

VECTOR SURVEILLANCE IN NEW JERSEY

EEE, WNV, SLE, LAC, DENV, CHIK, ZIKV, and JCV

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NOTE: County/species tables for arboviruses are now in a supplemental file [here](#)

Arbovirus Summary

- 71 EEE positive pools, 9 horse cases, 1 alpaca case, 3 human case (Atlantic, Somerset, Union Counties)
- 318 WNV positive pools, 0 horses, 5 human case (Atlantic(2), Bergen, Gloucester, Hunterdon County)
- 1 LAC positive pool
- 5 JCV positive pools
- 0 SLE, DENG, CHIK, ZIKA positive pools
- Note: Data download times are noted and do not necessarily reflect all pools submitted and analyzed to that point in time. This report may vary from other reports from the same dataset as they are snapshots in time.

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	1.14	1.40	10 (17)	5 (6)		
Green Bank (Burlington Co.)/25	Coastal	1.59	0.32	167 (175)	13 (14)		
Corbin City (Atlantic Co.)/25	Coastal	0.81	0.32	159 (167)	16 (17)	1	6.289
Dennisville (Cape May Co.)/50	Coastal	1.78	0.00	68	12		
Winslow (Camden Co.)/50	Inland	0.62	2.04	839	25	6	7.151
Centerton (Salem Co.)/50	Inland	1.63	0.32	186	14	2	10.753
Turkey Swamp (Monmouth Co.)/49	Inland	0.43	1.35	1172 (1238) [‡]	33 (35) [‡]	7	5.973
Glassboro (Gloucester Co.)/50	Inland	0.25	0.10	173	14	2	11.561

*Current week (in parentheses) results pending. [‡] corrected from previous week NC=no collection

Remarks: *EEE activity continues in the state and due diligence is needed.* Currently in 2019, there are 71 detections of EEE virus: 52 pools of *Culiseta melanura* (18 collected at traditional resting box sites, and 34 collected at county trap sites) and 19 pools in *Aedes albopictus*, *Ae. canadensis*, *Ae. triseriatus*, *Culex pipiens* and *Culex Mix*. The first positive pool was collected on 3 July at Turkey Swamp, Monmouth County. There are ten animal cases and one human case (Somerset County).

Statewide, 12,344 *Cs. melanura* from 810 pools have been tested, with an overall *Cs. melanura* MFIR of 4.213. 166,904 specimens in 7,807 pools from 38 other species have also been tested, with 19 positive pools detected (*Aedes albopictus*, *Ae. canadensis*, *Ae. triseriatus*, and *Culex Mix/Cx. pipiens* pools). Overall MFIR for all species statewide is 0.396.

Traditional Resting Box Sites: 2,782 *Cs. melanura* from 131 pools have been tested, with 18 positive pools detected – 1 at Corbin City, 2 at Centerton, 2 at Glassboro, 7 at Turkey Swamp, and 6 at Winslow. An additional 89 *Cs. melanura* in 4 pools are at labs to be tested.

County	Trap types*	Additional <i>Cs. melanura</i> trapped by counties			
		Pools	Mosquitoes	Positives	MFIR
Atlantic	BGS, CO ₂ , GR, RB	86	2476	7	2.827
Bergen	CO ₂ , RB	7	46		
Burlington	ULVT	67	2289	8	3.495
Cape May	GR, RB	167	439	1	2.278
Cumberland	AGO, RB	34	212		
Gloucester	CO ₂ , RB	63	1813	3	1.655
Middlesex	RB	19	89		
Monmouth	CO ₂ , Other	21	173	1	5.780
Morris	CO₂, RB	68	718	6	8.357
Ocean	CO ₂ , GR, RB	60	430	1	2.326
Salem	CO ₂ , GR, RB	23	74	1	13.514
Sussex	CO₂, GR, RB	56	684	6	8.772
Union	NJLT	6	64		
Warren	CO ₂ , NJLT	2	55		
TOTAL		679	9562	34	3.556

Additional County-set *Cs. melanura*: Counties maintain trap sites for *Cs. melanura* in other areas, using a variety of traps. Last year, half of the EEE detection came from such trappings. In 2019, 34 pools of *Cs. melanura* have been found positive. Earliest positive pools were found in Salem County, collected 9 July, and Ocean County collected 10 July.

