

VECTOR SURVEILLANCE IN NEW JERSEY

EEE, WNV, SLE and LAC

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Culiseta melanura and Eastern Equine Encephalitis

SITE/Boxes	Inland / Coastal	Historic Population Mean	Current Weekly Mean	Total (Collected) Tested*	Total Pools (Submitted) Tested*	EEE Isolation Pools	MFIR
Bass River (Burlington Co.)/5	Coastal	0.50	1.60	16 (24)	5 (6)		
Green Bank (Burlington Co.)/25	Coastal	4.14	2.00	68 (118)	9 (10)		
Corbin City (Atlantic Co.)/25	Coastal	0.98	1.32	101 (134)	9 (10)		
Dennisville (Cape May Co.)/50	Coastal	6.84	0.50	137	8		
Winslow (Camden Co.)/50	Inland	1.26	1.66	1099	26		
Centerton (Salem Co.)/50	Inland	1.59	1.30	616	18		
Turkey Swamp (Monmouth Co.)/42	Inland	1.45	0.66	246 (273)	10 (11)		
Glassboro (Gloucester Co.)/50	Inland	0.70	0.24	238	10		

*Current week (in parentheses) results pending.

Remarks: No additional pools positive for EEE have been collected in the past week. To date, 3 positive EEE pools, all in the enzootic vector, *Cs. melanura* have been collected, all from Cape May County.

For counties accessing the West Nile database: Results from samples recently tested at the Cape May labs have been entered with quality control being conducted.

Traditional Resting Box Sites: To date 2521 *Cs. melanura* from 95 pools have been tested from the traditional resting box sites with an additional 4 pools of 118 mosquitoes to be tested. There has been no detection of EEE in samples collected at these sites.

Additional *Cs. melanura*: One hundred thirty additional pools containing 3522 *Cs. melanura* have been tested from other sites using other traps in addition to resting boxes. A total of 3 positive *Cs. melanura* pools from Cape May County have been detected. Note that MFIR value is a “rough estimate” as other data already completed may be pending for entry to the West Nile database and not reflected in the tables below.

Additional <i>Cs. melanura</i> trapped by counties				
*traps with positives indicated in BOLD .				
County	Trap types*	Number collected (pools)	Number of positives pools	MFIR
Burlington	CO ₂	2791 (48)		
Cape May	Gravid, RB	338 (29)	3	8.88*
Gloucester	RB	314 (29)		
Monmouth	CO ₂	14 (2)		
Ocean	CO ₂ , RB	33 (16)		
Salem	CO ₂	32 (6)		
TOTAL		3522 (130)	3	0.85*

Additional Species: The table below indicates non-*Cs. melanura* mosquitoes tested for EEE. Last year, *Culex erraticus*, a known enzootic vector and potential bridge vector, was found positive. Currently, no other species have been found positive.

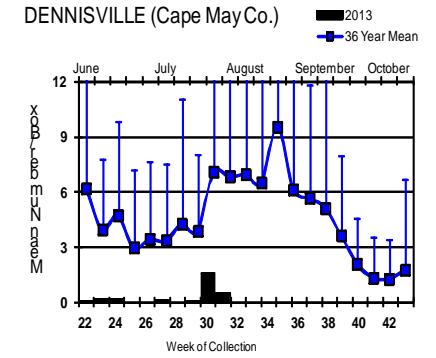
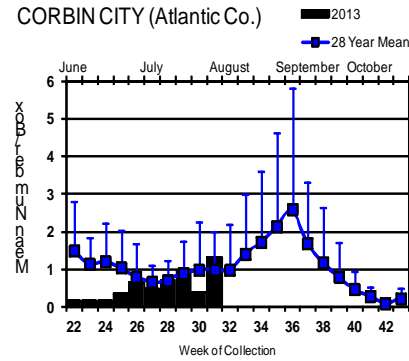
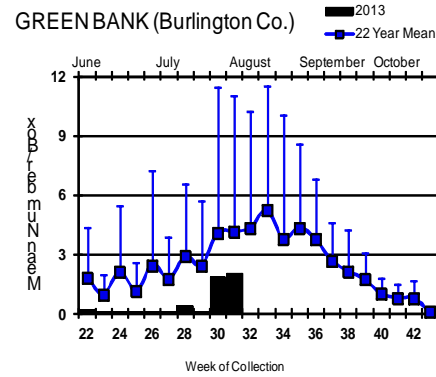
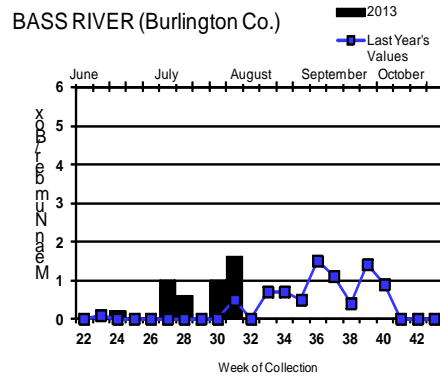
Species other than <i>Cs. melanura</i>	Pools	Mosquitoes	Positives	MFIR
<i>Aedes atlanticus</i>	1	44		
<i>Aedes cantator</i>	5	5		
<i>Aedes sollicitans</i>	1	10		
<i>Aedes sticticus</i>	2	3		
<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	1	49		
<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	3	102		
<i>Culex erraticus</i>	11	406		
<i>Culex pipiens</i>	86	800		
<i>Culex restuans</i>	2	2		
<i>Culex salinarius</i>	7	158		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	37	143		
State Total	156	1722	0	0.00

