





- **West Nile Virus**
- **Zika & other *Aedes*-borne Diseases**
- **Lyme Disease**
- **Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever**
- **Hantavirus**
- **Tularemia**
- **Plague**
- **Murine typhus**

# West Nile Virus: Keep it on your radar!

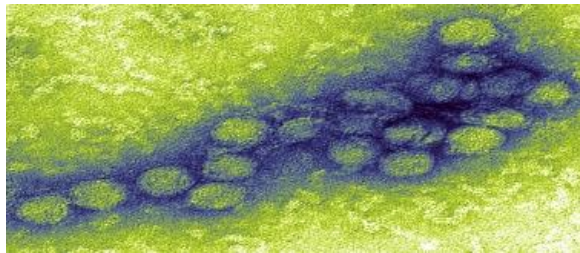


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# WEST NILE VIRUS



West Nile virus (WNV) is a single-stranded RNA virus of the family Flaviviridae, genus Flavivirus.

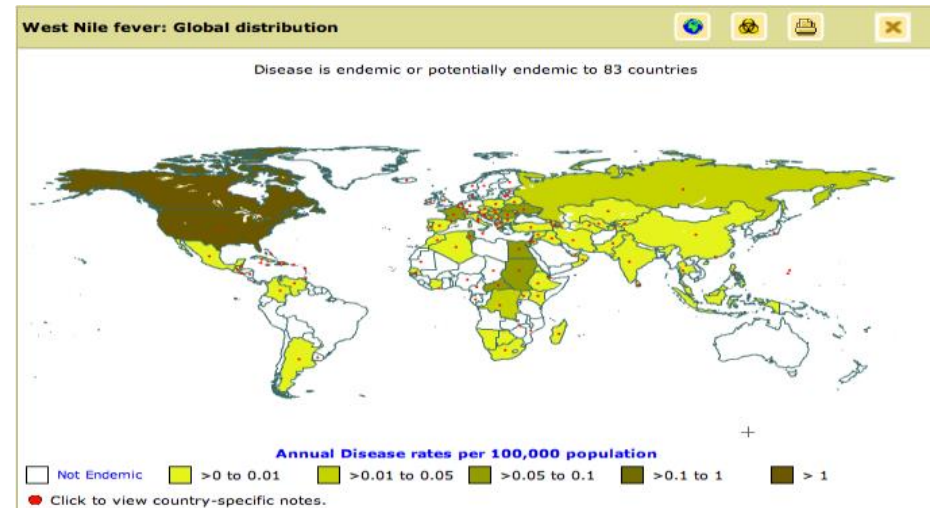


WNV belongs to the Japanese encephalitis antigenic complex.

WNV is closely related to:

- Yellow fever
- Dengue
- Japanese encephalitis
- St. Louis encephalitis

WNV is widely distributed in Africa, West Asia, & Middle East.



WNV was first detected in Western Hemisphere in 1999 during an outbreak of encephalitis in NYC and has since spread across U.S.





**Most often, WNV is spread by bite of an infected mosquito.**

- **Mosquitoes become infected when they feed on infected birds (*reservoir for WNV*).**
- **Infected mosquitoes can then spread the virus to humans and other animals when they bite.**

**WNV has been spread through:**

- **Blood transfusions**
- **Organ transplants**
- **Breastfeeding**
- **During pregnancy from mother to baby**

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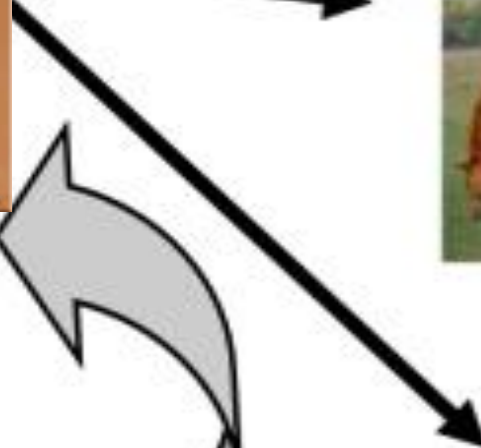


Photo credit: CDC



- **People may develop symptoms 2 to 14 days after they are bitten by infected mosquitoes.**
- **Longer incubation periods have been documented in immunocompromised persons.**
- **WNV is not communicable from person to person, with rare exceptions:**
  - **Blood transfusions**
  - **Organ transplants**
  - **Breastfeeding**
  - **Perinatal transmission**

# WEST NILE VIRUS



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Approximately **80%** of those infected with WNV are asymptomatic.

Up to **20%** of those infected with virus may develop West Nile fever (WNF).

Clinical features of WNF may include:

- Fever, headache, fatigue
- Skin rash on trunk of the body
- Swollen lymph glands
- Eye pain





**Of those infected with WNV, 1 in 150 or  $<1\%$  may develop severe illness called WN neuroinvasive disease (WNND) because it affects a person's nervous system.**

**Specific types of WNND may include:**

- **Encephalitis**
- **Aseptic meningitis**
- **Acute flaccid paralysis (AFP)**
- **Atypical Guillain-Barré Syndrome (GBS)**
- **Transverse myelitis**

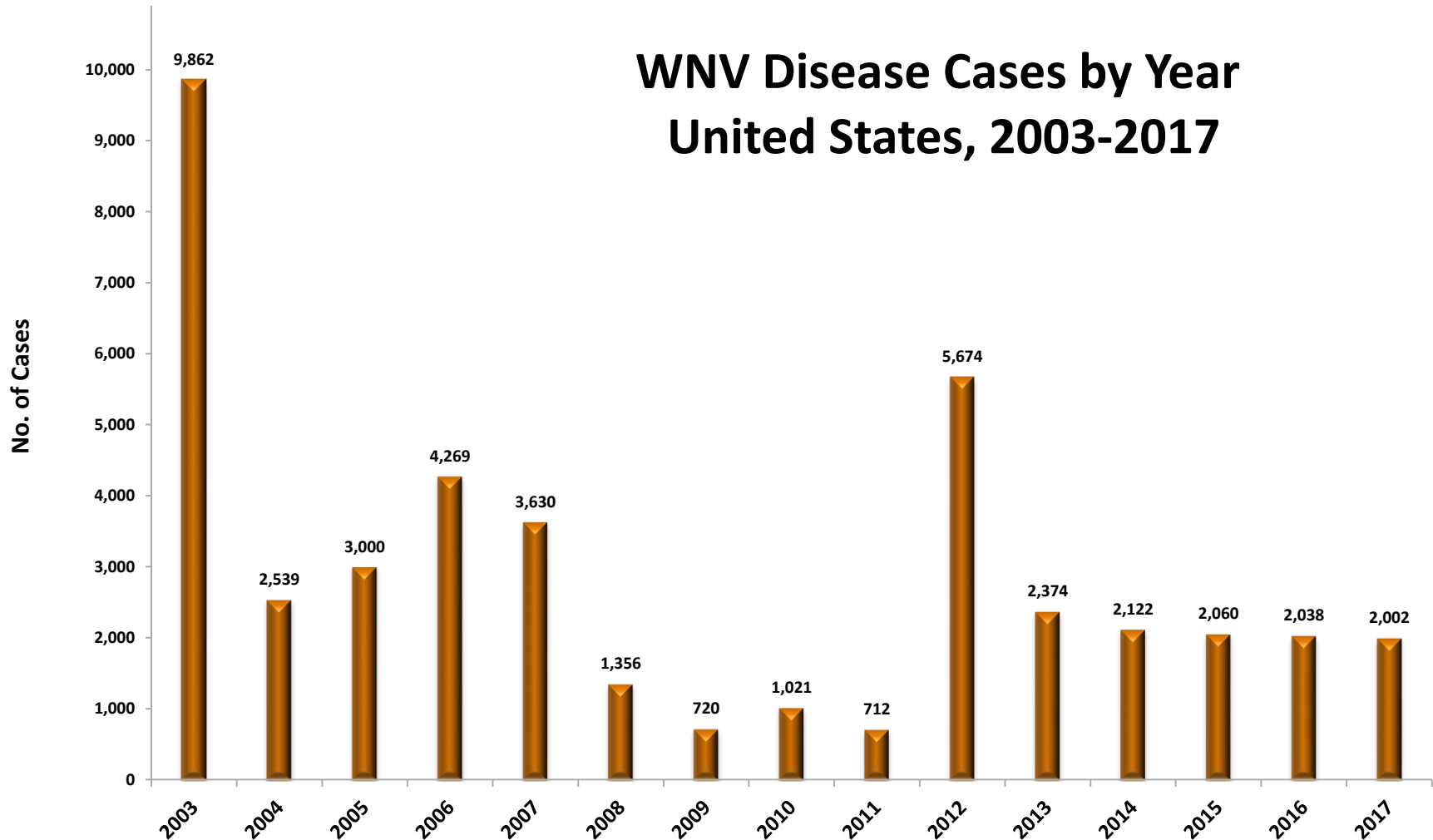


## Clinical features of WNND may include:

- **Fever, gastrointestinal symptoms, ataxia**  
*(failure of muscular coordination; irregularity of muscular action)*
- **Extrapyramidal signs** *(e.g., extreme restlessness, involuntary movements, and uncontrollable speech)*
- **Optic neuritis** *(inflammation of the optic nerve)*
- **Seizure, altered mental status**
- **Weakness, flaccid paralysis**  
*(weakness or loss of muscle tone)*
- **Myelitis** *(inflammation of the spinal cord)*
- **Polyradiculitis** *(inflammation of the nerve roots)*
- **Maculopapular or morbilliform rash involving neck, trunk, arms, or legs**



## WNV Disease Cases by Year United States, 2003-2017





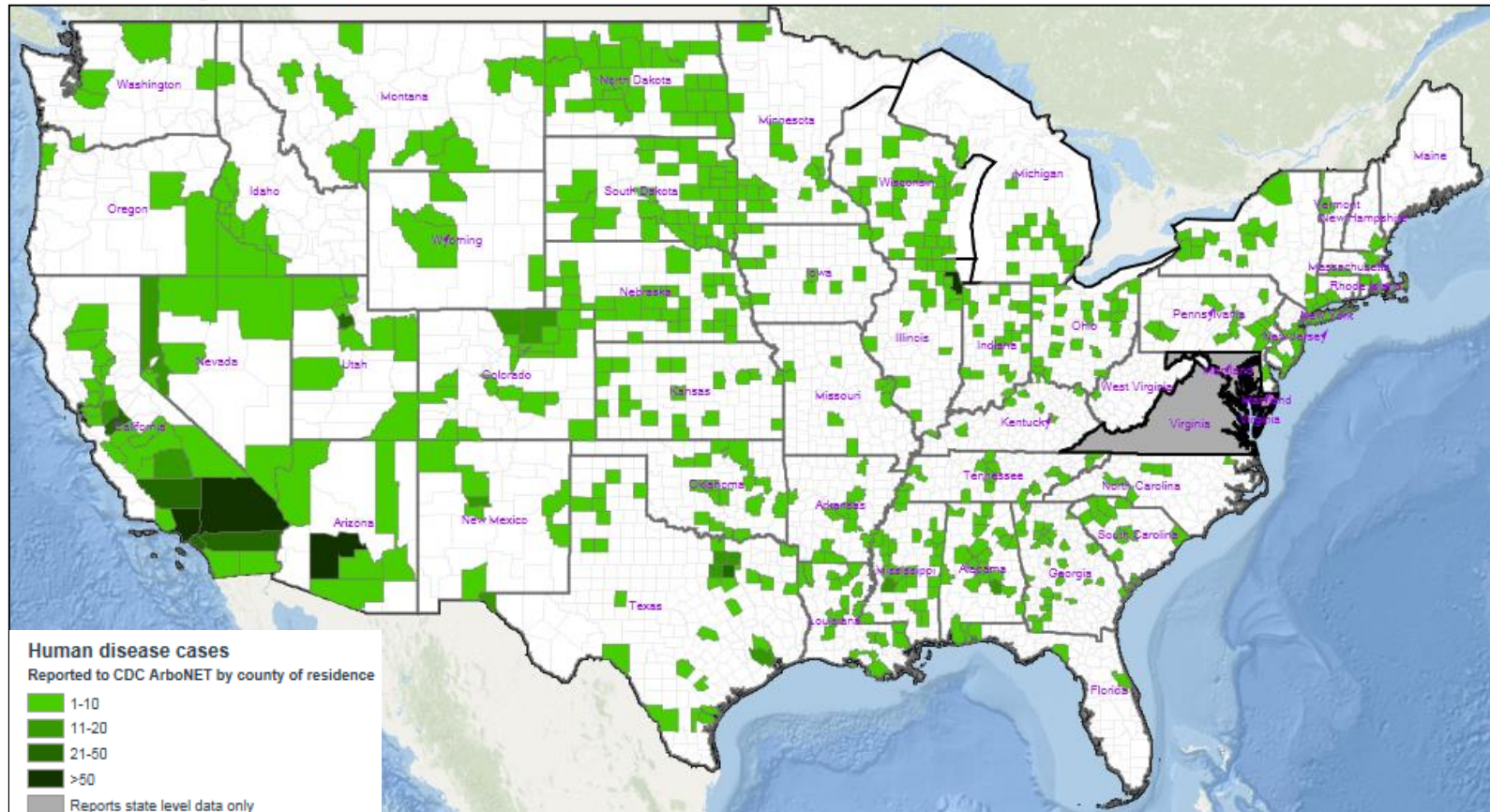
# WEST NILE VIRUS – US 2017



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Overall, **2,002** cases of WNV disease in people were reported to CDC.

**1,339 (67%)** were classified as WNND and **663 (33%)** were non-WNND.



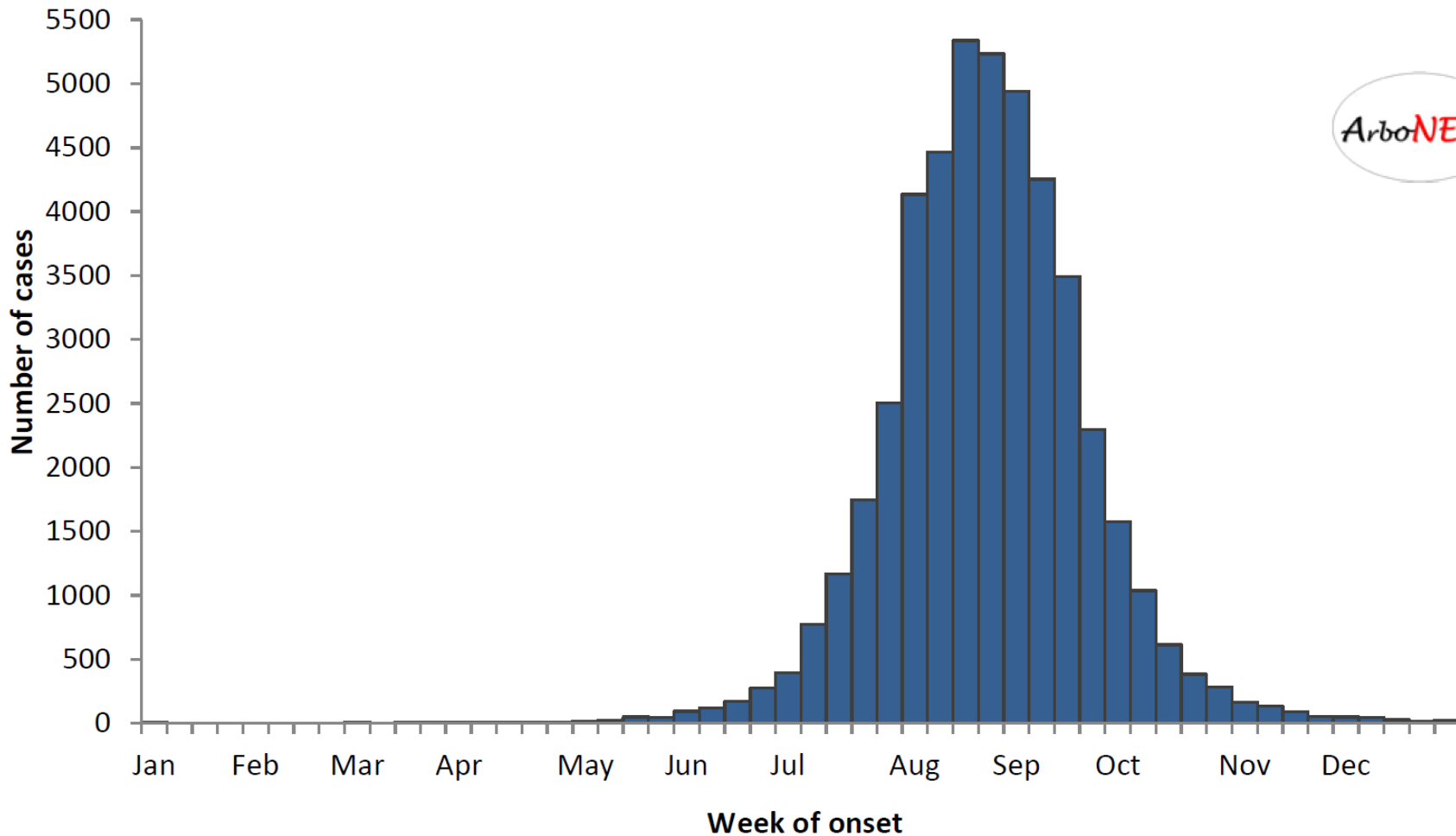


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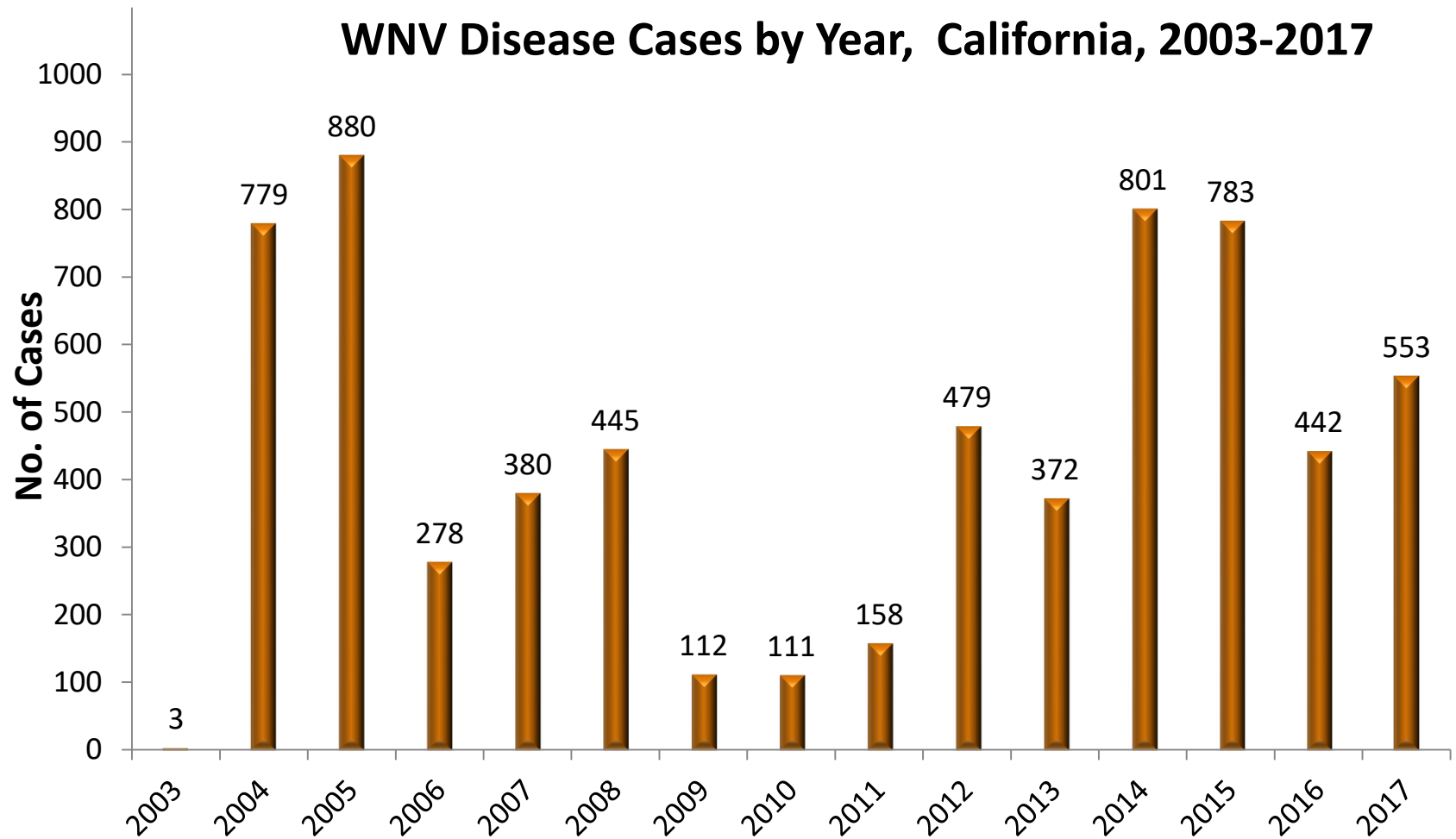


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## WNV disease cases reported to ArboNET, by week of onset – US, 1999-2016



# WEST NILE VIRUS- CA



# WEST NILE VIRUS – CA 2017

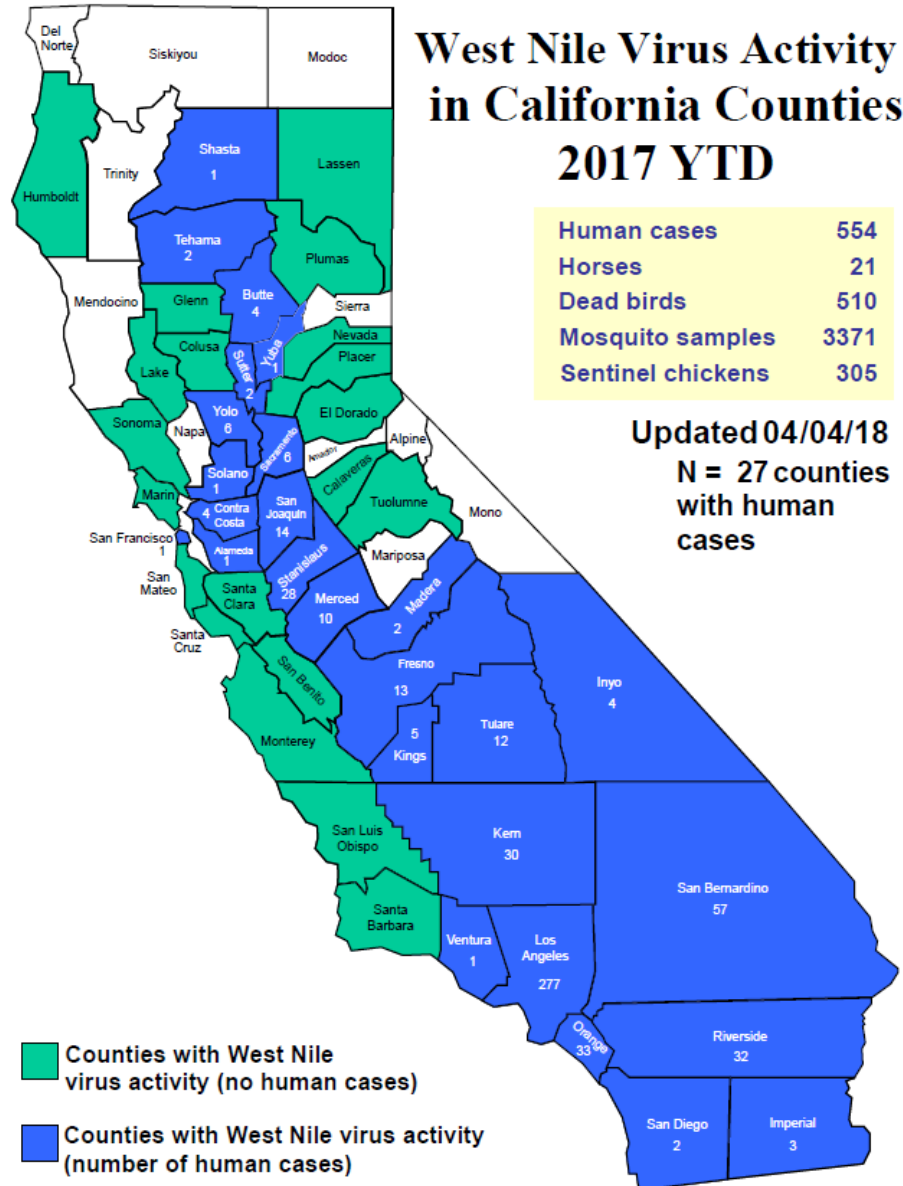


- 554 human cases from 27 counties have tested positive for WNV in 2017.
- 44 WNV-related fatalities were reported
- 2 confirmed WNV cases in San Diego, 0 deaths

## West Nile Virus Activity in California Counties 2017 YTD

|                   |      |
|-------------------|------|
| Human cases       | 554  |
| Horses            | 21   |
| Dead birds        | 510  |
| Mosquito samples  | 3371 |
| Sentinel chickens | 305  |

Updated 04/04/18  
N = 27 counties with human cases



Source: CDPH <http://www.westnile.ca.gov/>

# WEST NILE VIRUS – CA 2018



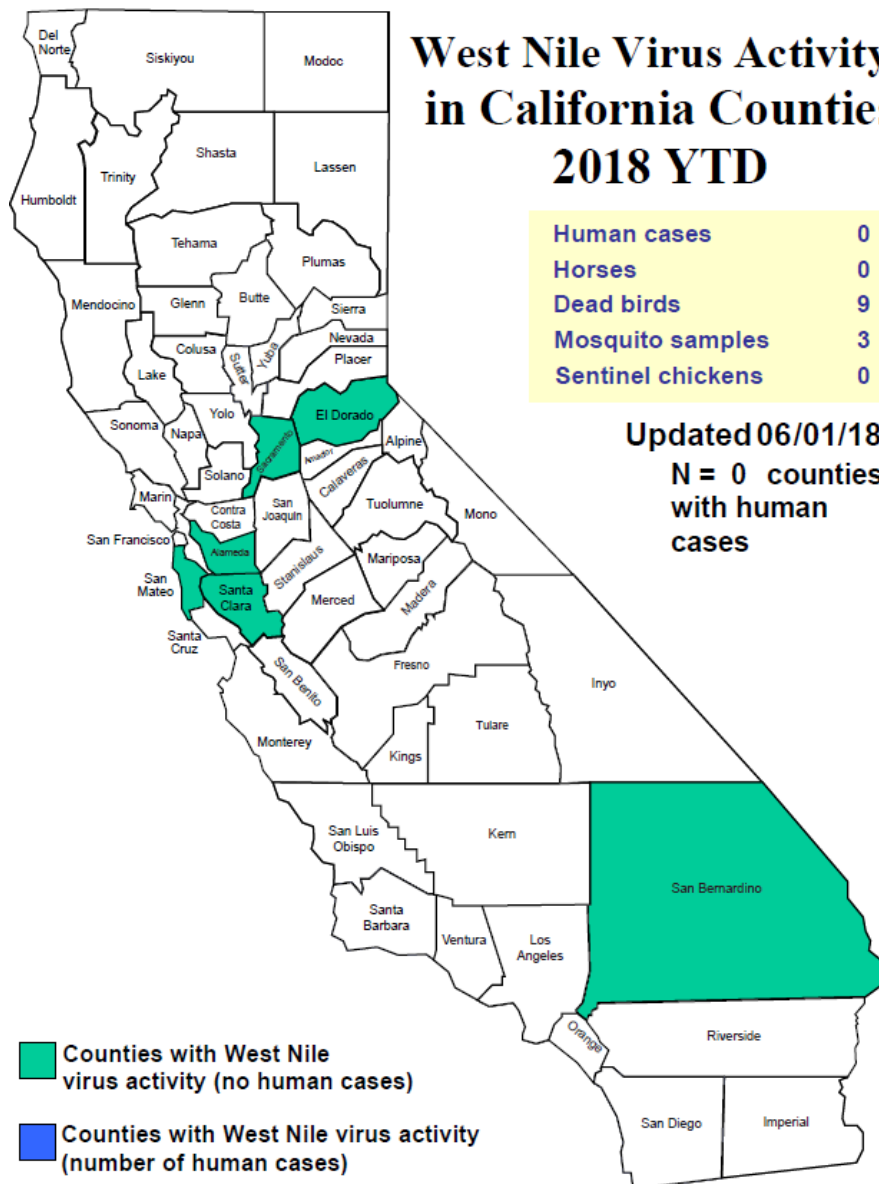
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- 0 human cases from 0 counties have tested positive for WNV in 2018.
- 0 WNV-related fatalities have been reported
- 0 confirmed WNV cases in San Diego this year, 0 deaths, 0 cases pending

## West Nile Virus Activity in California Counties 2018 YTD

|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| Human cases       | 0 |
| Horses            | 0 |
| Dead birds        | 9 |
| Mosquito samples  | 3 |
| Sentinel chickens | 0 |

Updated 06/01/18  
N = 0 counties with human cases



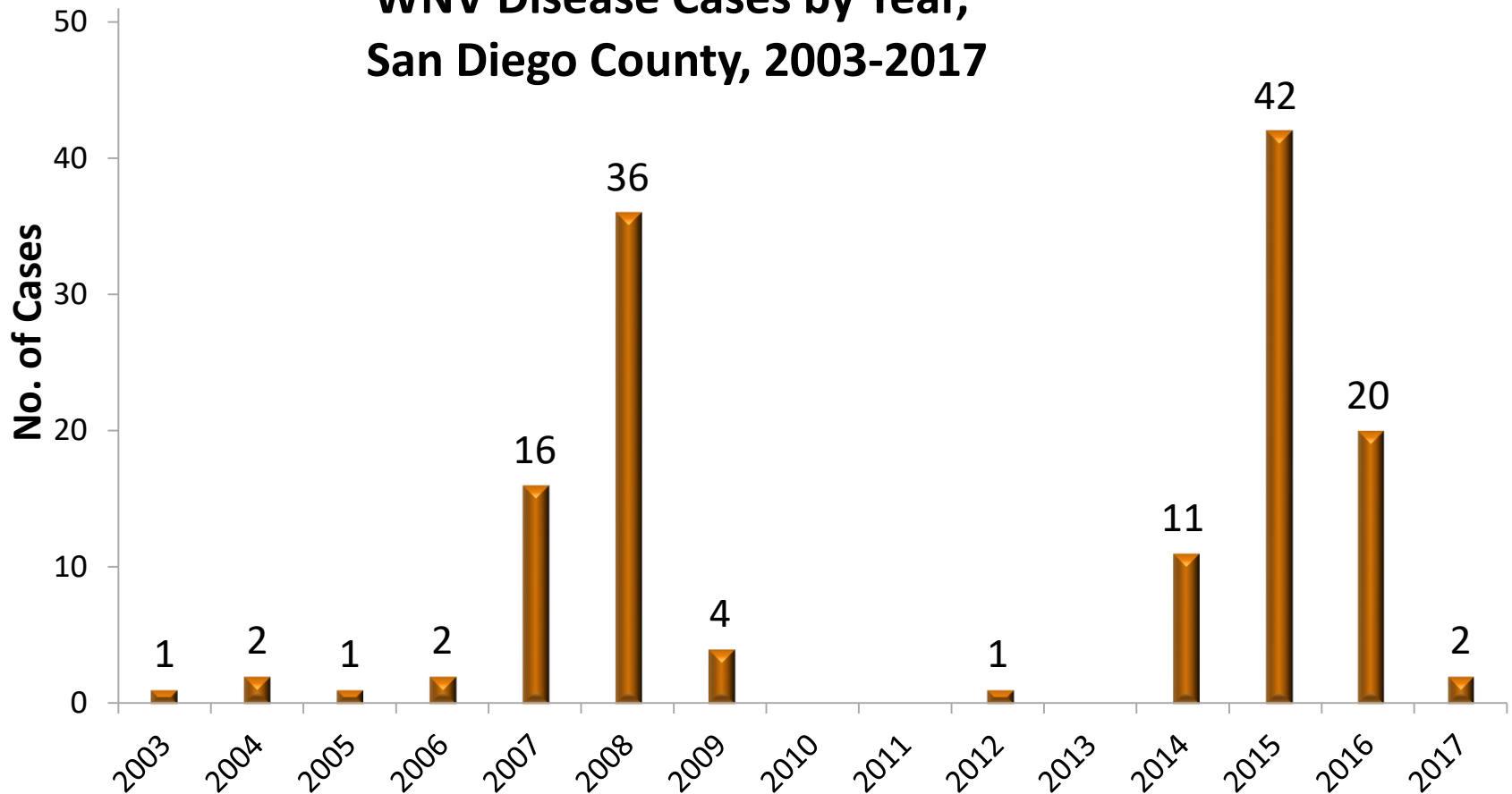
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# WEST NILE VIRUS- SAN DIEGO



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## WNV Disease Cases by Year, San Diego County, 2003-2017





- **Most efficient diagnostic method is detection of antibodies to WNV in serum and/or CSF collected within 7 days of illness onset.**
- **Routine testing for WNV includes tests by enzyme immunoassay (EIA) and/or immunofluorescent assay (IFA).**
- **Serological testing for WNV is no longer available at SDCPHL.**
- **CDPH Viral and Rickettsial Disease Laboratory (VRDL) continues to accept serum and CSF samples for WNV testing.**



## WNV Testing capacities at VRDL include:

- IgM and IgG EIA testing
- IgM and IgG IFA testing
- Plaque Reduction Neutralization Test (PRNT)
- Reverse Transcriptase – Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR)

*\* Immunocompromised patients may not mount a demonstrable antibody response in sera. CSF from these patients may be sent to VRDL for virus detection by PCR.*

## Required specimens are:

- CSF: 1-2 cc (if lumbar puncture was performed)
- Acute Serum:  $\geq 2$  cc serum collected  $\leq 7$  days after onset <sup>†</sup>

<sup>†</sup> *If WNV infection is highly suspected and acute serum is negative or inconclusive, testing of a 2<sup>nd</sup> or convalescent serum collected 3-5 days after acute serum may be considered.*

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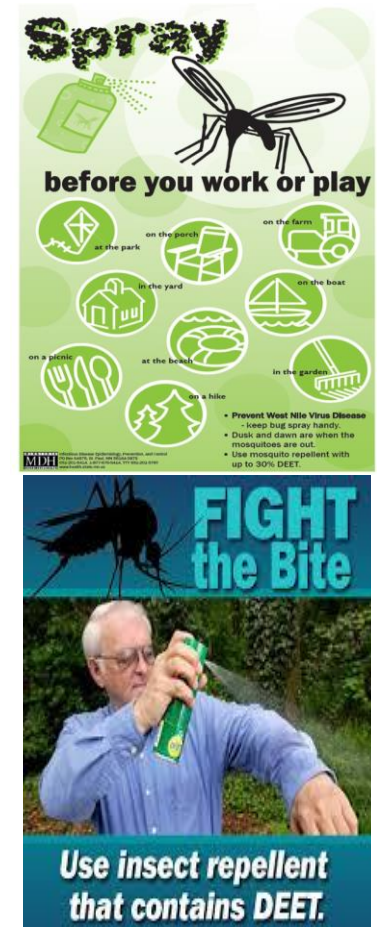
**There is currently no specific treatment for WNV infection.**

More information at: <http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvbid/westnile/clinicians/>

## Key prevention messages:

- Stay indoors at dawn and dusk
- Avoid mosquito bites; wear long sleeves, long pants, and socks when outdoors
- Use mosquito repellent\*
- Keep screens on windows and doors in good repair
- Identify and eliminate standing water sources that can be mosquito-breeding areas around the home

\* Information on repellents can be found at:  
<http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvbid/westnile/RepellentUpdates.htm>





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## County Set to Conduct First Larvicide Drop of 2018 Mosquito Season



By [Gig Conaughton](#), County of San Diego Communications Office

May 4, 2018 | 8:53 AM



## West Nile Virus in San Diego County



West Nile virus (WNV) is a disease transmitted to humans, birds, horses, and other animals, by infected mosquitoes. Mosquitoes get the disease from feeding on infected birds and can later pass it on when they bite animals or humans.

