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West Nile Virus Control Program Ramps Up In PA Hot Zones

This week the Department of Health documented four new human cases of [West Nile Virus](#) in Bucks, Lebanon, Lehigh and Centre counties bringing the total number of confirmed human cases to 9 in Pennsylvania since August 6.

In addition, nearly 361 mosquito samples tested positive for the virus in Adams, Beaver, Berks, Bucks, Crawford, Dauphin, Delaware, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Luzerne, Montgomery, Philadelphia, Schuylkill, York and other counties. (See the [Hot Zone Map](#) for an overview.)

In response to these results, the Department of Environmental Protection has ramped up the pace of mosquito spraying in areas where there have been positive sample results for West Nile Virus. [Click Here](#) for copies of recent spraying announcements.

To see if your county is affected, visit the [West Nile Hot Zones map](#) on the West Nile Virus Control Program website. [Click Here](#) for ideas on how you can reduce the risk of getting West Nile Virus.

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