB	68 (8)		
Middlesex	RB	25 (3)		
Ocean	CO ₂ , GR, RB	30 (7)		
TOTAL		1046 (56)		

Additional *Cs. melanura*:
Counties maintain trap sites for *Cs. melanura* in other areas. Additional pools from these sites were not positive.

Species other than <i>Cs. melanura</i>	Pools	Mosquitoes	Positives	MFIR
<i>Aedes cantator</i>	9	15		
<i>Aedes sollicitans</i>	5	182		
<i>Anopheles bradleyi</i>	1	1		
<i>Anopheles crucians</i>	1	1		
<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	2	5		
<i>Anopheles quadrimaculatus</i>	2	51		
<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	29	717		
<i>Culex erraticus</i>	1	1		
<i>Culex pipiens</i>	44	379		
<i>Culex restuans</i>	1	1		
<i>Culex salinarius</i>	7	268		
<i>Culex</i> sp.	3	5		
State Total	105	1626		

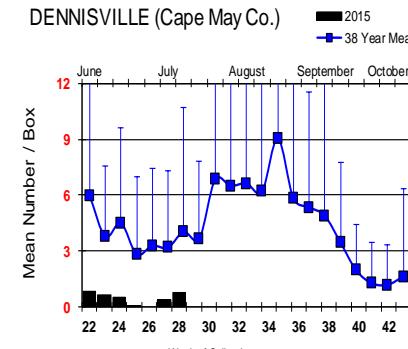
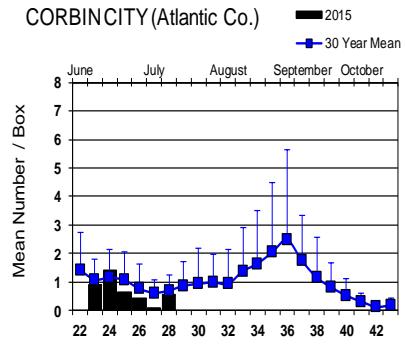
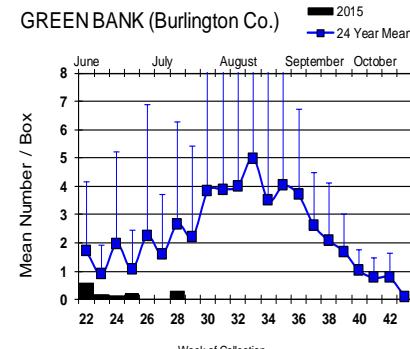
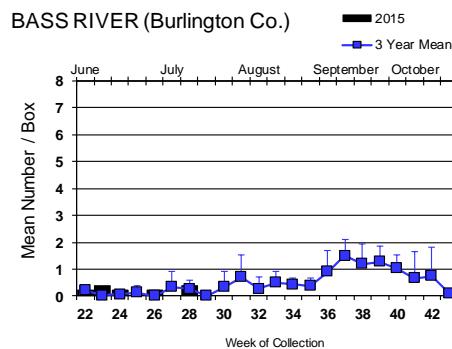
Additional Species: Eleven additional species were tested for EEE and no positives were detected.

Horses and Humans: No horses or humans have been reported with EEE.

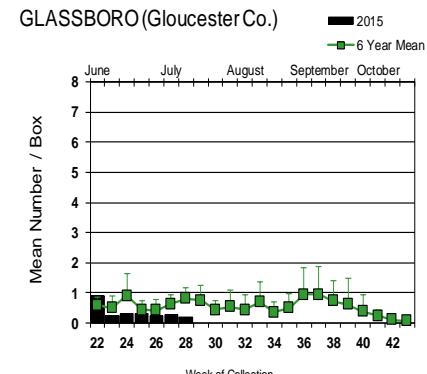
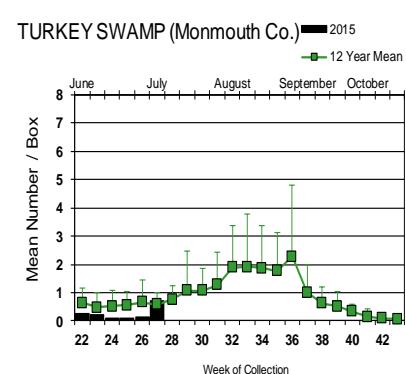
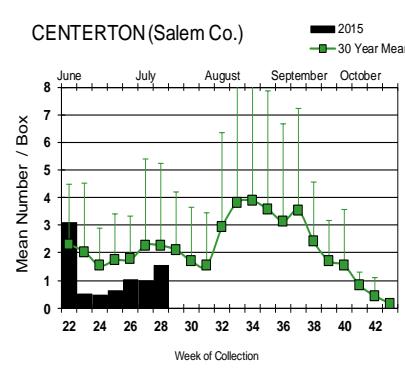
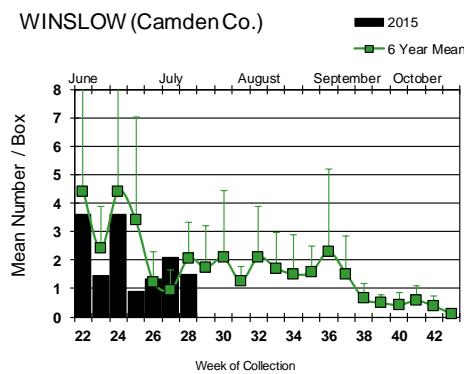
Horses and Vaccinations: The fate of unvaccinated equids reinforces the necessity of maintaining a vaccination schedule for arboviruses. For vaccination schedules recommended by the American Association of Equine Practices, see: http://www.aaep.org/vaccination_guidelines.htm