Horses and Humans: Over the past ten years, first onset dates for horses have been in August or October except for 2012, where an onset date was 22 July. Last year five horses were reported with EEE. All had either an incomplete or no vaccination history. **Horse owners are urged to make sure their horses are up to date on their vaccinations. Horse cases are known to occur through October and sometimes into November (see link below).** Other sensitive species are non-native birds, such as Ostriches/Emus and Gallinaceous birds such as pheasants of Eurasian origins. In 2019, 9 horses and one alpaca have been found with EEE.

Case	Animal	Age	Sex	County	Date of Onset	Euthanized		Comment
						?	Vaccinated?	
10	Horse	Unknown	Gelding	Ocean	?	26-Aug	Not vaccinated	
9	Horse	4 year old	Gelding	Ocean	?	26-Aug	Not vaccinated	
8	Horse	1 year old 3 or 4 month old	Filly	Atlantic	?	24-Aug	Not vaccinated	
7	Horse	old	Gelding	Salem	?	25-Aug	Not vaccinated	
6	Horse	18 year old	Gelding	Morris	25-Aug	26-Aug	Not vaccinated	
5	Horse	2 year old	Gelding	Ocean	15-Aug	16-Aug	Unknown	
4	Alpaca	7 year old	Unknown	Camden	2-Aug	3-Aug	Unknown April vaccination	
3	Horse	yearling	Colt	Monmouth	5 Aug	5-Aug	(incomplete)	
2	Horse	20 year old	Gelding	Ocean	26-Jul	26-Jul	Unknown	
1	Horse	12 year old	Mare	Ocean	23-Jul	23-Jul	Possible incomplete	11-14 miles from two active EEE sites

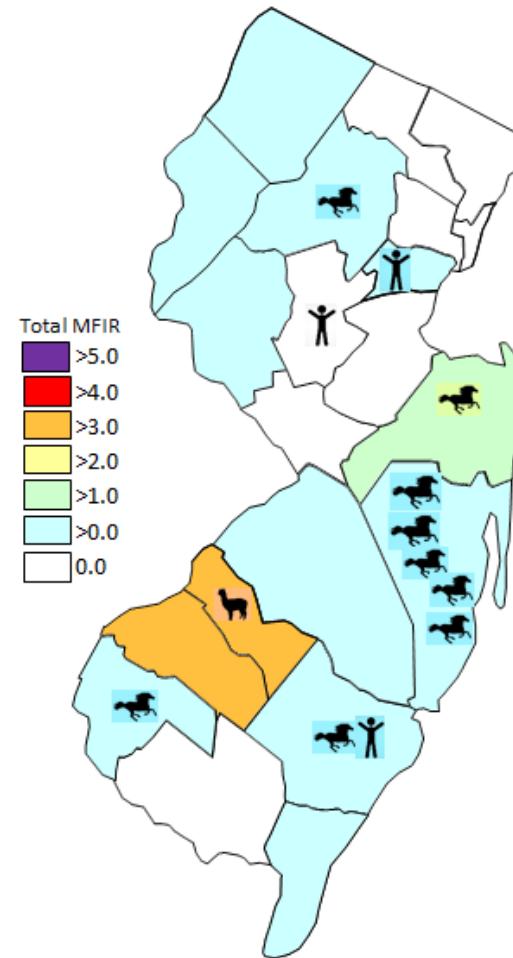
Horses and Vaccinations: The fate of unvaccinated equids reinforces the necessity of maintaining a vaccination schedule for arboviruses. For vaccination schedules recommended by the American Association of Equine Practices, see: http://www.aaep.org/vaccination_guidelines.htm

There are 3 human cases of EEE, coming from Atlantic, Union, and Somerset Counties. For more information, see DOH Vectorborne Surveillance reports: <https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/statistics/arboviral-stats/>

