



Emerging and Reemerging Infectious Diseases, Region of the Americas

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West Nile Virus (WNV)

1. *Situation in the USA*

As of 17 July 2003, there are 5 human confirmed cases of West Nile Virus infection in the USA: Alabama (1), South Carolina (1) and Texas (3). In addition, verified cases of avian, animal or mosquito infections reported as of 16 July 2003 include 32 states: Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Nebraska, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

A map of verified avian, animal or mosquito infection during 2003 is available on the [CDC website](#).

2. *In Mexico*, as a result of the presence of WNV circulation in the country, the Secretary of Agriculture, Rural Development, Fishing, and Human Nutrition recognizes the need to active the emergency sanitation system in order to prevent and control the transmission of West Nile Virus.

YF Cases by Epidemiological Weeks America Region, 2002 - 2003