WNV is established in San Diego County and can be found in all 58 counties in California! The virus was first isolated in the West Nile district of a Northern Province in Uganda in 1937. It was first detected in the United States in New York City in 1999. From there, the virus spread westward, arriving in California in 2003. West Nile virus is now the most prevalent mosquito-borne disease in the United States.

The Vector Control Program protects communities and the environment by controlling mosquitoes that can transmit diseases to humans.

Vector Control Program staff monitor WNV by trapping, pooling, and testing mosquitoes and by testing sentinel chickens and dead birds.

Current 2018 WNV activity is given below. Information for prior years is available [here](#), and additional information on WNV can be found [here](#).

### [Adult Mosquito Treatment Information](#)

### [2017 WNV Activity Map](#)

For more information on a specific source click on the source name (hyperlink) below

| Source                           | Number of Positives to Date (2018) |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <a href="#">Birds</a>            | 0                                  |
| <a href="#">Mosquito Batches</a> | 0                                  |
| <a href="#">Horses</a>           | 0                                  |
| <a href="#">Humans</a>           | 0                                  |
| <b>Total Source Positives</b>    | <b>0</b>                           |



For More Information On  
WNV Or Other Vectors Contact:  
(858) 694-2888  
[vector@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:vector@sdcounty.ca.gov)



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[Report a Green Pool](#)

[Report Mosquito Activity](#)

[Find Free Mosquito Fish](#)

[Request a Rat Inspection](#)

[Sign Up for Email Notifications](#)

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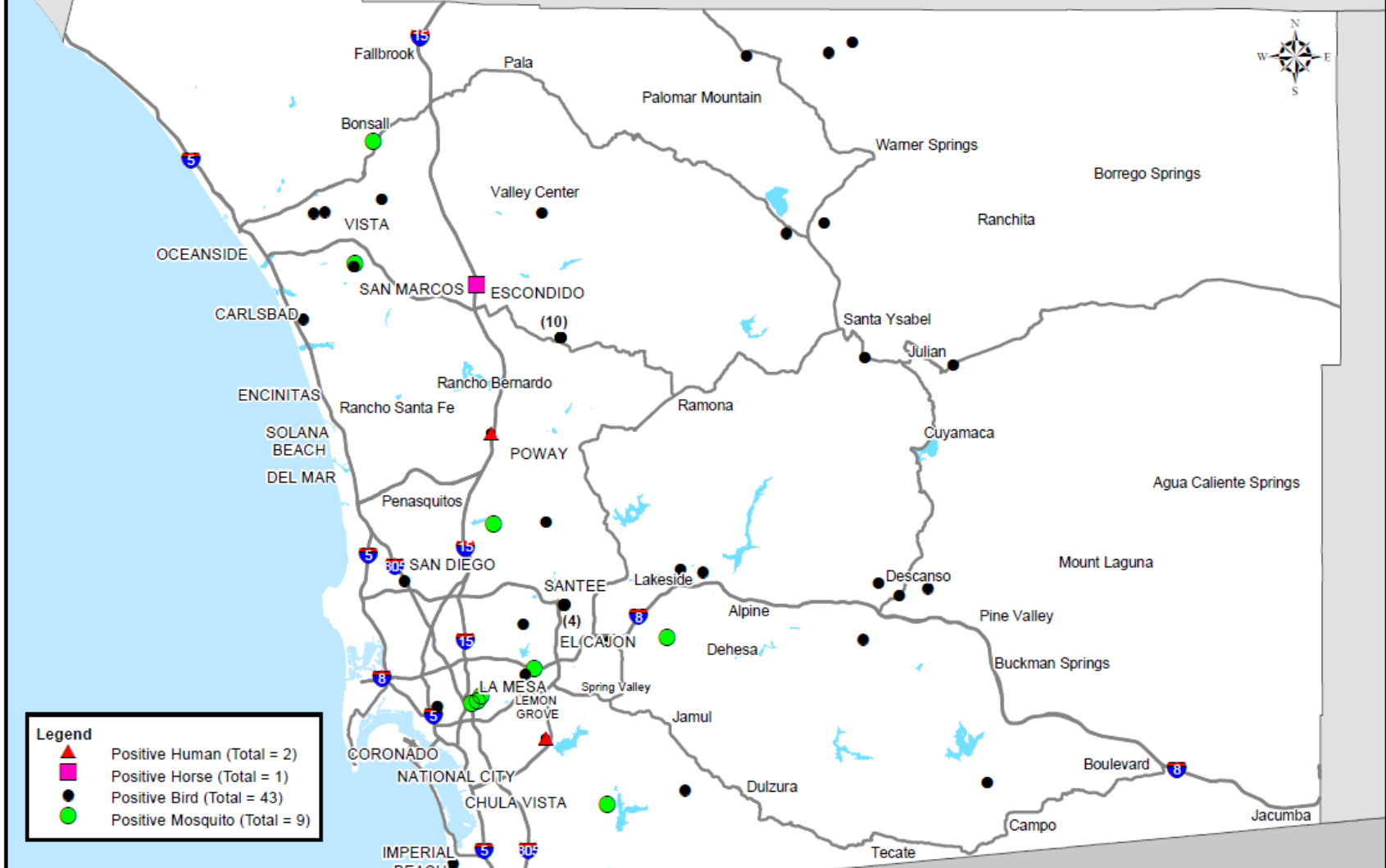


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# Total Number of Positive West Nile Virus (WNV) Test Results in San Diego County in 2017



**Legend**

- ▲ Positive Human (Total = 2)
- Positive Horse (Total = 1)
- Positive Bird (Total = 43)
- Positive Mosquito (Total = 9)

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 Vector Control Program

January 1, 2017 - December 31, 2017

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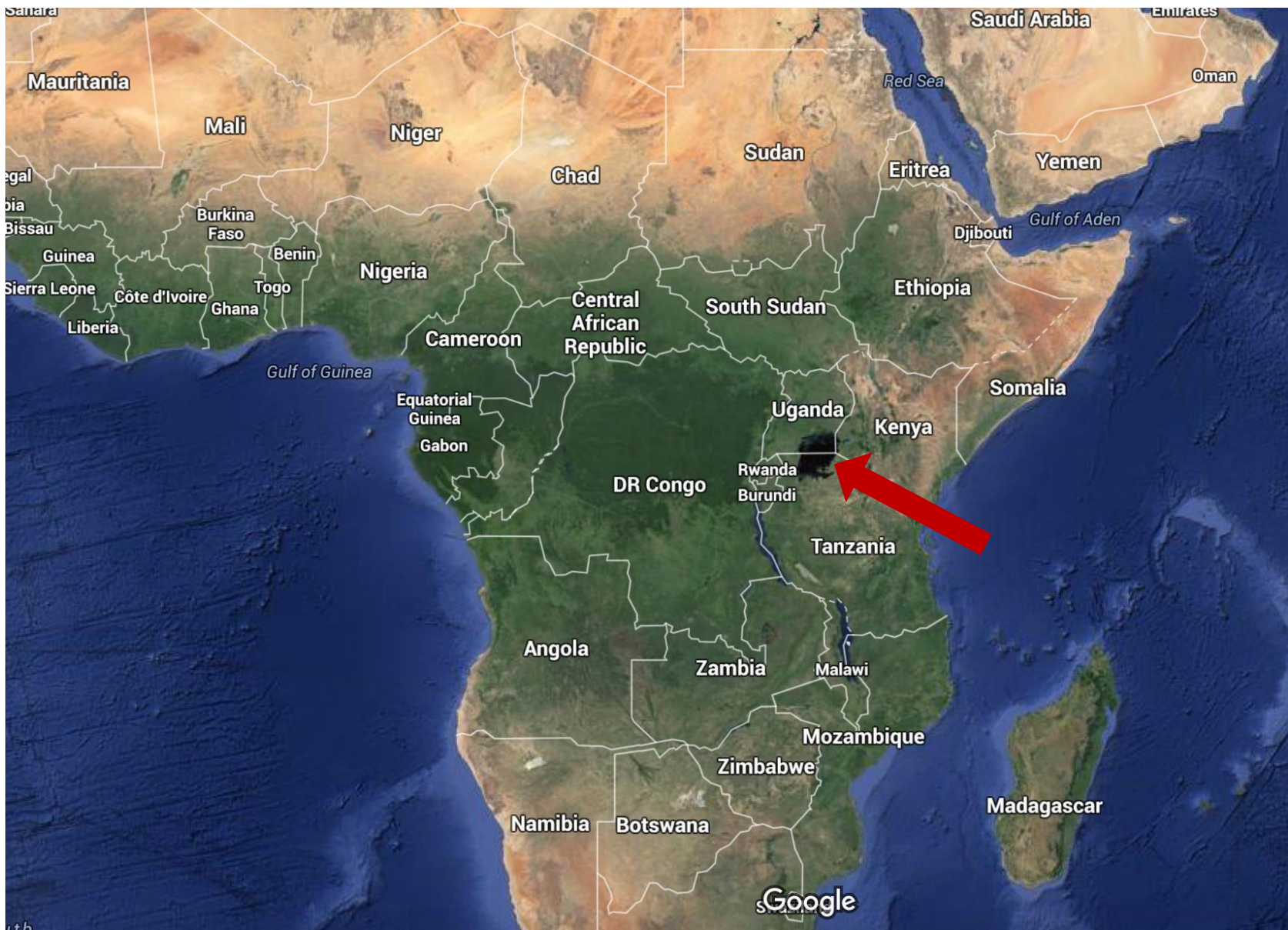
# DISEASES CARRIED BY *Aedes* MOSQUITOES



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- **Zika**
- **Dengue**
- **Chikungunya**
- **Yellow Fever**

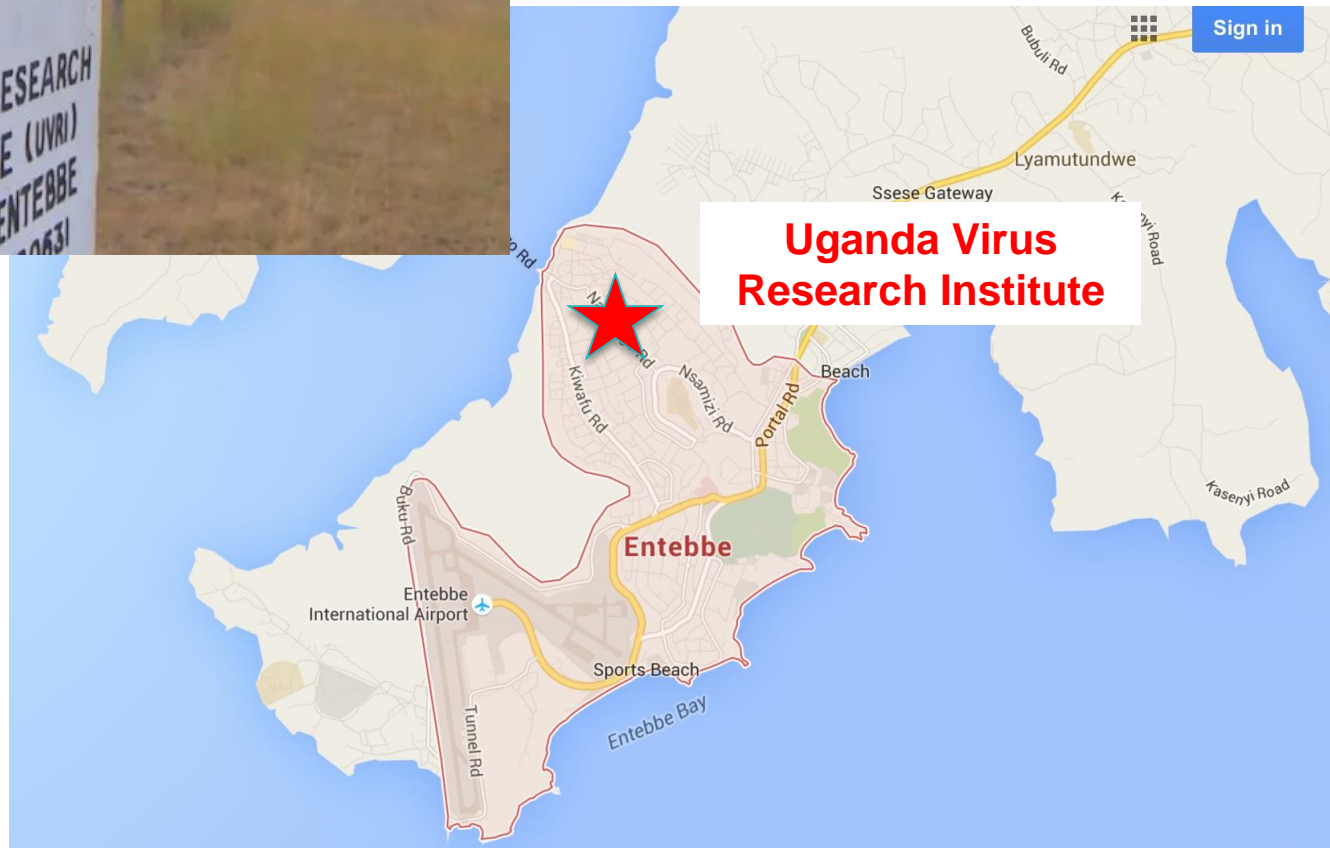


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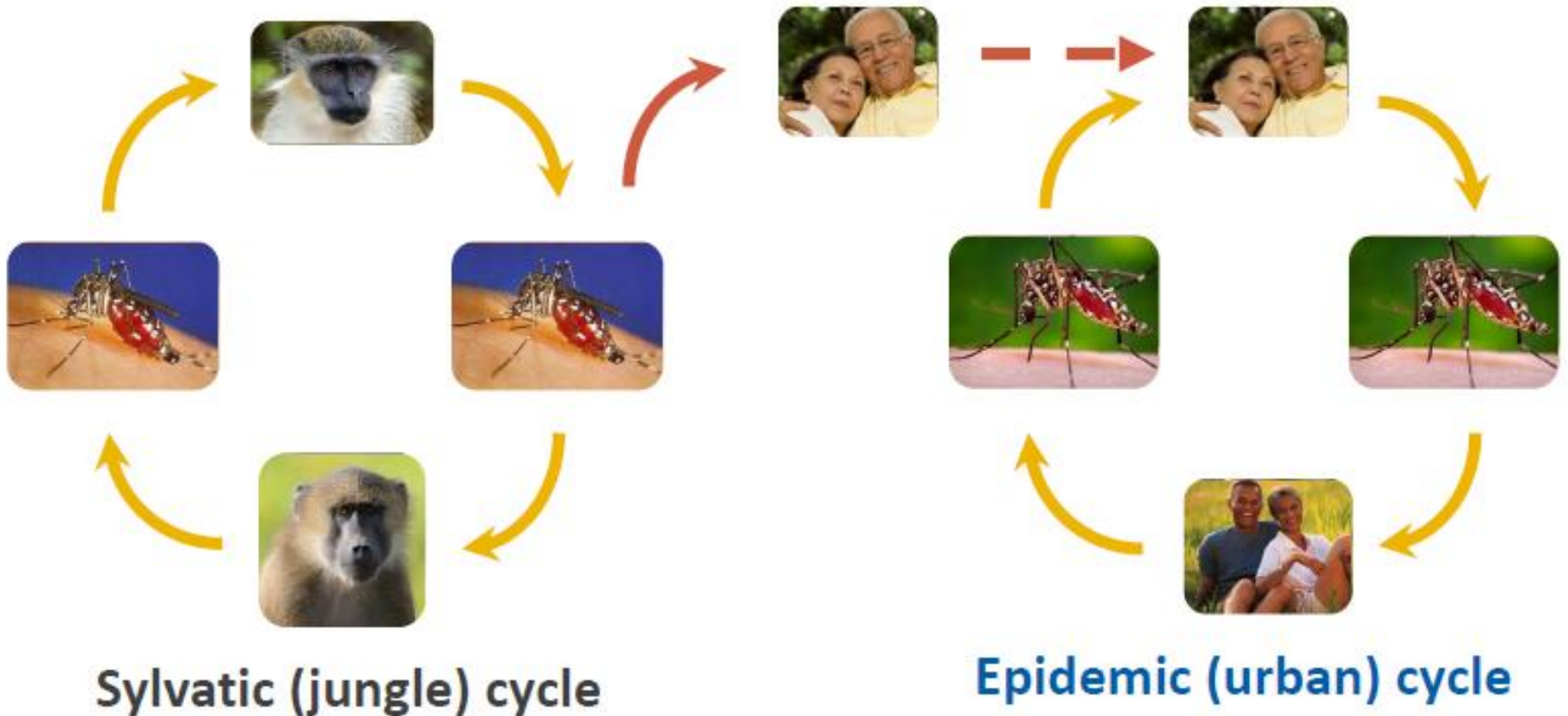
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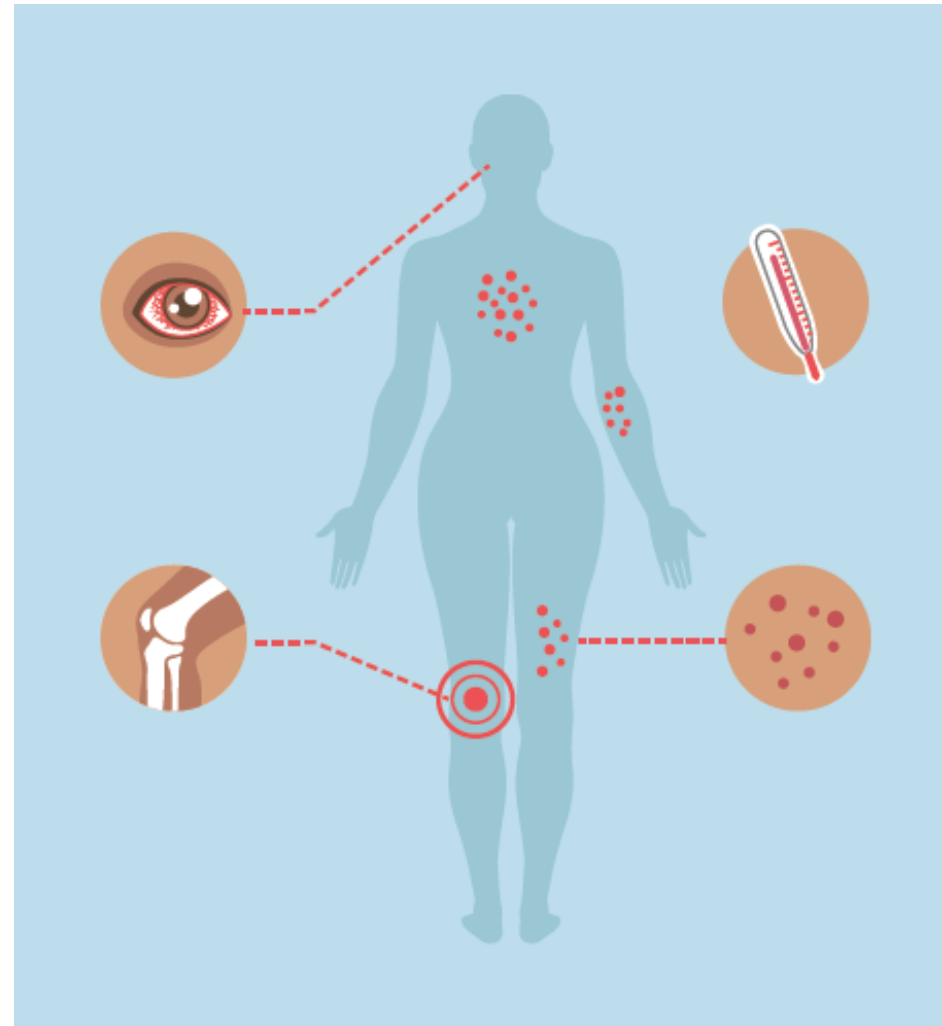
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# Zika Virus Transmission Cycles

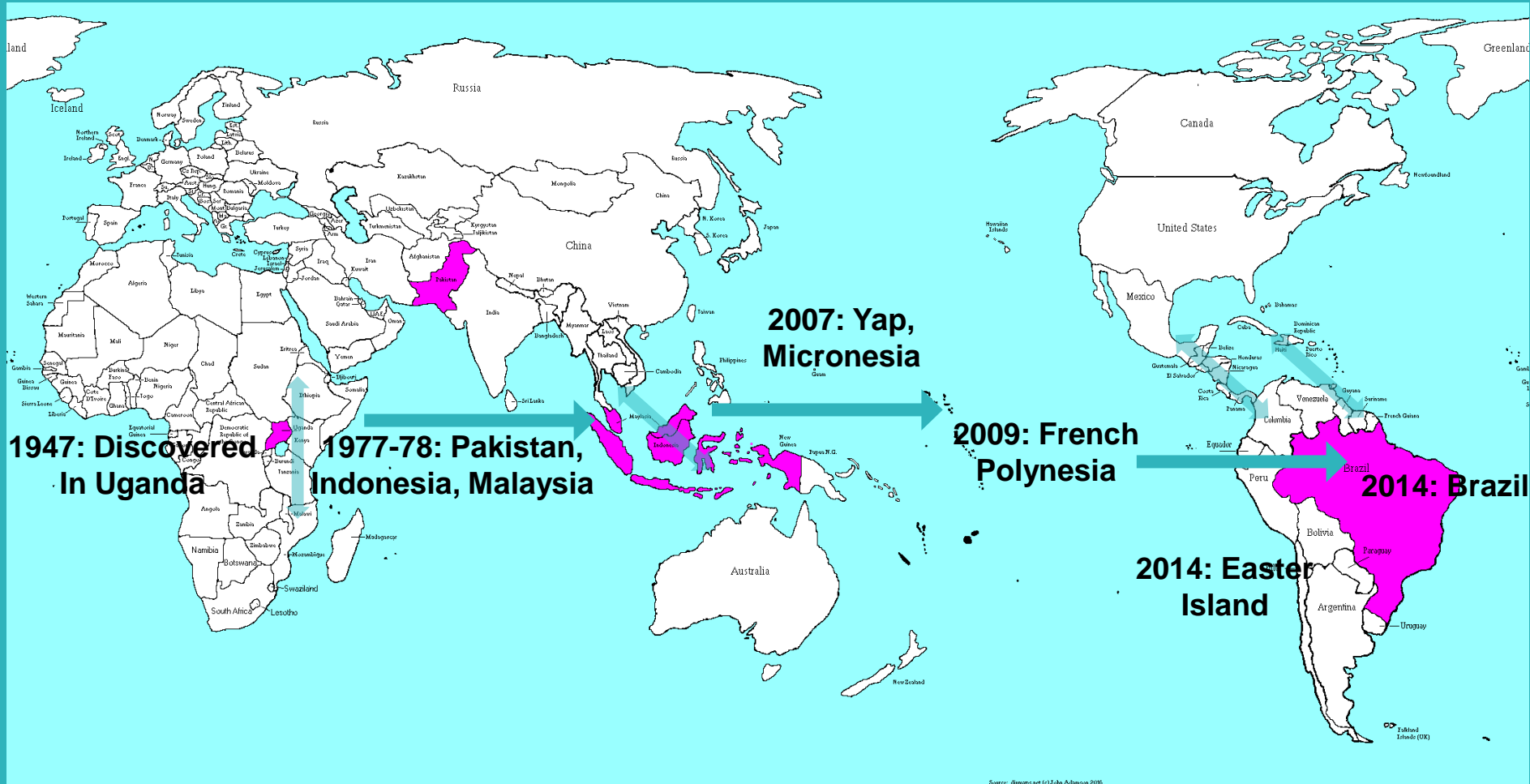


- **Before 2003, only 14 human cases described!**
- **80% of cases are asymptomatic**
- **Illness usually mild**
- **Symptoms last several days to a week**



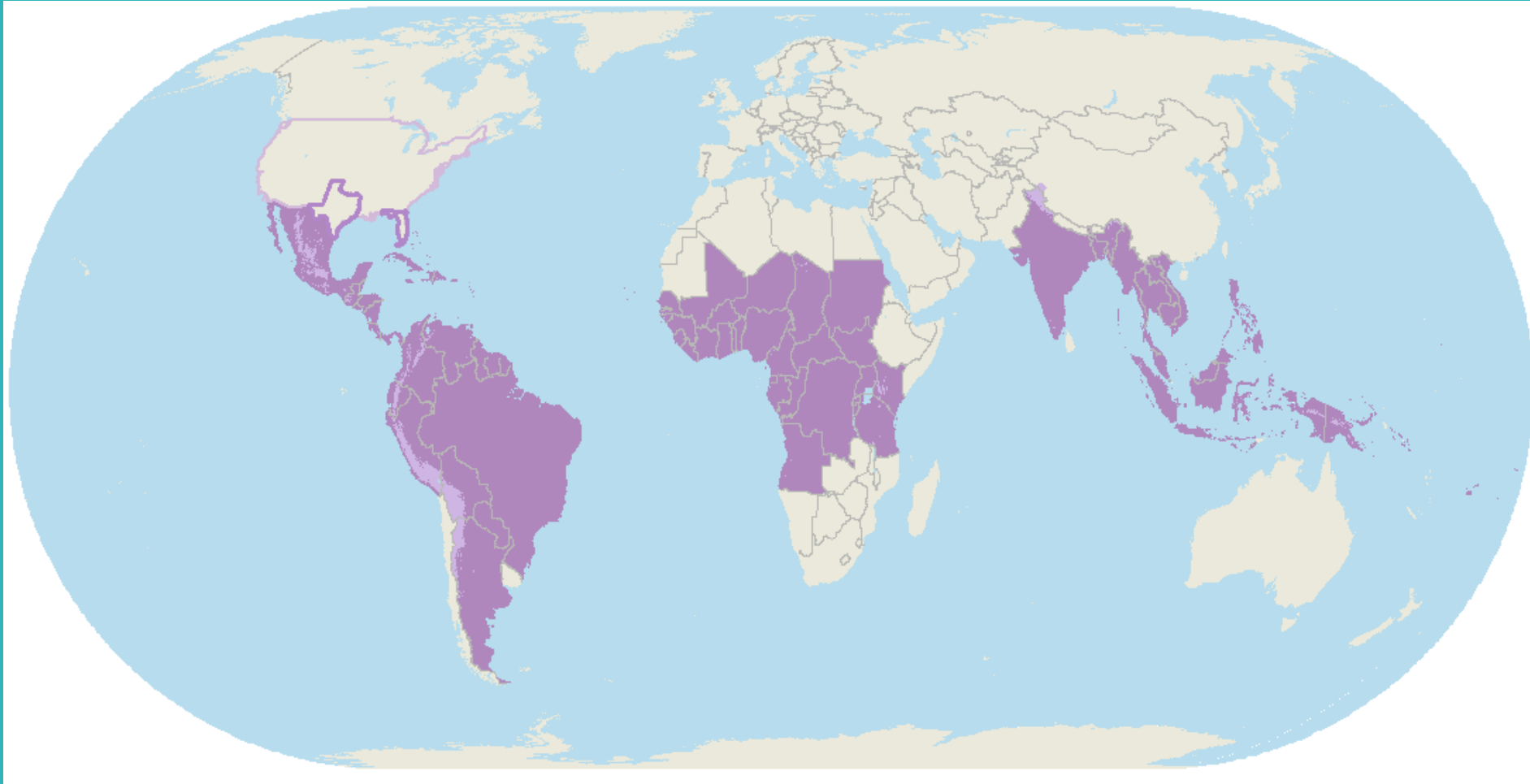
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# How Zika spread



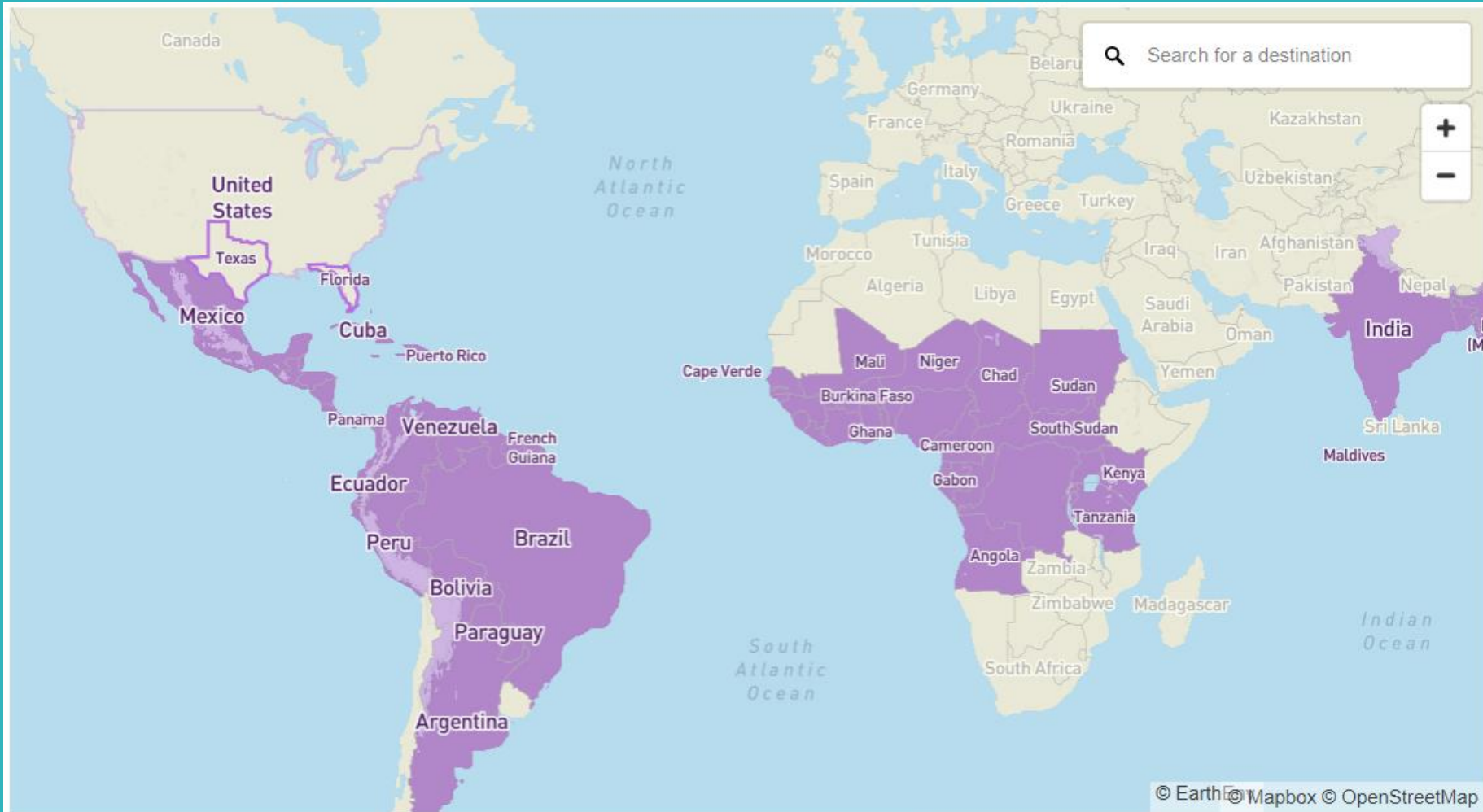
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# Where is Zika now?





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# Where is Zika now?