Species other than <i>Cs. melanura</i>	Pools	Mosquitoes	Positives	MFIR
<i>Aedes abserratus</i>	13	258		
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	900	7092	2	0.282
<i>Aedes atlanticus</i>	15	134		
<i>Aedes aurifer</i>	3	14		
<i>Aedes canadensis canadensis</i>	139	2536	2	0.789
<i>Aedes cantator</i>	19	297		
<i>Aedes grossbecki</i>	5	12		
<i>Aedes infirmatus</i>	1	1		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	678	4210		
<i>Aedes mitchellae</i>	1	1		
<i>Aedes provocans</i>	2	8		
<i>Aedes sollicitans</i>	33	789		
<i>Aedes sticticus</i>	5	100		
<i>Aedes stimulans</i>	2	10		
<i>Aedes taeniorhynchus</i>	22	345		
<i>Aedes thibaulti</i>	2	27		
<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	180	938	2	2.132
<i>Aedes trivittatus</i>	26	495		
<i>Aedes vexans</i>	93	837		
<i>Anopheles barberi</i>	3	3		
<i>Anopheles bradleyi</i>	130	1161		
<i>Anopheles crucians</i>	26	317		
<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	110	734		
<i>Anopheles quadrimaculatus</i>	177	1388		
<i>Anopheles walkeri</i>	7	397		
<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	274	4977		
<i>Culex Mix</i>	3203	126633	12	0.095
<i>Culex erraticus</i>	186	1869		
<i>Culex pipiens</i>	650	6569	1	0.152
<i>Culex restuans</i>	471	1308		
<i>Culex salinarius</i>	309	2075		
<i>Culex territans</i>	40	111		
<i>Culiseta inornata</i>	2	5		
<i>Orthopodomyia signifera</i>	8	8		
<i>Psorophora ciliata</i>	1	1		
<i>Psorophora columbiae</i>	25	287		
<i>Psorophora ferox</i>	45	785		
<i>Psorophora howardii</i>	1	1		
<i>Uranotaenia sapphirina</i>	19	171		
State Total	7826	166904	19	0.114

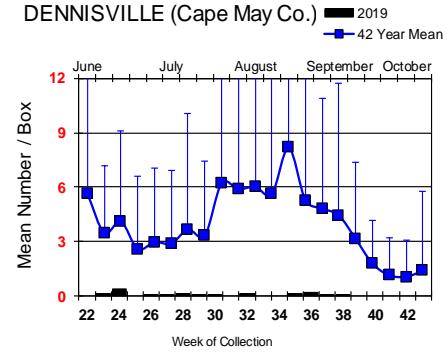
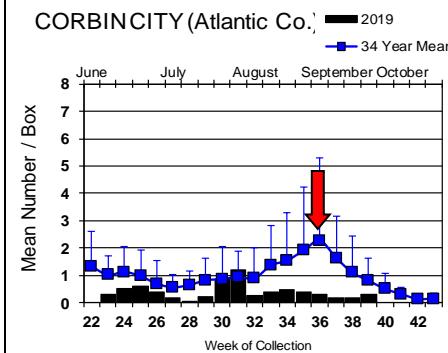
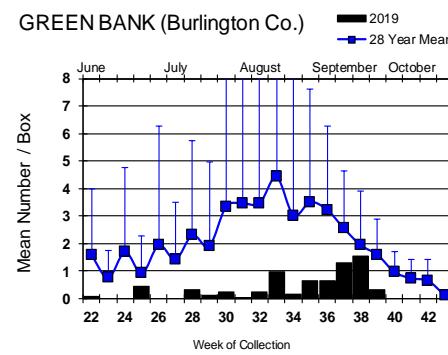
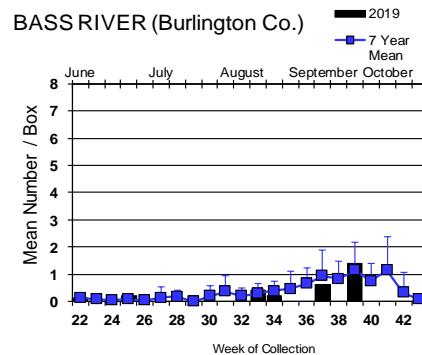
Additional Species: 38 additional species were tested for EEE. 19 positive pools have been detected in three species, the latest species being *Culex Mix* or *pipiens* in Hunterdon, Gloucester and Burlington Counties. (Note: *Culex pipiens* is refractory for EEE virus).

