Dallas County Health and Human Services
Arbovirus Surveillance Report

Summary of 2023 WNV Season

- During 2023, a total of 5,948 gravid mosquito traps were placed in Dallas County, with 217 traps testing positive for WNV. The peak county vector index was 0.14 in week 28 and week 31.
- Twenty-two human WNV cases, including 2 deaths were reported in Dallas County during the 2023 season.
- Thirteen travel related Dengue cases were reported in Dallas County in 2023.
- No Zika cases have been reported year to date in 2023 in Dallas County.

Table 1. Mosquito Laboratory and Human Case Surveillance Data for WNV, Dallas County

Week Ending	11/18	11/25	12/2	12/9	12/16	12/23	12/30	YTD
MMWR Week	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	
Total Traps Placed in Dallas County [a]	8	0	0	6	7	0	0	5,948
Number of Positive Mosquito Traps (PHL; IL) [c]	0;0	0;0	0;0	0;0	0;0	0;0	0;0	217;0
Number of Pools Tested (PHL; IL) [b,c]	6;0	0;0	0;0	1;0	3;0	0;0	0;0	4714;328
Number of Trap Results Currently Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Average Number of *Cx. quinquefasciatus* per Trap [d]	15.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	3.4	0.0	0.0	27.0
Total Number of *Cx. quinquefasciatus* Trapped and Tested	105	0	0	15	24	0	0	107,176
Number of Positive Mosquito Pools (PHL; IL) [c]	0;0	0;0	0;0	0;0	0;0	0;0	0;0	213;0
WNV Infection Rate per 1,000 *Cx. quinquefasciatus* [e]	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Weekly Vector Index (VI) [f]	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Presumptive WNV Viremic Blood Donors	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WNV Human Cases (WNND; WNF) [g]	0;0	0;0	0;0	0;0	0;0	0;0	0;0	22;0

Table 2. Mosquito Laboratory and Human Case Surveillance Data for chikungunya, dengue and Zika virus, Dallas County

Week Ending	11/18	11/25	12/2	12/9	12/16	12/23	12/30	YTD
MMWR Week	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	
Total Biogents Sentinel-Traps Placed in Dallas County [h]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	119
Average Number of *Aedes per* Trap [i]	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Chikungunya Human Cases (Confirmed & Probable) [j]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dengue Human Cases (Confirmed & Probable) [k]	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	13
Zika Human Cases (Confirmed & Probable) [l]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pregnant Women with Possible Zika Infection [m]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

a. All traps deployed in municipalities submitting data to DCHHS since January 1, 2023. Includes traps without mosquitoes, malfunctioning traps and traps with pending results
b. Excludes traps without female *Culex quinquefasciatus* identified. Maximum of 50 female *Culex quinquefasciatus* per pool; more than 1 pool may be tested per trap
c. PHL = Public health laboratory (DSHS, DCHHS) testing performed by viral culture or CDC RT-PCR protocol; IL = Testing from independent labs by alternate methods
d. Average abundance of female *Culex quinquefasciatus* mosquitoes per trap night/week (excludes non-working traps)
e. WNV Infection rates calculated using a Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE). *Biggerstaff BJ. PooledInfRate, version 4.0; Microsoft Excel Add-In; CDC 2007*
f. The Vector Index (VI) reflects the MLE adjusted for *Culex quinquefasciatus* abundance. VI= $\sum_{i=species} \bar{N}i\hat{P}i$, where *N* is the average number of *Culex quinquefasciatus* mosquitoes collected per trap night and $\hat{P}$ is the estimated infection rate
g. Human cases by week of report to health department. WNND = West Nile Neuroinvasive Disease; WNF = West Nile Fever
h. All Biogents (BG) Sentinel traps deployed in municipalities submitting data to DCHHS since Week 14.
i. Average abundance of *Aedes albopictus* and A*edes aegypti* mosquitoes per night/trap in BG-Traps (excludes non-working traps)
j. Human CHKV cases by week of report to health department (AT : Autochthonous case; I : imported)
k. Human Dengue cases by week of report to the health department
l. Confirmed and probable human Zika cases by week of specimen collection date
m. Possible Zika Virus Infection Among Pregnant Women — United States and Territories, May 2016, http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/65/wr/mm6520e1.htm/