Culiseta melanura Population Graphs

Coastal



Inland



Populations of *Cs. melanura* at the traditional resting box sites continued to be near or well below historical averages. No positive pools detected to date.



= Positive pool(s) detected (red = melanura, purple = other species).

EEE in US (2015 cumulative cases): (Black or Red = previous + new reported cases occurring)

- equine: FL(14/1goat) NC(1) **SC(1)** **TX(2)** VA(1)
- mosquito pools: **NY(2)**
- sentinel: FL(38), TX(5)
- human: **LA (1)**

West Nile Virus Positive Organisms in US, 2015

West Nile in US (2015 cumulative cases): Single black values indicate no change from previous week. Black values / red values equals previous week/**New totals**. Note: Data reported by all states should be considered provisional and subject to change. Sources for this table can be found [here](#).

	Birds	Mosquito Pools	Sentinels	Horses	Humans
Alabama					
Alaska					
Arizona	0	2		0	1
Arkansas				0	0
California	152/ 215	348/ 497	3/5		0
Colorado		2			1
Connecticut		0			0
Delaware					1
DC					0
Florida			10/ 13		
Georgia	0	0		0	0
Hawaii					
Idaho	0	8/10		0	0
Illinois	1/2	7/9		0	0
Indiana	0	5			0
Iowa		0		0	0
Kansas		0			2
Kentucky				0	
Louisiana					3
Maine					
Maryland					
Mass.		1		0	0
Michigan	3				
Minnesota		1			
Mississippi		1/2		0	1
Missouri		1		0	0

	Birds	Mosquito Pools	Sentinels	Horses	Humans
Montana					1
Nebraska	0	1		0	1
Nevada		7			
New Hampshire		0		0	0
New Jersey	2	6/13		0	0
New Mexico					1
New York		3			
North Carolina					
North Dakota	0	2		0	1
Ohio		5/11			
Oklahoma		2			4/6
Oregon	0	3	0	0	0
Pennsylvania	1/2	24/95			
Rhode Island		0		0	0
South Carolina					
South Dakota		1			1
Tennessee		6			
Texas		64/141			3
Utah	1	1/6			
Vermont					
Virginia					
Washington	2	16/32		0	1
West Virginia					
Wisconsin	3/6	0		0	0
Wyoming					

* Can include other species (e.g., dogs, cows) reported positive.

Protocol: New Jersey Department of Health (NJDH Public Health Environmental and Agricultural Laboratories, PHEAL) and the Cape May County Department of Mosquito Control tests mosquito pools using RT-PCR Taqman techniques.

Mosquito Species Submitted and Tested for West Nile Virus Testing through 20 July 2015

Species	Pools	Mosquitoes	Positives	MFIR
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	137	622	1	1.608
<i>Aedes atlanticus</i>	1	6		
<i>Aedes canadensis canadensis</i>	12	111		
<i>Aedes cantator</i>	15	185		
<i>Aedes grossbecki</i>	5	25		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	93	538		
<i>Aedes sollicitans</i>	5	182		
<i>Aedes taeniorhynchus</i>	1	16		
<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	19	82		
<i>Aedes trivittatus</i>	1	2		
<i>Aedes vexans</i>	12	219		
<i>Anopheles bradleyi</i>	1	1		
<i>Anopheles crucians</i>	1	1		
<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	11	41		
<i>Anopheles quadrimaculatus</i>	12	159		
<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	30	718		
<i>Culex erraticus</i>	6	56		
<i>Culex pipiens</i>	116	3874		
<i>Culex restuans</i>	104	1122		
<i>Culex salinarius</i>	9	304		
<i>Culex</i> sp.	669	25436	12	0.472
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	114	2448		
<i>Psorophora ciliata</i>	3	20		
<i>Psorophora columbiae</i>	2	21		
<i>Psorophora ferox</i>	4	8		
Grand Total	1383	36197	13	0.359