Overall MFIR rates, human and animal cases per county:

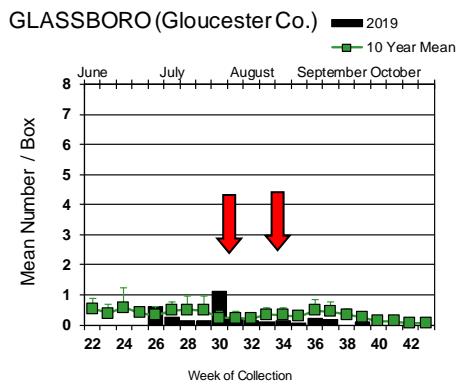
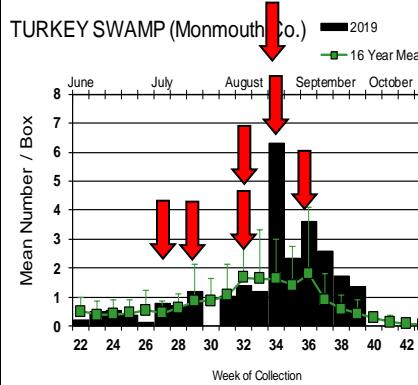
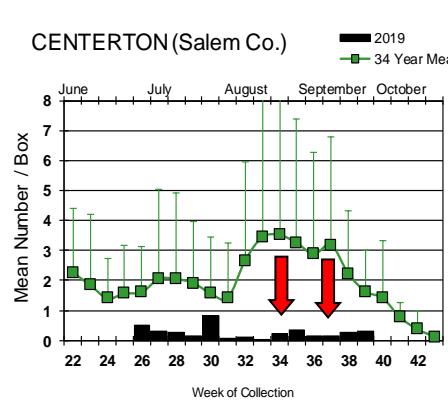
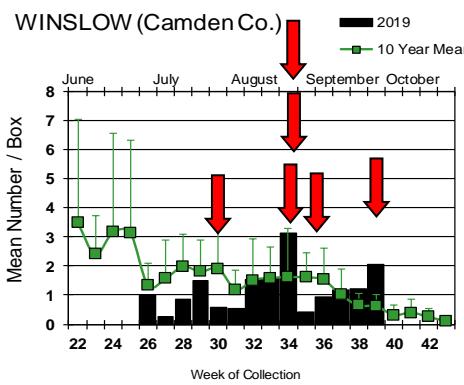


Culiseta melanura Populations

Coastal



Inland



Culiseta melanura populations at Turkey Swamp and Winslow were still above historical levels. Additional positive pools were detected at Winslow.

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

EEE in US (2019 cumulative cases): (Black or Red = previous + new reported cases occurring)

- **equine:** 3(CT) 26(FL) 1(GA) 7(IN) 23(LA) 8(MA) 1(MD) 1(ME) 23(+1 deer (MI) 1(MN) 7(MS) 1(NC) 1(NH) 9(+1 alpaca, NJ) 5(+1 goat NY) 2(OH) 1(+3 deer RI) 3(SC) 4(TX) 3(WI) 5(CAN-ON)
- **mosquito pools:** 104(CT) 1(IN) 3(LA) 422(MA) 3(MD) 1(ME) 12(NH) 71(NJ) 53(NY) 7(RI)
- **sentinel:** 103(+1 emu 1 BAEA, FL) 3(DE) 1(LA)
- **human:** 1(CT) 12(MA) 8(MI) 3(NJ) 3(RI)

West Nile Virus Positive Organisms in US, 2019

West Nile in US (2019 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				1	1/3
Alaska					
Arizona	2	355	1	1	156
Arkansas					3
California	139	3070	105	11	98
Colorado		99/105		3	32/54
Connecticut		75/78		1	3
Delaware					
Florida	1		233/269	2/4	1
Georgia					1
Hawaii					
Idaho	0	41		3	9
Illinois	4	896/1069		1	5/8
Indiana	0	117		0	0
Iowa				2	3
Kansas					2/5
Kentucky					1
Louisiana	1	157/160		1	12/14
Maine		0			0
Maryland(+DC)		3			3(2DC)
Mass.		83		0	2
Michigan	9/11	41/54			2/4
Minnesota				1	1
Mississippi		26		7	13
Missouri		0		0	1/2

