2011 SUMMARY OF WEST NILE VIRUS EQUINE CASES IN THE UNITED STATES

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The National Surveillance Unit (NSU) collaborates with the VS National Centers for Animal Health Programs equine staff, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and State veterinary and public health officials to provide accurate weekly equine arbovirus case reports to stakeholders during the arbovirus transmission season, typically from late June through early November. CDC provides arbovirus case information from its ArboNET reporting system, an electronic-based surveillance and reporting system used to track and report arboviral activity. NSU subsequently disseminates the equine case information weekly to State veterinary officials for their confirmation, and posts the confirmed data on the NAHSS website (http://www.aphis.usda.gov/vs/nahss/equine/). This website was developed at the request of the USAHA Infectious Diseases of Horses Committee and the American Horse Council. The site provides timely and accurate equine arbovirus case information to individuals associated with the horse industry, including horse owners, animal health professionals, and regulatory officials, as well as public health officials and those in related academic and research fields.

In calendar year 2011, **30** U.S. States reported **87** equine cases of West Nile virus (WNV). Cases were nearly equally distributed between west (42) and east (45) of the Mississippi River with California (15) and Pennsylvania (9), respectively, reporting the most cases. Overall there has been a declining trend in reported U.S. equine WNV cases since the peak in 2002 (Figure 1). Table 1 shows the total number of cases in each State and county in 2011. Figures 2-14 show statewide equine WNV totals for 1999-2011.

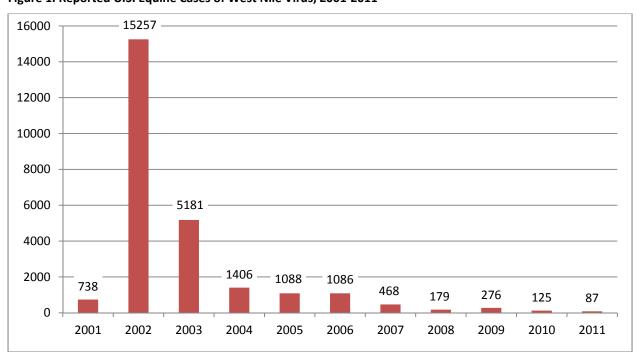


Figure 1. Reported U.S. Equine Cases of West Nile Virus, 2001-2011



Table 1. Number of West Nile virus equine cases reported by State and county, 2011.

State	County	West Nile Virus Reported Cases
Arizona	Coconino County	
	Maricopa County	5
	Navajo	1
	Pima County	1
Total cases for Arizona	·	8
California	Fresno County	5
	Kern County	1
	Los Angeles County	1
	Merced County	3
	Placer County	
	Tulare County	
	Yolo County	
Total cases for California	Tolo County	15
	Hartford County	
Connecticut	Hartford County	1
T-1-1	Litchfield County	1
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Total cases for Delaware	Sussex County	1
Florida	Duval County	
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	Sarasota County	
Total cases for Florida	·	3
Georgia	Camden County	1
	Richmond County	2
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Indiana	Adams County	2
	Lagrange County	1
	Marion	1
	Noble County	1
	Sullivan	1
Total cases for Indiana		6
Kentucky	Fleming County	1
Total cases for Kentucky		1
Massachusetts	Hampshire County	1
Total cases for Massachusetts		1
Maryland	Frederick County	1
	St. Mary	1
Total cases for Maryland		2
Michigan	Van Buren County	1
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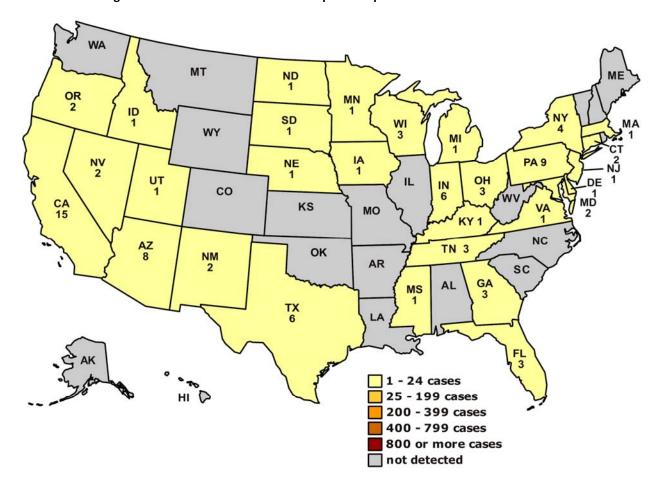


Figure 2. U.S. State distribution of 82 reported equine West Nile virus cases in 2011