Remarks: To date, 1383 pools of 36,197 mosquitoes from 24 species have been tested, with 13 positive pools detected, all in mixed *Culex* pools. First positive of the season occurred in Middlesex County, in a pool of mixed *Culex*, collected on the 22nd of June. First positive pool in non-*Culex* was in an *Aedes albopictus* pool, collected in Monmouth County on 10 July. Overall state MFIR is 0.359, up from the previous week of 0.228.

Humans, Horses and Wild Birds: No human cases of WNV have been reported. For further information, see <http://www.state.nj.us/health/cd/westnile/techinfo.shtml>.

No horse cases have been detected.

Bird testing began in mid-April. Two positive birds have been reported, both corvids. To date, 19 birds have been tested. Species includes: American Crow (*Corvus brachyrhynchos* 0/1) Fish Crow (*Corvus ossifragus* 1/7), Blue Jay (*Cyanocitta cristata* 1/3), Hawk/Raptor (0/1) and other avian species (0/7). Counties (**positives**) submitting birds are Atlantic, **Burlington**, Essex, **Gloucester**, Hunterdon, Mercer, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Salem and Warren.

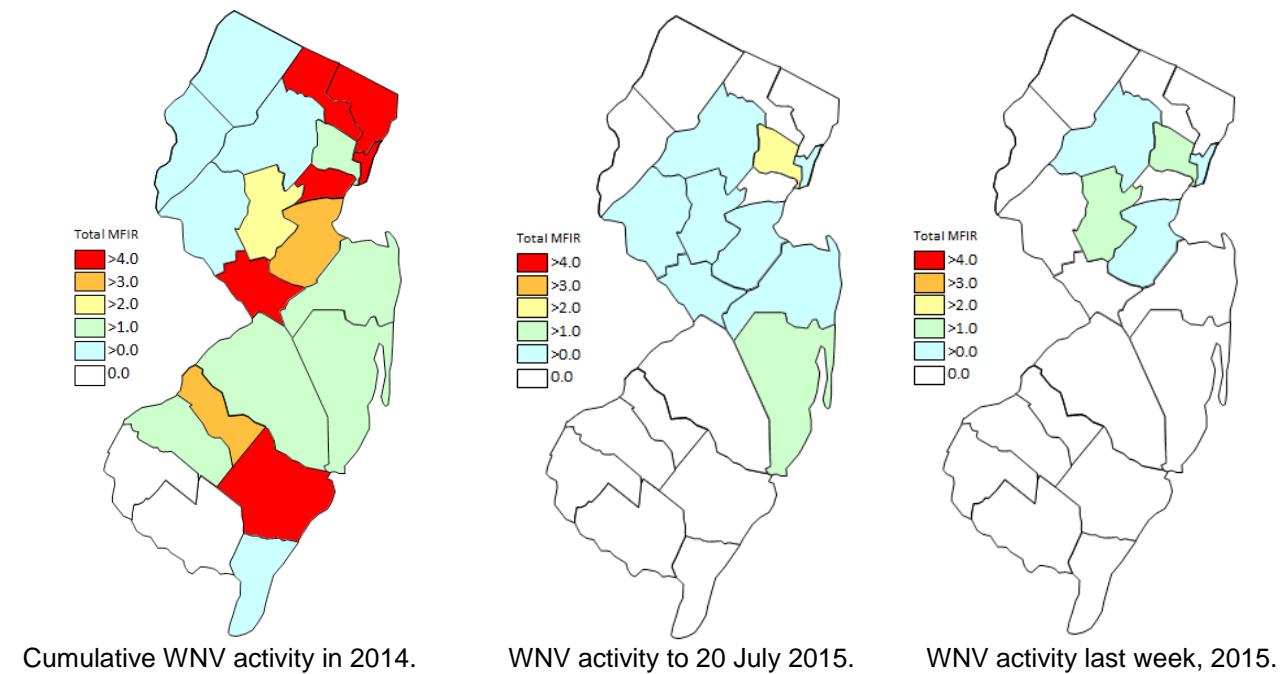
WNV Results by County through 20 July 2015