Table 3. WNV Positive Gravid Mosquito Traps and Human WNV Cases by City, Dallas County, 2023

Week Ending			11/18	11/25	12/2	12/9	12/16	12/23	12/30	YTD
MMWR Week			46	47	48	49	50	51	52	
	# WNV+ Traps	# WNV+ Traps	# WNV+ Traps	# WNV+ Traps	# WNV+ Traps	# WNV+ Traps	# WNV+ Traps	# WNV+ Traps	# WNV+ Traps	
Addison	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Balch Springs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Carrollton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Cedar Hill	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Cockrell Hill	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coppell	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Dallas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
DeSoto	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Duncanville	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Farmers Branch	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Garland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19
Glenn Heights	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Prairie	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Highland Park	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Hutchins	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Irving	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24
Lancaster	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Mesquite	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Richardson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
Rowlett	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Sachse	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Seagoville	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Sunnyvale	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Unincorporated County	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
University Park	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Wilmer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	217

[1]Range of numbers of traps placed weekly, in weeks 1 – 52.

Figure 1: All WNV Negative and Positive Mosquito Traps Collected During 2023: Weeks 1-52* (= 5,948)

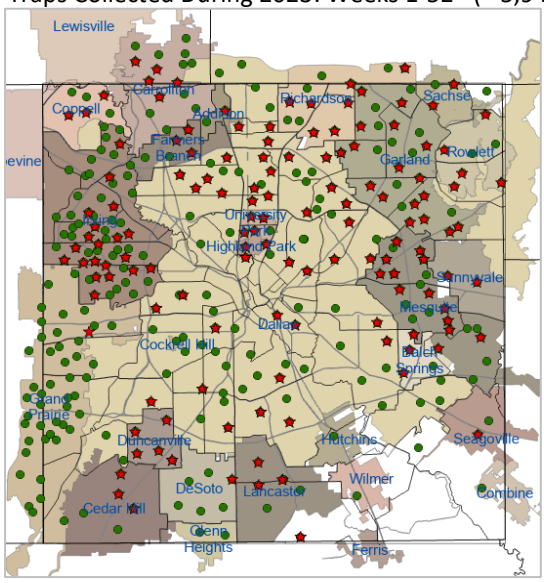
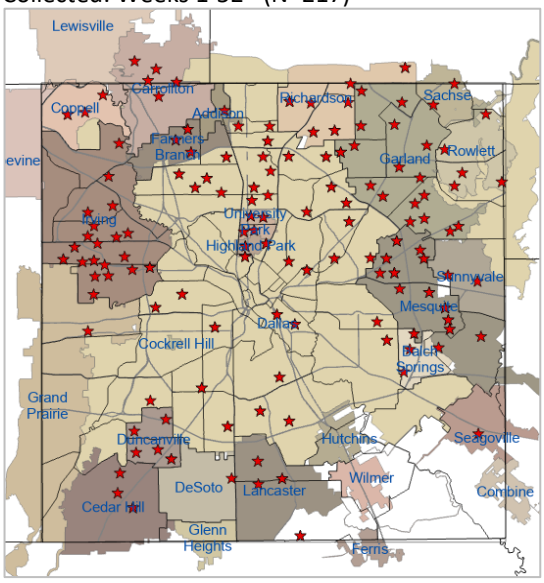


Figure 2: Cumulative WNV Positive Mosquito Traps Collected: Weeks 1-52* (N=217)



Positive Traps Negative Traps

Figure 3: Trap Counts of Female *Cx. quinquefasciatus* from 2023 Season: Weeks 1-52*

