

Weekly West Nile virus Update 7/29/16

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OCMVCD has confirmed 60 mosquito samples to be positive for WNV in the county. Costa Mesa, Dana Point, Huntington Beach, and Santa Ana confirmed for WNV activity.



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The Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District (OCMVCD) confirmed West Nile virus (WNV) activity for the first time this year in the following cities:

- **Costa Mesa**
- **Dana Point**
- **Huntington Beach**
- **Santa Ana**

Year to date, OCMVCD has tested 2,375 mosquito samples and found **60 samples to be positive for WNV**. Last year at this time, the District tested 2,204 mosquito samples and found 40 to be WNV positive.

West Nile virus is transmitted to people and animals through the bite of an infected mosquito. Mosquitoes acquire WNV when they feed on infected birds, and then pass the virus along when they bite humans. In areas where West Nile virus has been detected, OCMVCD staff are deployed to canvass the area to look for mosquito breeding sources, expand public education, and work with city officials to correct infrastructure issues.

Positive Mosquito Samples in 2016

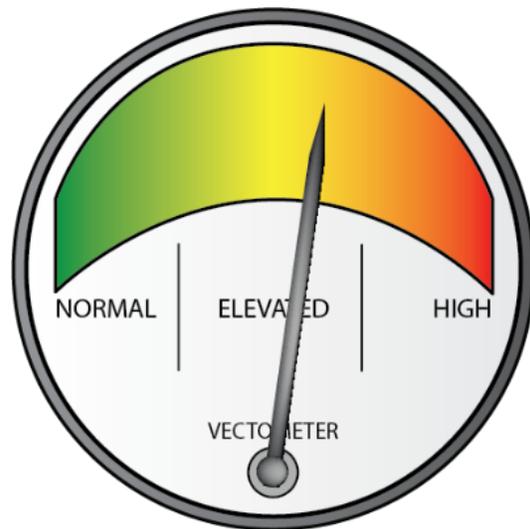
City	Date of 1st Detection	No. of WNV+
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Anaheim	6/13	6
Costa Mesa	7/21	1
Dana Point	7/21	1
Garden Grove	7/13	1
Huntington Beach	7/26	1
Irvine	6/15	3
La Habra	5/13	27
La Palma	6/7	7
Mission Viejo	7/13	1
Orange	6/14	3
Santa Ana	7/20	3
Seal Beach	5/13	1
Stanton	6/28	1
Tustin	7/19	1
Yorba Linda	7/12	1

WNV positive Dead Birds were collected in Anaheim (1), Coto De Caza (1), Cypress (1) Fullerton (1), Garden Grove (1), Huntington Beach (3), Irvine (2), Laguna Woods (1), Mission Viejo (1), Orange (4), Laguna Ranch (2), Laguna Woods (2), and Yorba Linda (1).

The Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District makes the following recommendations to help reduce the threat of mosquitoes and West Nile virus in Orange County:

- Eliminate any standing water around your home or office
- Make sure all window and door screens on your house are in good repair
- Wear a repellent containing DEET®, Picaridin, Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus, or IR 3535
- Contact the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District to report dead birds or neglected pools



With increasingly warm average daily temperatures, above average mosquito populations, above average West Nile virus positive mosquito samples and dead birds, and a human infection in a neighboring county, the current risk of WNV transmission has been assessed as elevated.

Current WNV activity map

In the News

KCAL 9 (7/26)

West Nile virus found in Santa Ana

CBS 2 (7/26)

West Nile virus found in Santa Ana

PATCH (7/27)

[Dana Point Mosquitoes Test Positive for](#)

[West Nile virus](#)

PATCH (7/27)

[More Orange Co. Mosquitoes Test](#)

[Positive for West Nile virus](#)

LA Times (7/28)

[Mosquito with West Nile virus found in](#)

[Costa Mesa adds to county's upward](#)

[trend](#)

Upcoming Outreach Booth Events

July 30: La Palma

[La Palma Civic Expo](#)

July 31: Irvine

[Irvine Summer Concert Series](#)

August 2: Tustin

[National Night Out](#)

August 2: La Habra

[National Night Out](#)

August 5, 6, 7: La Habra

[Annual Corn Festival](#)

August 19, 20, 21: Anaheim

[Home and Garden Show](#)

August 28: La Habra

[Turtle and Tortoise Show](#)

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