County	Species	Pools	Mosquitoes	Positives	MFIR
Atlantic		55	1453		
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	4	41		
	<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	5	13		

<i>Aedes vexans</i>	1	4		
<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	12	410		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	20	839		
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	12	145		
<i>Psorophora ferox</i>	1	1		
Bergen	10	705		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	1	30		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	9	675		
Burlington	55	1884		
<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	1	1		
<i>Culex salinarius</i>	4	152		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	19	852		
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	31	879		
Camden	83	2664		
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	4	12		
<i>Aedes canadensis canadensis</i>	2	12		
<i>Aedes cantator</i>	1	1		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	17	196		
<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	1	1		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	40	1791		
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	17	650		
<i>Psorophora ferox</i>	1	1		
Cape May	192	1176		
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	2	2		
<i>Aedes canadensis canadensis</i>	3	3		
<i>Aedes cantator</i>	9	15		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	32	92		
<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	6	6		
<i>Anopheles bradleyi</i>	1	1		
<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	2	2		
<i>Anopheles quadrimaculatus</i>	8	132		
<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	5	154		
<i>Culex erraticus</i>	1	1		
<i>Culex pipiens</i>	44	379		
<i>Culex restuans</i>	64	250		
<i>Culex salinarius</i>	1	2		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	1	2		
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	13	135		
Cumberland	56	826		
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	4	8		
<i>Aedes atlanticus</i>	1	6		
<i>Aedes cantator</i>	1	2		
<i>Aedes grossbecki</i>	5	25		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	1	6		
<i>Aedes sollicitans</i>	5	182		
<i>Aedes taeniorhynchus</i>	1	16		
<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	1	4		
<i>Aedes trivittatus</i>	1	2		
<i>Aedes vexans</i>	5	207		
<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	1	13		

<i>Anopheles quadrimaculatus</i>	3	23		
<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	4	52		
<i>Culex restuans</i>	1	1		
<i>Culex salinarius</i>	2	114		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	7	56		
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	8	68		
<i>Psorophora ciliata</i>	3	20		
<i>Psorophora columbiae</i>	2	21		
Essex	56	865	2	2.312
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	1	1		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	6	18		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	47	840	2	2.381
<i>Psorophora ferox</i>	2	6		
Gloucester	86	3351		
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	21	105		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	3	31		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	56	3112		
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	6	103		
Hudson	41	1954	1	0.512
<i>Culex</i> spp.	41	1954	1	0.512
Hunterdon	68	3400	1	0.294
<i>Culex</i> spp.	68	3400	1	0.294
Mercer	77	2315	1	0.432
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	2	8		
<i>Aedes vexans</i>	5	7		
<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	1	10		
<i>Culex pipiens</i>	16	383		
<i>Culex restuans</i>	36	868		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	17	1039	1	0.962
Middlesex	98	4050	3	0.741
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	25	64		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	70	3961	3	0.757
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	3	25		
Monmouth	134	2239	1	0.447
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	51	196	1	5.102
<i>Aedes canadensis canadensis</i>	6	93		
<i>Aedes cantator</i>	4	167		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	1	7		
<i>Anopheles crucians</i>	1	1		
<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	3	7		
<i>Anopheles quadrimaculatus</i>	1	4		
<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	1	1		
<i>Culex erraticus</i>	5	55		
<i>Culex restuans</i>	1	1		
<i>Culex salinarius</i>	2	36		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	51	1594		
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	7	77		

Morris	77	2920	2	0.685
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	2	72		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	75	2848	2	0.702
Ocean	67	907	1	1.103
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	17	109		
<i>Aedes canadensis canadensis</i>	1	3		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	10	48		
<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	1	70		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	31	647	1	1.546
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	7	30		
Passaic	9	149		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	2	5		
<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	2	3		
<i>Aedes vexans</i>	1	1		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	4	140		
Salem	42	574		
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	4	4		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	6	10		
<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	2	2		
<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	5	20		
<i>Culex restuans</i>	2	2		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	13	200		
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	10	336		
Somerset	57	1140	1	0.877
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	4	42		
<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	3	10		
<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	1	4		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	49	1084	1	0.923
Sussex	61	1168		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	5	40		
<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	5	57		
<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	3	14		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	48	1057		
Union	14	1020		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	14	1020		
Warren	45	1437		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	45	1437		
Grand Total	1383	36197	13	0.359



Saint Louis Encephalitis (SLE) 2015.