Horses and Humans: Currently there is no reported horse, other livestock or human cases.

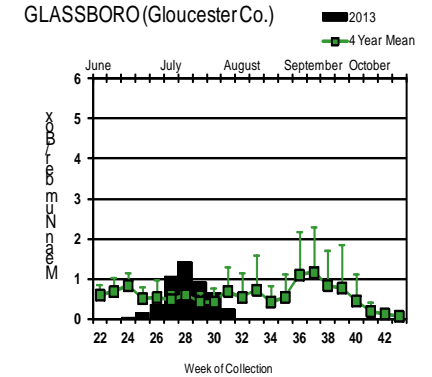
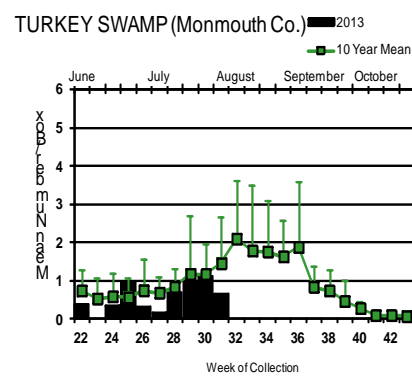
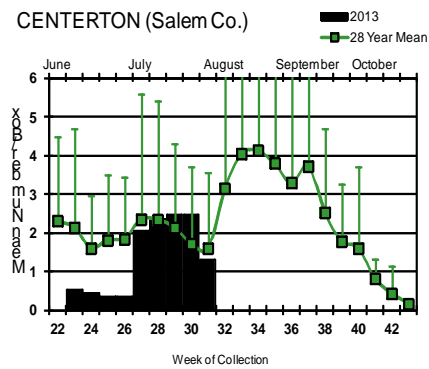
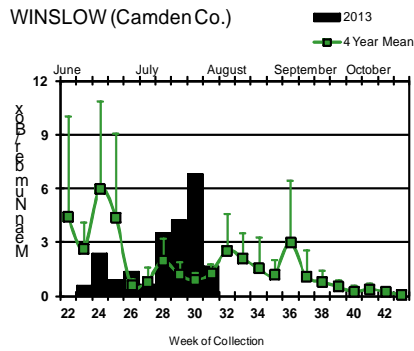
Horses and Vaccinations: The fate of unvaccinated equids reinforces the necessity of maintaining a vaccination schedule for arboviruses. For vaccination schedules recommended by the American Association of Equine Practices, see: http://www.aaep.org/vaccination_guidelines.htm

Culiseta melanura Population Graphs

Coastal



Inland



Cs. melanura numbers continued to increase at several sites on the eastern side of the state including Bass River, Green Bank and Corbin City. Activity appears to be well within historical values at most sites, with the exception of Dennisville, a formerly prolific site.

Note axis change (from 12 to 6) on Bass River, Corbin City, Centerton, Turkey Swamp and Glassboro sites.