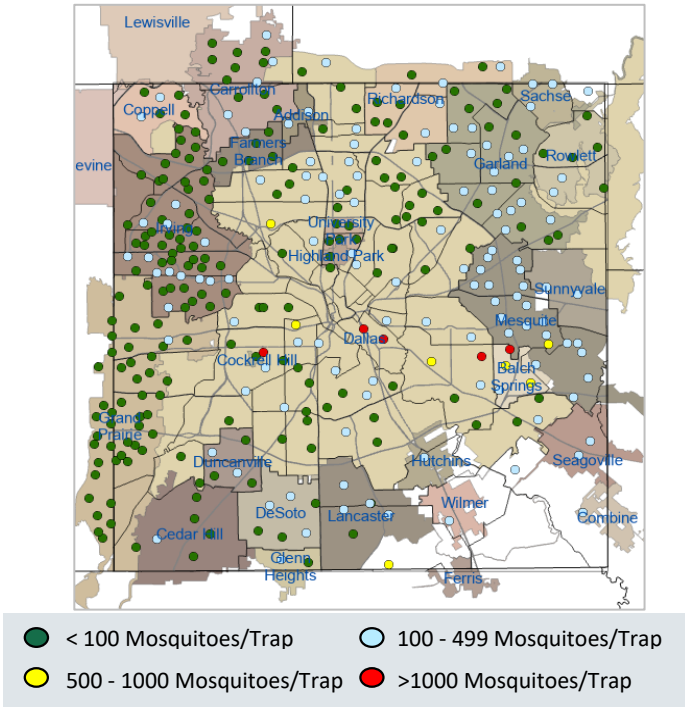
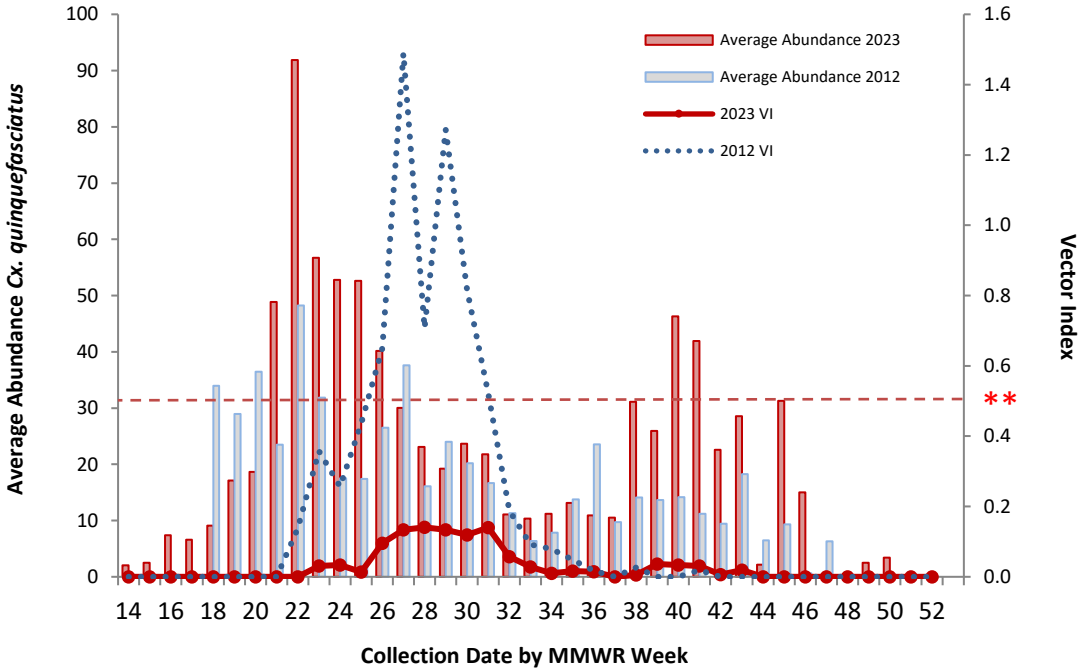


*Figure 3 only shows traps for which results were available; malfunctioning traps were excluded. Almost all traps are at fixed sites.