## International areas and US territories

-  Area with risk of Zika
-  Area with minimal risk of Zika

**Note:** Zika risk is determined according to altitude (height above sea level). Mosquitoes that spread Zika usually do not live at high altitudes (above

## AREAS WITH ZIKA RISK

**Africa:** Angola, Benin, Burkina-Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo Congo-Brazzaville), Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo (Congo-Kinshasa), Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Liberia, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda

**Asia:** Bangladesh, Burma (Myanmar), Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Maldives, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam

**Caribbean:** Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Aruba, Barbados, Bonaire, British Virgin Islands, Cuba, Curaçao, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Haiti, Jamaica, Martinique, Montserrat, Puerto Rico, Saba, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Martin, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Sint Eustatius, Sint Maarten, Trinidad and Tobago, Turks and Caicos Islands, US Virgin Islands

**North/Central/South America:** Argentina, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, French Guiana, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Venezuela

**Pacific Islands:** Fiji, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga



## AREAS WITH INTERRUPTED TRANSMISSION

American Samoa (4/17)

Bahamas (2/18)

Cayman Islands (7/17)

Cook Islands (3/17)

Guadeloupe (6/17)

French Polynesia (3/17)

Isla de Pascua, Chile (3/17)

Marshall Islands (1/18)

Martinique (6/17)

Micronesia (11/17)

New Caledonia (3/17)

Palau (11/17)

Saint Barthelemy (5/17)

Vanuata (3/17)



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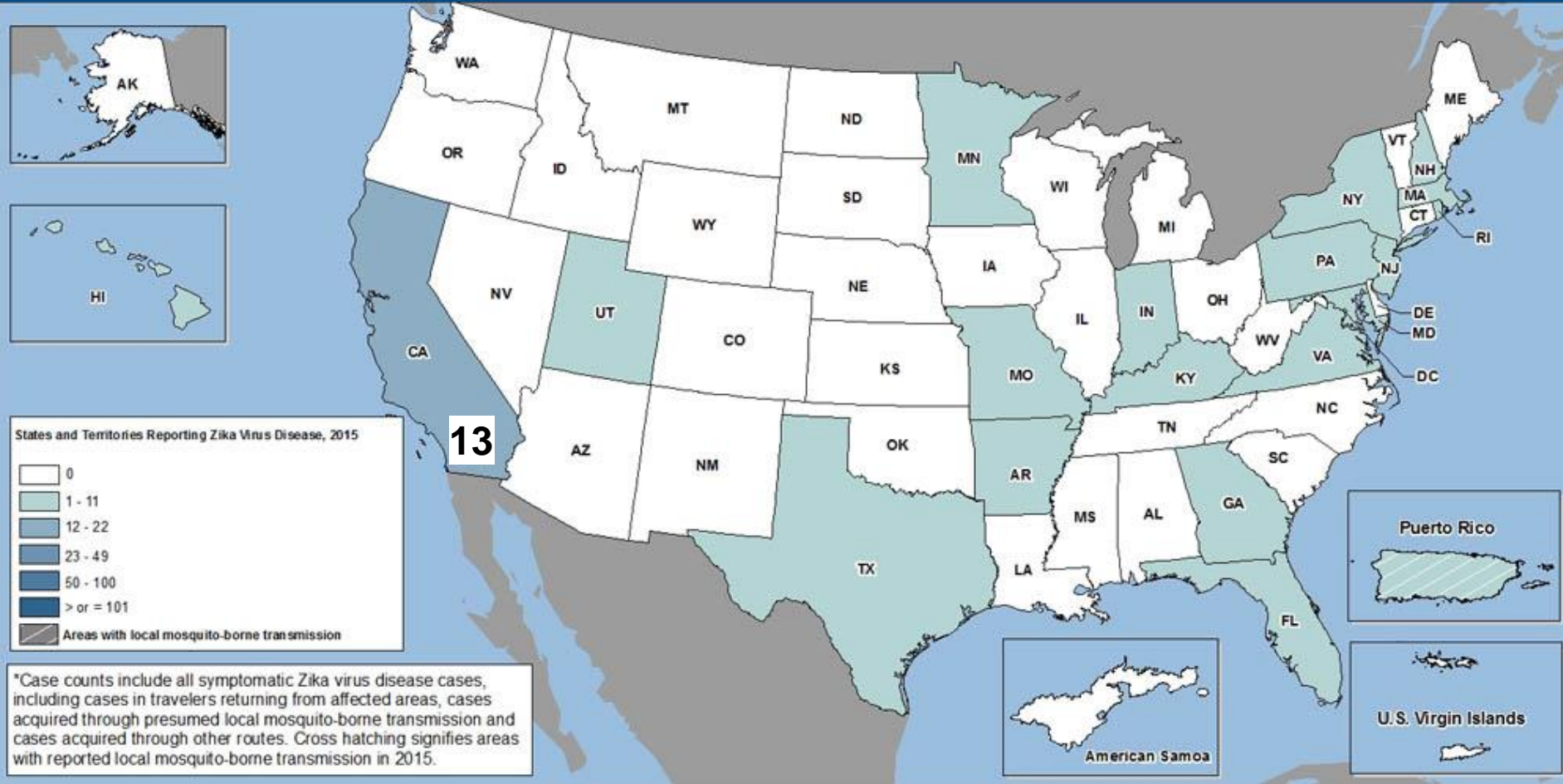
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# Laboratory-confirmed symptomatic Zika virus disease cases\* reported to ArboNET by states and territories— United States, 2015



**2015 Total : US States = 62 + 0 , US Territories = 10 + 0**

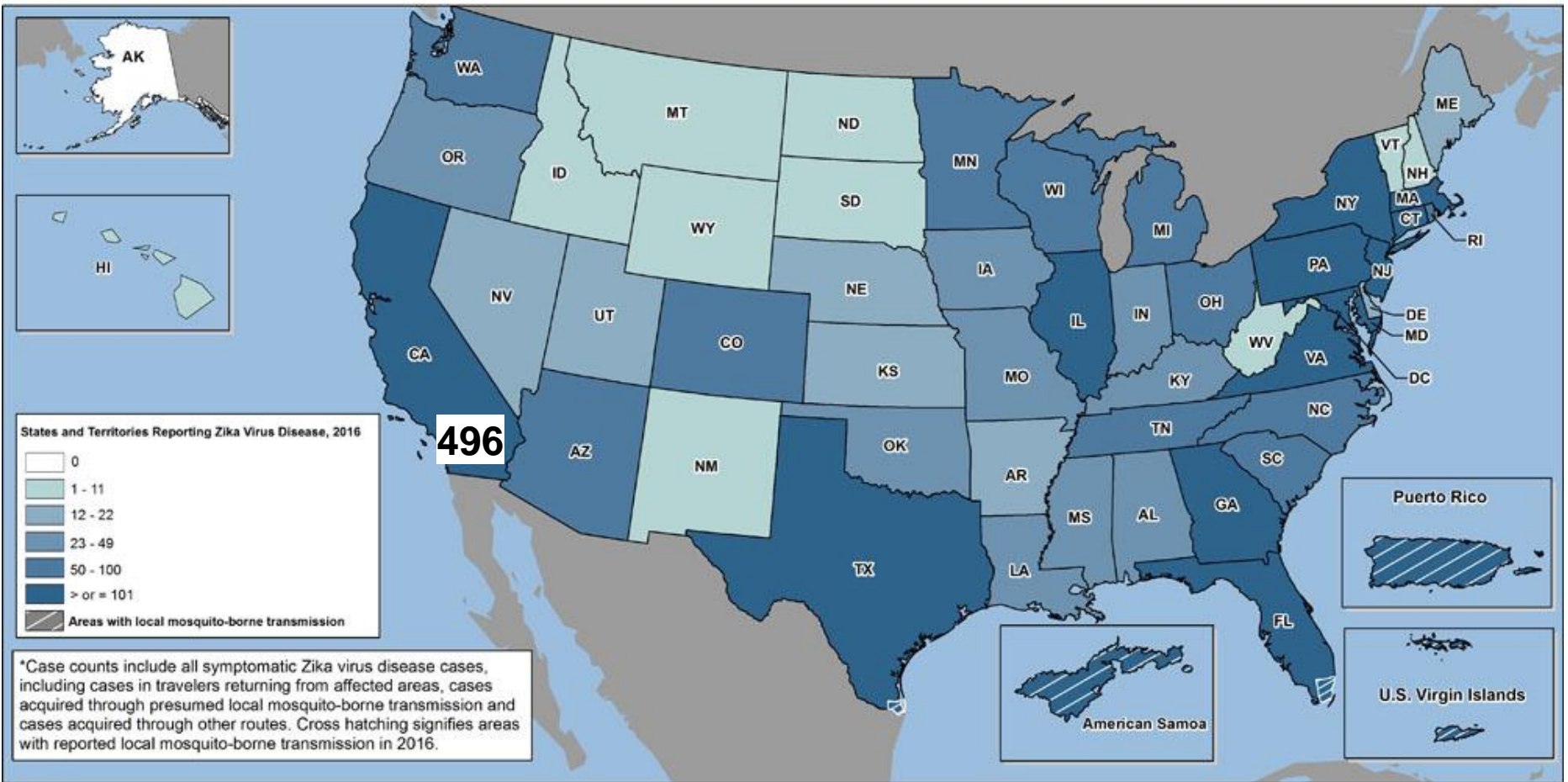
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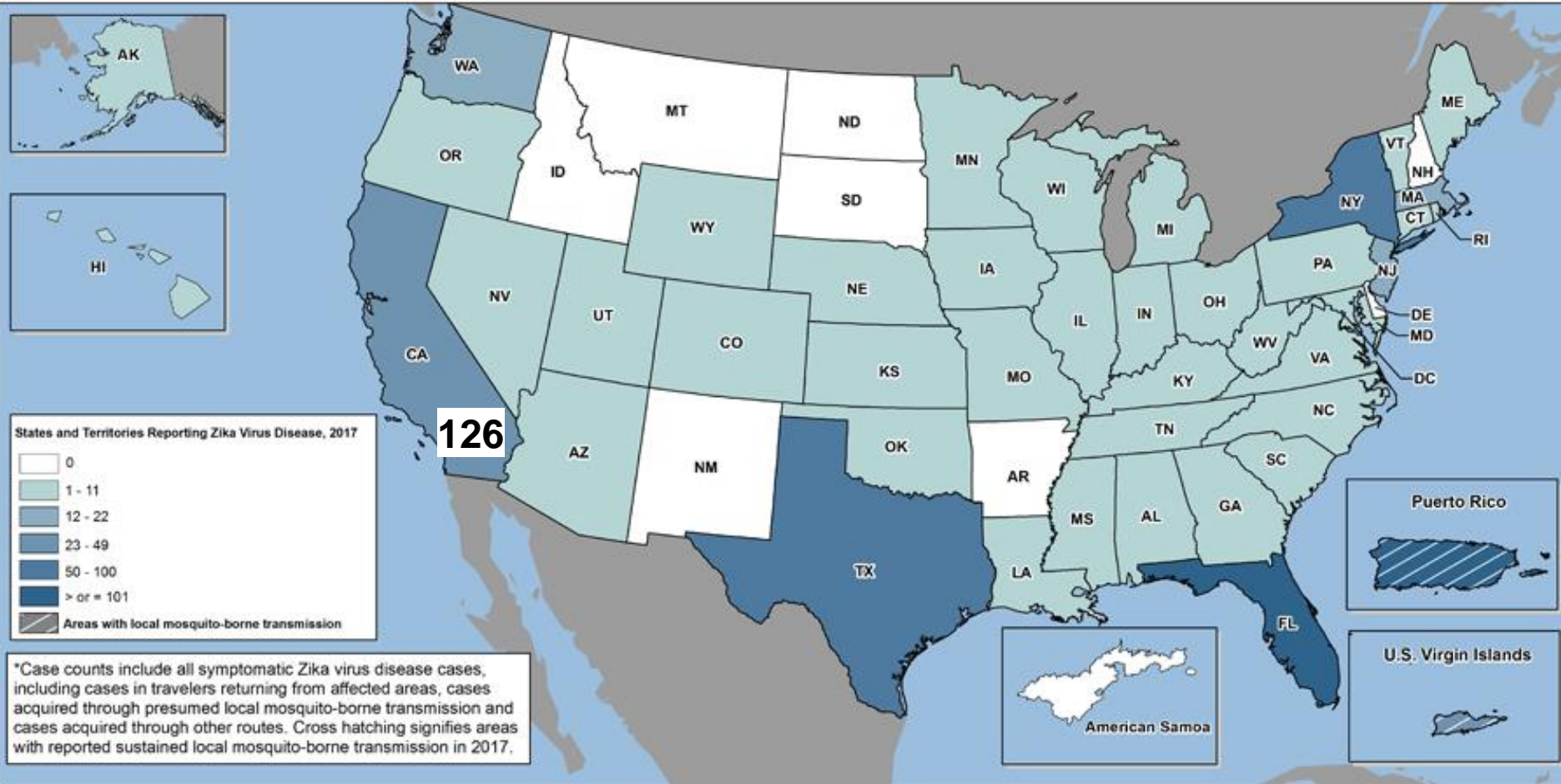
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# Laboratory-confirmed symptomatic Zika virus disease cases\* reported to ArboNET by states and territories— United States, 2017 (Provisional data as of May 2, 2018)



**2017 Total as of 5/2/18: US States = 449 + 31 , US Territories = 662 + 6**

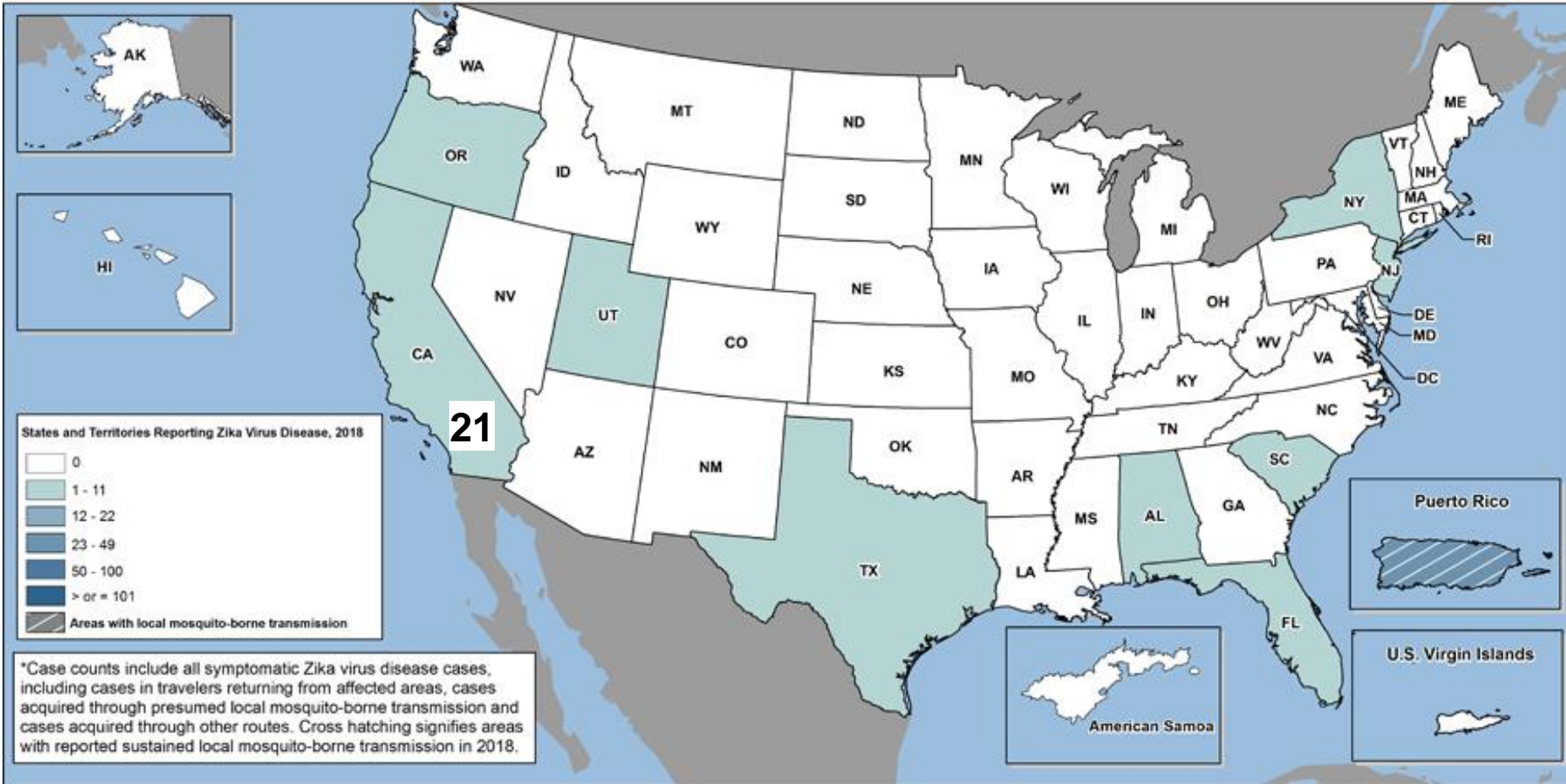
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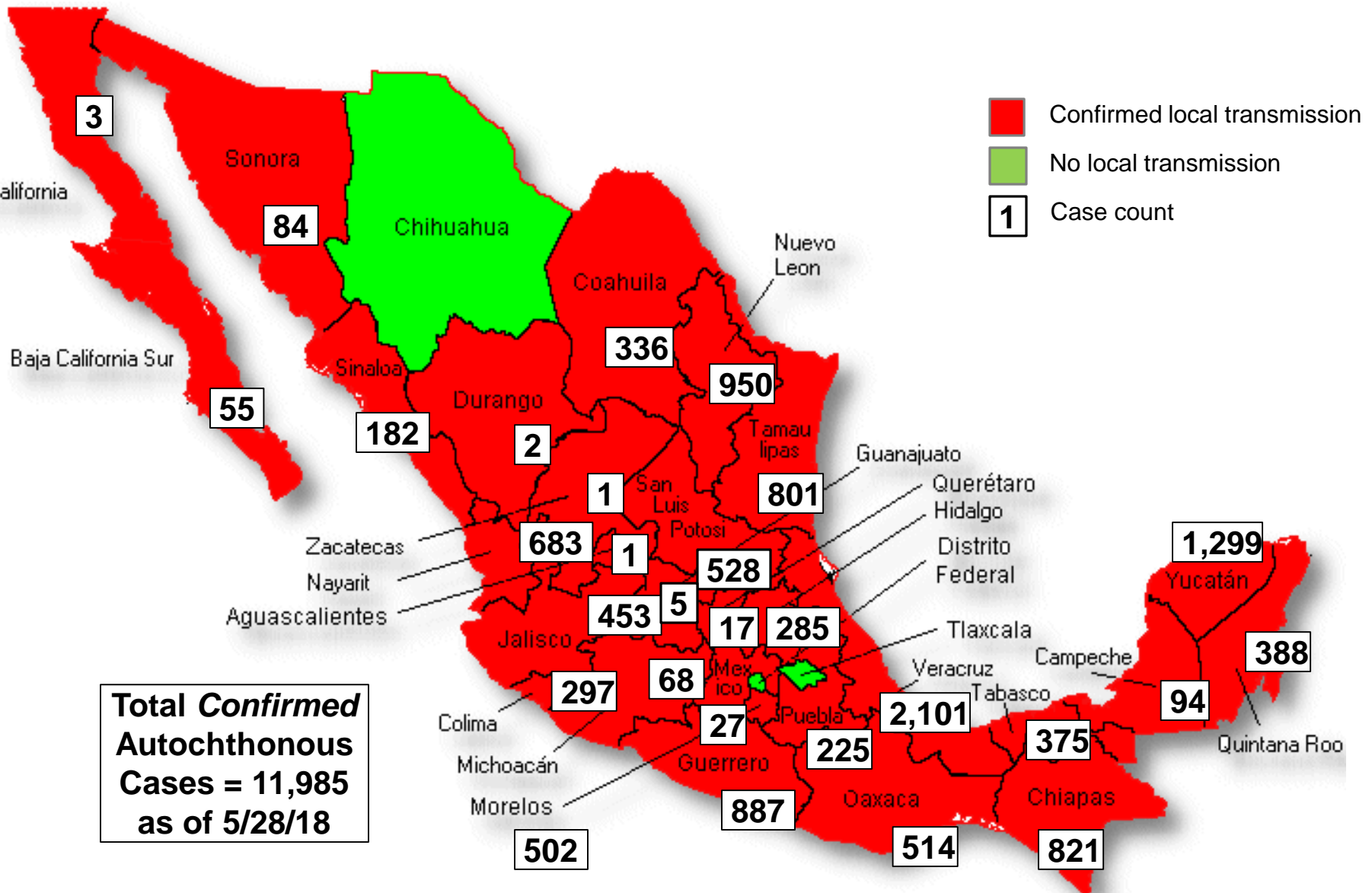


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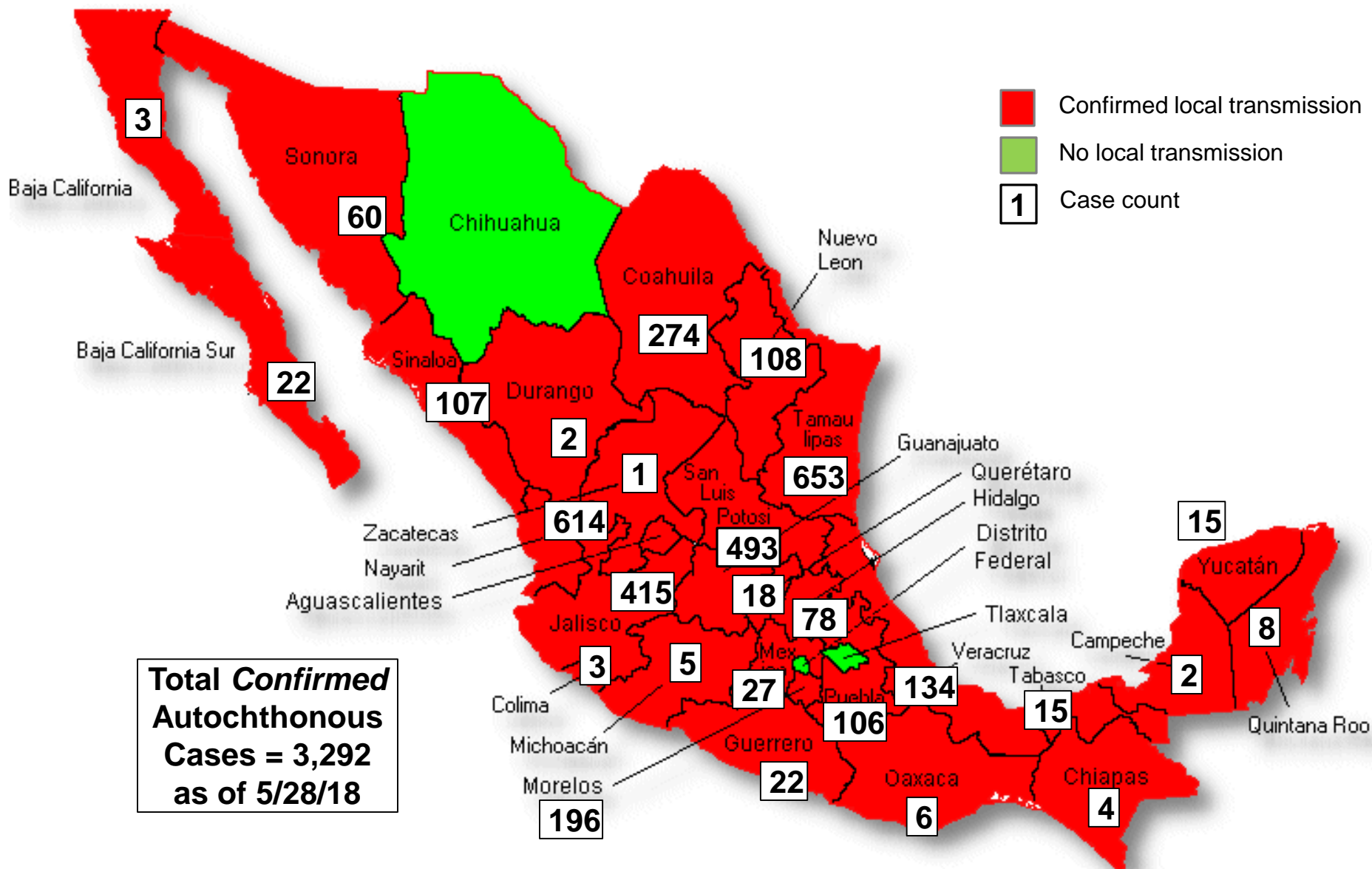


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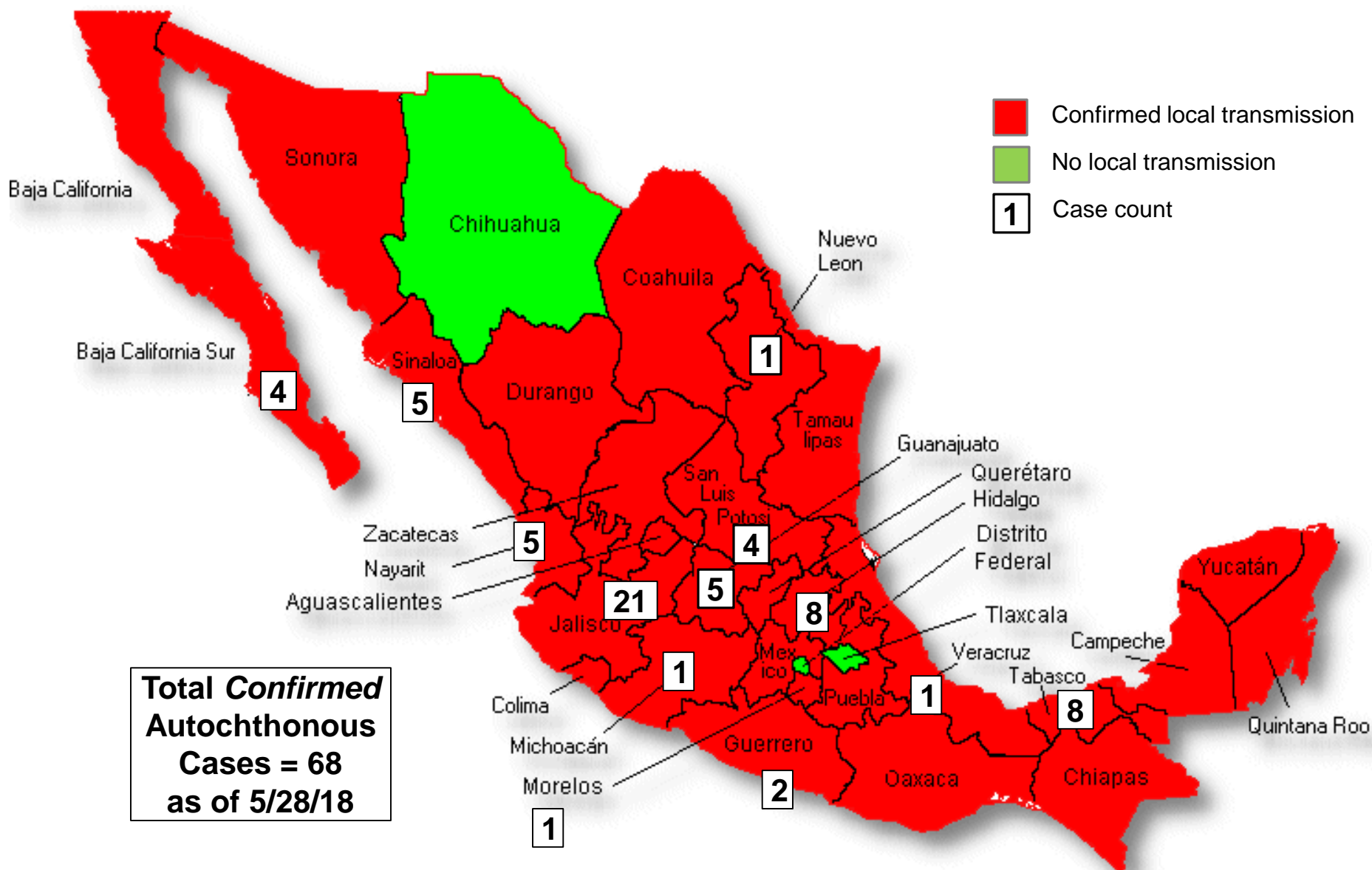


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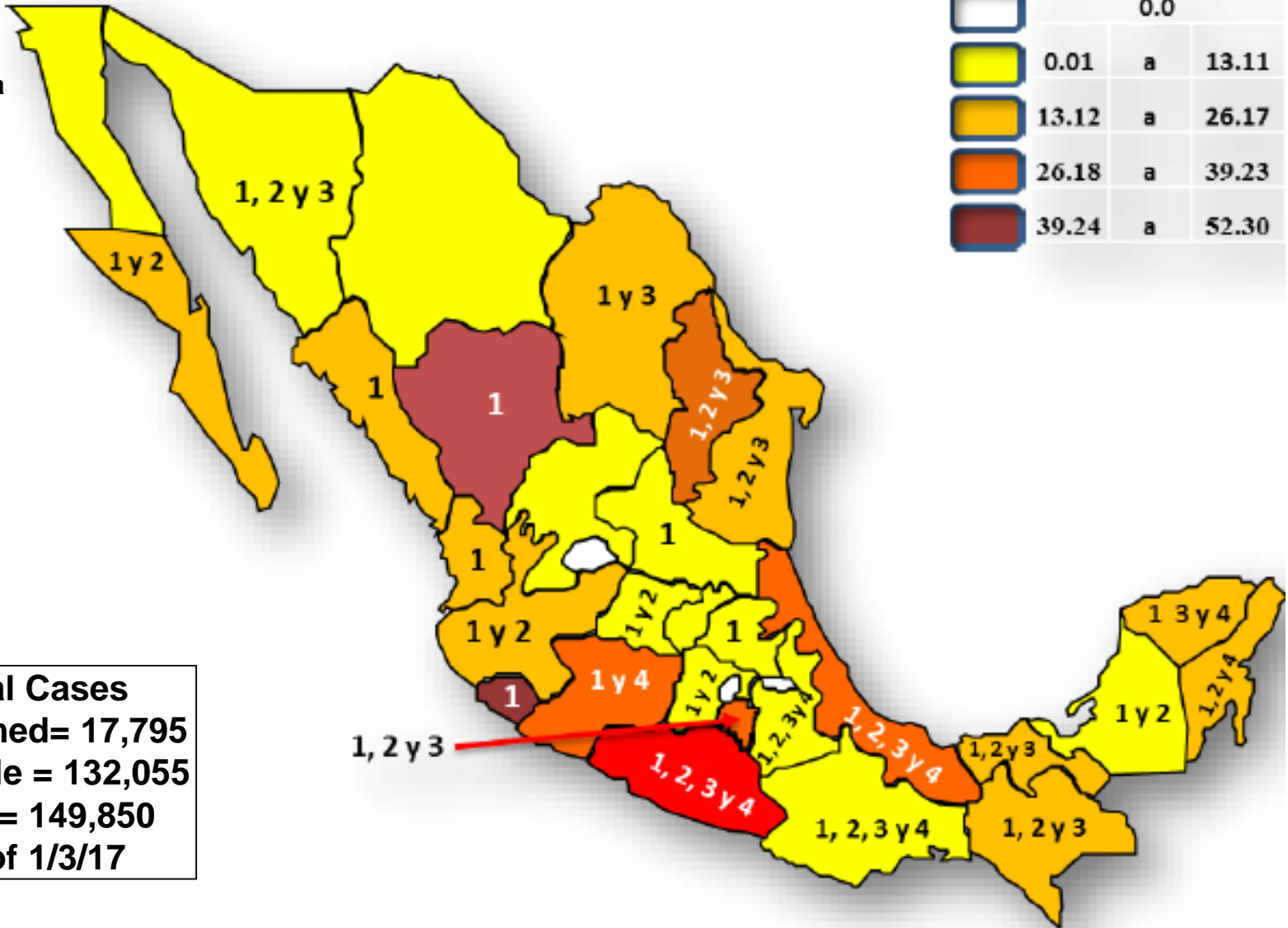
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# Mexican States with Confirmed/Probable Cases of Dengue, 2016

Incidence per 100,000 of confirmed cases



Baja California  
9 confirmed  
242 probable

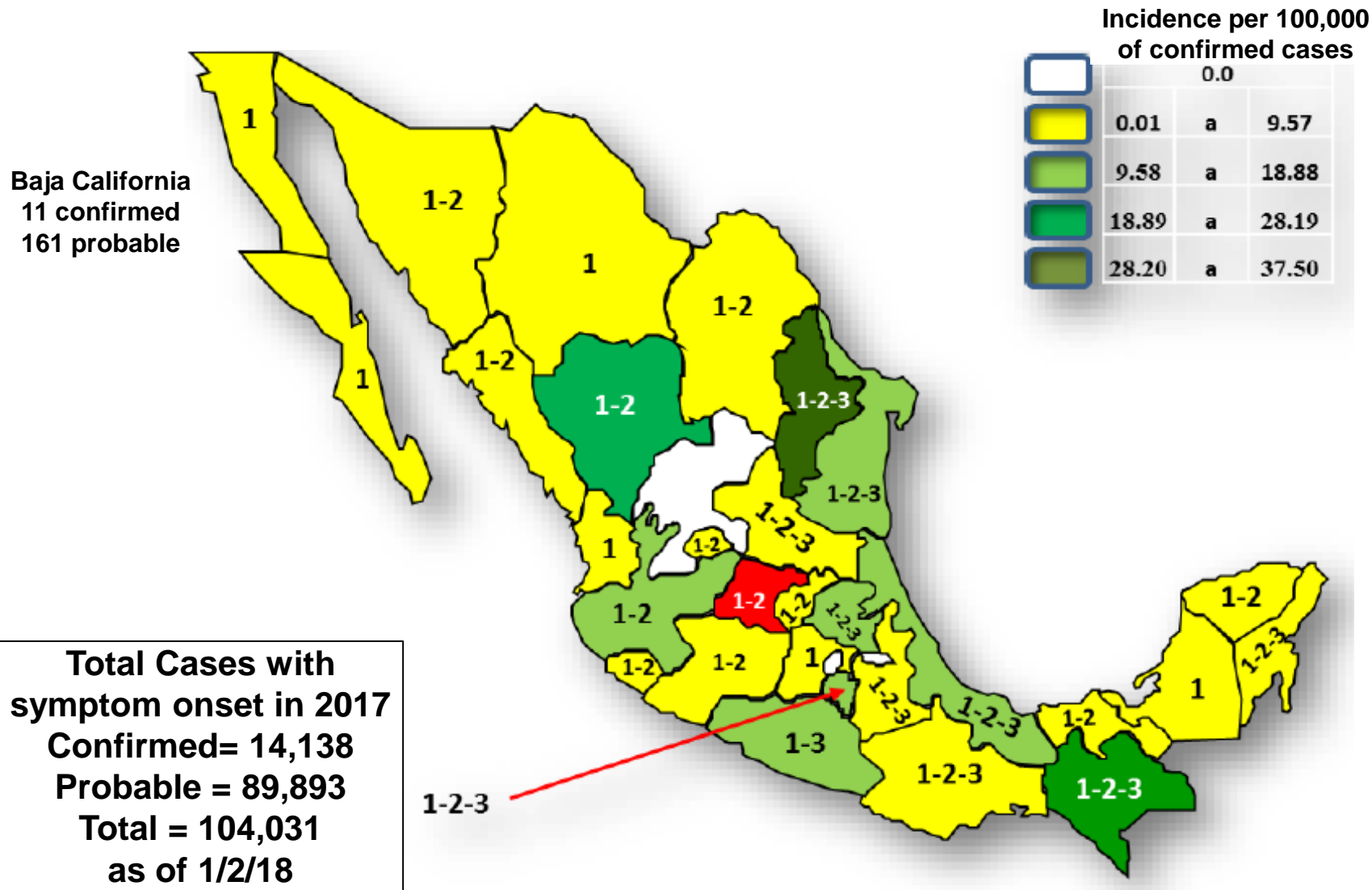



**Total Cases**  
Confirmed= 17,795  
Probable = 132,055  
Total = 149,850  
as of 1/3/17

Source: Secretaría de Salud. Map downloaded on 1/9/17:  
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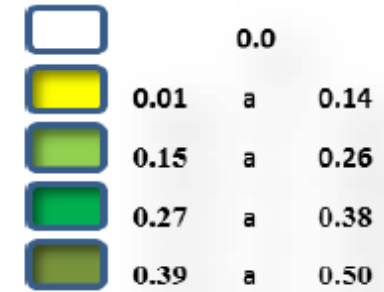
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\*Por 100 mil habitantes.

