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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DAILY ZIKA UPDATE

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Tallahassee, Fla.—In an effort to keep Florida residents and visitors safe and aware about the status of the Zika virus, the department will continue to issue a Zika virus update each week day. Updates will include a CDC-confirmed Zika case count by county and information to better keep Floridians prepared.

The department has conducted testing for the Zika virus for more than 3,818 people statewide. Florida currently has the capacity to test 4,803 people for active Zika virus and 2,655 for Zika antibodies. **Per the Governor's direction on August 3, all county health departments are now offering free Zika risk assessment and testing to any pregnant woman who would like to be tested.**

There are seven new travel-related cases with four in Miami-Dade, two in Osceola and one involving a pregnant woman. Please visit our [website](#) to see the full list of travel-related cases. **There are no new non-travel related case today, however, our case count was updated to reflect a case announced at the press conference Friday.**

For a complete breakdown of non-travel and travel-related Zika infections to-date, please see below.

Infection Type	Infection Count
Travel-Related Infections of Zika	494
Non-Travel Related Infections of Zika	37
Infections Involving Pregnant Women	69

The department is currently conducting eight active investigations. We have moved the information regarding the investigations outside the Wynwood area to the Zika webpage, [here](#).

As of Friday, the department had cleared 17 blocks within the Wynwood area of active transmission. A map detailing the area is below. The CDC's travel advisory remains in place, per their guidelines.

CLOSED INVESTIGATIONS

- The department has closed out the investigations into the first cases in Miami-Dade and Broward County (two cases). Today, the department has enough information to close two of

the ongoing investigations in Miami-Dade County, both were determined to be single cases with no additional transmission or linkage to areas of active transmission.

If investigations reveal additional areas of likely active transmission, the department will announce a defined area of concern.

One case does **not** mean active transmission is taking place and that's why the department conducts a thorough investigation by sampling close contacts and community members around each case to determine if additional people are infected. If the department finds evidence that active transmission is occurring in an additional area, we will notify the media and the public.

CDC recommends that women who are pregnant or thinking of becoming pregnant postpone travel to areas with widespread Zika infection. Florida's small case cluster is not considered widespread transmission, however, pregnant women are advised to avoid non-essential travel to the impacted area in Miami-Dade County (see map below). If you are pregnant and must travel or if you live or work in the impacted area, protect yourself from mosquito bites by wearing insect repellent, long clothing and limiting your time outdoors.

According to CDC guidance, providers should consider testing all pregnant women with a history of travel to a Zika affected area for the virus. It is also recommended that all pregnant women who reside in or travel frequently to the area where active transmission is likely occurring be tested for Zika in the first and second trimester. Pregnant women in the identified area can contact their medical provider or their local county health department to be tested and receive a Zika prevention kit. CDC recommends that a pregnant woman with a history of Zika virus and her provider should consider additional ultrasounds. Additionally, the department is working closely with the Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade County to identify pregnant women in the impacted areas to ensure they have access to resources and information to protect themselves. CDC recommends that a pregnant woman with a history of Zika virus and her provider should consider additional ultrasounds.

Pregnant women can contact their local county health department for Zika risk assessment and testing hours and information. A Zika risk assessment will be conducted by county health department staff and blood and/or urine samples may be collected and sent to labs for testing. It may take one to two weeks to receive results.

Florida has been monitoring pregnant women with evidence of Zika regardless of symptoms since January. The total number of pregnant women who have been or are being monitored is 69.

On Feb. 12, Governor Scott directed the State Surgeon General to activate a Zika Virus Information Hotline for current Florida residents and visitors, as well as anyone planning on traveling to Florida in the near future. The hotline, managed by the Department of Health, has assisted 4,410 callers since it launched. The number for the Zika Virus Information Hotline is **1-855-622-6735**.

The department urges Floridians to drain standing water weekly, no matter how seemingly small. A couple drops of water in a bottle cap can be a breeding location for mosquitoes. Residents and visitors also need to use repellents when enjoying the Florida outdoors.

For more information on DOH action and federal guidance, please click [here](#).

For resources and information on Zika virus, click [here](#).

STATE OF FLORIDA



Areas of Active Local Zika Virus Transmis.

Wynwood Area - NW 5th Avenue to the west, US 1 to the east, NW/NE 38th Street to the north
Miami Beach Area - 28th Street to the north, 8th Street to the south, Intercoastal water to the east

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY



Areas of Active Local Zika Virus Transmission

Wynwood Area - 192 5th Avenue to the east, US 1 to the east, NW 9th St to the north

Miami Beach Area - 25th Street to the north, 85th Street to the south, International Water to the east

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