

### West Nile Virus National Surveillance Report

**English Edition** 

September 18, 2005 - September 24, 2005 (Week 38)

#### Canada

#### Human:

During week 38, 16 West Nile virus (WNV) clinical cases [ New Brunswick (1), Quebec(1), Ontario (7), Manitoba (4), and Saskatchewan (3)] were reported in Canada . As of 24 September 2005, 203 WNV clinical cases and 10 asymptomatic infections have been reported to the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC). Of the 203 clinical cases, 42 (21%) were reported as West Nile Neurological Syndrome, 149 (73%) were reported as West Nile Non-Neurological Syndrome, and 12 (6%) were Unclassified/Unspecified. To date, there have been nine deaths [Saskatchewan (1), Manitoba (1), Ontario (6) and Quebec (1)] in patients with WNV infection.

#### Bird:

During week 38, 63 dead birds were tested and 9 (14%) were reported positive for WNV (see bird table). A total of 3897 dead birds have been tested since 2 May 2005, of which 443 (11%) were positive for WNV. Of the 443 positive birds, 328 (74%) were identified as American Crows, 115 (26%) were Blue

#### **Domestic Animal:**

As of week 38, 16 horses positive for WNV were reported in Ontario (2), Manitoba (3), Saskatchewan (10) and Alberta(1).

#### Mosquito:

As of week 38, 693 mosquito pools positive for WNV were reported in Alberta (1), Saskatchewan (110), Manitoba (193), Ontario (290) and Quebec (99). National West Nile virus surveillance data and maps can be found on the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) web site at: http://www.phacaspc.gc.ca/wnv-vwn/index.html

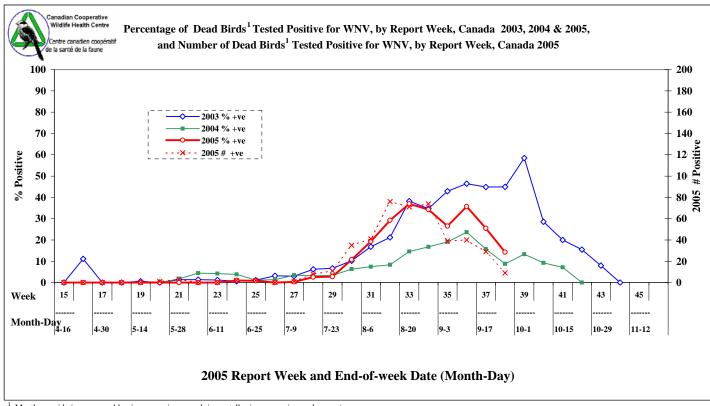
Provinces/Territories: Detailed WNV information can be accessed through the Links section on the PHAC WNV web site.

#### **United States**

#### Human:

Between January 1 and September 27, 2005, a total of 1804 WNV cases were reported to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in the U.S. Of the 1804 cases, 696 (39%) were reported as WN Neuroinvasive Disease, 993 (55%) were reported as WN Fever (Non-Neuroinvasive Disease), and 115 (6%) were Unspecified. To date, 52 deaths have been reported.

States: Detailed State information can be accessed through the CDC web site: http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvbid/westnile/surv&control.htm



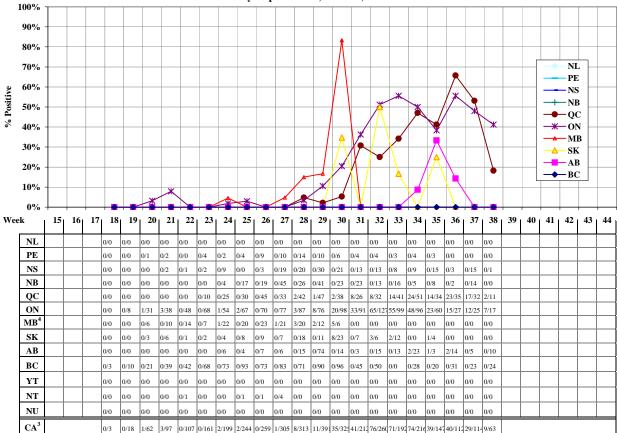
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### Dead Bird<sup>1</sup> WNV Test Results for Current Report Week and Year-to-Date, by Province/Territory, Canada, 2005

	Septemb	er 18, 2005 - Septem	ber 24, 2005 (V	Year-to-Date: September 24, 2005 (Week 38)					
Provinces /		No.	positive tests	3		No. positive tests			
Territories	No. tests	Presumptive 2	Confirmed	Total	No. tests	Presumptive 2	Confirmed	Total	
NL	0	0	0	0	54	0	0	0	
PE	0	0	0	0	80	0	0	0	
NS	1	0	0	0	184	0	0	0	
NB	0	0	0	0	256	0	0	0	
QC	11	0	2	2	532	0	115	115	
ON	17	0	7	7	1264	0	296	296	
MB	0	0	0	0	161	0	12	12	
SK	0	0	0	0	121	0	14	14	
AB	10	0	0	0	212	0	6	6	
ВС	24	0	0	0	1026	0	0	0	
YT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
NT	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	
NU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Canada	63	0	9	9	3897	0	443	443	

Abbreviations: Newfoundland & Labrador (NL), Prince Edward Island (PE), New Brunswick (NB), Nova Scotia (NS), Quebec (QC), Ontario (ON), Manitoba (MB), Saskatchewan (SK), Alberta (AB), British Columbia (BC), Yukon Territory (YT), Northwest Territories (NT), Nunavut (NU)

# Percentage of Dead Birds <sup>1</sup> Tested Positive for WNV, by Province/Territory, by Report Week, Canada, 2005



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Corvid surveillance in northern areas of Manitoba was discontinued effective September 16th.