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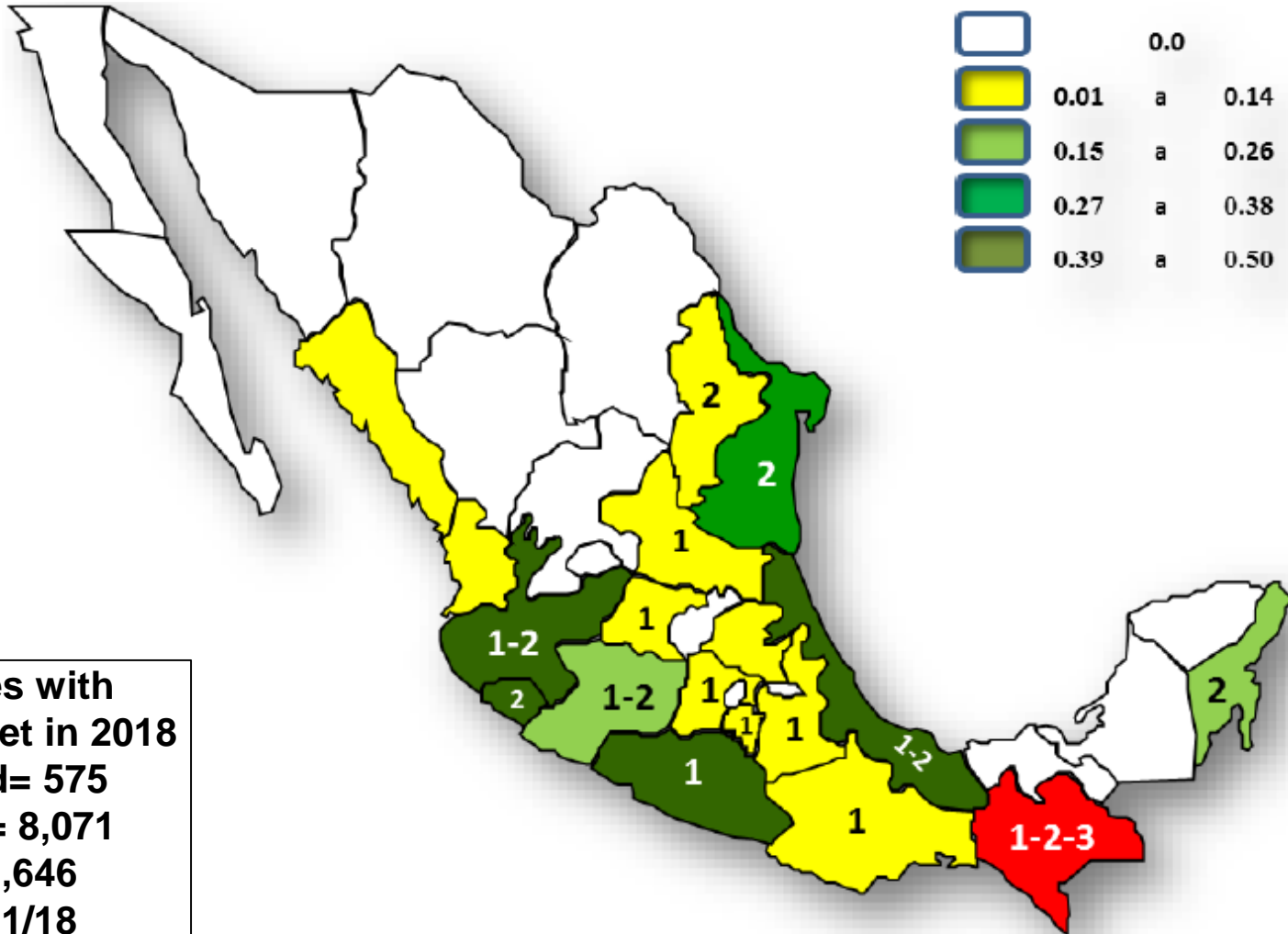
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# Mexican States with Confirmed/Probable Cases of Dengue, 2018


Incidence per 100,000 of confirmed cases



Baja California  
0 confirmed  
20 probable



**Total Cases with symptom onset in 2018**  
Confirmed= 575  
Probable = 8,071  
Total = 8,646  
as of 5/21/18

 El estado de Chiapas presenta la incidencia mas alta 7.92  
\*Por 100 mil habitantes.

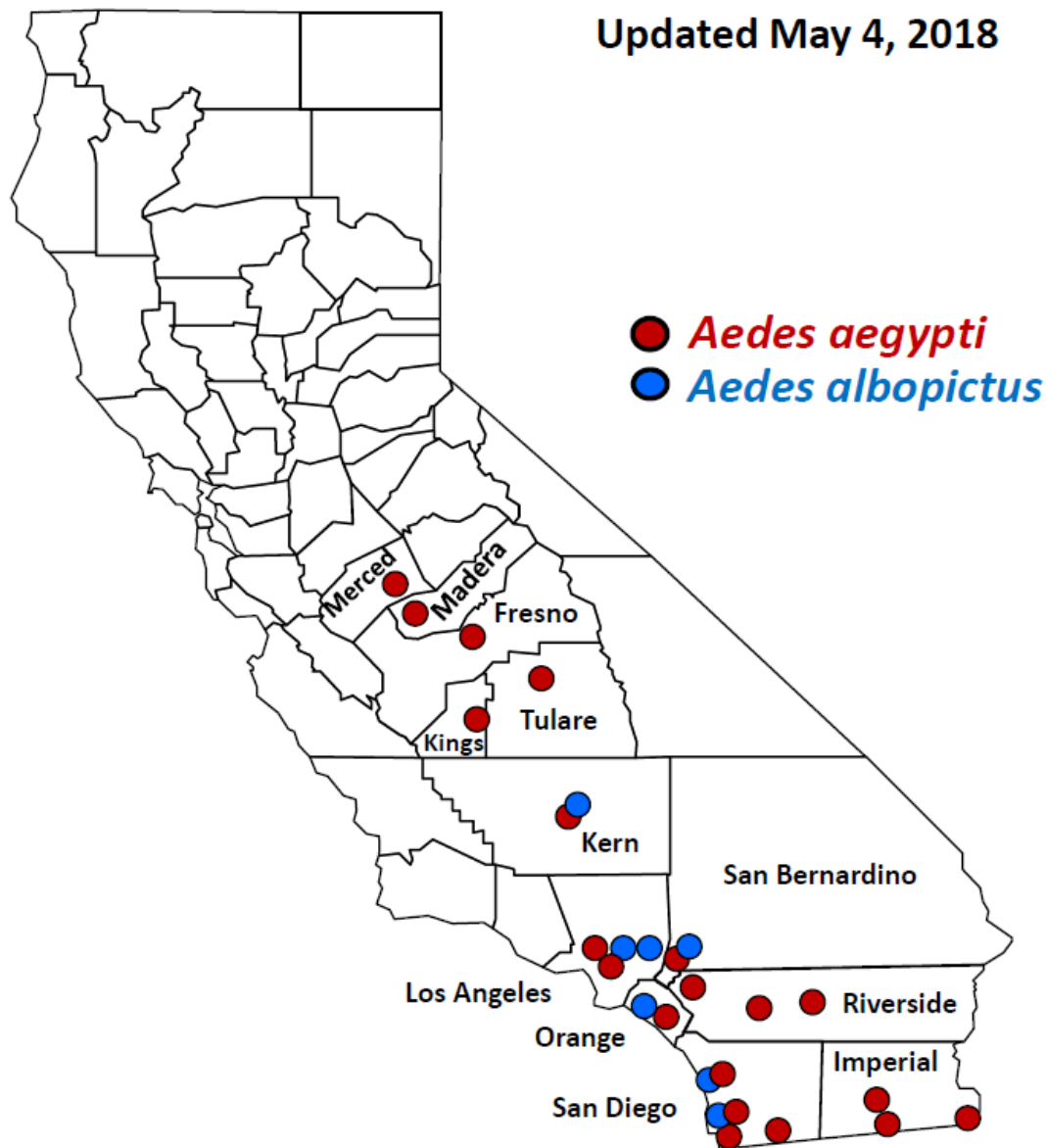
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# *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus* Mosquitoes in California

## Detection Sites by County/City

Updated May 4, 2018



Counties with

*Aedes aegypti* only:

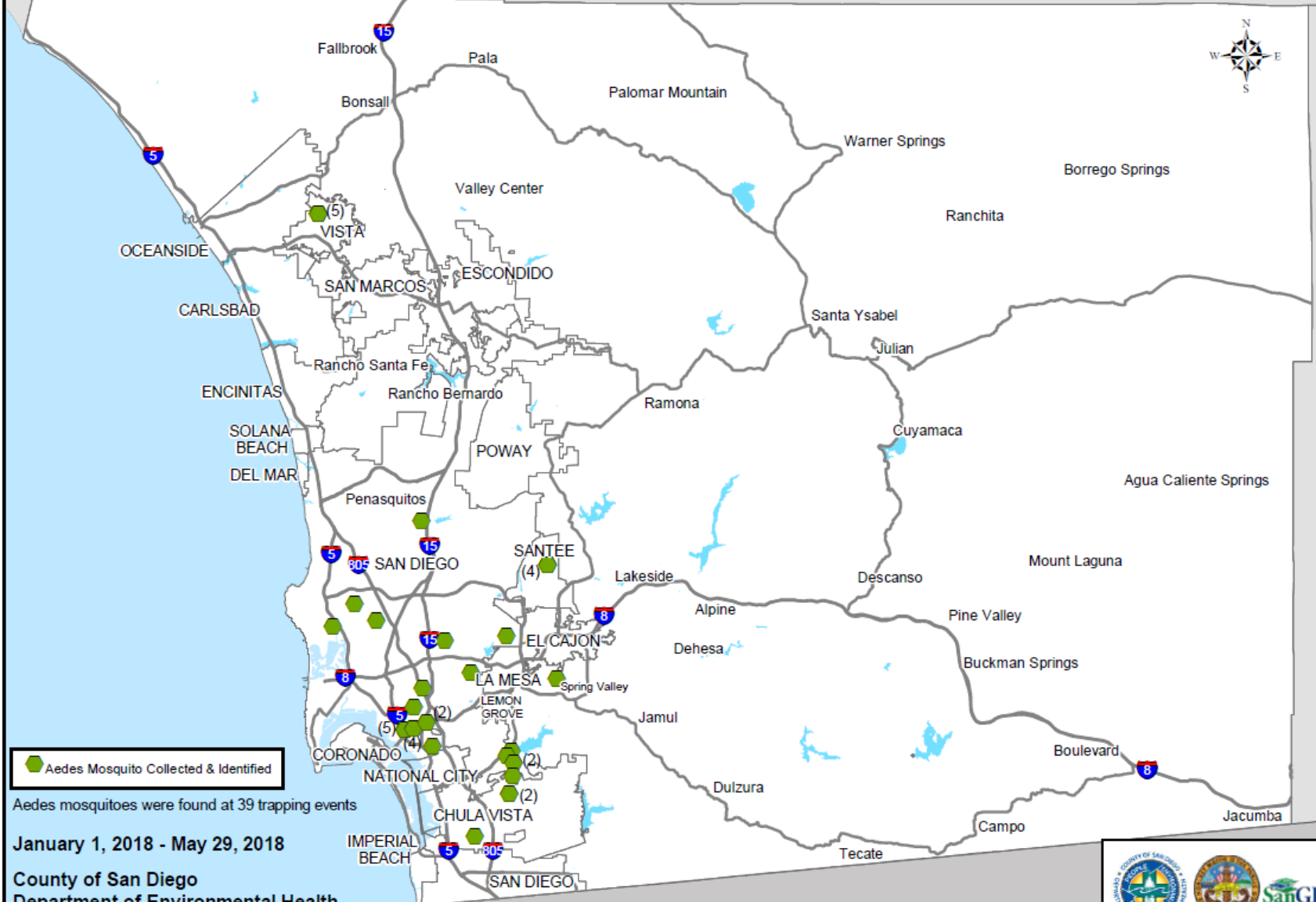
Fresno, Imperial, Kings, Madera, Riverside, Merced, Tulare

Both *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus*:

Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, San Diego

See pages 2 and 3 for *Aedes* detections by city or census-designated place in each county.

# Total Number of Invasive Aedes Findings in San Diego County in 2018 Year to Date



Aedes mosquitoes were found at 39 trapping events

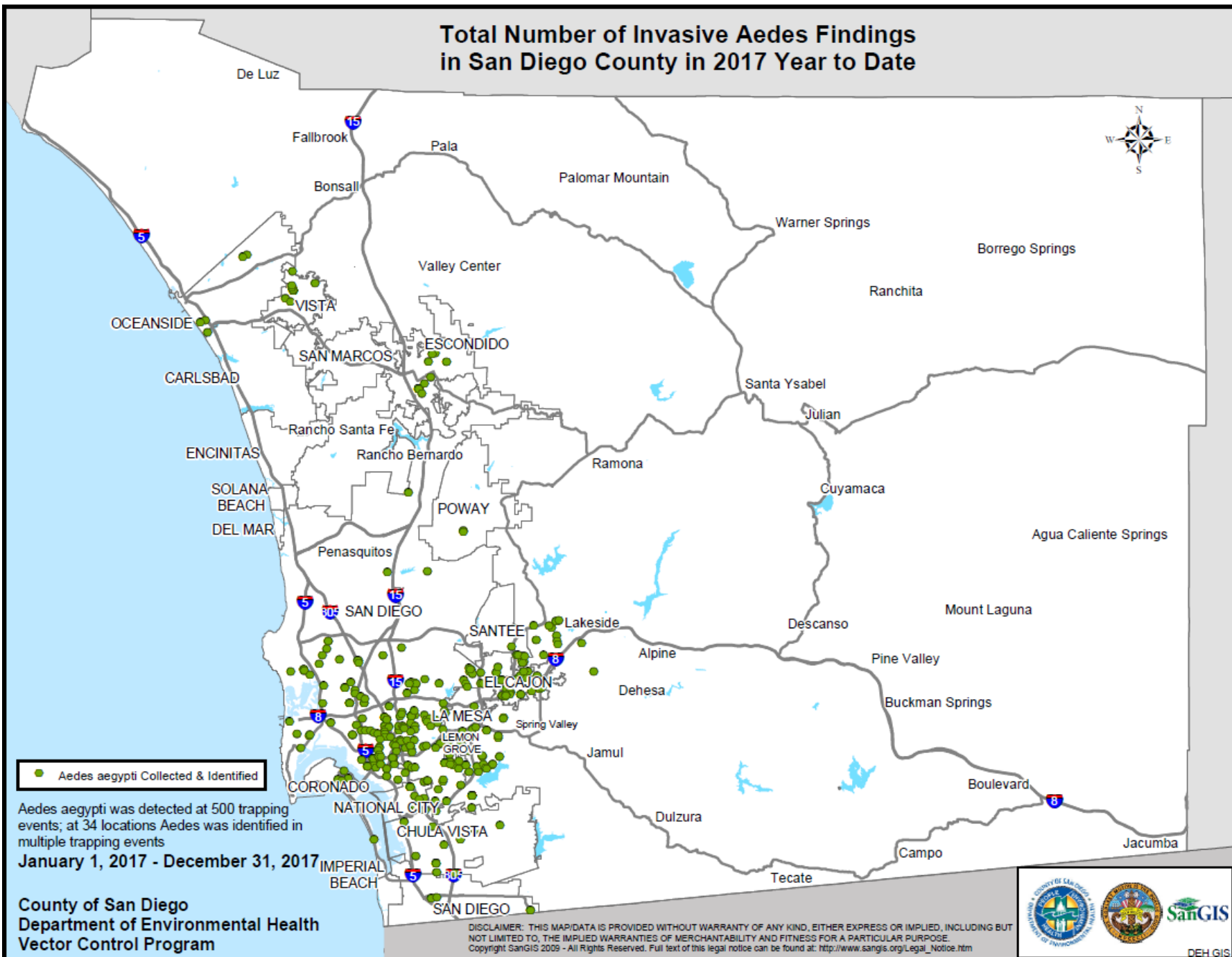
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# Total Number of Invasive Aedes Findings in San Diego County in 2017 Year to Date



● Aedes aegypti Collected & Identified

Aedes aegypti was detected at 500 trapping events; at 34 locations Aedes was identified in multiple trapping events

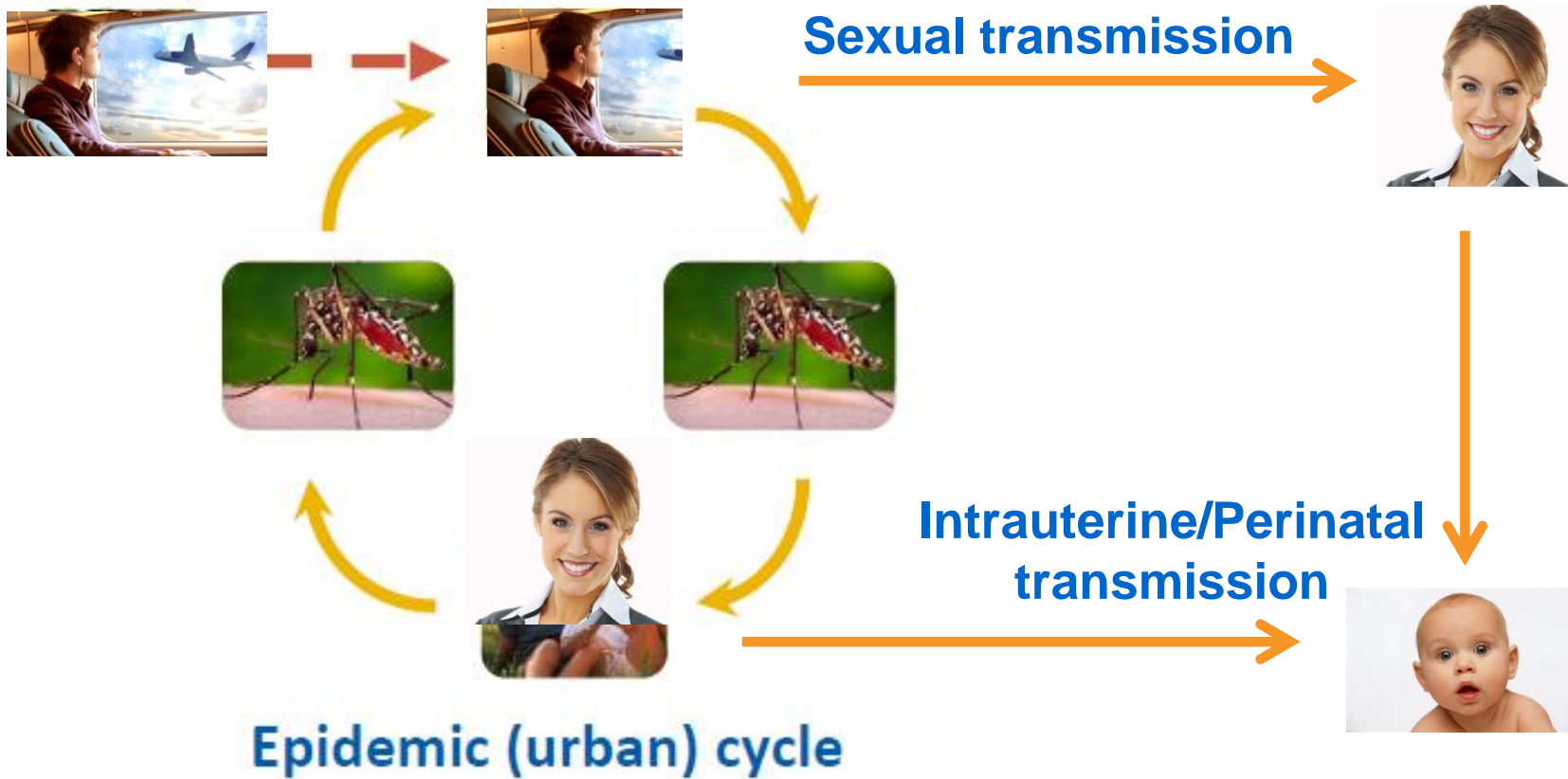
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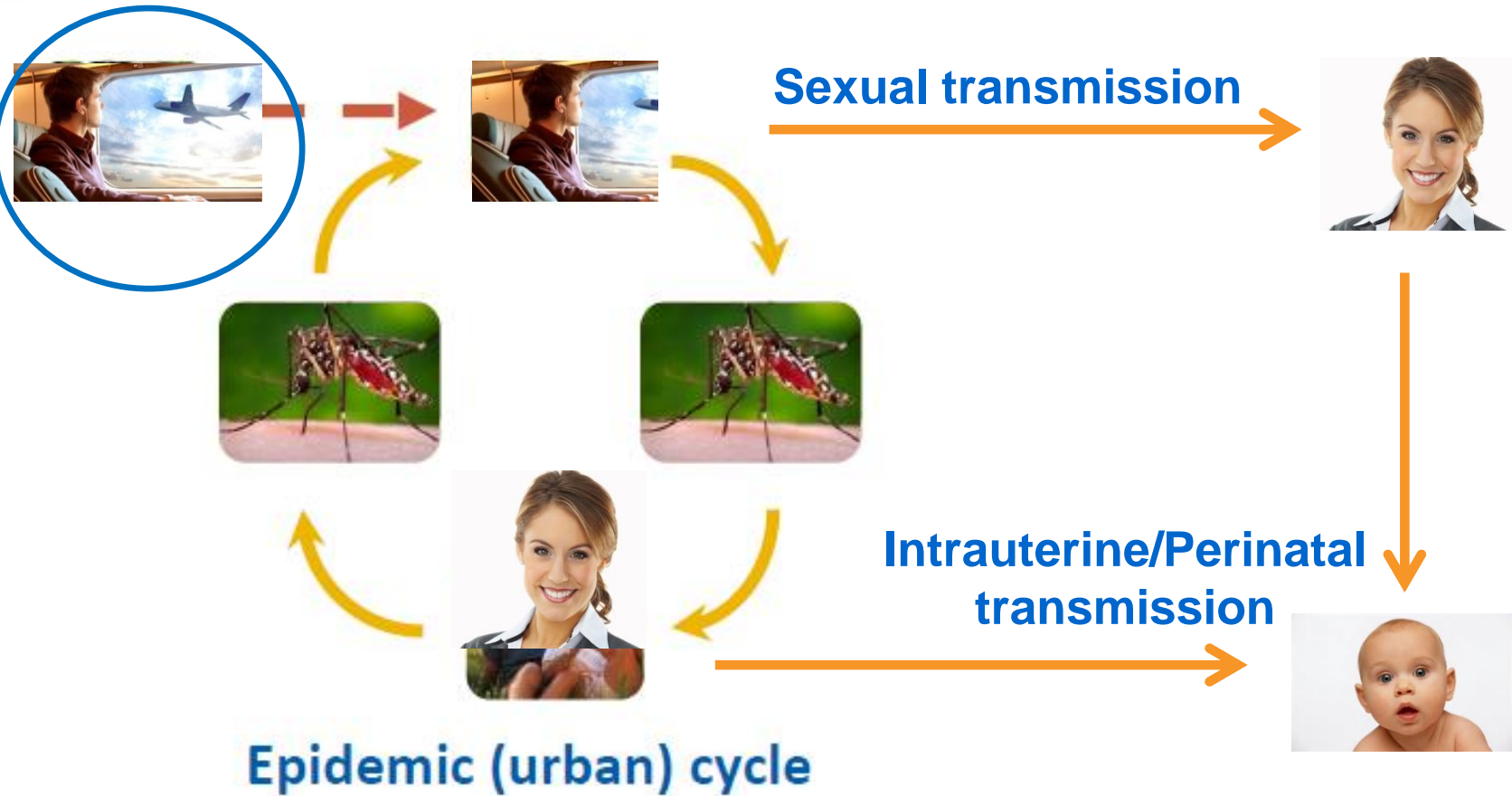
# Zika Virus Transmission Cycles



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- **Do travelers know about Zika before they depart?**
- **Do they know how to protect themselves?**
- **Do they know the symptoms and when to seek care?**
- **Where are they getting information?**

<http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/Travel>

# GOING TO THE AMERICAN TROPICS?

**MOSQUITOES** spread **DENGUE, CHIKUNGUNYA, ZIKA,** and other diseases



Mosquitoes bite day and night. Prevent mosquito bites:

- Use insect repellent
- Use air conditioning or window/door screens
- Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants



## DON'T LET MOSQUITOES RUIN YOUR TRIP

For more information, visit [www.cdc.gov/travel](http://www.cdc.gov/travel)



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### PREVENT BUG BITES

## What To Know *before* You Go!

**Bugs** can spread diseases!







**Travelers** to tropical and other destinations should take steps to prevent bug bites.

#### • Protect yourself!

Wearing insect repellent with at least **20% DEET** protects against mosquito and tick bites\*.

Use insect repellents according to package directions, and reapply as directed. Higher percentages of the active ingredient provide longer duration of protection.




#### • Apply protection!

When applying both sunscreen and insect repellent, apply sunscreen first, let it dry, then apply insect repellent.



#### • Other ways to prevent bug bites

- As much as possible, wear long pants and sleeves. Tuck shirts in and tuck pant legs into socks.
- Use permethrin-treated gear (such as tents and sleeping bags) and clothing.
- Sleep in places that are air conditioned or screened against bugs.
- Sleep under a bed net if sleeping area is exposed to the outdoors.



#### • Examples of diseases spread by bugs:

**Mosquitoes:** dengue, chikungunya, malaria, Zika, yellow fever, Japanese encephalitis

**Ticks:** African tick-bite fever, Mediterranean spotted fever, tickborne encephalitis

**Other:** scrub typhus (chiggers), plague (fleas), sleeping sickness (tsetse flies)





#### • See a doctor!

If you get sick after traveling, see a doctor. Tell the doctor where you traveled.



\*Other insect repellents are approved by parents: mosquito coils, plug-in air fresheners, and REITD. See <http://www.cdc.gov/travel/updates/bug-bites> for more information.



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## Pregnant?

**Warning:** Zika can cause certain birth defects  
There is no vaccine to prevent Zika virus infection

## Protect your pregnancy

### From getting Zika from mosquito bites



#### Daytime is most dangerous

Mosquitoes that spread Zika are aggressive daytime biters. They can also bite at night.

#### Use insect repellent

It's safe and it works! Read the label and follow the directions.



#### Cover your skin

Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants. For extra protection, treat clothing with permethrin.

#### Mosquito-proof your home

Use screens on windows and doors. Use air conditioning when available. Eliminate standing water.



### From getting Zika from sex



#### Don't have sex

Don't have sex with your male partner during your pregnancy.

OR

#### Use a condom

Use a condom the right way every time you have vaginal, anal, or oral sex during your pregnancy.



#### Talk to your healthcare provider

If you think your male partner may have or had Zika, tell your healthcare provider if you had sex without a condom.

For more information:  
[www.cdc.gov/chikungunya](http://www.cdc.gov/chikungunya)  
[www.cdc.gov/dengue](http://www.cdc.gov/dengue)  
[www.cdc.gov/zika](http://www.cdc.gov/zika)



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CDC's Response to Zika

## PREGNANT? Read this before you travel

### What we know about Zika

- Zika can be passed from a pregnant woman to her fetus.
- Zika infection during pregnancy can cause certain birth defects.
- Zika is spread mostly by the bite of an infected *Aedes* species mosquito.
  - These mosquitoes are aggressive daytime biters. They can also bite at night.
- There has been no local transmission of Zika in the continental US.
- There is no vaccine to prevent or medicine to treat Zika.
- Zika can be spread by a man to his sex partners.



### What we don't know about Zika

- If there's a safe time during your pregnancy to travel to an area with Zika.
- If you do travel and are infected, how likely it is that the virus will infect your fetus and if your baby will have birth defects from the infection.

### Travel Notice

CDC has issued a travel notice (Level 2-Practice Enhanced Precautions) for people traveling to areas where Zika virus is spreading.

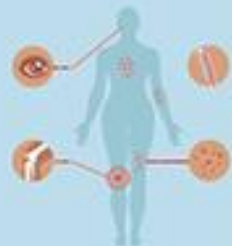
- For a current list of places with Zika outbreaks, see CDC's Travel Health Notices: <http://www.cdc.gov/travel/page/zika-travel-information>
- This notice follows reports in Brazil of microcephaly in babies of mothers who were infected with Zika virus while pregnant.

### Symptoms of Zika

Many people with Zika won't even know they have it. The illness is usually mild with symptoms lasting for several days to a week.

The most common symptoms of Zika are:

- Fever
- Rash
- Joint Pain
- Conjunctivitis (red eyes)



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## Viremic

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- **Will they seek care?**
- **Will providers evaluate for Zika?**
- **Will providers report suspected cases to public health?**
- **Will patients protect themselves from mosquito bites in San Diego?**
- **Will male patients protect their partners?**

# ¿HA VIAJADO RECIENTEMENTE A REGIONES TROPICALES EN EL CONTINENTE AMERICANO?



**LOS MOSQUITOS**  
propagan el **DENGUE**,  
el **CHIKUNGUNYA**,  
la fiebre por **ZIKA**  
y otras enfermedades



| 2 SEMANAS |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| D         | L  | M  | M  | J  | V  | S  |
| 1         | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  |
| 8         | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 15        | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 22        | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29        | 30 | 31 | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  |



Esté pendiente de si tiene fiebre con dolor en las articulaciones, los músculos o los ojos; o un sarpullido en las 2 semanas siguientes.

Si se enferma, vaya al médico.  
Dígale al médico adonde viajó.