	Birds	Mosquito Pools	Sentinels	Horses*	Humans
Montana					
Nebraska	1	28		0	15/18
Nevada					13/25
New Hampshire		1		1	1
New Jersey		288/318		0	4/5
New Mexico					9/28
New York		396/479		0	7
North Carolina					1
North Dakota	1	6		0	7
Ohio		254		0	1
Oklahoma					3/4
Oregon	0	85	0	4	6
Pennsylvania	1	400		1	1
Rhode Island		2			
South Carolina	1	3			
South Dakota		9			9/11
Tennessee					1
Texas	1	106		1	16/17
Utah		246/262		1/2	16/17
Vermont		4			
Virginia					1
Washington	0	26/27		1	3
West Virginia					
Wisconsin	1/2	31/43		0	1
Wyoming	0	7/8		3	3/4

* 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 through 28 September 2019

Species	Pools	Mosquitoes	Positives	MFIR
<i>Aedes abserratus</i>	13	258		
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	1340	8242	4	0.485
<i>Aedes atlanticus</i>	15	134		
<i>Aedes aurifer</i>	3	14		
<i>Aedes canadensis canadensis</i>	139	2536		
<i>Aedes cantator</i>	19	297	1	3.367
<i>Aedes grossbecki</i>	5	12		
<i>Aedes infirmatus</i>	1	1		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	697	4785	3	0.627
<i>Aedes mitchellae</i>	1	1		
<i>Aedes provocans</i>	2	8		
<i>Aedes sollicitans</i>	33	789		
<i>Aedes sticticus</i>	5	100		
<i>Aedes stimulans</i>	2	10		
<i>Aedes taeniorhynchus</i>	22	345		
<i>Aedes thibaulti</i>	2	27		
<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	478	2108	1	0.474
<i>Aedes trivittatus</i>	27	497		
<i>Aedes vexans</i>	93	837		
<i>Anopheles barberi</i>	3	3		
<i>Anopheles bradleyi</i>	134	1166		
<i>Anopheles crucians</i>	26	317		
<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	120	758	2	2.639
<i>Anopheles quadrimaculatus</i>	182	1395		
<i>Anopheles walkeri</i>	7	397		
<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	278	5190	2	0.385
<i>Culex</i> spp.	3222	127363	277	2.175
<i>Culex erraticus</i>	193	1889	1	0.529
<i>Culex pipiens</i>	651	6570	7	1.065
<i>Culex restuans</i>	477	1316		
<i>Culex salinarius</i>	309	2075		
<i>Culex territans</i>	41	112		
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	2	5		
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	810	12344	20	1.620
<i>Orthopodomyia signifera</i>	8	8		
<i>Psorophora ciliata</i>	1	1		
<i>Psorophora columbiae</i>	25	287		
<i>Psorophora ferox</i>	45	785		
<i>Psorophora howardii</i>	1	1		
<i>Uranotaenia sapphirina</i>	19	171		
Grand Total	9451	183154	318	1.736