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

EEE in US (2013 cumulative cases): (Black or Red = previous + new reported cases occurring)

- equine: 4(AL) 19(FL) 4(GA) 2(LA) 1(MA) 1(MS) 5(NC) 1(TX) 1(SC)
- mosquito pools: 2(CT) 1(GA) 2(MA) 3(NJ)
- sentinel: 7(AL) 76/3 wild(FL)
- human: 2(FL) 1(GA)

West Nile Virus in US

West Nile in US (2013 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
Alaska					
Arizona	0	103	0	0	3
Arkansas				0	0
California	323/452	761/1007	76/96	2/3	4/14
Colorado		95		1	1
Connecticut		2/8			
Delaware			1		
DC		1			
Florida			51/52	1	
Georgia	0	3/15		0	1
Hawaii					
Idaho		31/38		2	1/2
Illinois	4/12	149/311		0	0
Indiana	0	27/39		0	1
Iowa		1	1		2
Kansas		0			0
Kentucky					
Louisiana		16/47	19/24	1	1
Maine		0		0	0
Maryland		1			
Mass.		24/43		0	0
Michigan	3			0	1
Minnesota	1	5/9			1/3
Mississippi		15/30		0	7/8
Missouri		0		0	0

	Birds	Mosquito Pools	Sentinels	Horses	Humans
Montana		1		0	0
Nebraska		26			4
Nevada		4			5/6
New Hampshire		2			
New Jersey	3/5	57/119		0	0
New Mexico					1
New York		33/62		0	0
North Carolina					
North Dakota	2/3	6		0	1
Ohio		1/21		1	
Oklahoma					
Oregon	1	32/47	0	0	0
Pennsylvania	2	124/276		0	0
Rhode Island		0			
South Carolina					
South Dakota	1	109/139		1	7/12
Tennessee	0	105/161		0	1
Texas		72/75		1	2/4
Utah		13/24	0	0	0
Vermont		1			
Virginia					
Washington	0	3		0	1
West Virginia		9/12			
Wisconsin	17/20	1		0	1
Wyoming		6			

* 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 3 August 2013

Species	Pools	Mosquitoes	Positives	MFIR
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	223	1835		
<i>Aedes atlanticus</i>	3	47		
<i>Aedes atropalpus</i>	2	2		
<i>Aedes canadensis canadensis</i>	33	725		
<i>Aedes cantator</i>	17	95		
<i>Aedes grossbecki</i>	1	1		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	201	1373	1	0.728
<i>Aedes sollicitans</i>	1	10		
<i>Aedes sticticus</i>	3	5		
<i>Aedes taeniorhynchus</i>	3	7		
<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	36	110		
<i>Aedes trivittatus</i>	6	58		
<i>Aedes vexans</i>	28	447		
<i>Anopheles bradleyi</i>	4	13		
<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	15	118		
<i>Anopheles quadrimaculatus</i>	24	265		
<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	9	163		
<i>Culex erraticus</i>	14	416		
<i>Culex pipiens</i>	310	9996	9	0.900
<i>Culex restuans</i>	255	3312	9	2.717
<i>Culex salinarius</i>	11	176		
<i>Culex spp.</i>	1641	71367	95	1.331
<i>Culex territans</i>	3	4		
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	238	6079		
<i>Psorophora ciliata</i>	1	1		
<i>Psorophora columbiae</i>	11	141		
<i>Psorophora ferox</i>	18	296		
<i>Psorophora howardii</i>	1	10		
State Total	3117	97136	119	1.225

Remarks: To date, 3117 pools of 97136 mosquitoes from 27 species have been tested, with 119 positive pools detected. First positive was detected in a pool collected on 26 June in Middlesex County. Most positive pools are from ornithophilic *Culex* or *Culiseta*. The potential bridge vector, *Aedes japonicus*, a very efficient vector of WNV, has been detected with the virus. *Ae. japonicus* shows up positive nearly every year in New Jersey.

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

Last year the first horse was detected in mid July. No horse or other livestock have been reported positive in 2013 to date.

Bird testing began in mid-April. Five positive birds have been reported, all corvids. To date, 70 birds have been tested. Testing includes: American Crow (*Corvus brachyrhynchos* 0/3), Fish Crow (*C. ossifragus* 1/11), unidentified Crow (*Corvus* spp. 1/2), Blue Jay (*Cyanocitta cristata* 2/6), Hawk/Raptor (0/9) and other avian species (1/40). Counties submitting birds are Bergen, Burlington, Cape May, Cumberland, Essex, Gloucester, Hunterdon, Mercer, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Salem, Sussex, Union and Warren.