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# DIFFERENTIAL DX FOR ZIKA



LIVE WELL  
SAN DIEGO

- **Dengue \***
  - **Chikungunya\***
  - **Leptospirosis**
  - **Malaria**
  - **Rickettsia**
  - **Parvovirus**
  - **Group A streptococcus**
  - **Rubella**
  - **Measles**
  - **Adenovirus**
  - **Enterovirus**
- \* **Similar clinical features**



- **Clinical illness usually mild**
- **Symptoms last several days to a week.**
- **Severe disease requiring hospitalization uncommon**
- **Fatalities are rare**
- **Guillain-Barré syndrome reported in patients following suspected Zika virus infection**

# CLINICAL SYMPTOMS

| Symptoms                | Number (N=31) | Percent |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------|
| Macular or papular rash | 28            | 90%     |
| Subjective fever        | 20            | 65%     |
| Arthralgia              | 20            | 65%     |
| Conjunctivitis          | 17            | 55%     |
| Myalgia                 | 15            | 48%     |
| Headache                | 14            | 45%     |
| Retro-orbital pain      | 12            | 39%     |
| Edema                   | 6             | 19%     |
| Vomiting                | 3             | 10%     |

**Confirmed Zika Virus Disease Cases**

Yap Island, 2007

Duffy M. N Engl J Med 2009

# DIFFERENTIATING FEATURES

| Symptom/Sign   | Zika | Dengue | Chikungunya |
|----------------|------|--------|-------------|
| Fever          | ++   | +++    | +++         |
| Rash           | +++  | +      | ++          |
| Conjunctivitis | ++   | -      | -           |
| Arthralgia     | ++   | +      | +++         |
| Myalgia        | +    | ++     | +           |
| Headache       | +    | ++     | ++          |
| Hemorrhage     | -    | ++     | -           |
| Shock          | -    | +      | -           |

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[http://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/ppt/2016/01\\_26\\_16\\_zika.pdf](http://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/ppt/2016/01_26_16_zika.pdf)



Photo credit: Foy BD, et al. Probable non-vector-borne transmission of Zika virus, Colorado, USA. [Emerg Infect Dis 2011;17\(5\):880–882.](#)





- **Dengue and chikungunya viruses transmitted by same mosquitoes with similar ecology**
- **Dengue and chikungunya can circulate in same area and rarely cause co-infections**
- **Diseases have similar clinical features**
- **Important to rule out dengue, as proper clinical management can improve outcome\***

\* WHO dengue clinical management guidelines:

[http://whqlibdoc.who.int/publications/2009/9789241547871\\_eng.pdf](http://whqlibdoc.who.int/publications/2009/9789241547871_eng.pdf)

# TESTING FOR ZIKA VIRUS



 LIVE WELL  
SAN DIEGO

- **Reverse transcriptase-polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) for viral RNA in serum collected  $\leq 7$  days after illness onset (urine up to 21 days, probably a better test!)**
- **Serology for IgM and neutralizing antibodies in serum collected  $\geq 4$  days after illness onset**
- **Plaque reduction neutralization test (PRNT) for  $\geq 4$ -fold rise in virus-specific neutralizing antibodies in paired sera**
- **Immunohistochemical (IHC) staining for viral antigens or RT-PCR on fixed tissues**



- **Zika virus serology (IgM) can be positive due to antibodies against related flaviviruses**
- **Neutralizing antibody testing may discriminate between cross-reacting antibodies in primary flavivirus infections**
- **Difficult to distinguish infecting virus in people previously infected with or vaccinated against a related flavivirus**
- **Healthcare providers can work with health departments to ensure test results are interpreted correctly**



- **Diagnostic tests only now becoming commercially available (PCR only)**
- **Testing performed at CDC and CDPH**
- **San Diego healthcare providers should contact the County Epidemiology Program to facilitate diagnostic testing through the San Diego County Public Health Laboratory**



- **No specific antiviral therapy**
- **Treatment is supportive (i.e., rest, fluids, analgesics, antipyretics)**
- **Suspected Zika virus infections should be evaluated and managed for possible dengue or chikungunya virus infections**
- **Aspirin and other NSAIDs should be avoided until dengue can be ruled out to reduce risk of hemorrhage**





# ZIKA REFERRALS IN SAN DIEGO 2015-18

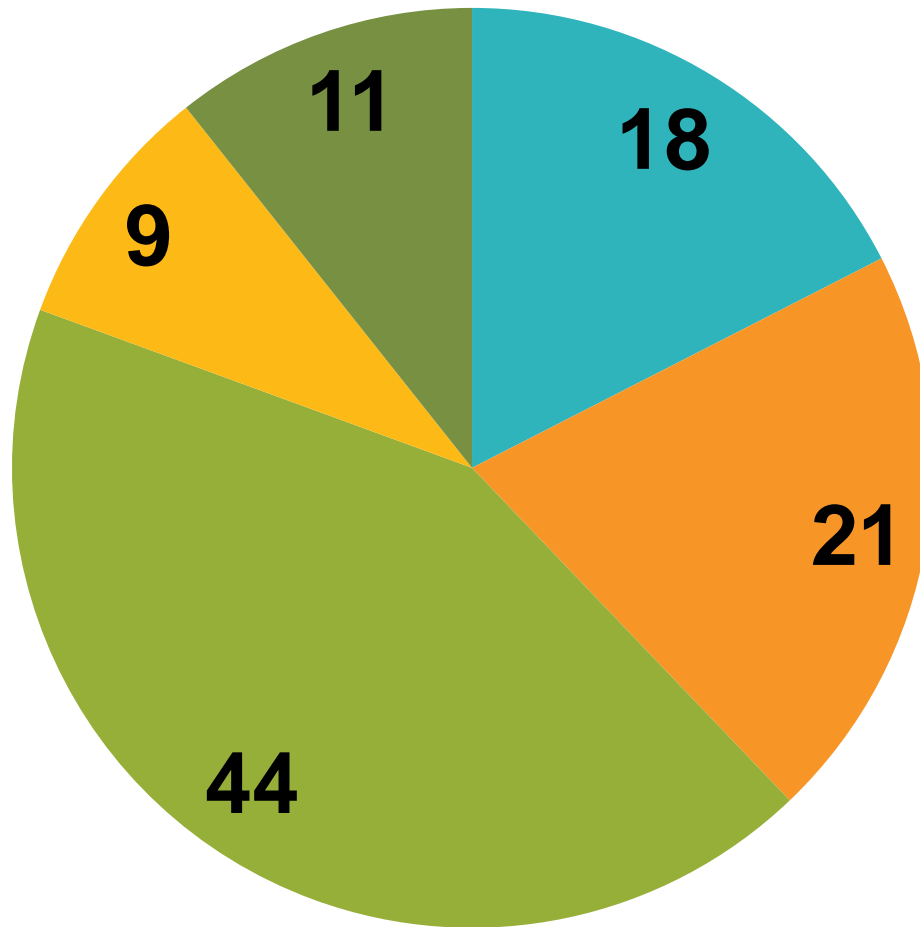


- Total Zika referrals: **4,191**
- Confirmed/Probable Zika cases: **108**
  - **103** travel, **2** sexual, **3** congenital
- Confirmed cases in pregnant women: **15**
- Cases ruled out for Zika: **3,982**
- Cases pending lab results or submission: **69**
- Cases pending lab results in pregnant women: **37**
- Cases referred to Vector Control: **449**

# AREAS OF TRAVEL

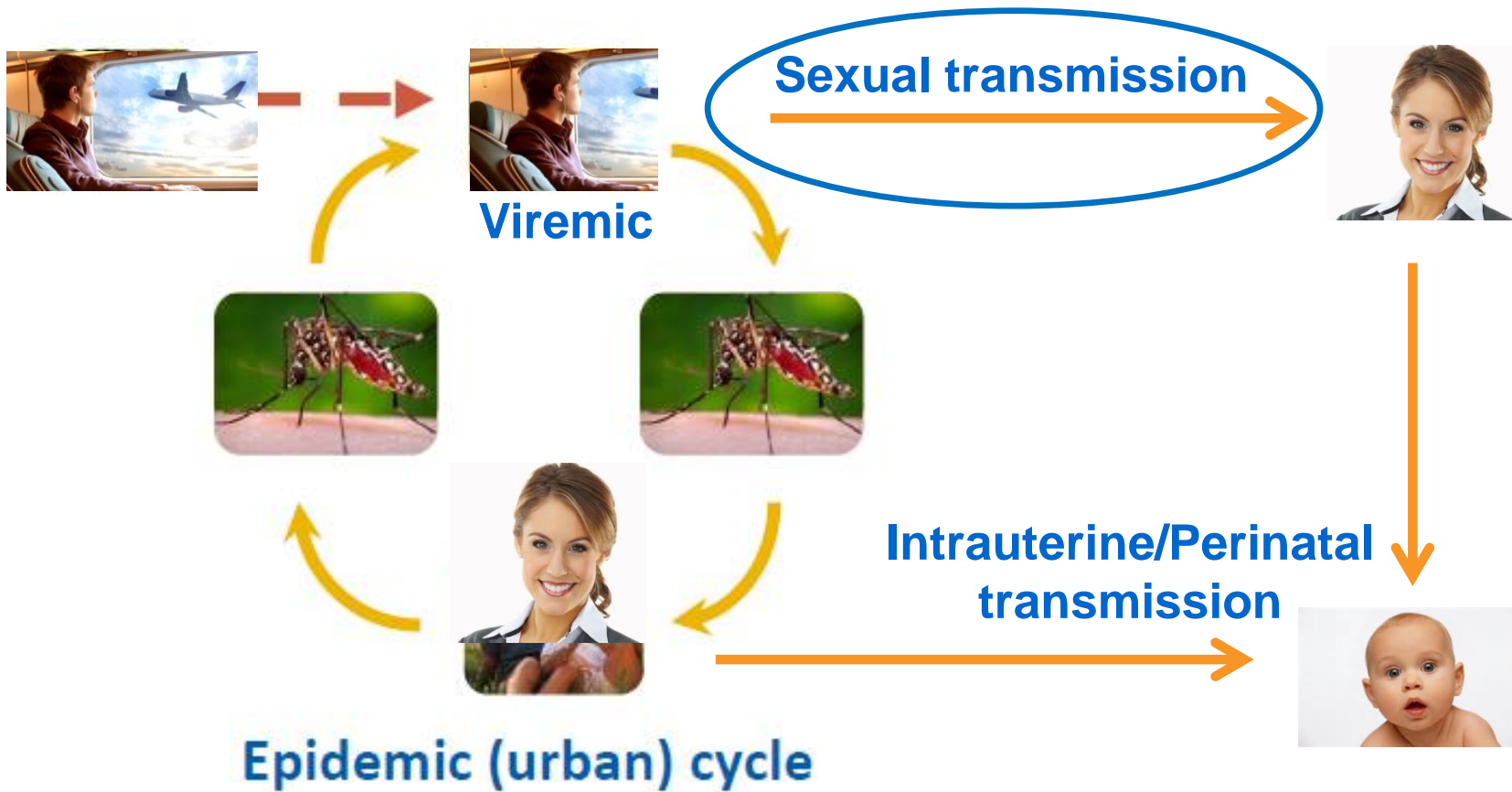


LIVE WELL  
SAN DIEGO



- Caribbean
- Central America
- Mexico
- South America
- Other

# Zika Virus Transmission Cycles



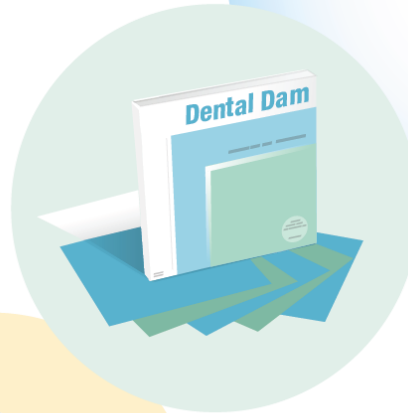
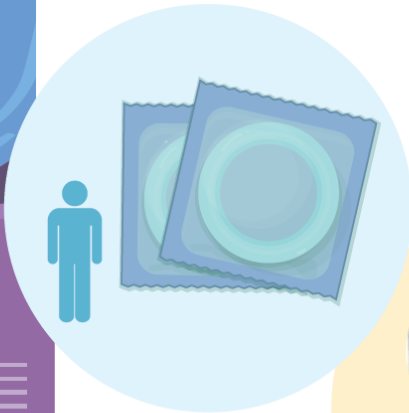
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- **Zika virus infection has been confirmed in women (and men) whose only known risk factor was sexual contact with an ill male partner who had recently traveled to an area with local Zika virus transmission**
- **52 US cases, two cases in San Diego**
- **Case report of a symptomatic woman passing Zika to male partner, and Zika has been detected in female genital tract**
- **Zika can persist in the semen for months**

# Has your partner been to an area with risk of Zika?

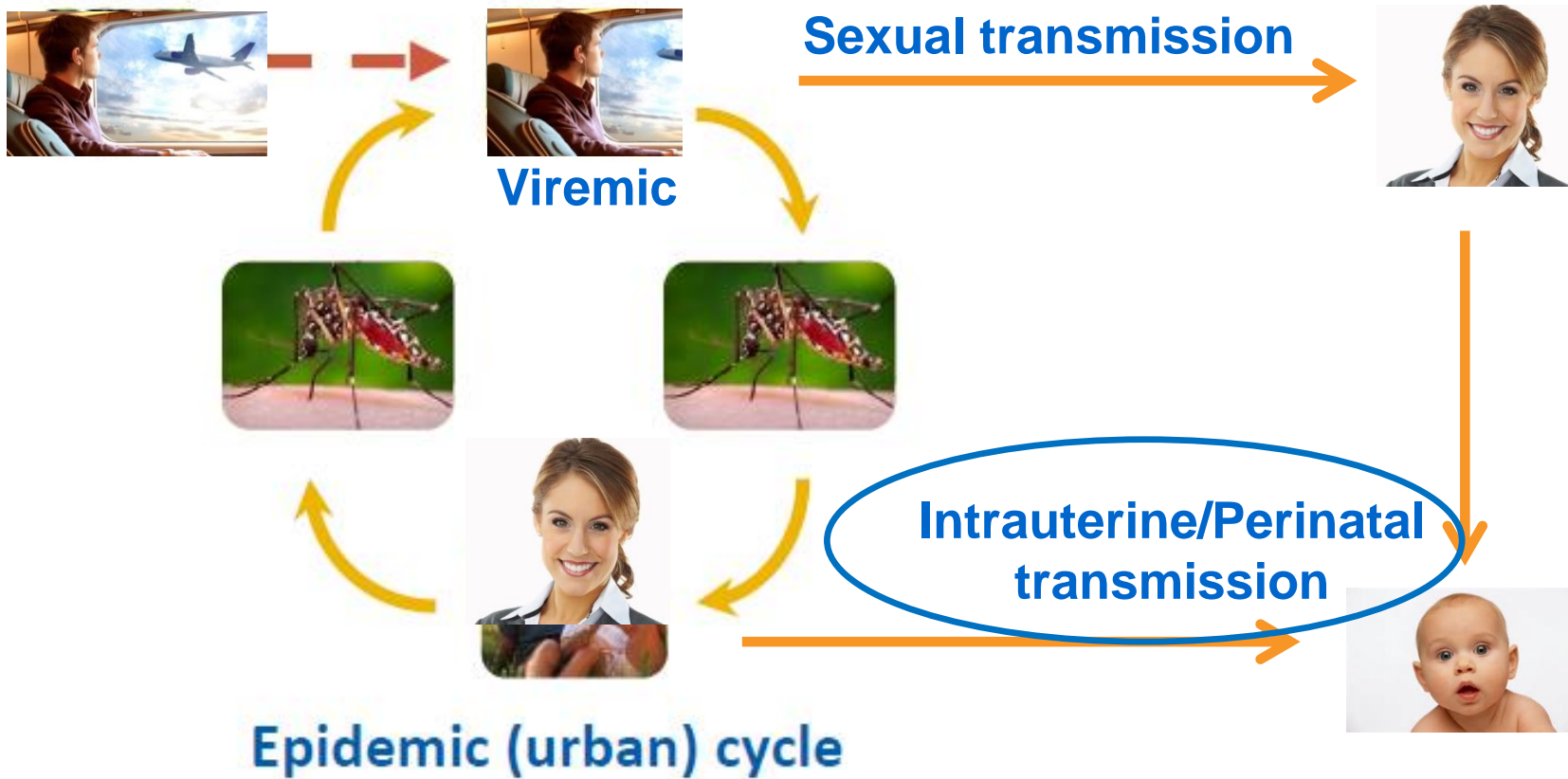
If yes, use condoms every time you have sex.



**Women:**  
Use condoms for  
at least 8 weeks.

**Men:**  
Use condoms for  
at least 6 months.

# Zika Virus Transmission Cycles



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## Range of Microcephaly Severity



Baby with Typical Head Size

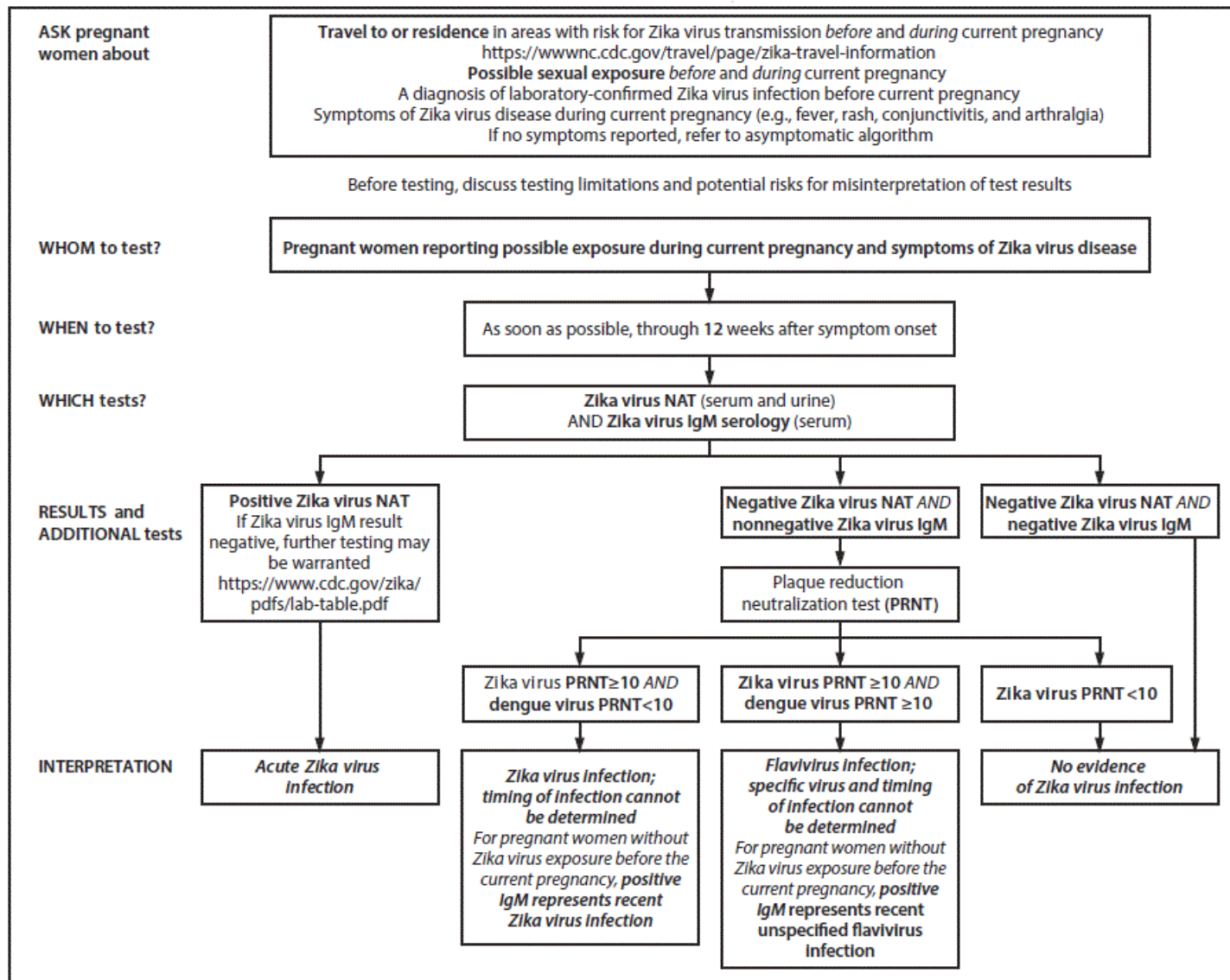


Baby with Microcephaly



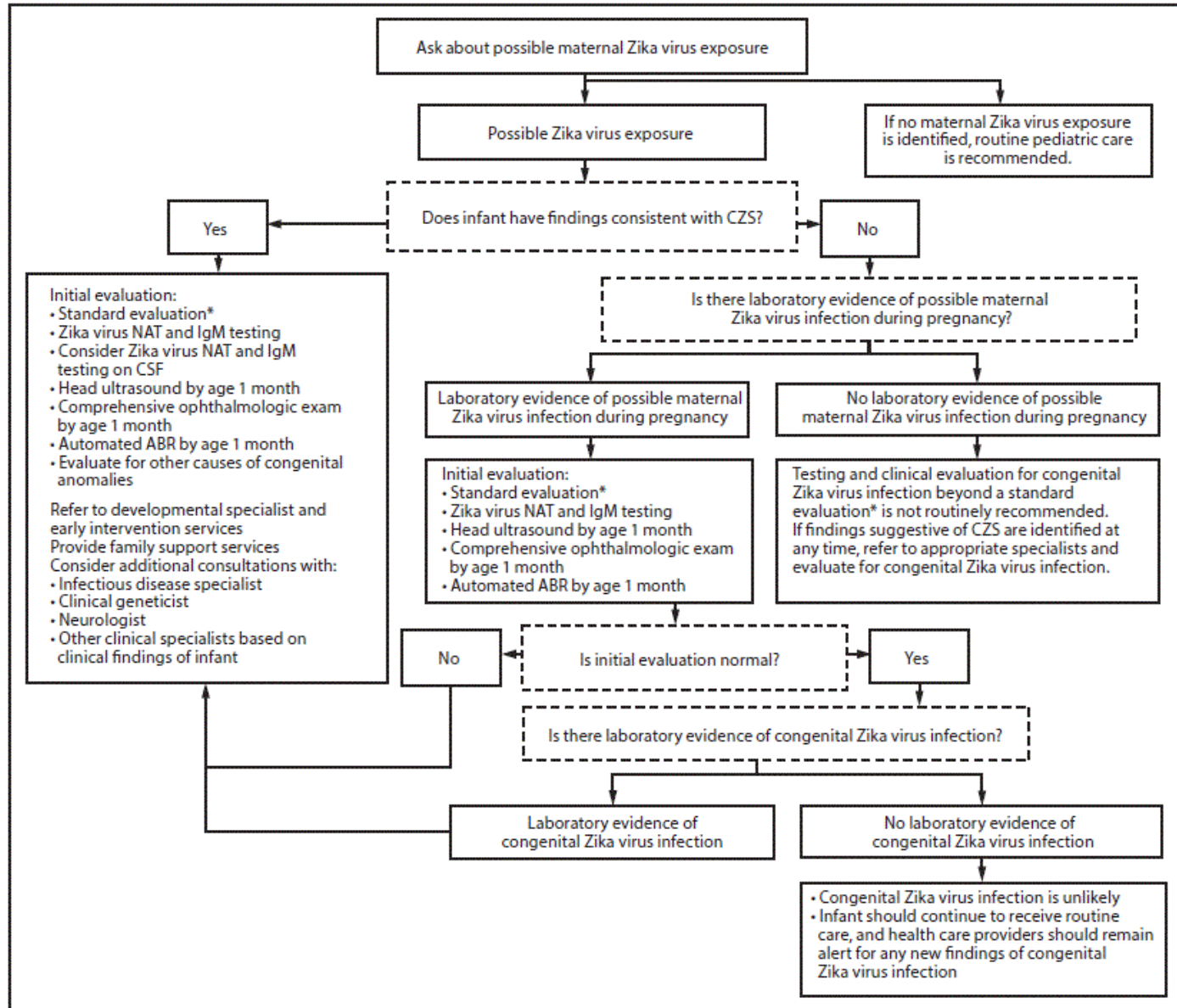
Baby with Severe Microcephaly

# RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PREGNANT WOMEN



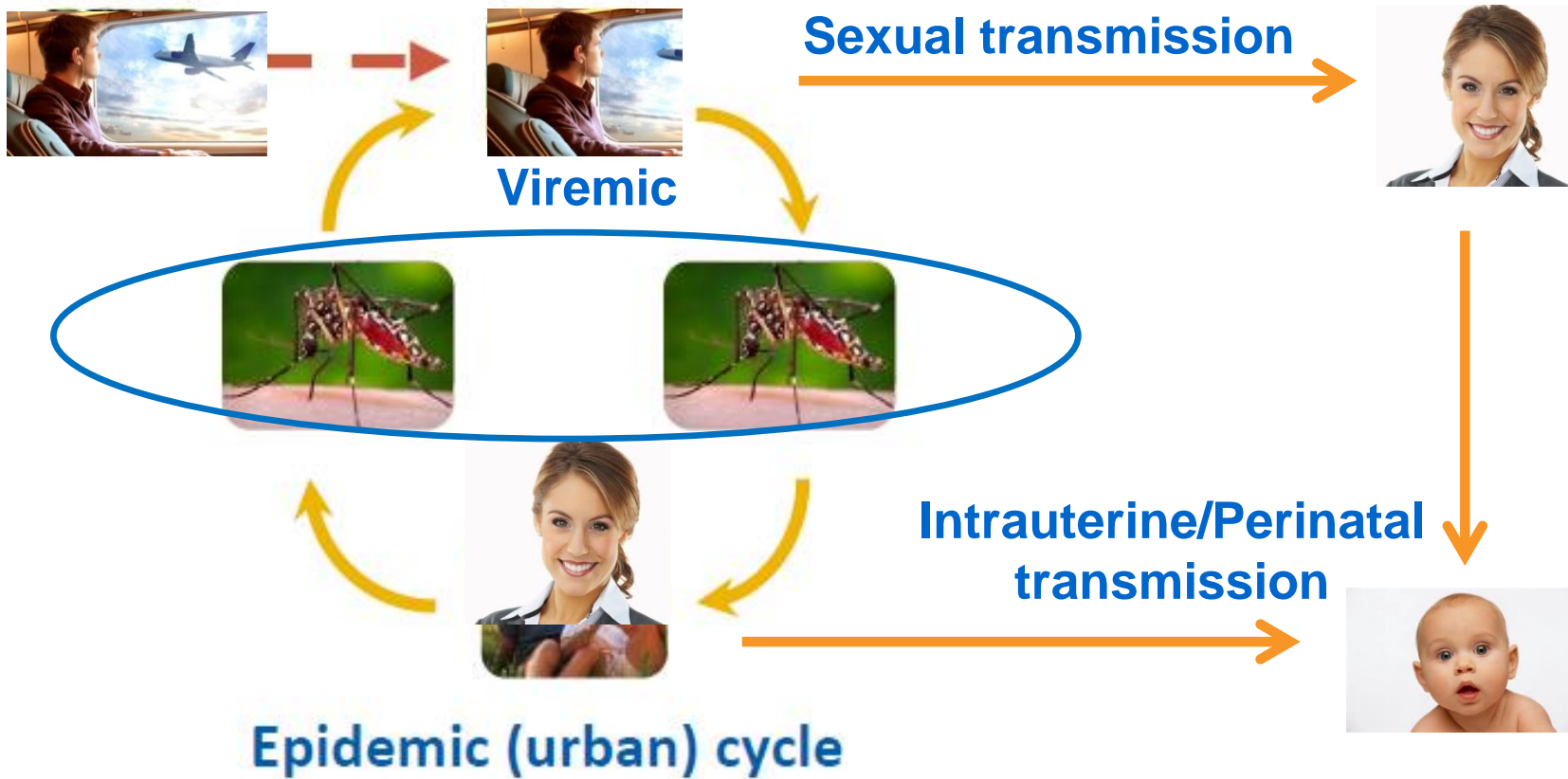
**Source: CDC.** Update: Interim Guidance for Health Care Providers Caring for Pregnant Women with Possible Zika Virus Exposure — United States (Including U.S. Territories), July 2017

# Guidance for Possible Congenital Zika Virus Infection



**Source CDC.** Update: Interim Guidance for the Diagnosis, Evaluation, and Management of Infants with Possible Congenital Zika Virus Infection — United States, October 2017

# Zika Virus Transmission Cycles



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*County of San Diego*  
  
*Vector Control*

**Prevent** – no standing water, dump once a week

**Protect** – use repellants with DEET, IR3535, oil of lemon eucalyptus, picaridin (permethrin in clothes)

**Report** - dead birds, mosquito breeding sites, green pools, and day biting mosquitoes

[www.sdvector.com](http://www.sdvector.com)





Para prevenir el zancudo *Aedes* invasivo, elimine el agua estancada por fuera y dentro de su casa

# ¡Alerta!

# Para Prevenir, Proteger y Reportar Los Zancudos *Aedes* Invasivos



## Prevenir Adentro

- Cambie el agua semanalmente en ollas, jarrones, y platillos de mascotas



- Use mosquiteros en las ventanas y puertas
- No deje agua estancada por más de 1 semana

## Afuera (Semanal)

- Vacíe el agua que se acumula en las llantas, juguetes, contenedores y cubos de almacenamiento cuando no se estén utilizando
- Cambie el agua de los pilas de pájaros
- Circule el agua en fuentes y piscinas
- Elimine el agua de los platillos de plantas, huecos de los árboles, cajas de control de rociadores, charcos y canaletas de lluvia
- Elimine el agua que se ha acumulado en lonas, vehículos, y barcos que no estén almacenados



## Mensual

- Asegurase de que no haya aberturas en los baldes utilizados para la recolección de agua



## Proteger

- Instale o repare mosquiteros en las ventanas, puertas, aberturas en los barriles de lluvia y en baldes utilizados para la recolección de agua
- Use camisas de manga larga, pantalones, calcetines y zapatos cuando este afuera en el amanecer y al atardecer



- Aplique repelente como por ejemplo DEET, Picaridin, aceite de eucalipto de limón o IR 3535 en la piel y/o en la ropa (como indicado en la etiqueta del producto)



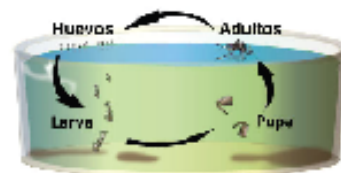
## Reportar

- Llame o envíe por correo electrónico al Programa de Control De Vectores para reportar picaduras de zancudos durante el día (especialmente las picaduras recibidas en el interior de su casa), áreas de producción de zancudos y los zancudos que son de color negro con rayas blancas

## Hechos sobre el *Aedes* Invasivo

- Encontrado en interiores y exteriores
- Negro con rayas blancas
- Prefieren picar a la gente pero también pican a los animales
- Los zancudos ponen huevos en pequeños recipientes que contienen agua como platos de plantas, jarrones, pilas de pájaros, fuentes ornamentales, juguetes, llantas abandonadas e incluso en huecos de los árboles
- Los huevos pueden sobrevivir sin agua por meses

## Ciclo de Vida del Zancudo



Courtesy Greater L.A. County Vector Control

- Los huevos eclosionan en 1-2 días después de tocar el agua
- Las larvas se alimentan de algas, pequeños organismos acuáticos, plantas y material de origen animal en el agua
- Los huevos pueden crecer a ser adultos en tan sólo una semana
- Los zancudos adultos viven hasta 3 semanas
- Huevos y adultos se encuentran en y alrededor de las casas

## Para Mas Información

(858) 694-2888 • [vector@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:vector@sdcounty.ca.gov)  
[www.sdvector.com](http://www.sdvector.com)

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- **No vaccine or medication to prevent infection or disease**
- **Primary prevention measure is to reduce mosquito exposure**
- **Pregnant women should consider postponing travel to areas with ongoing Zika virus outbreaks**
- **Protect yourself from mosquito bites for three weeks after return from Zika affected after**

ENVIRONMENT

# Invasive 'Aussie Mozzie' Found in San Diego County



*Have you mosquito-proofed your backyard by dumping out standing water? You should. The "Aussie Mozzie" has arrived in San Diego County.*

By [Gig Conaughton](#), County of San Diego Communications Office

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# WHAT IS LYME DISEASE?



LIVE WELL  
SAN DIEGO

- Caused by spirochete *Borrelia burgdorferi*
- Occurs in areas of North America, Europe, and Asia
- ~30,000 cases reported annually in US (most common VBD in US)
- Transmitted in US by *Ixodes* ticks



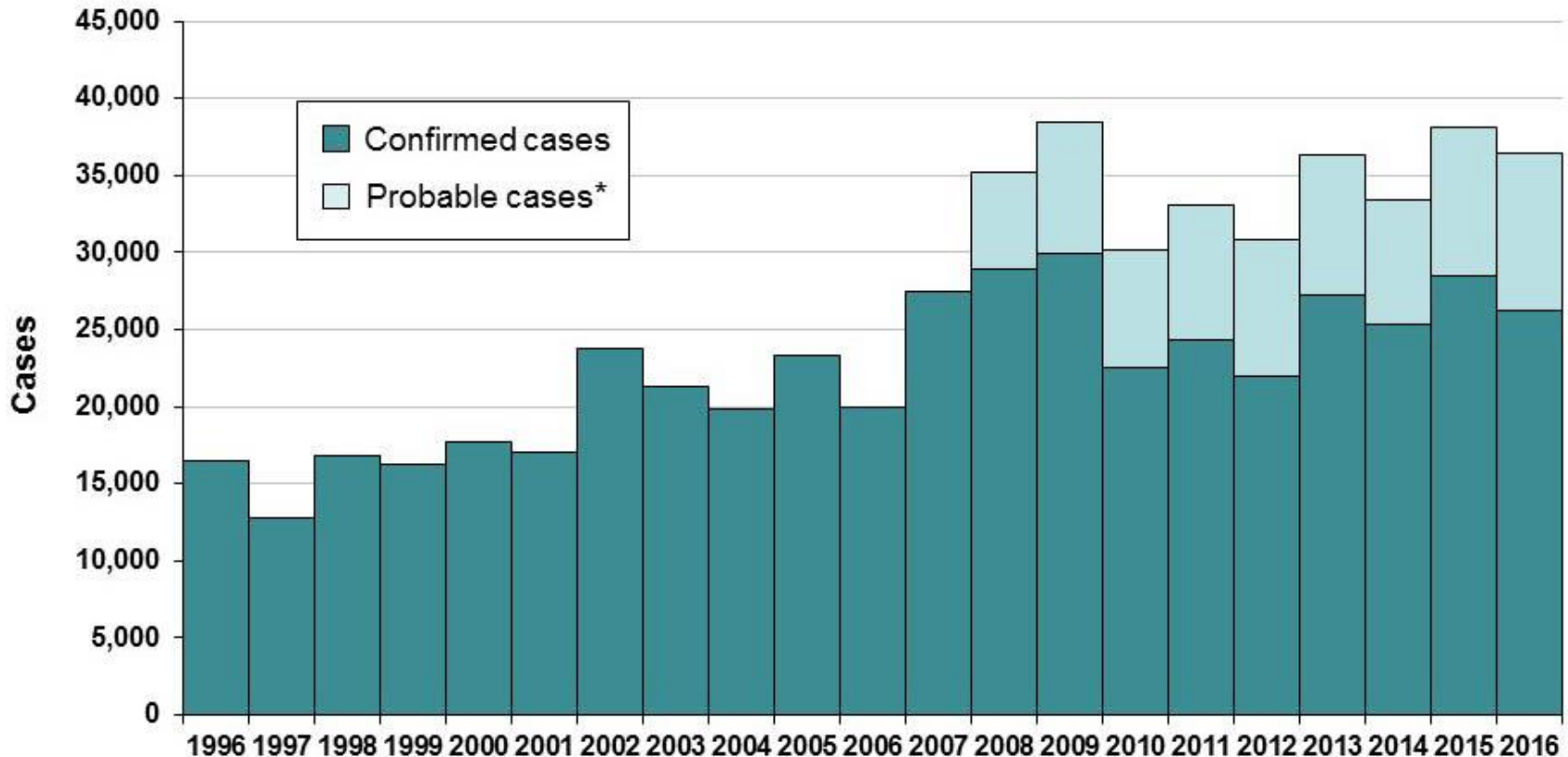
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# LYME DISEASE



## Reported Cases of Lyme Disease by Year, United States, 1996-2016



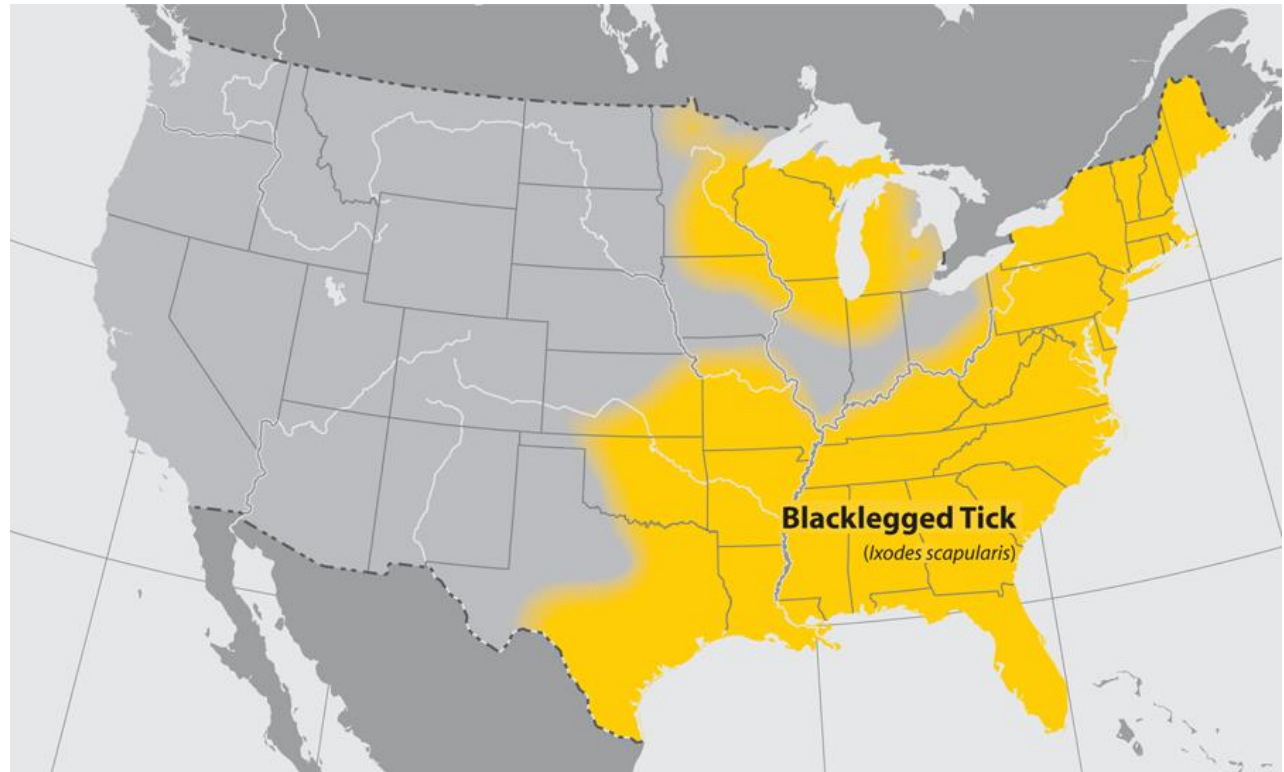
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## Deer Tick a.k.a. Blacklegged Tick