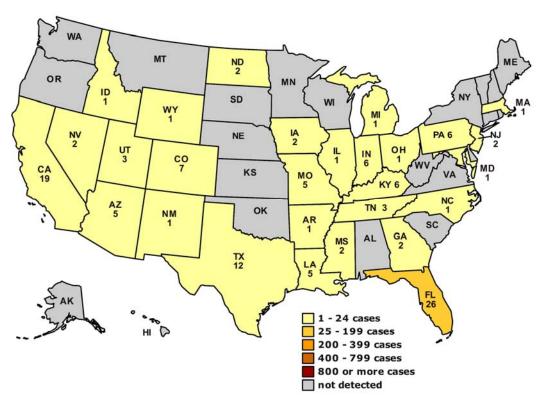
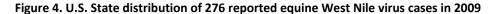
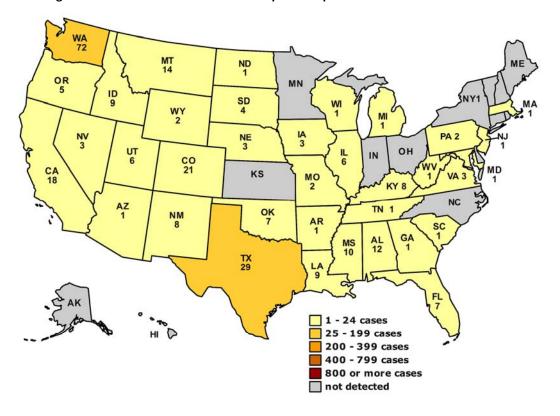


Figure 3. U.S. State distribution of 125 reported equine West Nile virus cases in 2010





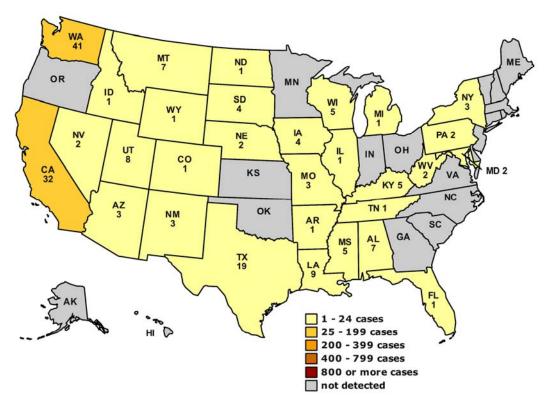
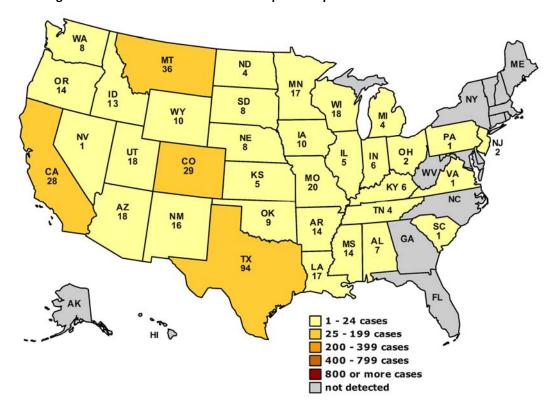


Figure 5. U.S. State distribution of 179 reported equine West Nile virus cases in 2008





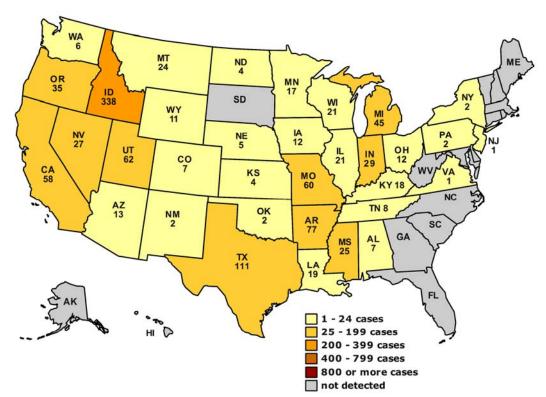
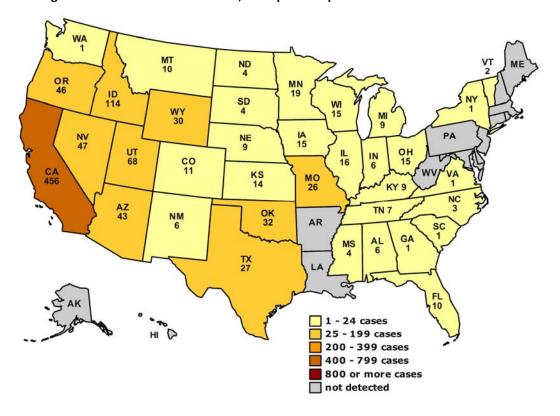