2013 Positive Mosquito pools to date / Total Mosquito Pools Submitted	This time last year
114 / 3117 (0.036)	476 / 4052 (0.117)
2013 Positive Birds to date / Total Birds Submitted	This time last year
5 / 70 (0.071)	38 / 126 (0.302)

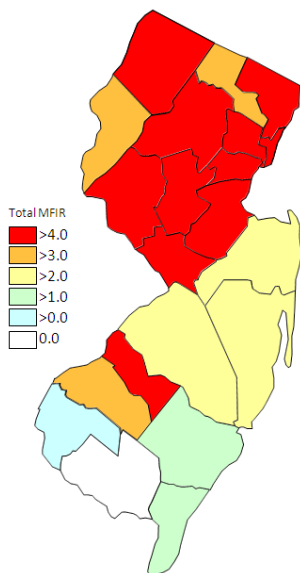
WNV Results by County through 3 August 2013

County	Species	Pools	Mosquitoes	Positives	MFIR
Atlantic		81	1591		
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	6	74		
	<i>Aedes canadensis canadensis</i>	3	73		
	<i>Aedes cantator</i>	3	36		
	<i>Aedes grossbecki</i>	1	1		
	<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	4	13		
	<i>Aedes sticticus</i>	2	3		
	<i>Aedes taeniorhynchus</i>	2	6		
	<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	2	8		
	<i>Aedes vexans</i>	6	154		
	<i>Anopheles bradleyi</i>	2	5		
	<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	1	11		
	<i>Anopheles quadrimaculatus</i>	2	6		
	<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	3	25		
	<i>Culex</i> spp.	25	904		
	<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	13	137		
	<i>Psorophora ciliata</i>	1	1		
	<i>Psorophora columbiae</i>	1	1		
	<i>Psorophora ferox</i>	3	123		
	<i>Psorophora howardii</i>	1	10		
Bergen		90	5857	18	3.073
	<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	3	32		
	<i>Culex</i> spp.	87	5825	18	3.090
Burlington		125	5330	5	0.938
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	1	27		
	<i>Aedes atlanticus</i>	1	44		
	<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	4	42		
	<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	1	71		
	<i>Culex pipiens</i>	2	15		
	<i>Culex restuans</i>	1	1		
	<i>Culex salinarius</i>	1	51		
	<i>Culex</i> spp.	52	2204	5	2.269
	<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	62	2875		
Camden		142	5177	10	1.932
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	15	80		
	<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	13	55		
	<i>Culex</i> spp.	88	3943	10	2.536
	<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	26	1099		
Cape May		564	4966	5	1.007
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	23	45		

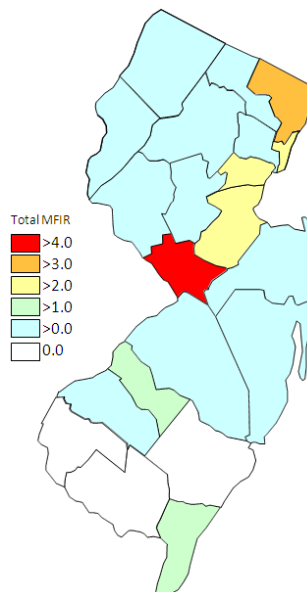
<i>Aedes atropalpus</i>	2	2		
<i>Aedes canadensis canadensis</i>	1	1		
<i>Aedes cantator</i>	6	6		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	46	93		
<i>Aedes sollicitans</i>	1	10		
<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	6	6		
<i>Aedes vexans</i>	1	1		
<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	1	1		
<i>Anopheles quadrimaculatus</i>	13	232		
<i>Culex erraticus</i>	12	409		
<i>Culex pipiens</i>	148	1509	4	2.651
<i>Culex restuans</i>	220	2023		
<i>Culex salinarius</i>	6	107		
<i>Culex spp.</i>	39	138		
<i>Culex territans</i>	3	4		
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	36	379	1	2.639
Essex	95	1612	1	0.620
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	33	114		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	25	258		
<i>Culex spp.</i>	37	1240	1	0.806
Gloucester	223	6941	9	0.934
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	13	452		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	12	173		
<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	1	30		
<i>Aedes vexans</i>	2	87		
<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	3	81		
<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	1	29		
<i>Culex pipiens</i>	145	8119	9	1.109
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	43	582		
<i>Psorophora ferox</i>	3	88		
Hudson	83	3696	11	2.976
<i>Culex spp.</i>	83	3696	11	2.976
Hunterdon	160	7502	1	0.133
<i>Culex spp.</i>	160	7502	1	0.133
Mercer	100	2606	11	4.221
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	25	251		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	8	43	1	23.256
<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	2	4		
<i>Aedes vexans</i>	4	111		
<i>Culex pipiens</i>	17	411		
<i>Culex restuans</i>	31	1285	9	7.004
<i>Culex salinarius</i>	1	5		
<i>Culex spp.</i>	12	496	1	2.016
Middlesex	133	5341	11	2.060
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	7	104		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	4	20		
<i>Culex spp.</i>	122	5217	11	2.108
Monmouth	177	2073	1	0.482