***Ixodes  
scapularis***

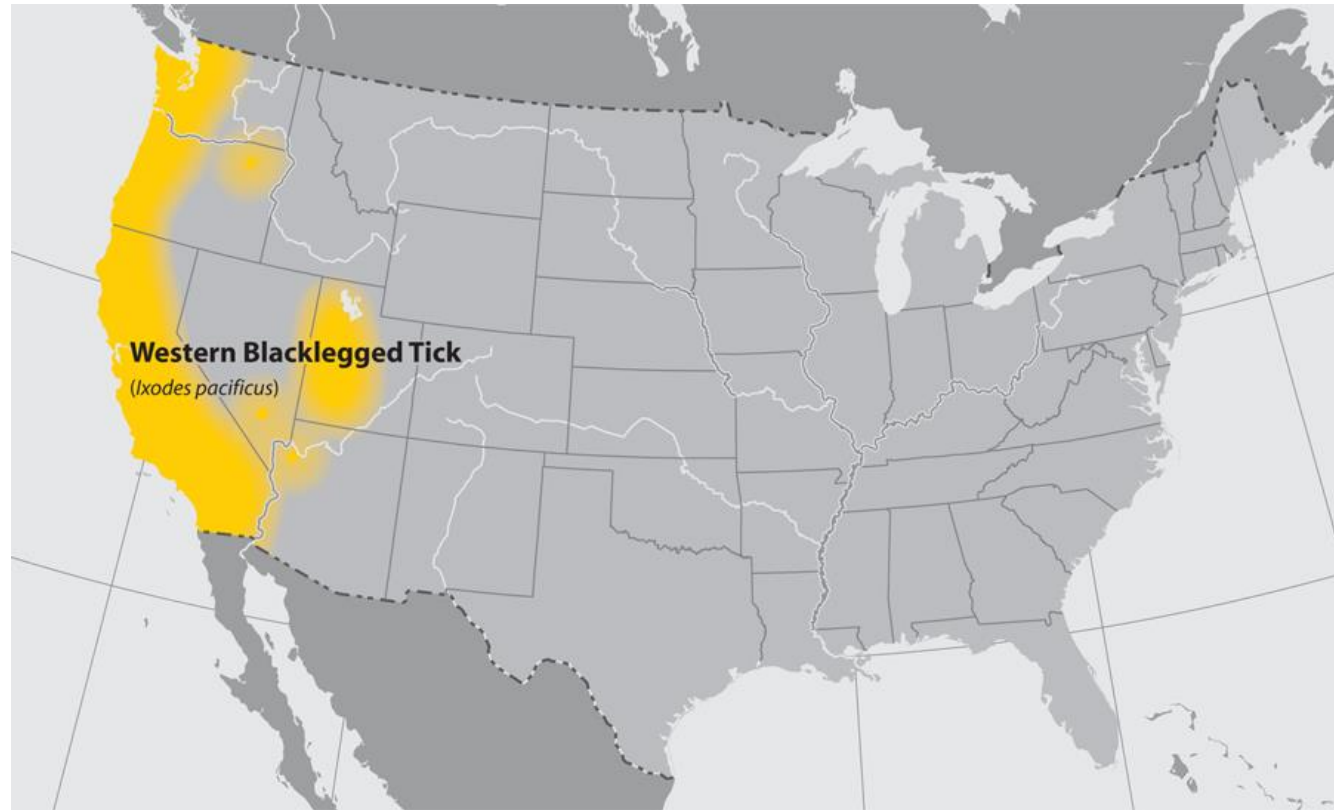




## Western Blacklegged Tick

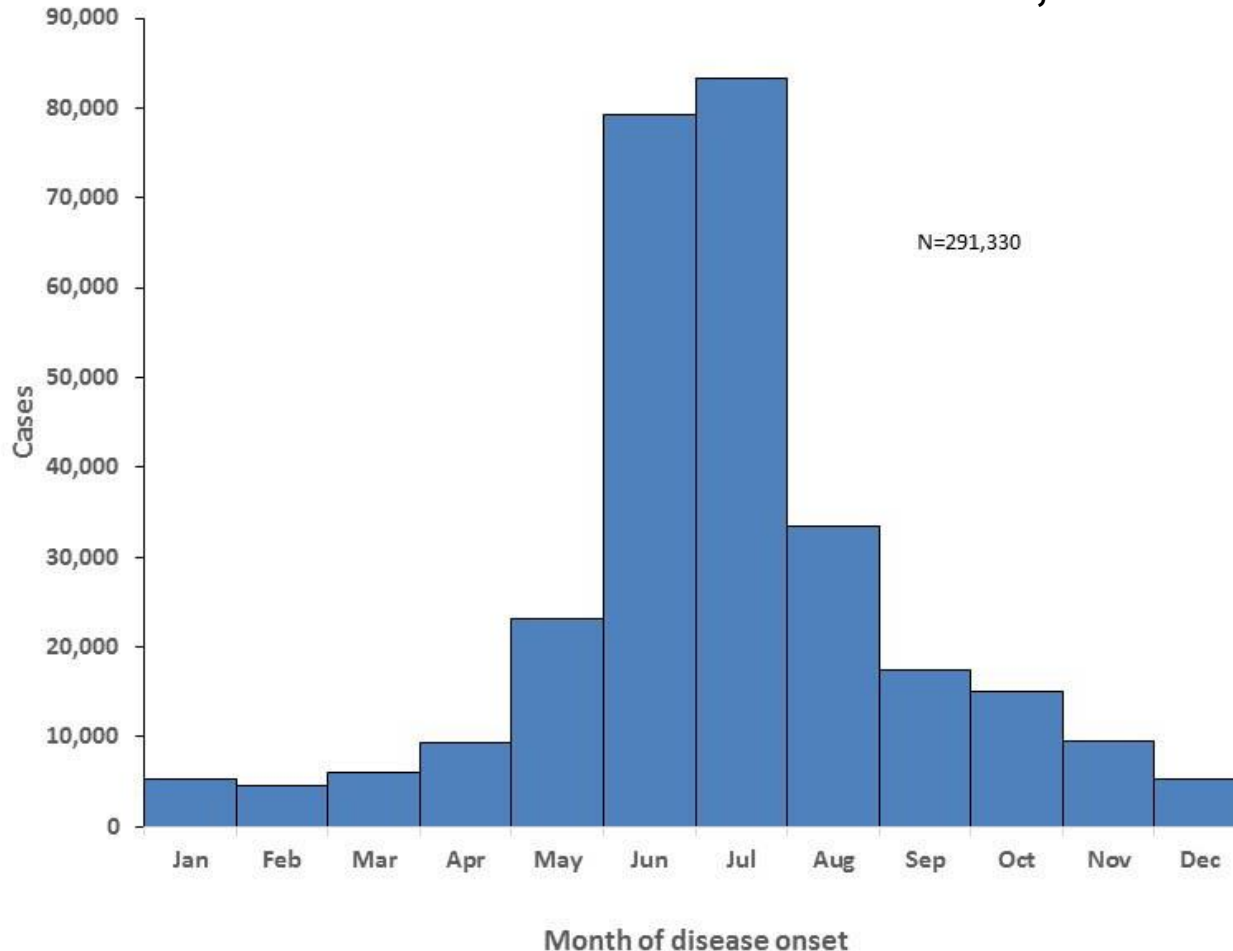


***Ixodes  
pacificus***





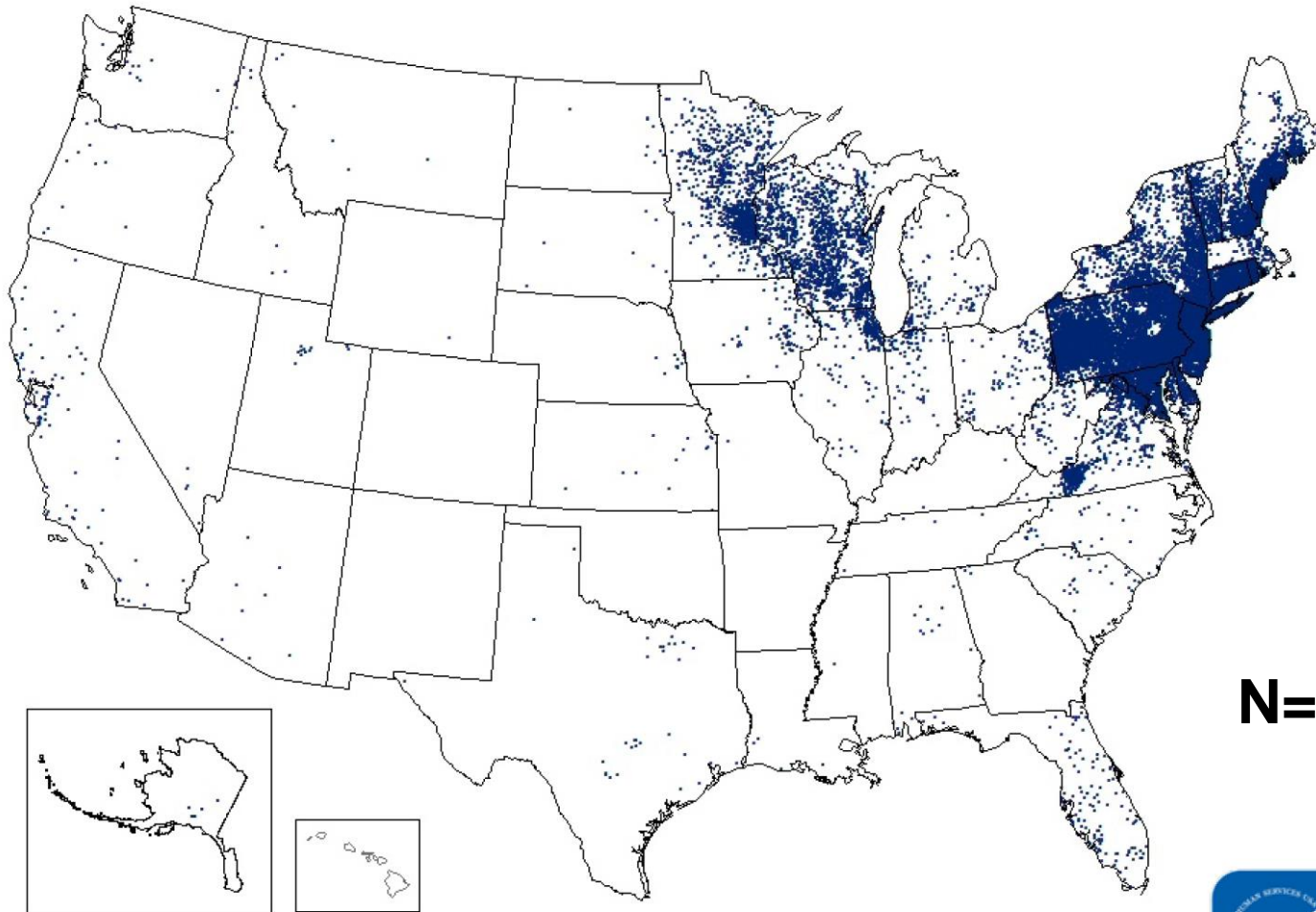
## Confirmed Lyme disease cases by month of disease onset--United States, 2001-2016



# LYME CASES - 2016



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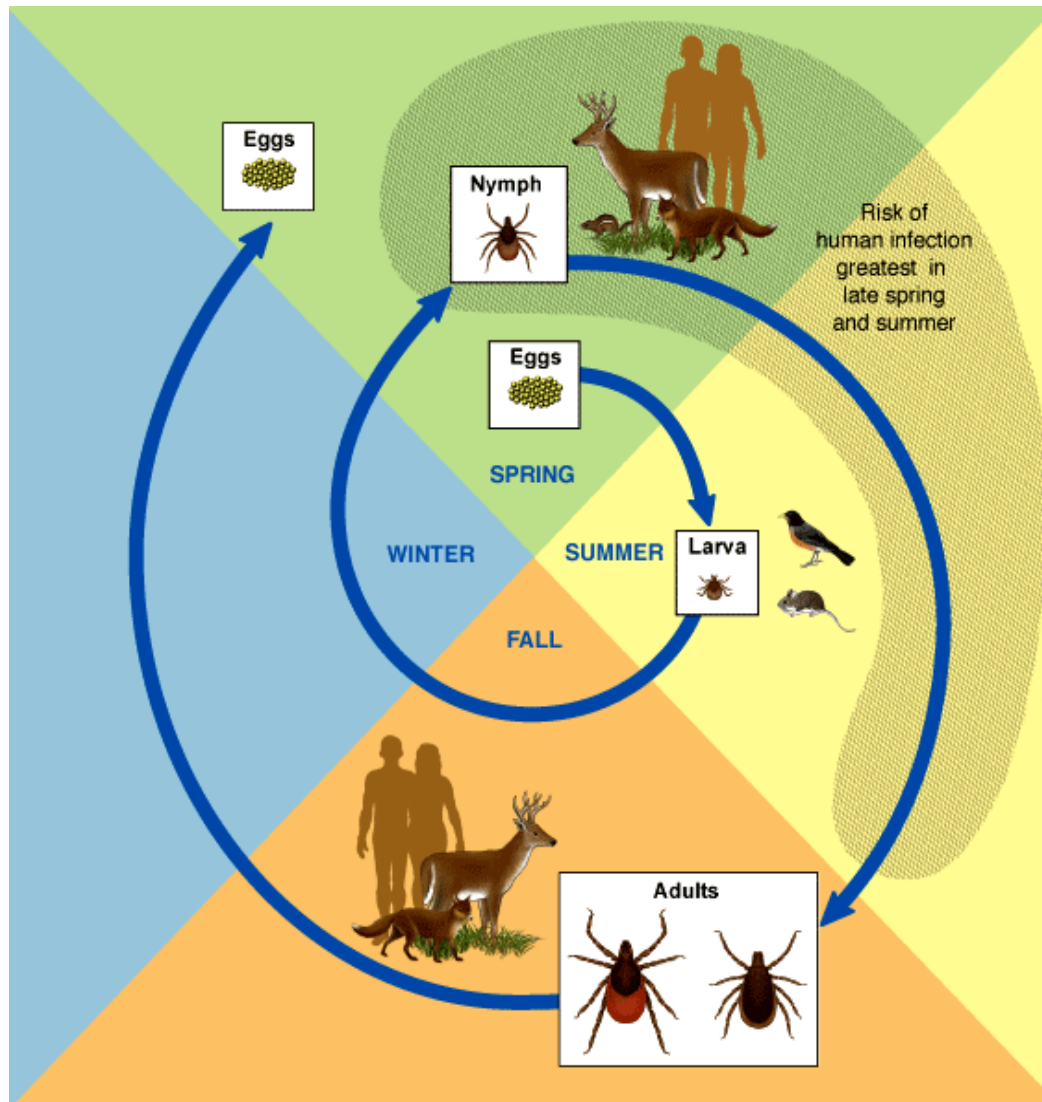


**N= 36,429**

National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases  
Division of Vector-borne Diseases | Bacterial Diseases Branch



# VECTOR - IXODES





# ERYTHEMA MIGRANS



**LIVE WELL  
SAN DIEGO**

**70-80% of cases**

**~7-14 days after tick bite**

**Expands over days**

**Rarely painful**

**Distinguish from allergic reaction**



Photo credit: CDC

# ATYPICAL EM PRESENTATIONS



LIVE WELL  
SAN DIEGO



Photo credits: CDC



- **Facial (Bell's) palsy**
  - Summer months
  - May be bilateral
  - $\pm$  CSF pleocytosis
- **Arthritis**
  - Intermittent
  - Oligoarticular
- **Late-stage neurologic**
  - Peripheral neuropathy
  - Encephalopathy



# Clinical Signs of Confirmed Lyme Disease Cases United States 2001-2016

| Symptoms                | Percentage |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Erythema migrans        | 70         |
| Arthritis               | 30         |
| Bell's palsy            | 9          |
| Radiculoneuropathy      | 4          |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 2          |
| Cardiac                 | 1          |

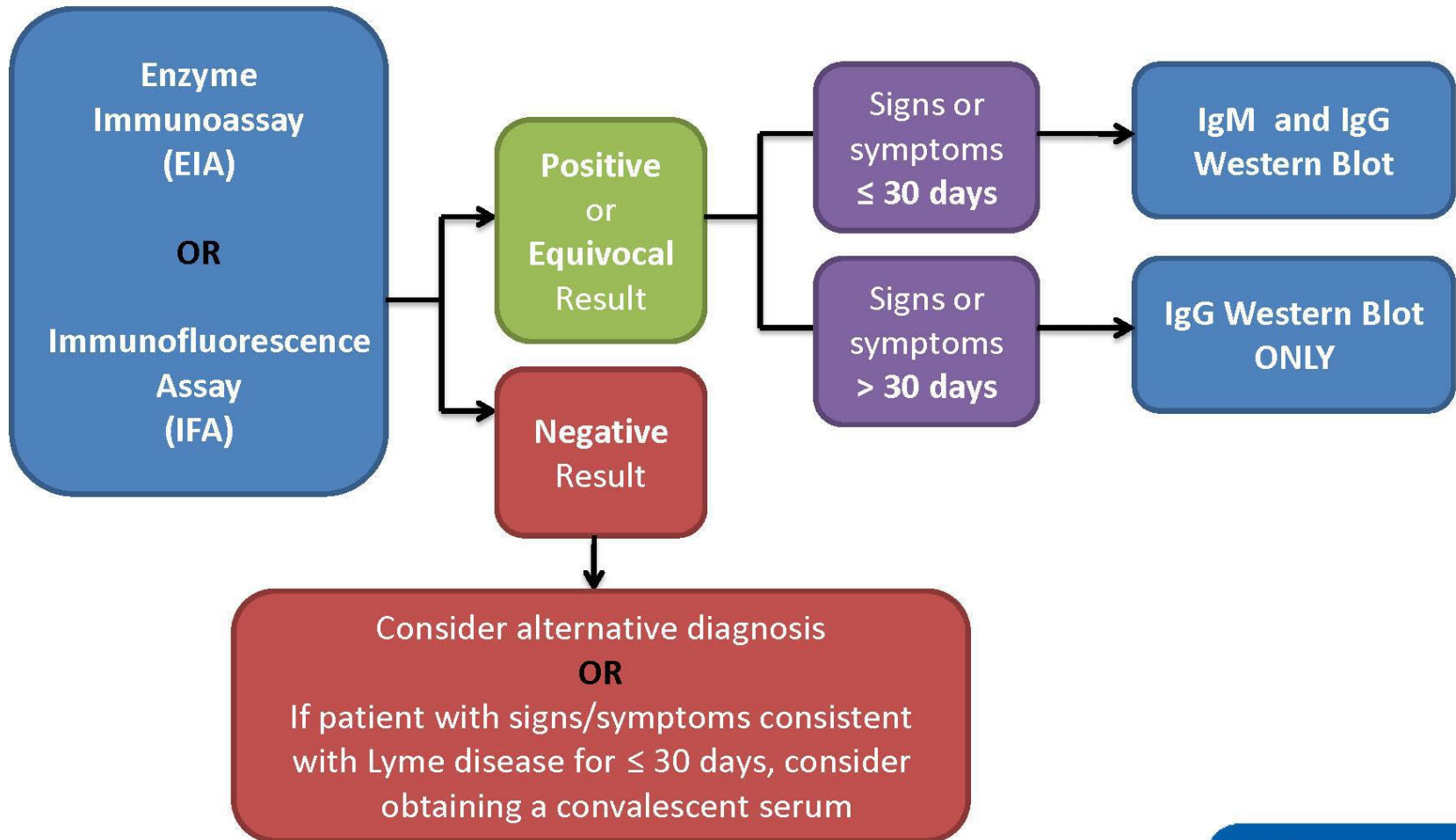
**N= 253,690**

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# Two-Tiered Testing for Lyme Disease

## First Test

## Second Test





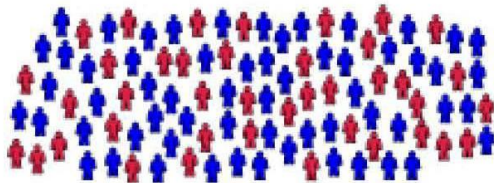
# Understanding Test Results for Infectious Diseases

Consider the likelihood of disease *before* performing laboratory testing

The likelihood that a patient has a disease depends on many factors:

- Has the patient been in an area where the disease is found?
- Does the patient have signs and symptoms typical of the disease?
- Does the patient have risk factors for contracting or developing the disease?

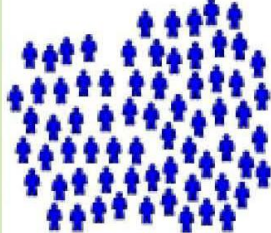
## DISEASE IS COMMON\*



100 people tested for the disease ‡

### NEGATIVE TESTS

True Negatives



**1% FALSE NEGATIVE**

1 of 60 people who tests negative has the disease

False Negatives

### POSITIVE TESTS

False Positives



True Positives



**3% FALSE POSITIVE**

1 of 40 people who tests positive does not have the disease

### KEY

- people with disease
- people without disease

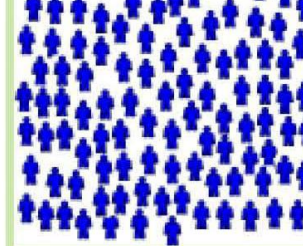
## DISEASE IS RARE †



100 people tested for the disease ‡

### NEGATIVE TESTS

True Negatives



**0% FALSE NEGATIVE**

None of the 97 people who tests negative has the disease

False Negatives  
**0**

### POSITIVE TESTS

False Positives



True Positives



**67% FALSE POSITIVE**

2 of 3 people who test positive do not have the disease

\* 40 out of 100 patients in this area have the disease.

† 1 out of 100 patients in this area have the disease.

‡ Test specificity = 98% (high) and test sensitivity = 98% (high)



## Sensitivity of Two-tiered Serologic Testing

| Disease Stage          | Sensitivity (%) |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| EM Rash (acute)        | 38              |
| EM rash (convalescent) | 67              |
| Early neurologic       | 87              |
| Late neurologic        | 100             |
| Arthritis              | 97              |

**Bottom line: Good in later stages of disease,  
testing of EM patients not generally necessary**



- **Single-tier IgM or IgG immunoblot tests without a previous EIA/IFA**
- **In-house criteria for interpretation of immunoblots**
- **Capture assays for antigens in urine**
- **Tests for “cystic forms” of *B. burgdorferi***
- **Lymphocyte transformation tests**
- **Quantitative CD57 lymphocyte assays**
- **Measurements of antibodies in joint fluid (synovial fluid)**
- **Novel culture techniques**
  - **More info on [www.cdc.gov/Lyme](http://www.cdc.gov/Lyme)**



- **Tests offered are not FDA approved**
- **Laboratory claims to “specialize” in Lyme and other tick-borne disease testing**
- **Do not accept insurance**
  - **Patient pays out of pocket (\$500 - \$1,000 ++)**



- **Tick bite prophylaxis** – doxycycline 200 mg po x1  
(only in certain circumstances)
- **Erythema migrans:**
  - Doxycycline 100 mg po bid x 14 days, or
  - Amoxicillin 500 mg po tid x 14 days, or
  - Cefuroxime 500 mg po bid x 14 days
- **Patients with multiple EMs, facial palsy, and/or arthritis can be treated with the same oral regimens**
  - Duration 14-28 days, depending on clinical picture



- **Avoid tick habitat**
- **Use DEET (at least 20%) or wear permethrin-treated clothing**
- **Shower soon after being outdoors**
  - **Washes away unseen nymphs and gets tick infested clothing off of the body**
- **Daily tick checks—remove attached ticks ASAP**
- **Call your provider if you develop a fever or rash**

# ROCKY MOUNTAIN SPOTTED FEVER



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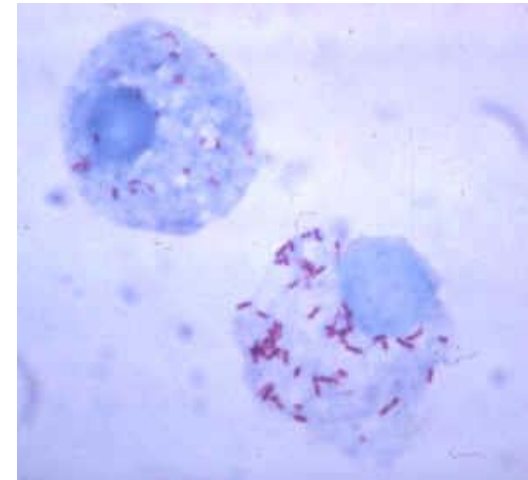
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# WHAT IS RMSF?



- **Rocky Mountain spotted fever (Fiebre Manchada de las Montañas Rocosas) is a tick-borne disease caused by *Rickettsia rickettsia*.**
- **Infects endothelial cells, causes vasculitis**
  - **Non-specific symptoms**
  - **Multi-system organ failure**
- **No “classic” presentation**
- **Can be rapidly fatal**
  - **>20% case fatality rate in untreated cases**
  - **Median time to death 8 days**

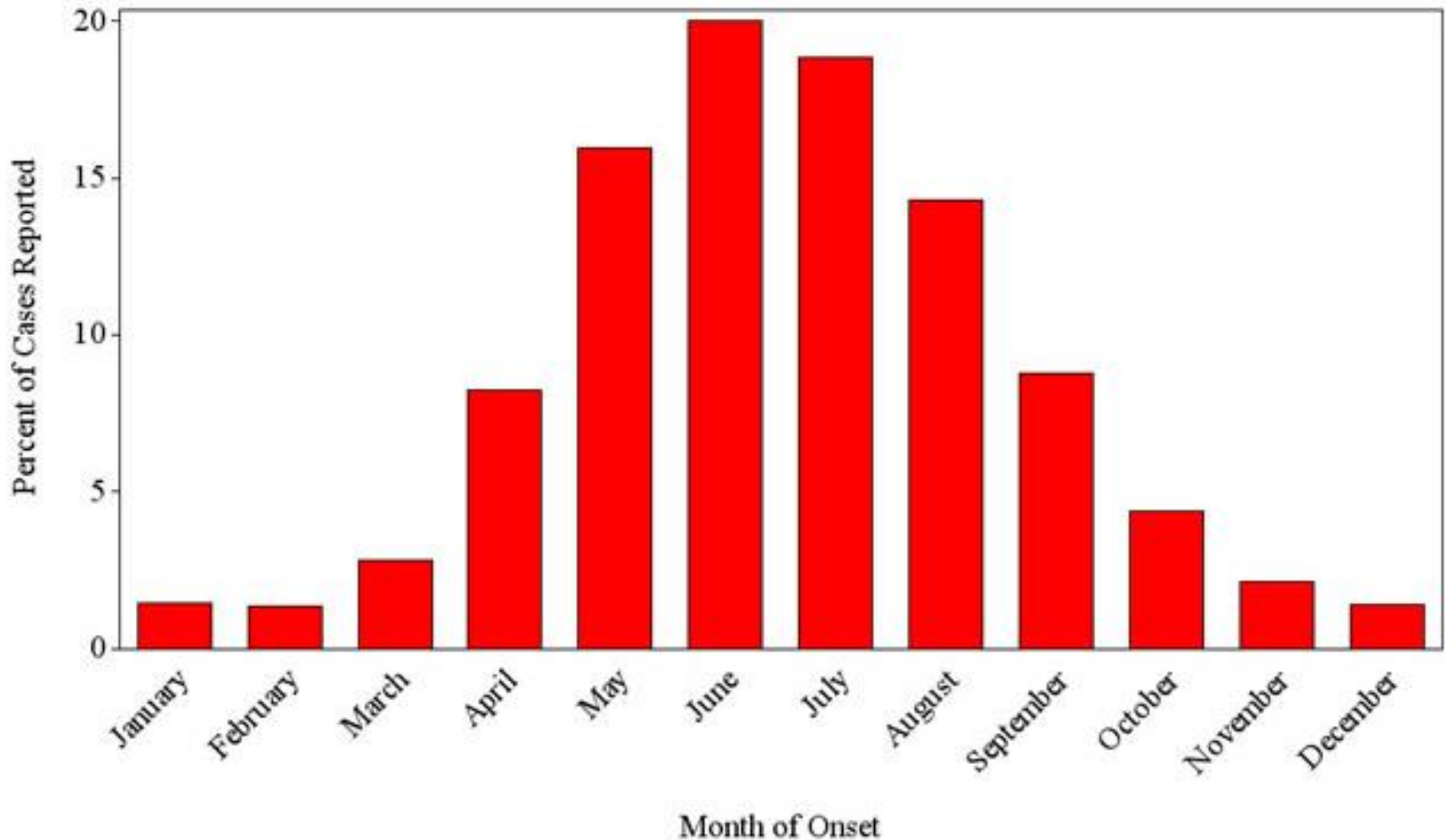


# SEASONAL FOR MOST OF U.S.



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## SFR cases by month of onset 1993 through 2014





## Rocky Mountain Wood Tick



**Dermacentor  
andersoni**





## American Dog Tick



**Dermacentor  
variabilis**





## Brown Dog Tick



**Rhipicephalus  
sanguineus**



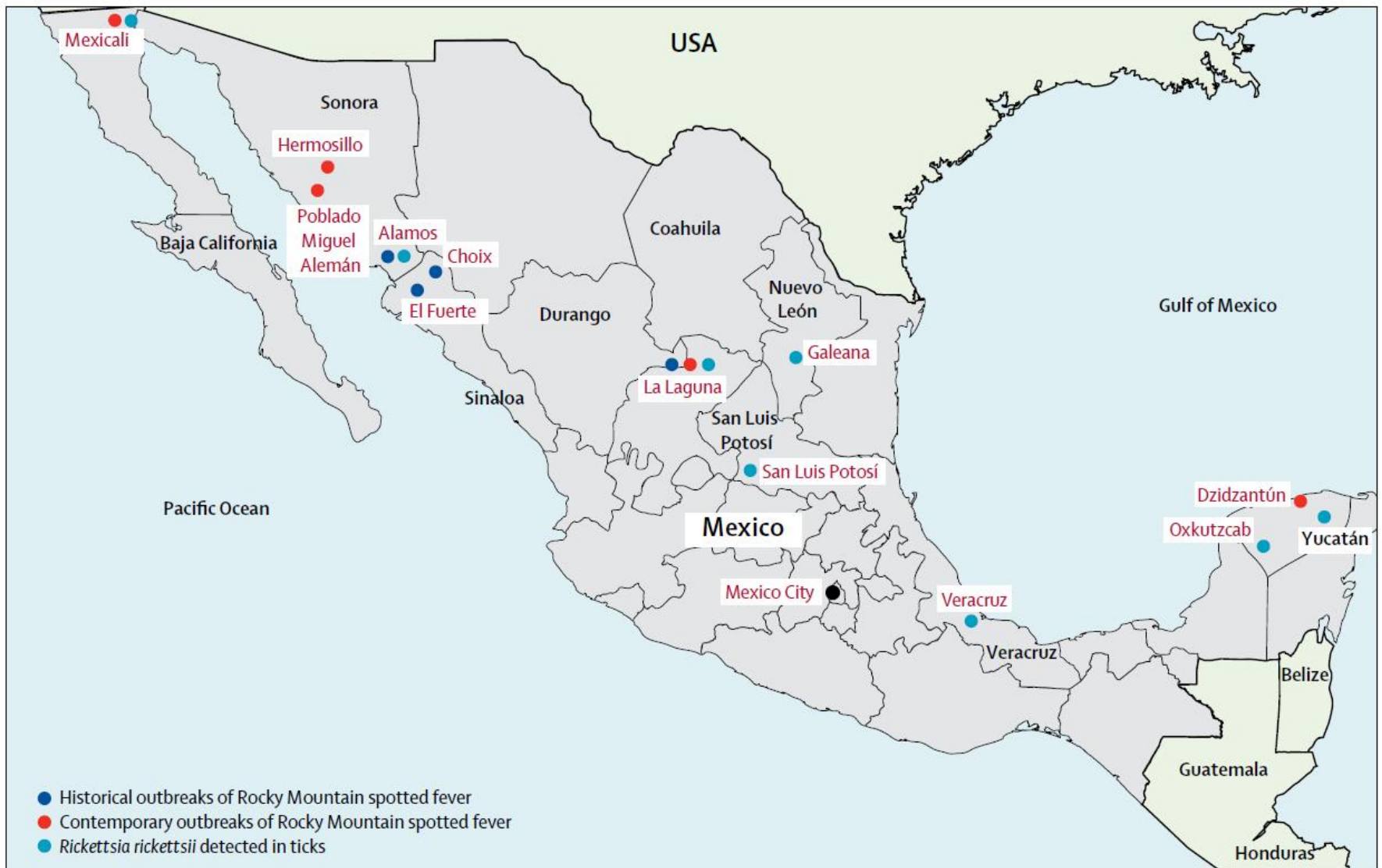


# BROWN DOG TICKS



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## Early clinical manifestations

- **Day 1-2:** fever, headache, myalgia (*may be responsive to OTC pain/fever meds*)
- **Day 2-4:** May develop respiratory signs (cough, community-acquired pneumonia) and/or gastrointestinal signs (nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain)
- **Day 2-4:** light maculopapular rash \*may\* appear
- **Day 2-4:** Thrombocytopenia, hyponatremia, elevated liver enzymes (AST, ALT) \*may\* occur



## Later clinical manifestations

- Worsening systemic illness (cough, dyspnea, arrhythmias, hypotension, severe abdominal pain)
- Petechial rash may develop
- Thrombocytopenia, hyponatremia, elevated liver enzymes (AST, ALT) usually present
- Onset of neurologic signs (photophobia, altered mental status, seizures)



- **Testing is used for surveillance and public health (magnitude of cases, confirm risks)**
- **No early diagnostic test can definitively rule RMSF in or out**
- **Do not base treatment decisions on (or wait for) test results**



- **PCR or IHC of whole blood, serum, tissue**
  - Most accurate for severely ill/fatal cases
  - Unlikely to be positive for mild RMSF or samples taken early (day 1-4 of illness)
- **Serology (IFA)**
  - Detects antibodies
  - Testing of paired sera (acute, convalescent 2-4 weeks later) recommended
  - Can be difficult to interpret
  - Often negative during acute illness
  - Antibodies from prior infections may persist for years



# Doxycycline saves lives!



- Best treatment for suspected RMSF in children and adults
- Treatment needed early when RMSF is suspected
- Does NOT cause tooth staining in children when used to treat RMSF



