



Division of Community and Public Health

**Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services
2020 Dead Bird Reporting
Week 53
Ending January 2, 2021**

Birds die from many different infectious diseases or exposure to toxins. The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) does not tests dead birds for the presence of West Nile virus (WNV). The agency does, however, receive reports of WNV-infected birds from other state and federal agencies that manage wildlife or domestic poultry. Identifying infections in wild and/or captive birds can be effective for determining that WNV is active in a region.

Dead birds need not be collected and tested in order to be useful in WNV surveillance programs, however. Simply collecting information about the temporal and spatial patterns of bird deaths in an area has provided information about WNV activity. DHSS' Internet Dead Bird Reporting Form is being used to track reports of dead birds because they may be an early sign of WNV activity in an area. Users of these data are cautioned that reports from the public are not authenticated or confirmed and are subject to inaccuracy. For more information on reporting and disposing of dead birds, go to <https://webapp03.dhss.mo.gov/DeadBird/Index.aspx>

SUMMARY OF REPORTS THROUGH JANUARY 2, 2021	
COUNTY	NUMBER OF BIRD REPORTS PER COUNTY/CITY
TOTAL	0

Birds Tested and Found Infected with West Nile Virus or other Arboviruses

Avian Cases Listing Endemic Arboviruses through January 2, 2020					
Year	State ID#	County Name	Collected Date	Species	Arbovirus
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Dead or Dying Birds Reported through the DHSS Dead Bird Report Form

REPORT DETAILS THROUGH JANUARY 2, 2021			
BIRD SPECIMEN TYPE	COUNTY	ZIP CODE	DATE FOUND

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