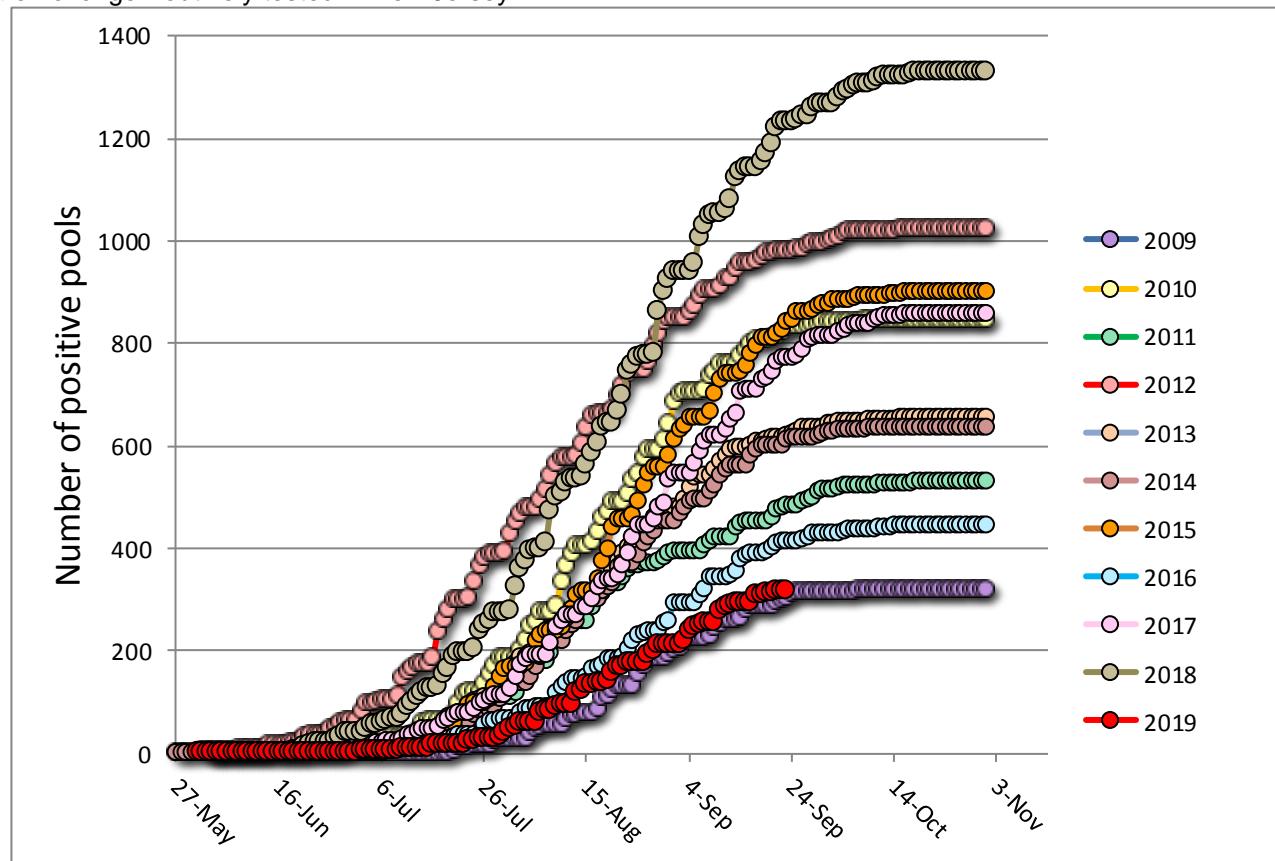
Remarks: To date 9,451 pools of 183,154 mosquitoes from 39 species have been tested. A total of 318 positive WNV pools have been detected throughout the state beginning with a pool of *Aedes triseriatus*, collected on 31 May, 2019 in Passaic County. This pool was also co-infected with LAC (see table below). 284 (89%) of the positives are in *Culex* bird-

feeding species pools. Also positive are *Aedes albopictus*, *Ae. cantator*, *Ae. japonicus*, *Anopheles punctipennis*, *Coquillettidia perturbans*, *Culex erraticus*, and *Culiseta melanura*. Last year was a year of significant activity, with over 1300 positive pools detected. Currently, the statewide MFIR rate for all mosquitoes increased from 1.664 to 1.736.

Humans, Horses and Wild Birds: There have been five human cases of West Nile virus. The fifth case was detected in Gloucester County, date of onset is unknown. The fourth case is in Atlantic County, with date of onset 4 Sep. The third case is in Bergen County, with date of onset as 30 Aug, and possible out of state exposure. The second case is from Atlantic County, with date of onset 2 September. The first is from Hunterdon County reported, with an onset date of 21 June. The first case represents the earliest typical case reported in New Jersey. (A few years ago, there was one case reported in May from a long-term hospitalized patient making date of infection difficult to determine.) For more information, see NJ arboviral reports from the Department of Health: <https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/statistics/arboviral-stats/>. Last year we have over 60 cases reported, the highest to date.

Currently, there are no reported horse cases for WNV. Last year only one WNV horse case has been reported, occurring in Burlington County. This seemed rather unusual, given all the other indicators of high virus activity. For further information, see <http://www.nj.gov/health/cd/statistics/arboviral-stats/>.

Birds are no longer routinely tested in New Jersey.



Above is a graph showing cumulative number of positive pools for the previous 10 years, inclusive of the most active (2018) and least active (2009) years. The red series represents this year, starting with the first positive pool.

Go [here](#) for the table supplement of arbovirus by county by mosquito species.