# PREVENTION



- **Avoid tick habitat**
- **Use DEET (at least 20%) or wear permethrin-treated clothing**
- **Shower soon after being outdoors**
  - **Washes away unseen nymphs and gets tick infested clothing off of the body**
- **Daily tick checks—remove attached ticks ASAP**
- **Treat pets appropriately for ticks year-round,**  
**ESPECIALLY ANY DOGS THAT CROSS THE BORDER**
- **Call your provider if you develop a fever or rash**

# TULAREMIA



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**Humans can become infected through several routes, including:**

Tick and deer fly bites

Skin contact with infected animals

Ingestion of contaminated water

Laboratory exposure

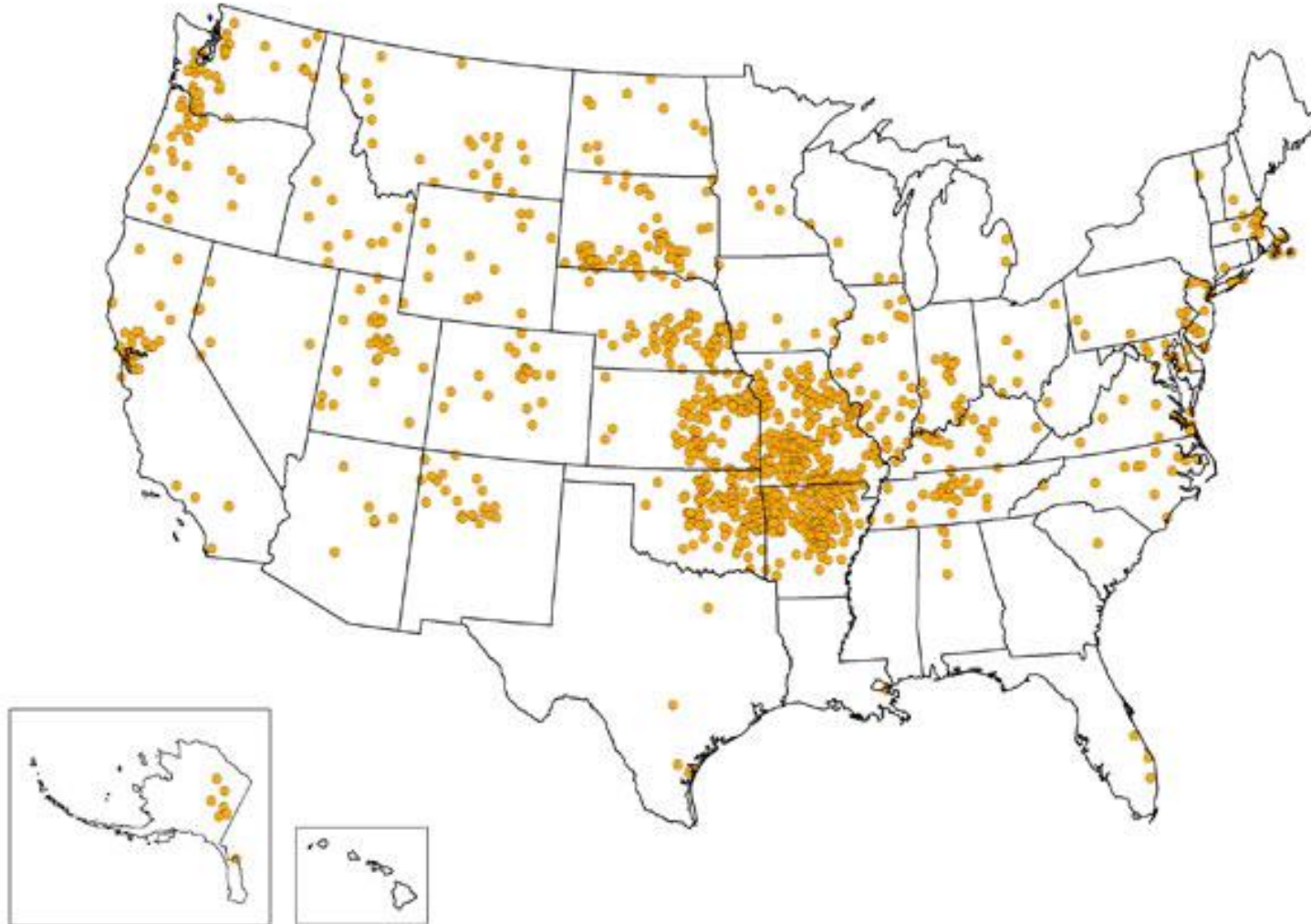
Inhalation of contaminated



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**Humans could be exposed as a result of bioterrorism.**

# TULAREMIA CASES US – 2004 - 2013



1 dot placed randomly within county of residence for each reported case

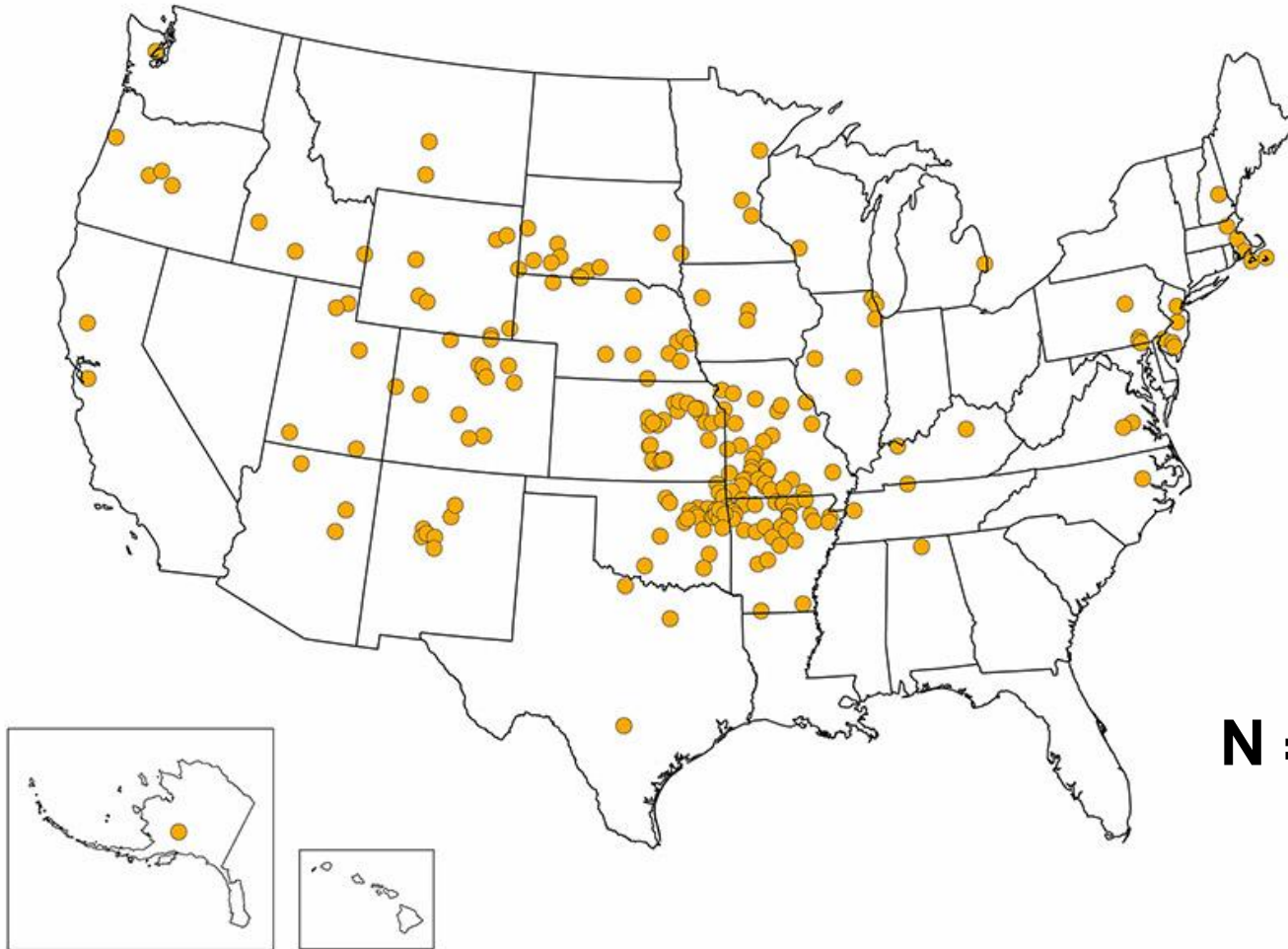
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# TULAREMIA CASES, US – 2016



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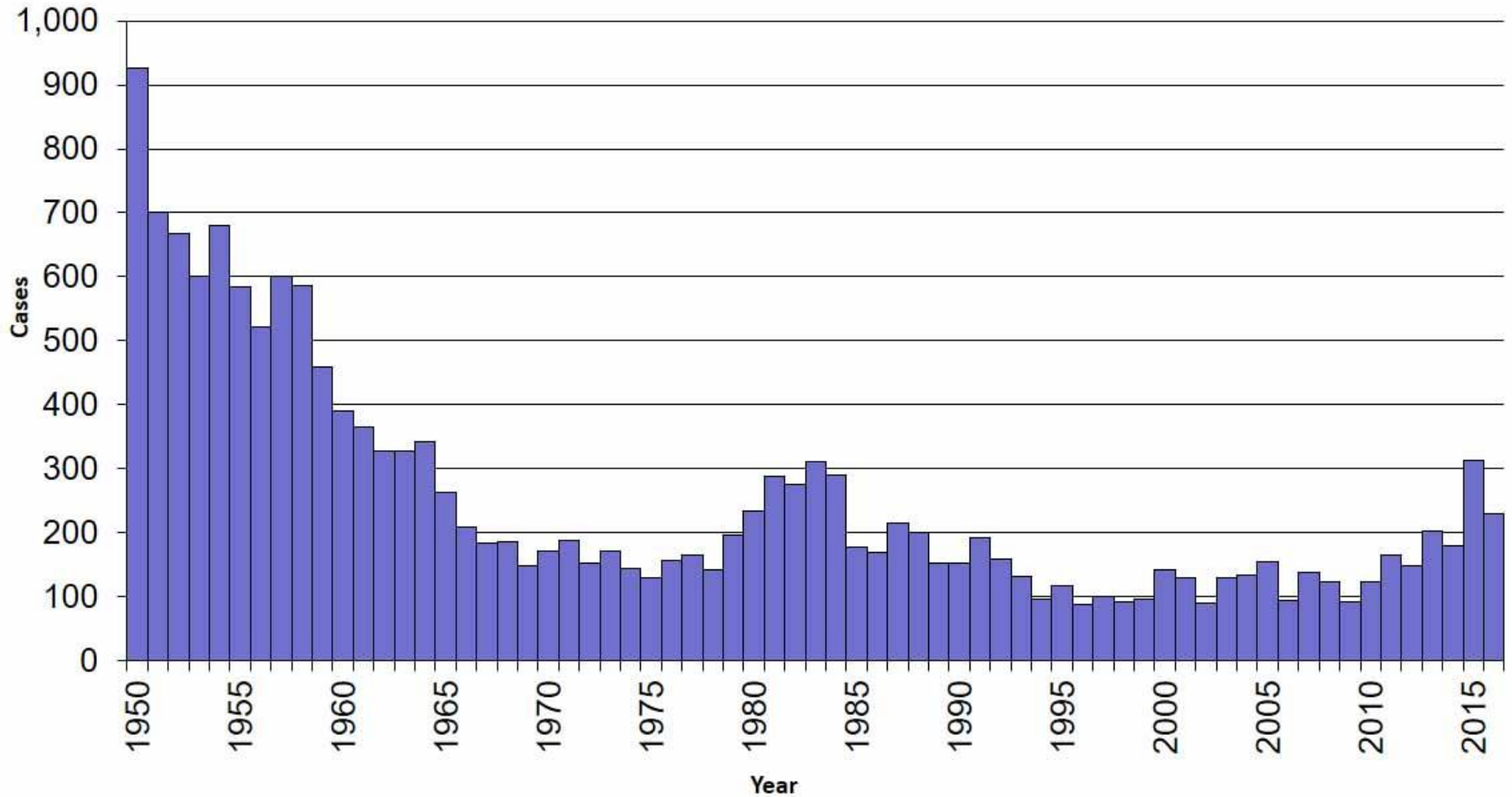
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# TULAREMIA



## Tularemia – Yearly Reported Cases, United States, 1950-2016



# TULAREMIA



## Ulceroglandular - most common form

- Usually occurs following a tick or deer fly bite or after handling of an infected animal
- Skin ulcer appears at the site where the organism entered the body.
- The ulcer is accompanied by swelling of regional lymph glands, usually in the armpit or groin.



## Glandular

- Similar to ulceroglandular tularemia but without an ulcer.
- Also generally acquired through the bite of an infected tick or deer fly or from handling sick or dead animals.



# TULAREMIA



## Oculoglandular

- Occurs when the bacteria enter through the eye.
- Can occur when butchering an infected animal, then touching eyes.
- Symptoms include eye irritation and inflammation, swelling of lymph glands in front of ear.

## Oropharyngeal

- Results from eating or drinking contaminated food or water.
- Patients may have sore throat, mouth ulcers, tonsillitis, & swelling of lymph glands in neck.

## Pneumonic – most serious form

- This form results from breathing dusts or aerosols containing the organism.
- Can also occur when other forms of tularemia (e.g. ulceroglandular) are left untreated and the bacteria spread through the bloodstream to the lungs.
- Symptoms include cough, chest pain, and difficulty breathing



# TREATMENT



**Streptomycin is drug of choice based on experience, efficacy, & FDA approval.**

**Gentamicin is considered an acceptable alternative, but some series have reported a lower primary success rate. Treatment with aminoglycosides should be continued for 10 days.**

**Tetracyclines may be a suitable alternative to aminoglycosides for patients who are less severely ill. Tetracyclines are static agents and should be given for at least 14 days to avoid relapse.**

**Ciprofloxacin and other fluoroquinolones are not FDA-approved for treatment of tularemia but have shown good efficacy in vitro, in animals, and in humans.**

**Bottomline: [consult an ID physician.](#)**

**Post-exposure prophylaxis may be indicated for certain exposures (doxycycline, ciprofloxacin)**



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## More Ticks Test Positive for Tularemia

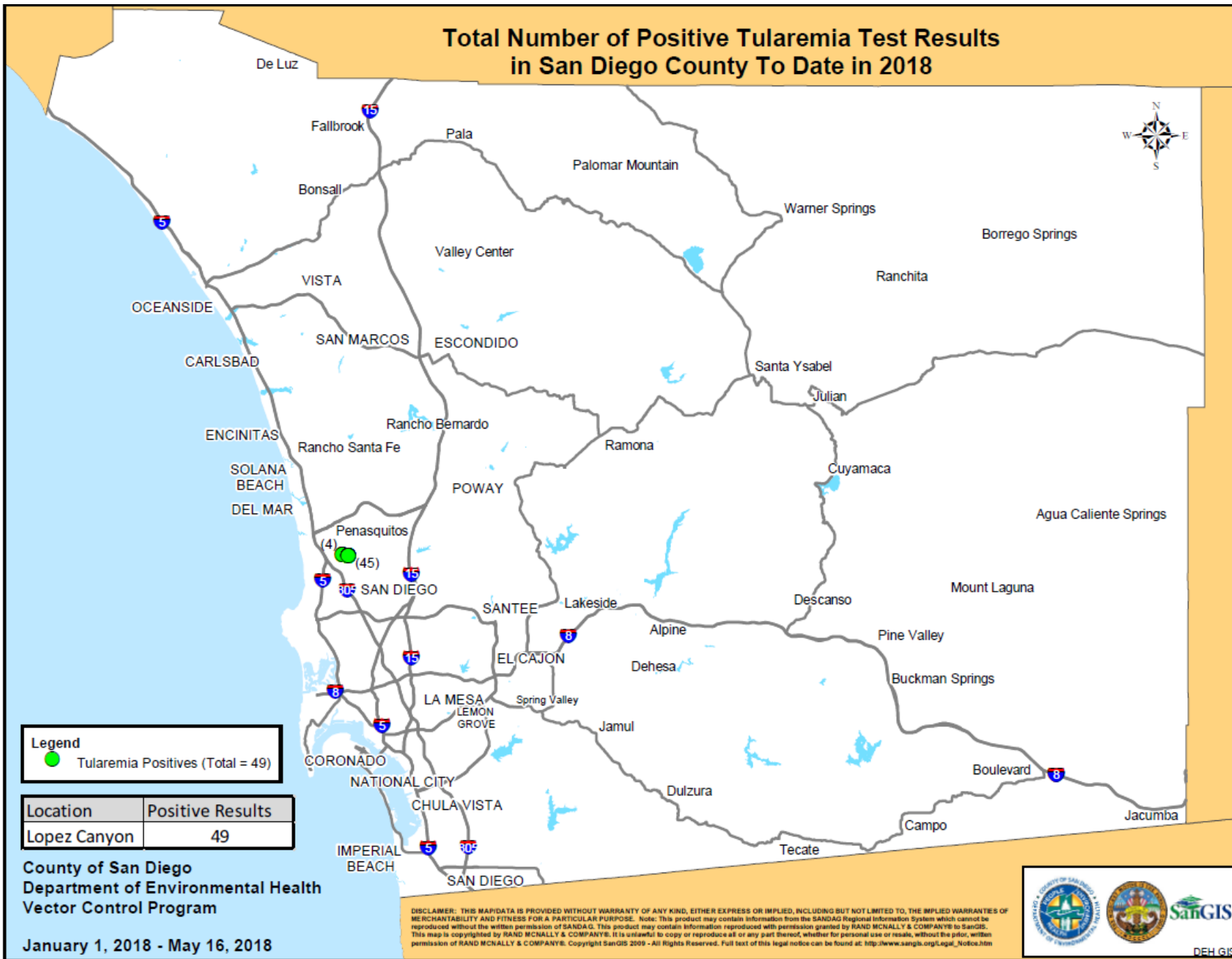


By [Gig Conaughton](#), County of San Diego Communications Office

Feb. 23, 2018 | 2:24 PM

County Vector Control officials said Friday that several more batches of ticks trapped along Lopez Canyon Trail in Sorrento Valley have tested positive for tularemia, a potentially dangerous bacterial disease also known as “rabbit fever.”

# Total Number of Positive Tularemia Test Results in San Diego County To Date in 2018



**Legend**  
● Tularemia Positives (Total = 49)

| Location     | Positive Results |
|--------------|------------------|
| Lopez Canyon | 49               |

County of San Diego  
 Department of Environmental Health  
 Vector Control Program

January 1, 2018 - May 16, 2018

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## **When hiking, camping or working outdoors:**

- Use insect repellants containing 20% to 30% DEET (N,N-diethyl-meta-toluamide), picaridin or IR3535.
- Wear long pants, long sleeves, and long socks to keep tick and deer flies off your skin.
- Remove attached ticks promptly with fine-tipped tweezers.
- Don't drink untreated surface water.

## **When mowing or landscaping:**

- Don't mow over sick or dead animals.
- Consider using dust masks to reduce your risk of inhaling the bacteria.

## **If you hunt, trap or skin animals:**

- Use gloves when handling animals, especially rabbits muskrats, prairie dogs, and other rodents.
- Cook game meat thoroughly before eating.

# HANTAVIRUS (Sin nombre virus)

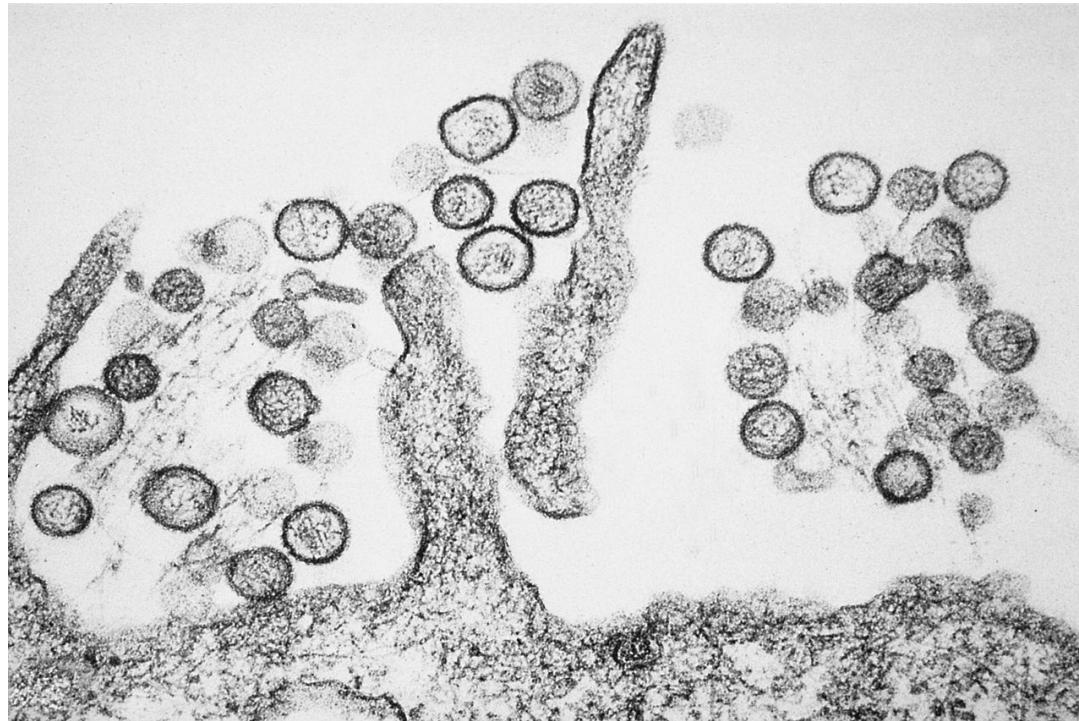


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# VECTOR



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**Deer Mouse**



**Cotton Rat**



**Rice Rat**



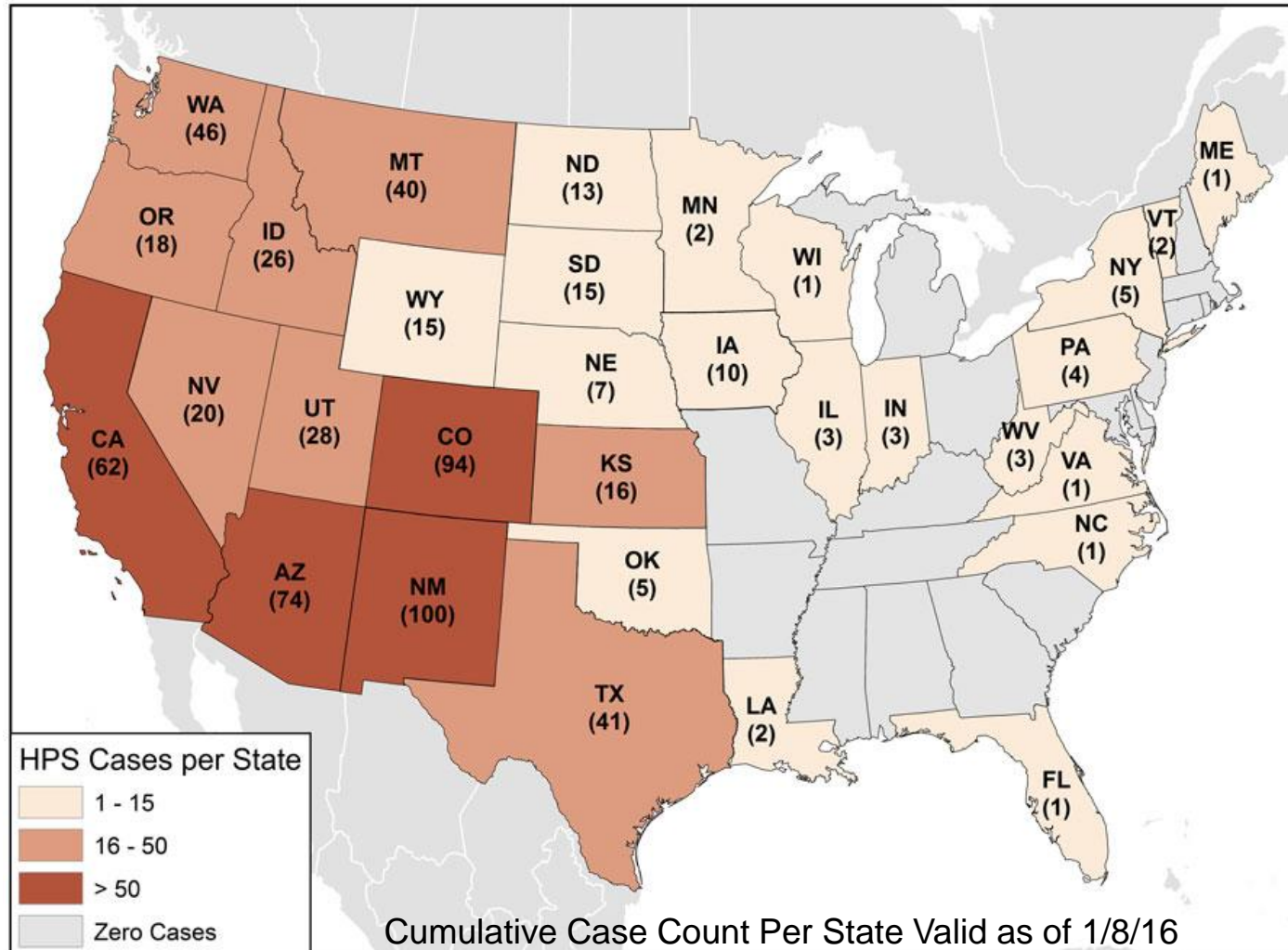
**White-footed mouse**

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# HANTAVIRUS



## Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome (HPS) Cases, by State of Exposure

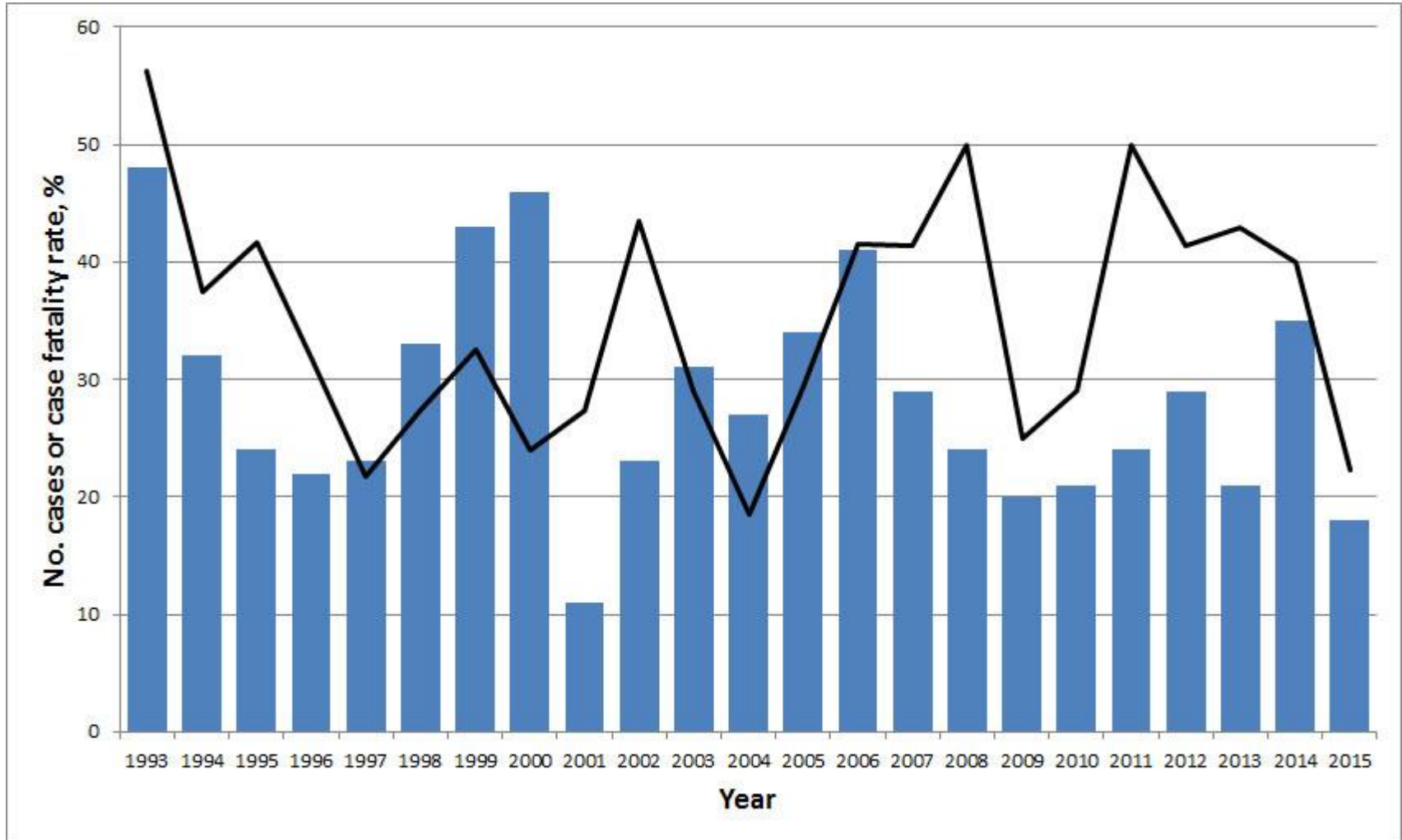




# Annual U.S. HPS Cases and Case-fatality, 1993-2015



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<https://www.cdc.gov/hantavirus/surveillance/annual-cases.html>

# HANTA PULMONARY SYNDROME



**“Incubation time” is not positively known. Based on limited information, it appears that symptoms may develop between 1 and 5 weeks after exposure to fresh urine, droppings, or saliva of infected rodents.**

**Early symptoms include fatigue, fever and muscle aches, especially in the large muscle groups—thighs, hips, back, and sometimes shoulders. These symptoms are universal.**

**There may also be headaches, dizziness, chills, and abdominal problems, such as nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, and abdominal pain. About half of all HPS patients experience these symptoms.**

**Four to 10 days after the initial phase of illness, the late symptoms of HPS appear. These include coughing and shortness of breath, with the sensation of, as one survivor put it, a "...tight band around my chest and a pillow over my face" as the lungs fill with fluid.**



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## More Wild Mice Test Positive for Hantavirus



By [Gig Conaughton](#), County of San Diego Communications Office  
Feb. 27, 2018 | 1:03 PM

County Vector Control officials are reminding people to avoid rodents in the wild and to never sweep up or vacuum up rodent infestations if they find them in their homes, sheds and garages after more wild mice have tested positive for hantavirus.

# Total Number of Positive Hantavirus Test Results in San Diego County in 2018 To Date

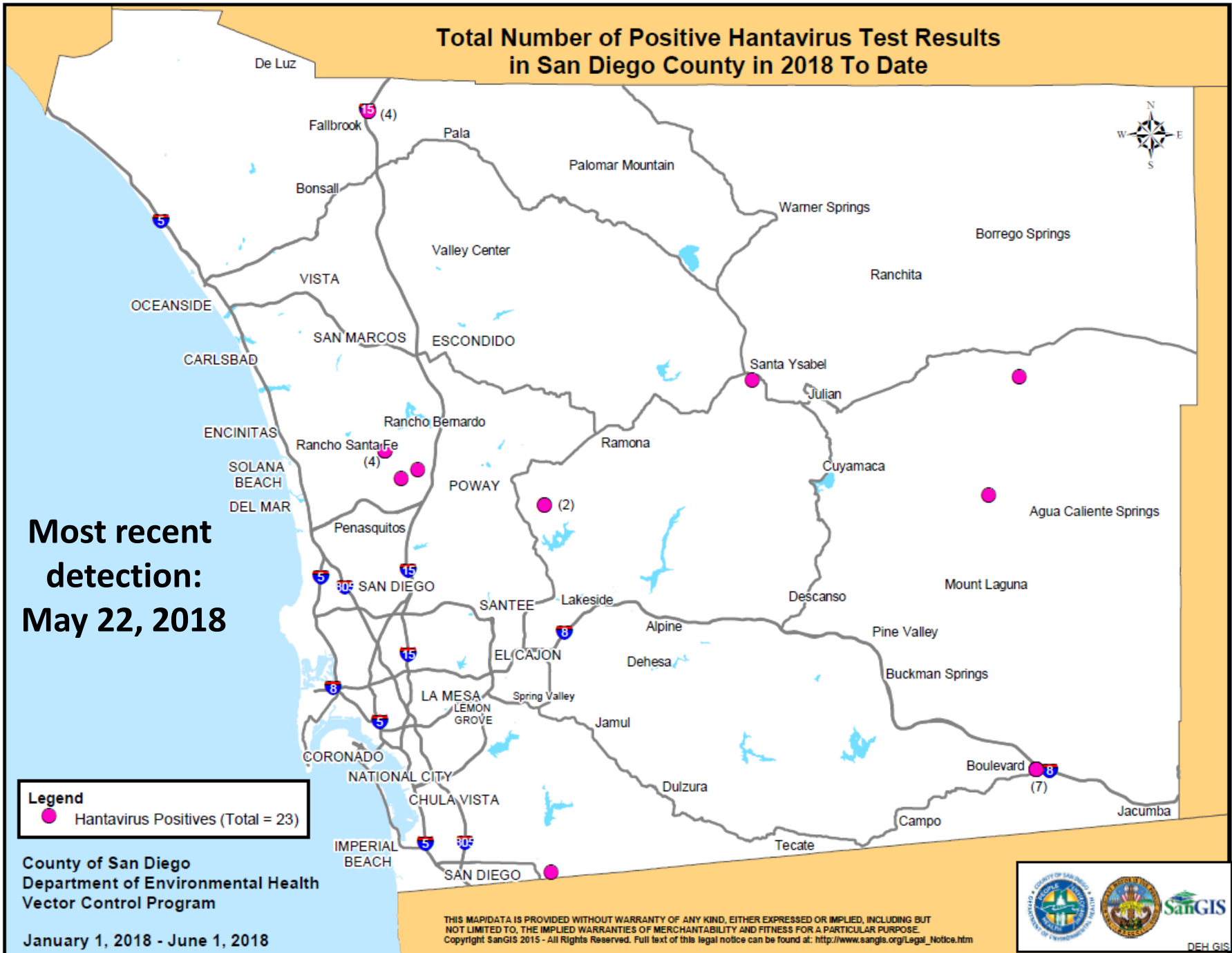
**Most recent  
detection:  
May 22, 2018**

**Legend**  
● Hantavirus Positives (Total = 23)

County of San Diego  
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Vector Control Program

January 1, 2018 - June 1, 2018

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## Got Mice?



