

Florida Mosquito-Borne Disease Summary for the Week of February 22-28, 2009

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During the period February 22-28, 2009, the following arboviral activity (St. Louis encephalitis virus [SLEV], Eastern equine encephalitis virus [EEEV], Highlands J virus [HJV], West Nile virus [WNV], California encephalitis group viruses [CEV]) was recorded in Florida:

EEEV activity: None this week.

WNV/SLEV activity: None this week.

HJV activity: None this week.

CEV activity: None this week.

Advisories/Alerts:

There are currently no counties under mosquito-borne illness alert or advisory.

Dead Bird Reports:

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 26 dead birds were received from six counties. One was identified as a jay, two as raptors. None were identified as crows. 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/. See the web page for more information: <http://www.doh.state.fl.us/Environment/medicine/arboviral/index.html>