

Test Results– July 10, 2009 Report

For the week ending July 9, 2009

New In This Update

The season's first West Nile virus (WNV) positive mosquito pools have been identified in New Jersey. See "Mosquito Testing" below for more information.

Human Testing

The New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) Public Health and Environmental Laboratories tests blood and other clinical samples from people suspected of having WNV infection.

- To date, there are no human cases of WNV reported.

Avian Testing

To date, 28 birds have been accepted for testing by the DHSS Public Health and Environmental Laboratories.

- Of those tested, no birds have been confirmed positive for WNV.

Mosquito Testing

To date, 2,206 mosquito pools have been tested by the DHSS Public Health and Environmental Laboratories and the Cape May Department of Mosquito Control Biosafety Level 3 Laboratory.

- WNV was detected in mosquito pools in the following counties: Bergen (1), Mercer (1).

Horse Testing

Equine testing is conducted at the New Jersey Department of Agriculture's animal health laboratory. Positive results are sent to the National Veterinary Services Lab in Ames, Iowa for confirmation.

- To date, there are no equine cases of WNV reported.

For more information on equine testing, visit the Department of Agriculture website at www.state.nj.us/agriculture.