**Seal Up!**



**Trap Up!**



**Clean Up!**



## Use care when cleaning up after rodents



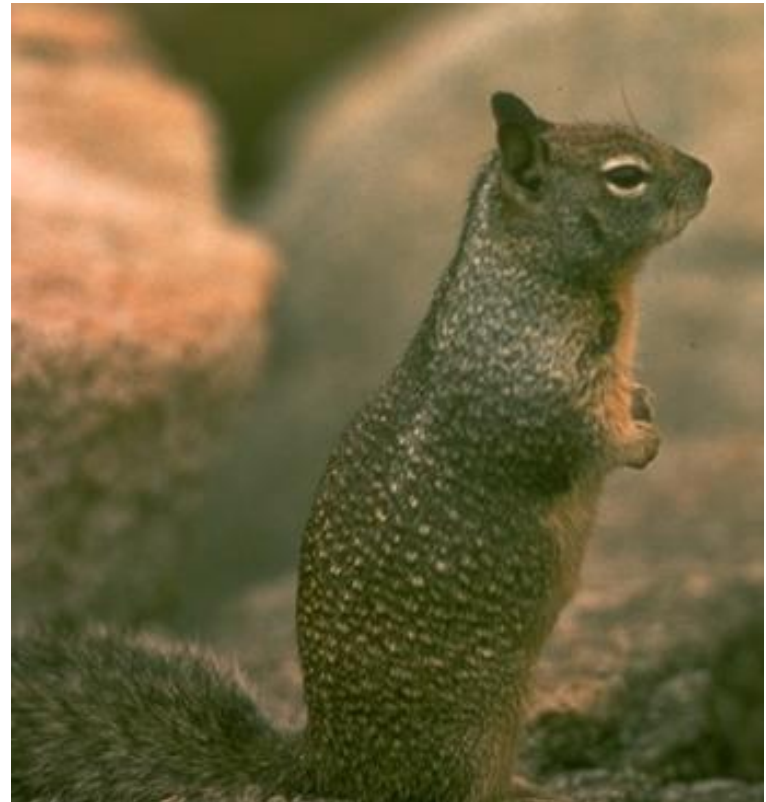
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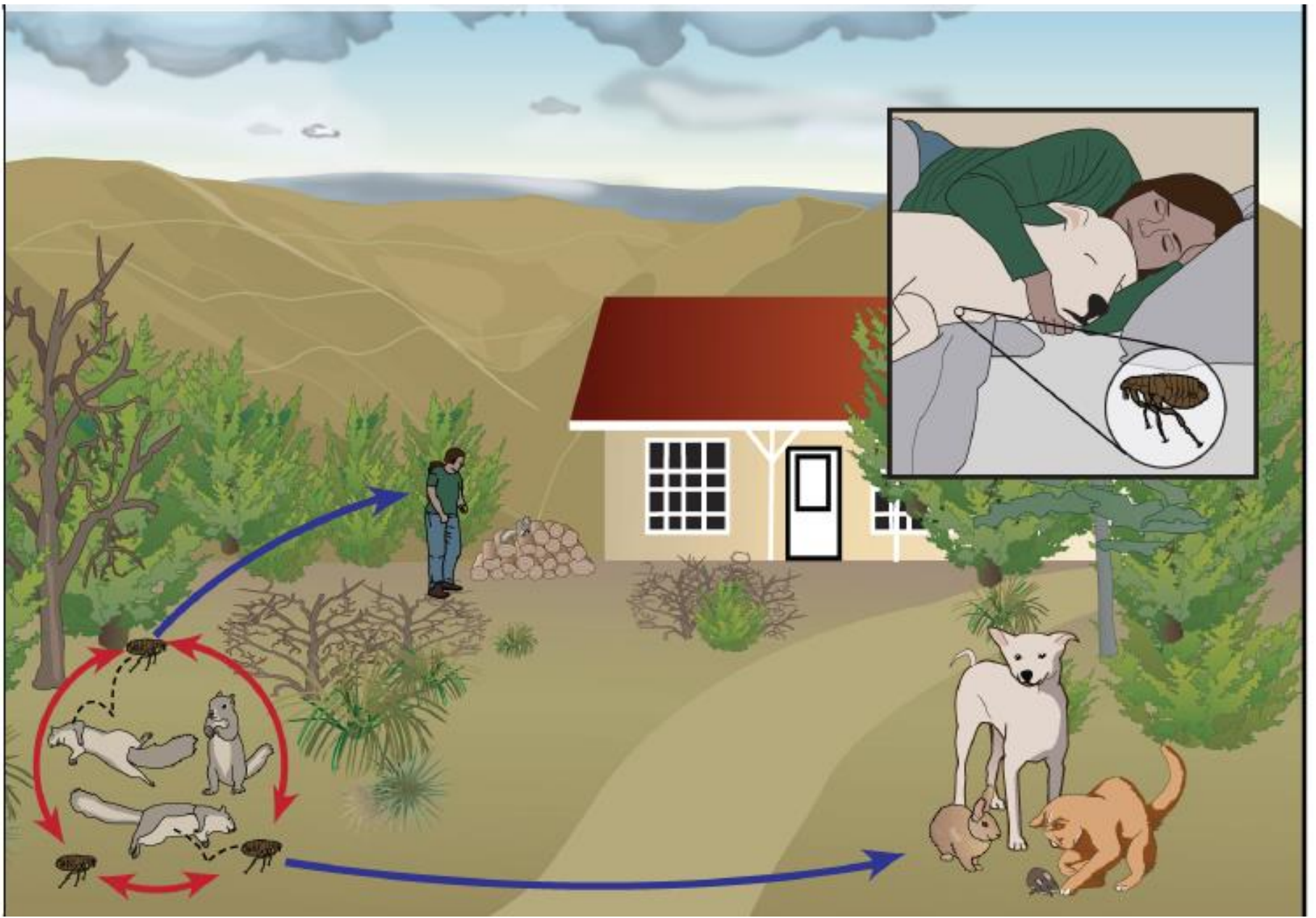
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- **Caused by  
Yersinia pestis**
- **Reservoir - rodents**
- **Transmitted by fleas**
- **On every continent  
except Australia**



California ground squirrel  
(*Spermophilus beecheyi*)







## 30 species are known vectors

- *Xenopsylla cheopis* (oriental rat flea; worldwide)
- *Nosopsyllus fasciatus* (worldwide)
- *Oropsylla montanus* (most important vector in US)
  - Hosts: California ground squirrels, prairie dogs
  - Will readily feed on humans
- **Cat and dog fleas not efficient vectors**

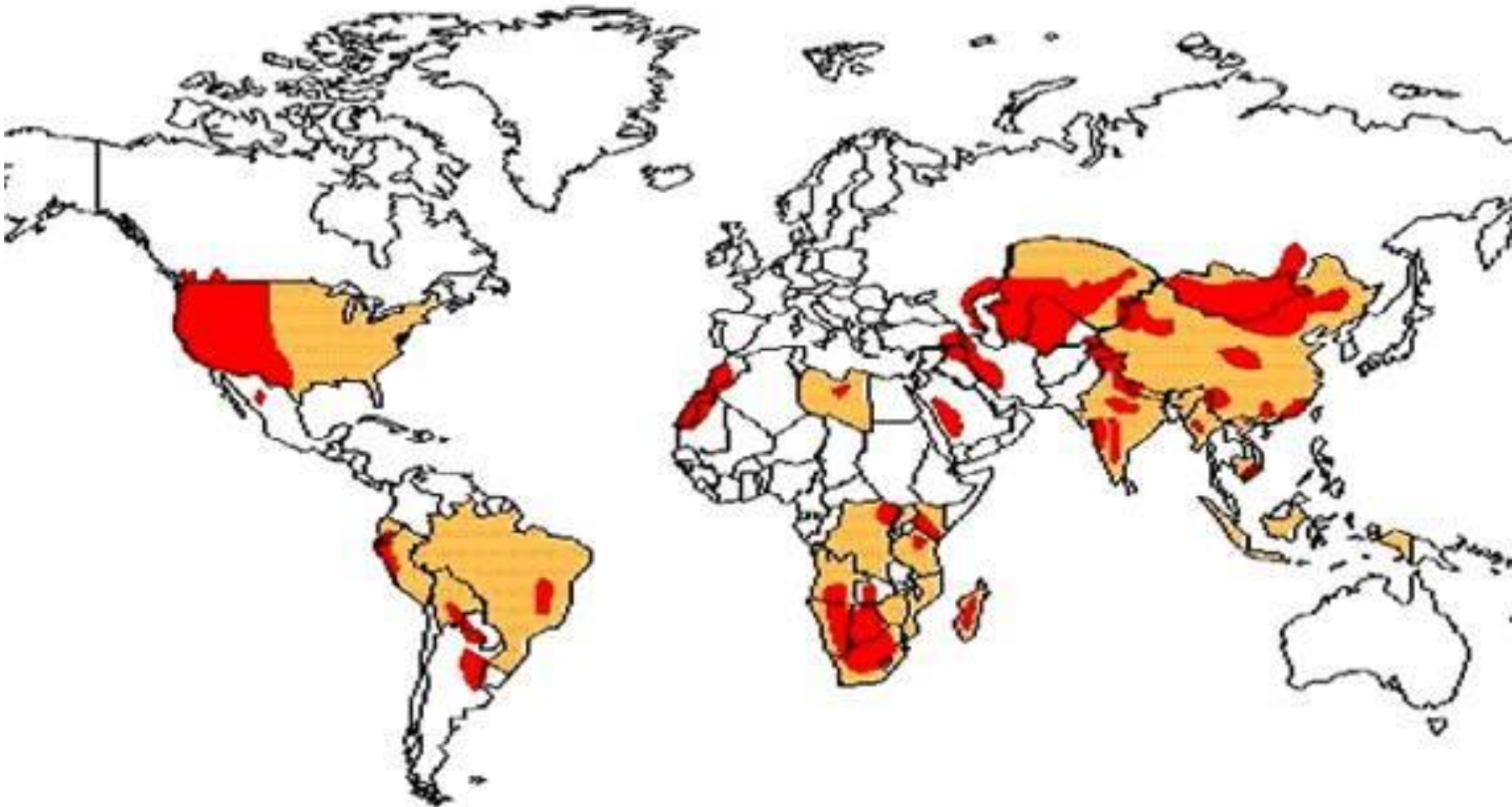


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# PLAGUE – WORLD



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**Orange** – countries reporting plague    **Red** – regions with plague vector    Source: WHO 1998

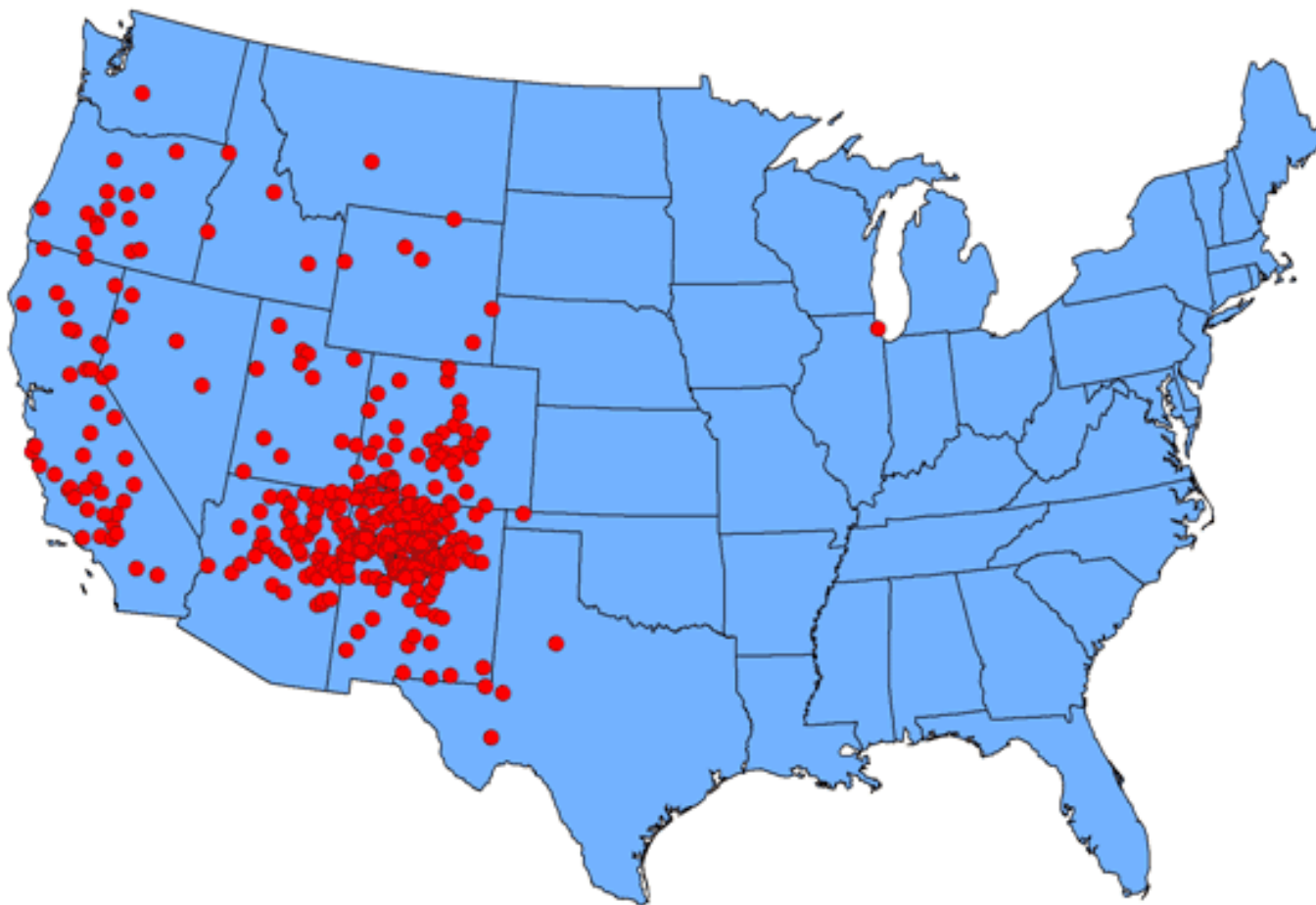


# PLAGUE – U.S.



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Reported cases of human plague--United States, 1970-2012



1 dot placed in county of exposure for each plague case

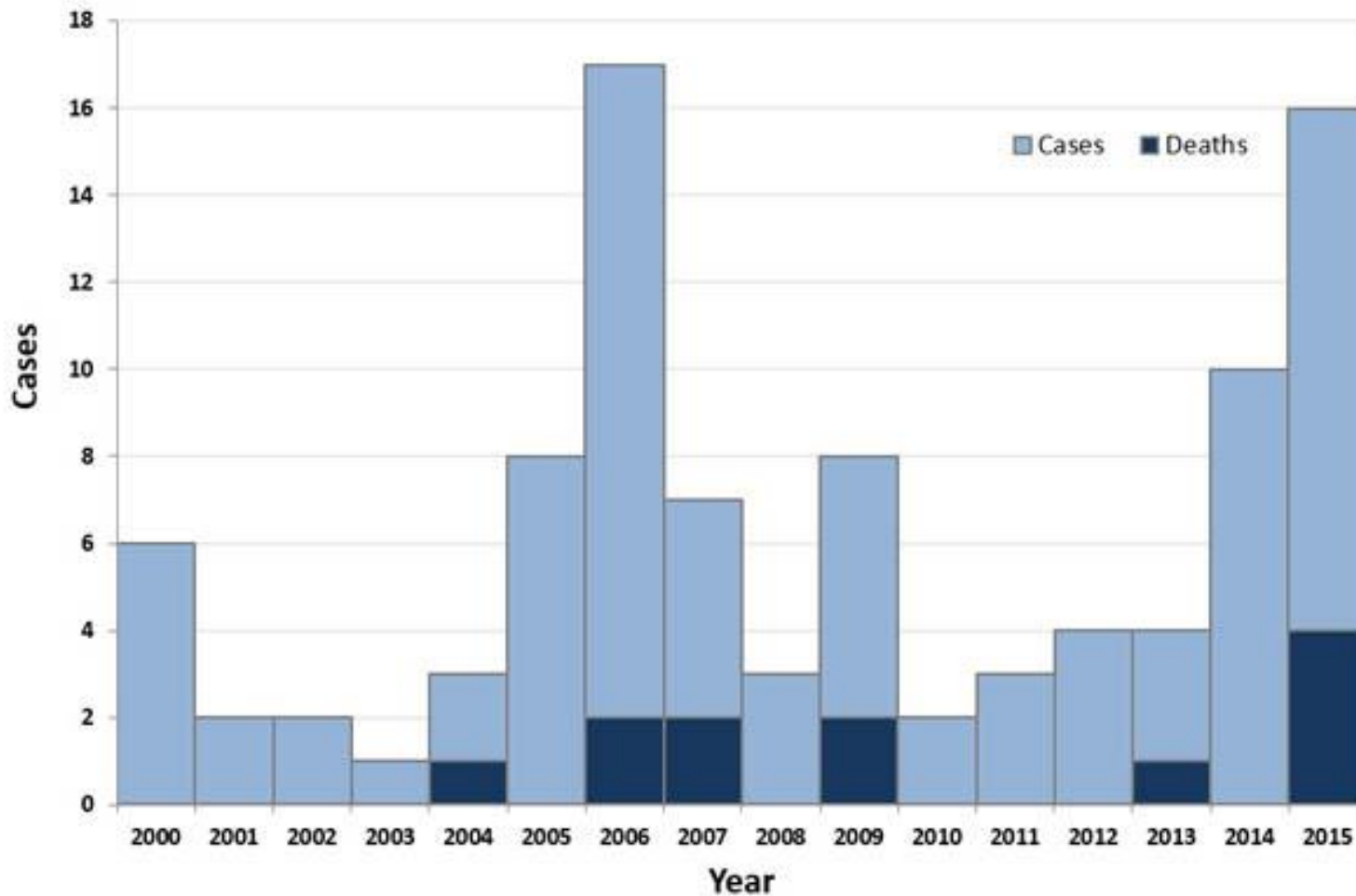
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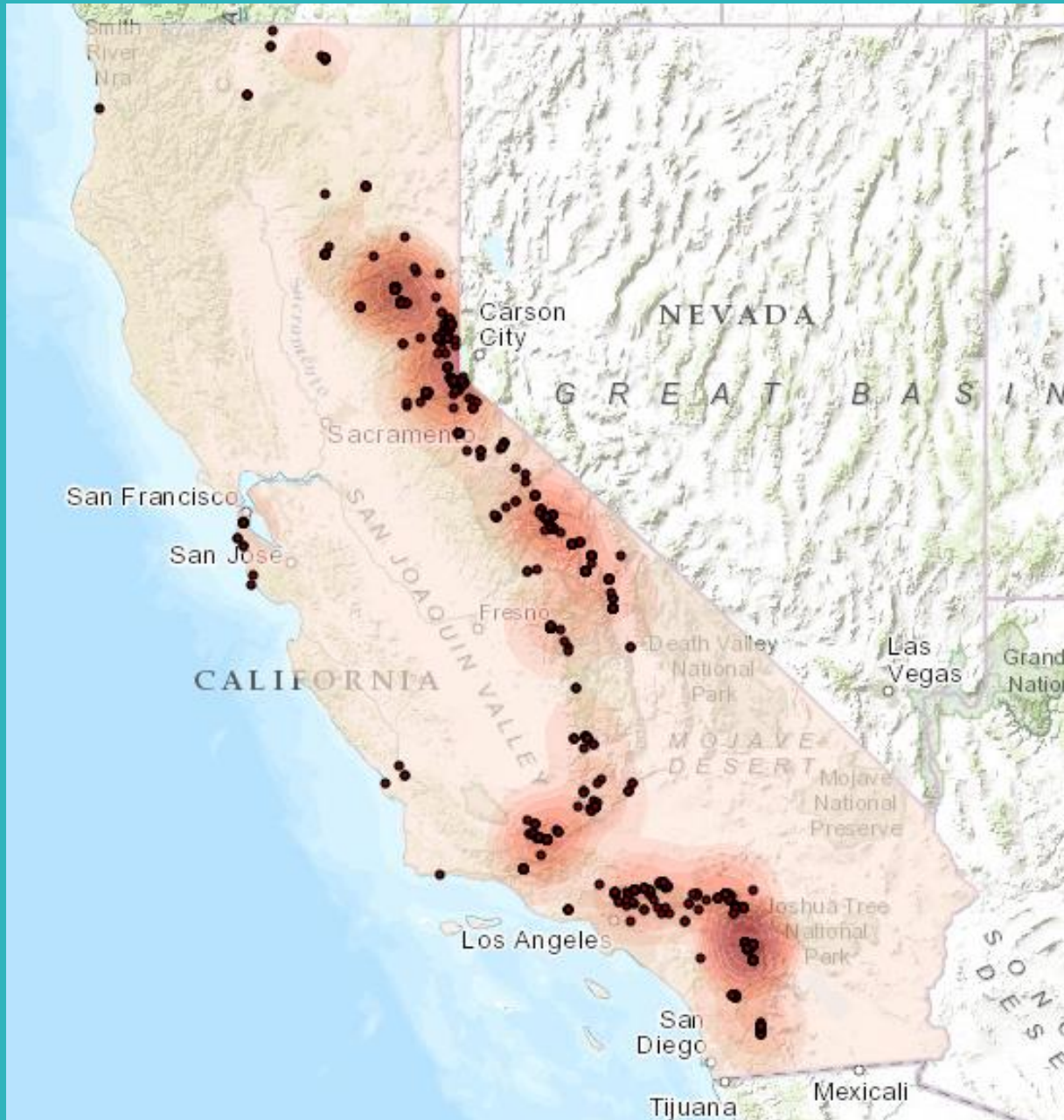
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## Human plague cases and deaths-- United States, 2000-2015



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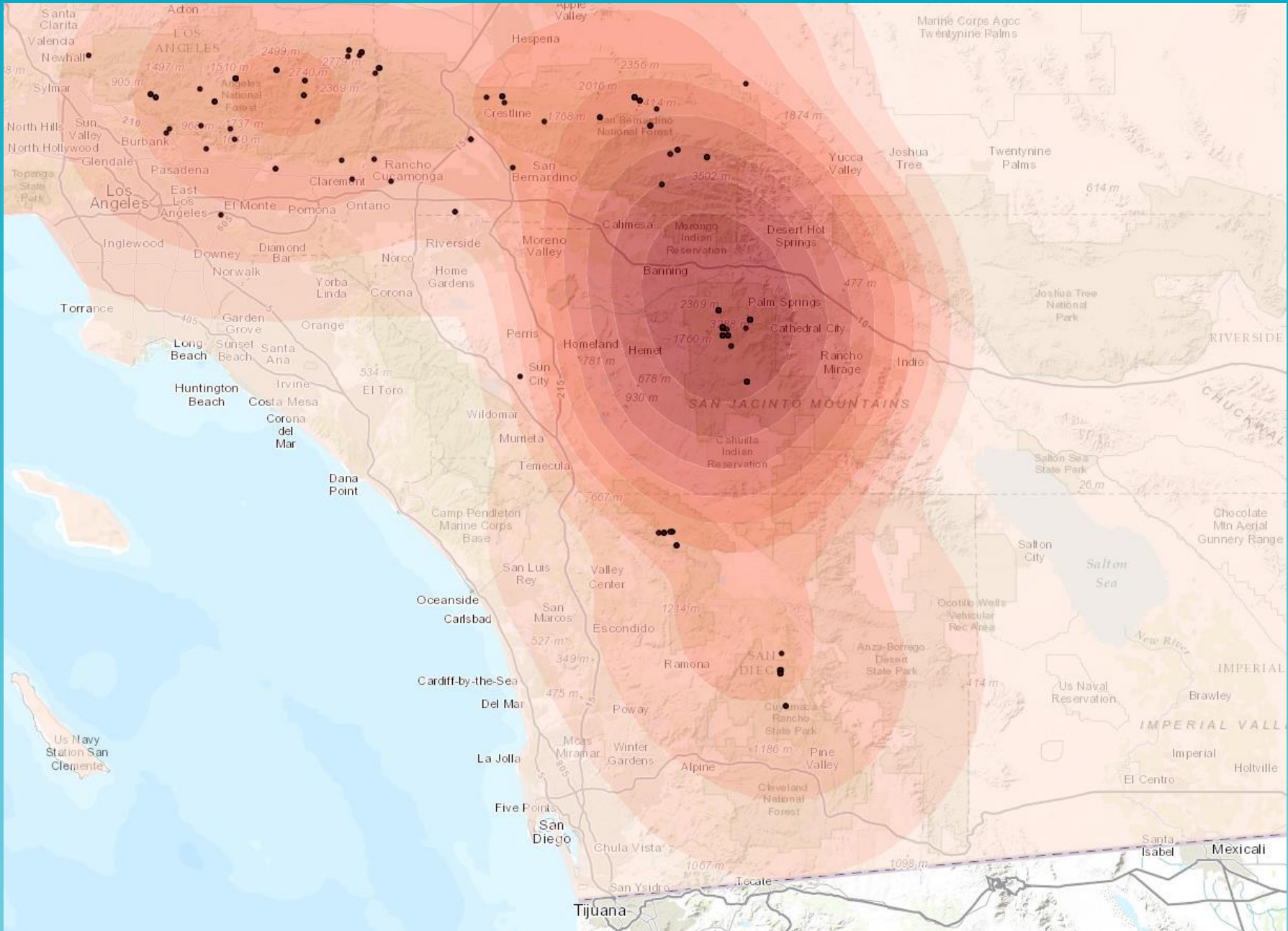
# Rodent Plague Surveillance in California



Interactive map available at <http://www.cdph.ca.gov/HealthInfo/discond/Pages/Plague.aspx>



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## **Bubonic plague – most common form**

- Incubation is 2-8 days.
- Patients develop sudden onset of fever, headache, chills, and weakness and one or more swollen, tender and painful lymph nodes (called buboes).
- This form usually results from the bite of an infected flea.
- The bacteria multiply in the lymph node closest to where the bacteria entered the human body.
- If the patient is not treated with the appropriate antibiotics, the bacteria can spread to other parts of the body.



## **Pneumonic plague – only form spread person-to-person**

- Incubation for primary pneumonic plague 1-6 days, most often 2-4 days
- Patients develop fever, headache, weakness, and a rapidly developing pneumonia with shortness of breath, chest pain, cough, and sometimes bloody or watery mucous.
- Pneumonic plague may develop from inhaling infectious droplets or may develop from untreated bubonic or septicemic plague after bacteria spread to lungs.
- Pneumonia may cause respiratory failure and shock.
- Pneumonic plague is most serious form of disease.





## **Septicemic plague:**

- This form results from bites of infected fleas or from handling an infected animal, incubation 2-4 days.
- Septicemic plague can occur as first symptom of plague, or may develop from untreated bubonic plague.
- Patients develop fever, chills, extreme weakness, abdominal pain, shock, and possibly bleeding into skin and other organs.
- Skin and other tissues may turn black and die, especially on fingers, toes, and nose.



- **Bacterial cultures (sputum, blood, lymph node aspirate specimens) – should be handled in a Biosafety level 2 facility**
- **Wright, Giemsa or Wayson stain shows gram negative coccobacilli with bipolar “safety pin” appearance**
- **Organism grows slowly (48 for observable growth) on standard blood and Mac-Conkey agar**
- **Immunofluorescent staining for capsule (F1 antigen) is diagnostic**
- **SDPHL can do PCR testing!**



**Strict respiratory isolation with droplet precautions (gown, glove, and eye protection) until patient has received at least 48 hours of antibiotics and shows clinical improvement**

**Streptomycin (15 mg/kg bid) is historically preferred but may be hard to obtain.**

**Gentamycin under an IND protocol (consult with ID and CDC)**

**Chloramphenicol for plague meningitis**

**Doxycycline and ciprofloxacin are used in prophylaxis for seven days after exposure to a case.**

HEALTH

## Squirrel Tests Positive for Plague Near Palomar Mountain



*File image*

By [Gig Conaughton](#), County of San Diego Communications Office

Sep. 15, 2017 | 1:44 PM

A ground squirrel trapped in routine monitoring at the Cedar Grove Campground on Palomar Mountain has tested positive for plague, San Diego County Vector Control officials said Friday.





# MURINE TYPHUS



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# MURINE TYPHUS



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**Acute febrile illness caused by *Rickettsia typhi*, is distributed worldwide.**

**Mainly transmitted by fleas of rodents, associated with cities and ports where urban rats (*Rattus rattus* and *Rattus norvegicus*) are abundant.**

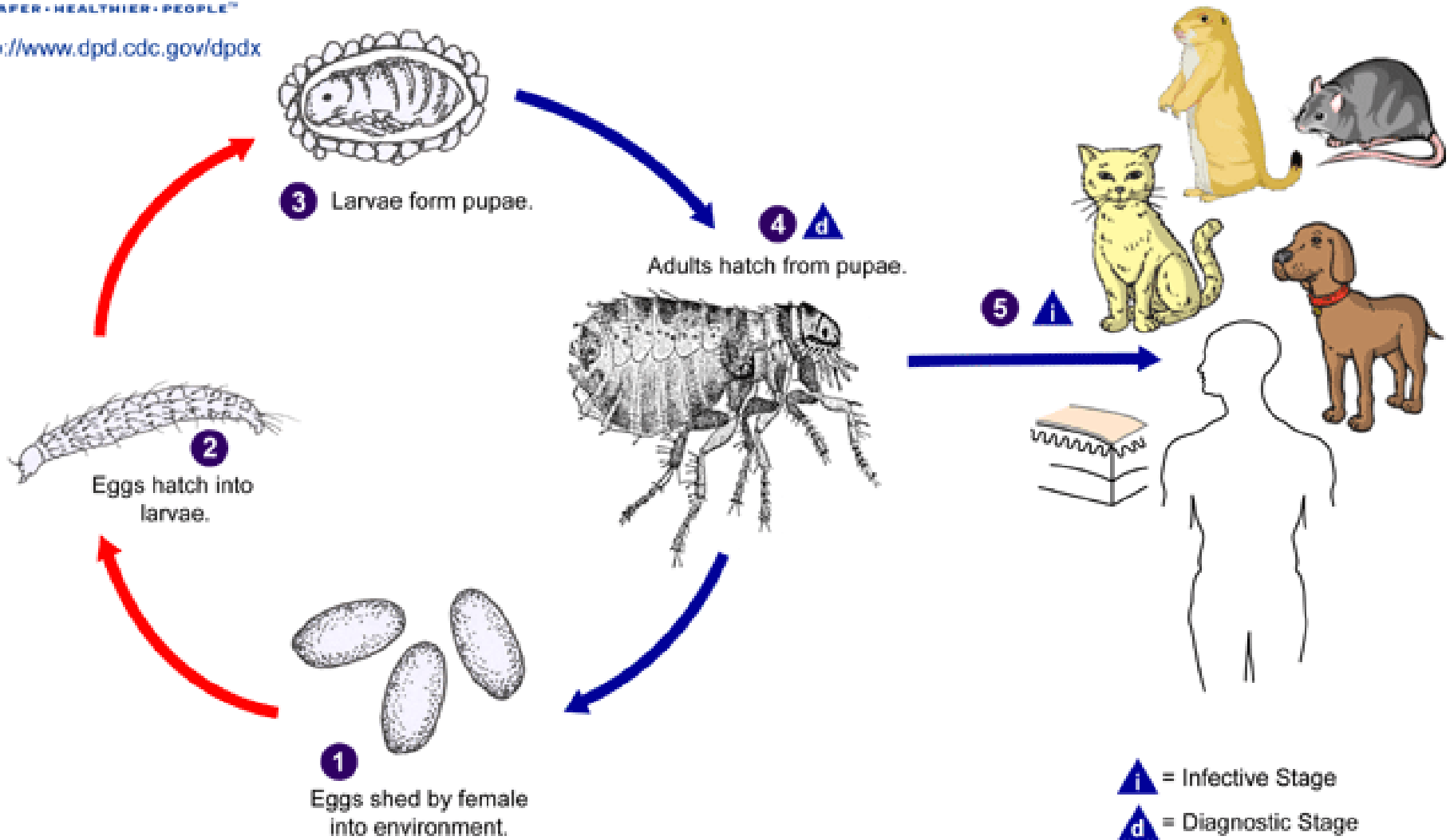
**In the US, cases are concentrated in TX and CA.**

**Contrary to the classic rat-flea-rat cycle, most important reservoirs of infection in these areas are opossums and cats.**

**Cat flea, *Ctenocephalides felis*, has been identified as principal vector.**



Photo: CDC



# FLEA BITES?



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# MURINE TYPHUS



**TX: murine typhus cases occur in spring and summer.**

**CA: cases have been documented in summer and fall.**

**Most patients present with fever, and many have rash and headache.**



# Studies reporting clinical findings associated with murine typhus.

| Clinical finding       | Range of occurrence, % | References         |
|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| Fever                  | 98–100                 | [4, 13, 30–34]     |
| Headache               | 41–90                  | [4, 13, 30–34]     |
| Rash                   | 20–80                  | [4, 13, 30–34]     |
| Arthralgia             | 40–77                  | [4, 13, 30–34]     |
| Hepatomegaly           | 24–29                  | [13, 30, 31, 33]   |
| Cough                  | 15–40                  | [4, 13, 30, 32–34] |
| Diarrhea               | 5–40                   | [4, 13, 30–34]     |
| Splenomegaly           | 5–24                   | [13, 30, 31, 33]   |
| Insect bite            | 0–39                   | [4, 30–34]         |
| Nausea and/or vomiting | 3–48                   | [4, 13, 30–34]     |
| Abdominal pain         | 11–60                  | [4, 13, 30–32, 34] |
| Confusion              | 2–13                   | [4, 13, 30–34]     |

Rachel Civen, and Van Ngo *Clin Infect Dis.* 2008;46:913-918



**Serologic testing with the indirect immunofluorescence assay is the preferred diagnostic method.  
(Do this through PHL!)**

**Doxycycline is the antibiotic of choice and has been shown to shorten the course of illness.**

HEALTH

## Typhus Case Prompts Flea Protection Warning



*Image Credit: courtesy of Katja ZSM*

By [Gig Conaughton](#), County of San Diego Communications Office  
Jun. 1, 2018 | 9:16 AM



- In addition to using flea-control products on pets, the public can also protect themselves and their pets by keeping rodents and animals away from their homes, workplaces and recreational areas.
- Remove brush, rock piles, junk, cluttered firewood and food supplies — especially pet food.
- Use [Environmental Protection Agency \(EPA\)-registered insect repellent](#) labeled for use against fleas if they think they could be exposed to fleas during activities such as camping, hiking, or working outdoors.
- Permethrin can be used to treat clothing and outdoor gear, but it should not be used on skin







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