 $<sup>^{2}\,</sup>$  Requires additional testing before it can be considered a confirmed result

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Canada weekly proportion positive

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Once a positive corvid was identified in a Regional Health Authority (RHA), collection and testing of corvids ceased in that area.

# WNV Human Clinical Cases and Asymptomatic Infections Reported for Current Report Week and Year-to-Date, by Province/Territory, Canada, 2005

Report Week: September 18, 2005 - September 24, 2005 (Week 38)										
West Nile Virus Neurologica Provinces Syndrome		_	West Nile Virus Non- Neurological Syndrome		Unclassified /	Total Clinical	No. of travel		West Nile Virus Asymptomatic Infection	
Territories	Prob <sup>5</sup>	Conf	Prob 5	Conf	Unspecified	Cases <sup>6</sup>	related cases <sup>7</sup>	No. deaths	Prob <sup>5</sup>	Conf
NL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NB	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
QC	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
ON	0	3	0	4	0	7	1	1	0	1
MB	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	0
SK	0	0	1	0	2	3	0	0	0	0
AB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
YT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Canada	0	3	2	4	7	16	2	1	0	1
				Year-to-	-Date: Septer	mber 24, 200	5 (Week 38)	)	•	•
Provinces	West Nile Virus Neurological Provinces Syndrome		West Nile Virus Non- Neurological Syndrome		Unclassified / Total Clinical		No. of travel		West Nile Virus Asymptomatic Infection	
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NL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NS	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
NB	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
QC	0	2	0	0	2	4	0	1	2	0
ON	1	20	2	54	0	77	3	6	0	5
MB	1	9	3	33	5	51	4	1	0	3
SK	3	3	47	1	5	59	0	1	0	0
AB	1	1	3	5	0	10	4	0	0	0
BC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
YT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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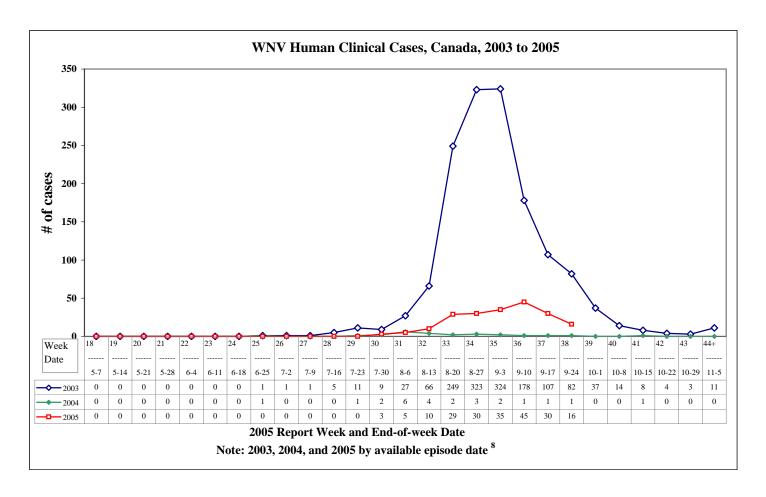
Abbreviations: Probable (Prob); Confirmed (Conf); Newfoundland & Labrador (NL), Prince Edward Island (PE), New Brunswick (NB), Nova Scotia (NS), Quebec (QC), Ontario (ON), Manitoba (MB), Saskatchewan (SK), Alberta (AB), British Columbia (BC), Yukon Territory (YT), Northwest Territories (NT), Nunavut (NU)

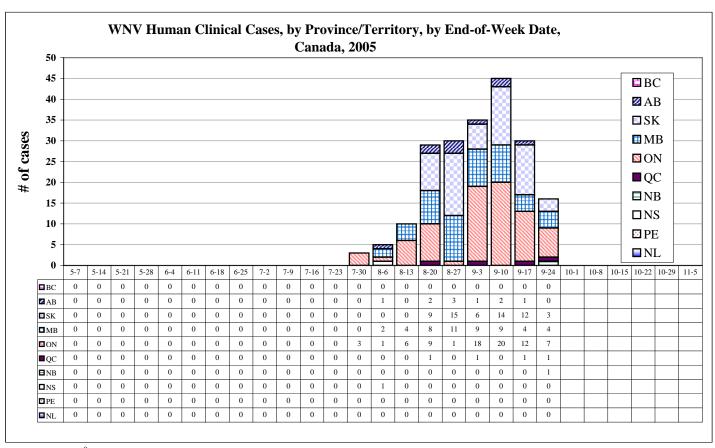
Details on human case definitions can be seen on the PHAC West Nile virus surveillance web site: http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/wnv-vwn/hmncasedef\_e.html

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Requires additional testing before it can be considered a confirmed result

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Total clinical cases is the sum of WNNS + WN Non-NS + Unclassified / Unspecified

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Likely related to travel outside the province / territory





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Episode date could include one of the following: onset date, diagnosis date, lab sample date, reporting date