	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	24	129		
	<i>Aedes atlanticus</i>	2	3		
	<i>Aedes canadensis canadensis</i>	15	245		
	<i>Aedes cantator</i>	6	20		
	<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	19	76		
	<i>Aedes taeniorhynchus</i>	1	1		
	<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	11	34		
	<i>Aedes trivittatus</i>	5	8		
	<i>Aedes vexans</i>	5	14		
	<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	5	16		
	<i>Anopheles quadrimaculatus</i>	1	1		
	<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	1	5		
	<i>Culex erraticus</i>	1	6		
	<i>Culex restuans</i>	2	2		
	<i>Culex</i> spp.	52	1101	1	0.908
	<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	18	300		
	<i>Psorophora columbiae</i>	3	68		
	<i>Psorophora ferox</i>	6	44		
Morris		191	8533	4	0.469
	<i>Culex</i> spp.	191	8533	4	0.469
Ocean		167	2299	2	0.870
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	42	361		
	<i>Aedes canadensis canadensis</i>	13	393		
	<i>Aedes cantator</i>	2	33		
	<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	20	69		
	<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	1	2		
	<i>Aedes vexans</i>	7	14		
	<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	2	3		
	<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	1	2		
	<i>Culex salinarius</i>	3	13		
	<i>Culex</i> spp.	60	1376	2	1.453
	<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	16	33		
Passaic		111	3960	3	0.758
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	9	37		
	<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	10	133		
	<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	5	9		
	<i>Aedes trivittatus</i>	1	50		
	<i>Aedes vexans</i>	1	50		
	<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	1	1		
	<i>Culex</i> spp.	82	3678	3	0.816
	<i>Psorophora ferox</i>	2	2		
Salem		114	1632		
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	14	71		
	<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	12	61		
	<i>Aedes sticticus</i>	1	2		
	<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	8	17		
	<i>Anopheles bradleyi</i>	2	8		
	<i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>	2	5		
	<i>Anopheles quadrimaculatus</i>	8	26		
	<i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>	2	31		
	<i>Culex erraticus</i>	1	1		
	<i>Culex pipiens</i>	2	2		

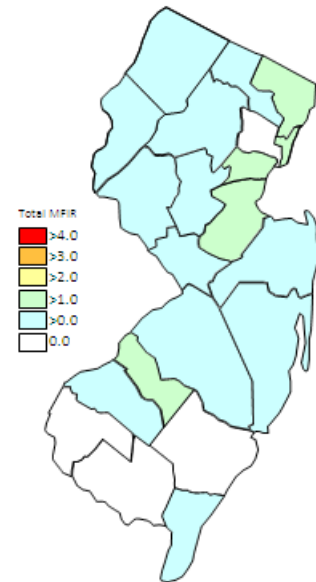
<i>Culex restuans</i>	1	1		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	26	648		
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	24	648		
<i>Psorophora columbiae</i>	7	72		
<i>Psorophora ferox</i>	4	39		
Somerset	153	4353	3	0.689
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	7	51		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	15	147		
<i>Aedes vexans</i>	2	16		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	129	4139	3	0.725
Sussex	135	5983	2	0.334
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	3	90		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	131	5863	2	0.341
<i>Culiseta melanura</i>	1	30		
Union	111	6413	18	2.807
<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	4	39		
<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	3	68		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	104	6306	18	2.854
Warren	162	8571	4	0.467
<i>Aedes canadensis canadensis</i>	1	13		
<i>Culex</i> spp.	161	8558	4	0.467
Grand Total	3117	97136	119	1.225



Cumulative WNV activity in 2012.



WNV activity to 3 August 2013.



WNV activity last week, 2013.

Saint Louis Encephalitis (SLE) to 3 August 2013.

New Jersey will be selectively testing for SLE this year. 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.

No pools have been detected positive for SLE in 2013.

County	Species	Pools	Mosquitoes	Positives	MFIR
Burlington		17	630		
	<i>Aedes albopictus</i>	1	27		
	<i>Aedes japonicus</i>	1	8		
	<i>Culex pipiens</i>	15	595		
Cape May		82	782		
	<i>Culex pipiens</i>	82	782		
Grand Total		99	1412		

La Crosse Encephalitis (LAC) through 3 August 2013.

New Jersey will be selectively testing for La Crosse (LAC) virus this year. 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).

No pools have been detected positive for LAC in 2013.

County	Species	Pools	Mosquitoes	Positives	MFIR
Cape May		2	2		
	<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	2	2		
Salem		6	15		
	<i>Aedes triseriatus</i>	6	15		
Grand Total		8	17		