Figure 7. U.S. State distribution of 1,086 reported equine West Nile virus cases in 2006





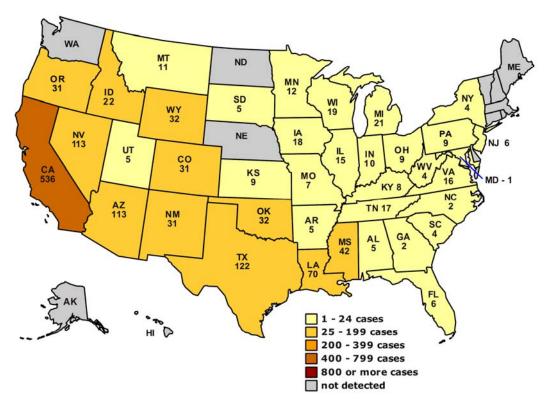
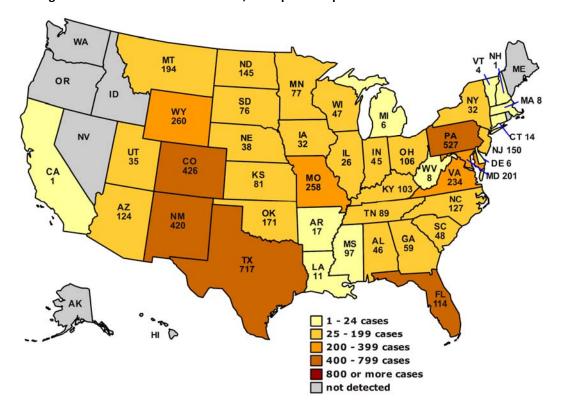


Figure 9. U.S. State distribution of 1,406 reported equine West Nile virus cases in 2004





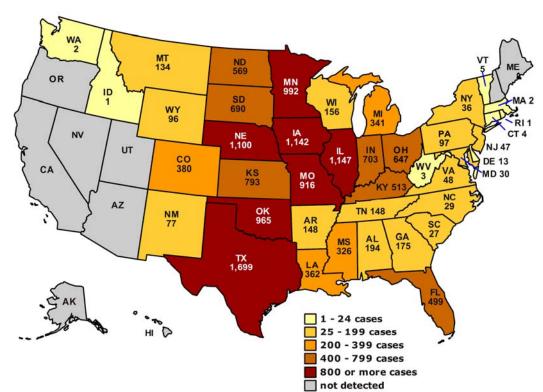
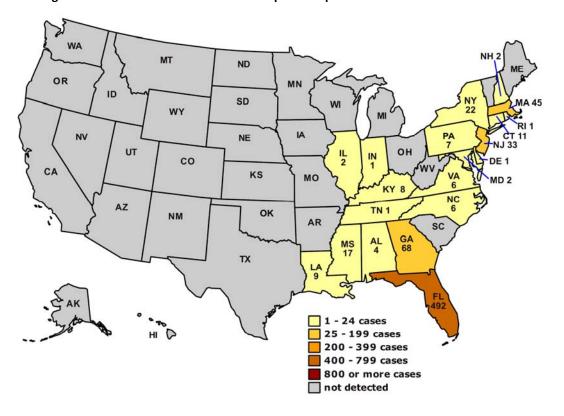


Figure 11. U.S. State distribution of 15,257 reported equine West Nile virus cases in 2002





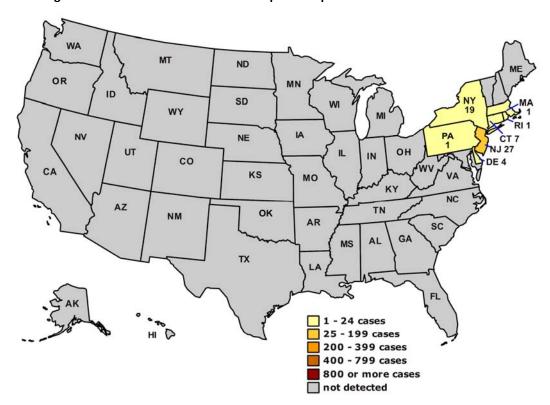


Figure 13. U.S. State distribution of 60 reported equine West Nile virus cases in 2000

Figure 14. U.S. State distribution of 25 reported equine West Nile virus cases in 1999