New Jersey will be testing for SLE this year only when adjacent states show human activity. SLE has had previous activity in New Jersey, most notably in 1964 and 1975 (CDC's SLE [website](#)), the latter prompting the surveillance reporting by Rutgers. SLE is a flavivirus and has a similar transmission pattern to West Nile, with *Culex* species as the predominant vectors.

County	Species	Pools	Mosquitoes	Positives	MFIR
Grand Total					

La Crosse Encephalitis (LAC) 2015.

New Jersey will be testing for LAC this year only when adjacent states show human activity. New Jersey has had 3 cases of this encephalitic disease since 1964 (see CDC's LAC [website](#)). The mortality is low but like other encephalitides, LAC can have both personal (lasting neurological sequelae) and economic impacts. LAC is a bunyavirus with a transmission cycle involving mosquitoes such as *Aedes triseriatus* and small mammals such as squirrels and chipmunks. LAC can not only infect *Aedes albopictus* but transovarial transmission was also demonstrated.

(Tesh and Gubler 1975 Laboratory studies of transovarial transmission of La Crosse and other arboviruses by *Aedes albopictus* and *Culex fatigans*. American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene 24(5):876-880).

County	Species	Pools	Mosquitoes	Positives	MFIR
Grand Total					

Dengue (DENV) to 20 July 2015.

New Jersey will be selectively testing for DENV (including serotypes) this year. Dengue has not had a history of local transmission here in New Jersey, but each year, travelers can bring virus back from areas in the world with virus activity. This is significant as humans are NOT dead-end hosts and thus there is the potential for local transmission (i.e., New Jersey mosquitoes biting a sick person and then biting and transmitting the disease to someone else) to be established. DENV is a flavivirus but unlike WNV, *Aedes* mosquitoes are predominant vectors. In New Jersey, *Aedes albopictus* is a candidate for local transmission. There are 4 serotypes tested for Dengue. There are currently 40 imported human cases in New Jersey, no local transmission.

Note Same pools of *Ae. albopictus* are tested for the four serotypes of Dengue as well as Chikungunya.

No pools have tested positive in 2015. Currently, there are 16 imported human cases reported in New Jersey.

County	Species	DENV1		DENV2		DENV3		DENV4		Positives	MFIR
		Pool	Mos.	Pool	Mos.	Pool	Mos.	Pool	Mos.		
Atlantic		4	41	4	41	4	41	4	41		
		4	41	4	41	4	41	4	41		
Camden		3	10	3	10	3	10	3	10		
		3	10	3	10	3	10	3	10		
Cumberland		4	8	4	8	4	8	4	8		
		4	8	4	8	4	8	4	8		
Gloucester		21	105	21	105	21	105	21	105		
		21	105	21	105	21	105	21	105		
Mercer		2	8	2	8	2	8	2	8		
		2	8	2	8	2	8	2	8		
Middlesex		25	64	25	64	25	64	25	64		
		25	64	25	64	25	64	25	64		
Monmouth		51	196	51	196	51	196	51	196		
		51	196	51	196	51	196	51	196		
Morris		2	72	2	72	2	72	2	72		
		2	72	2	72	2	72	2	72		
Salem		4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4		
		4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4		
Grand Total		116	508	116	508	116	508	116	508		

Chikungunya (CHIK) to 20 July 2015.

New Jersey will be selectively testing for CHIK this year. Chikungunya is similar in symptoms to Dengue, a "breakbone" fever and has a low mortality rate. But this virus has had recent worldwide activity, and in the past year has come to the Western Hemisphere. As with Dengue, transmission can occur when a mosquito bites an infected human, then bites an uninfected human who subsequently becomes ill. CHIK is an alphavirus with *Aedes* mosquitoes as potential vectors. In New Jersey, *Aedes albopictus* is the mosquito of interest.

No pools have tested positive in 2015. Currently, there are 14 imported human cases reported in New Jersey.

County	Species	Pools	Mosquitoes	Positives	MFIR
Atlantic		4	41		
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	4	41		
Camden		3	10		
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	3	10		
Cape May		2	2		
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	2	2		
Cumberland		4	8		
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	4	8		
Gloucester		21	105		
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	21	105		
Mercer		2	8		
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	2	8		
Middlesex		25	64		
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	25	64		
Monmouth		51	196		
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	51	196		
Morris		2	72		
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	2	72		
Salem		4	4		
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	4	4		
Grand Total		118	510		