Figure 4: Average Numbers of Female *Cx. quinquefasciatus* per Trap-night and WNV Vector Index by Week: 2012 Season and 2023 Season



** Vector Index of 0.50 is the historical threshold associated with larger local epidemics of WNV illnesses in humans.

Figure 5: WNV Vector Index by Week: 2012 - 2023 Seasons

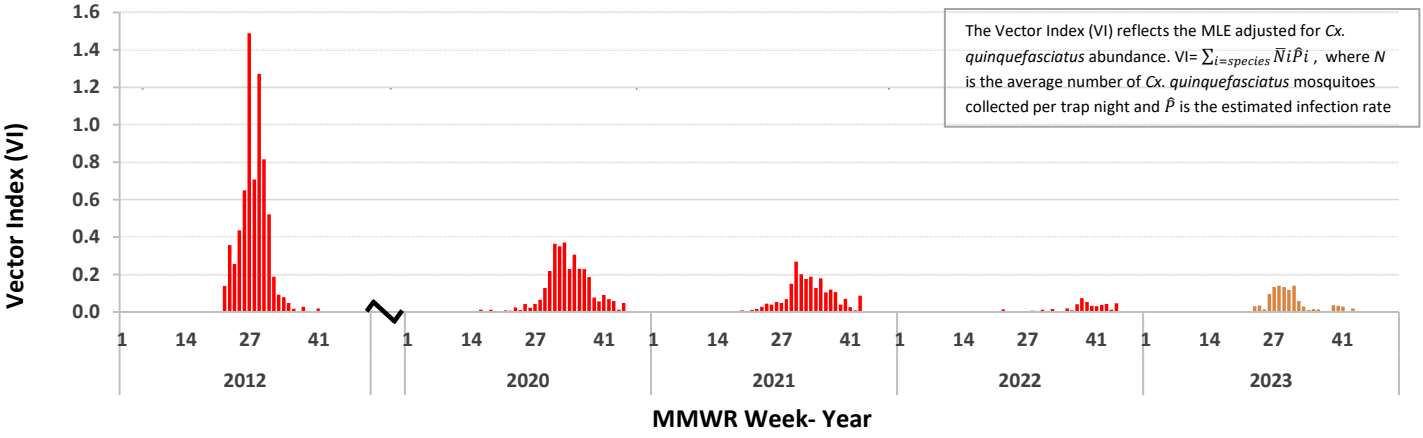


Figure 6: Average Numbers of Female *Cx. quinquefasciatus* per Trap-night by Week: 2012 - 2023 Seasons

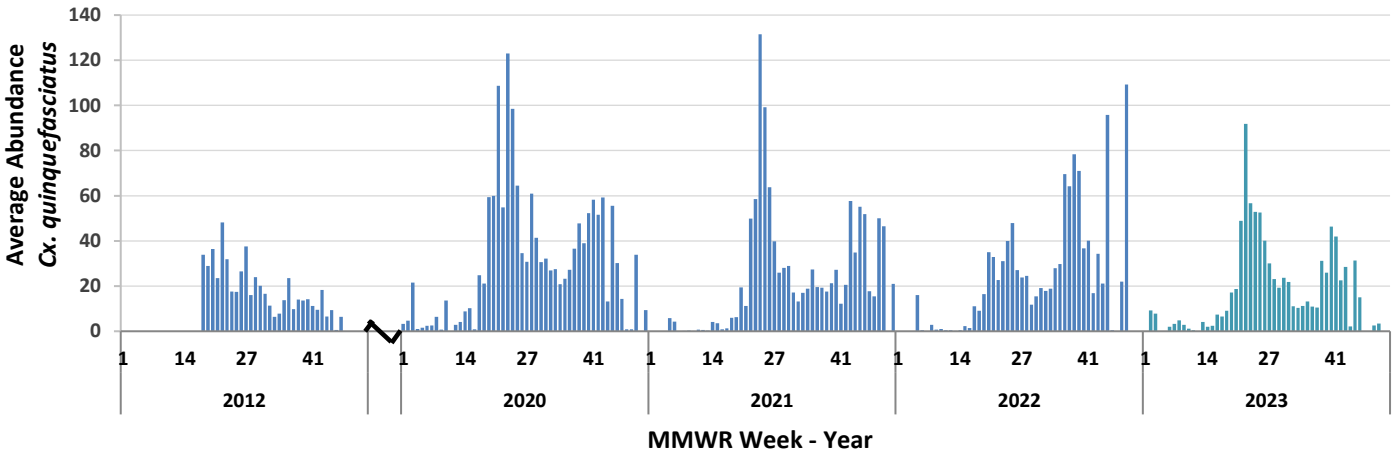


Figure 7: MLE (WNV Infection Rate per 1,000 *Cx. quinquefasciatus*) by Week: 2012 - 2023 Seasons

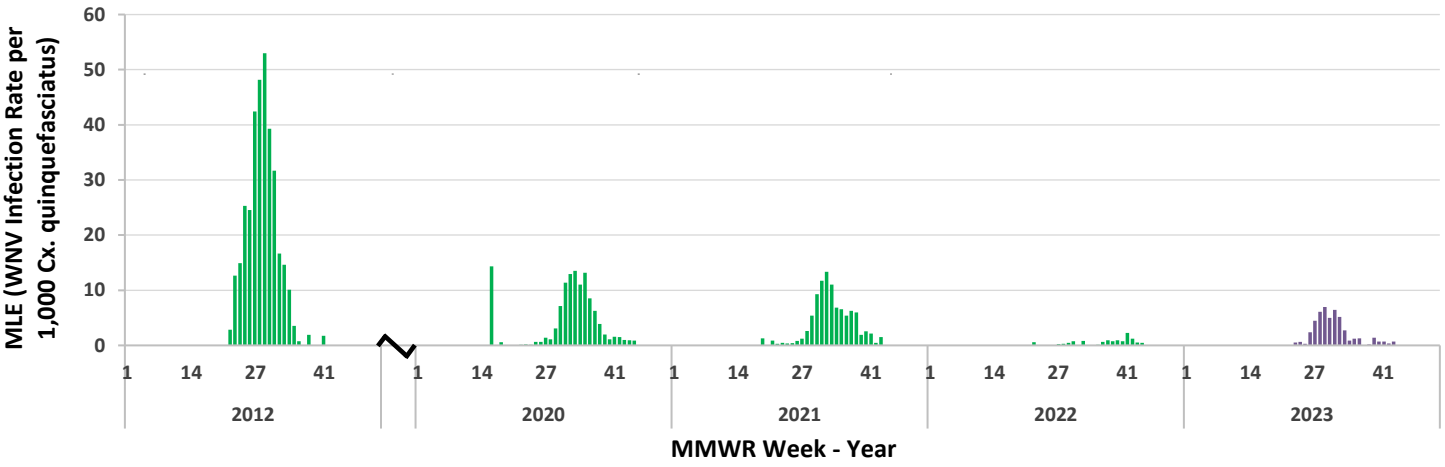


Figure 8: BG-Sentinel Trap Counts of Female *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus* during 2023: Weeks 14 through 43[†]

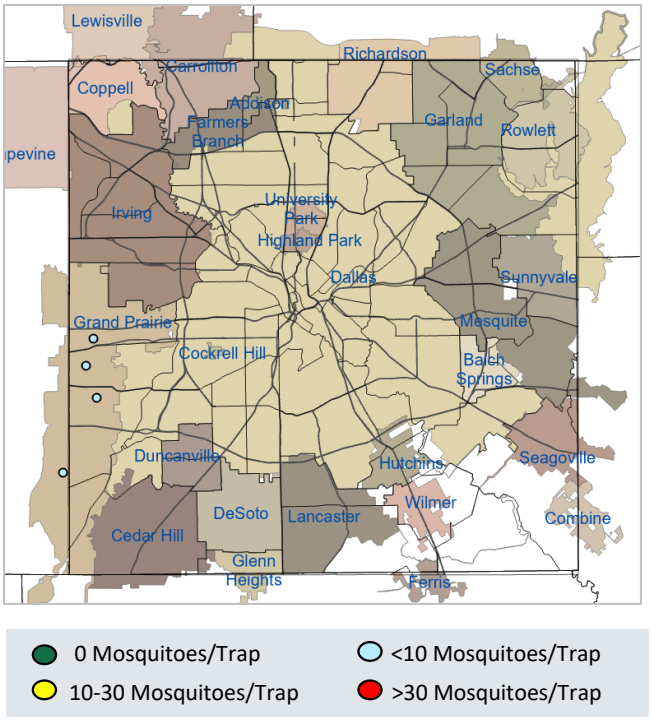


Figure 9: Average Numbers of *Ae. aegypti* per Trap-night: 2022 and 2023 Seasons*,[†]

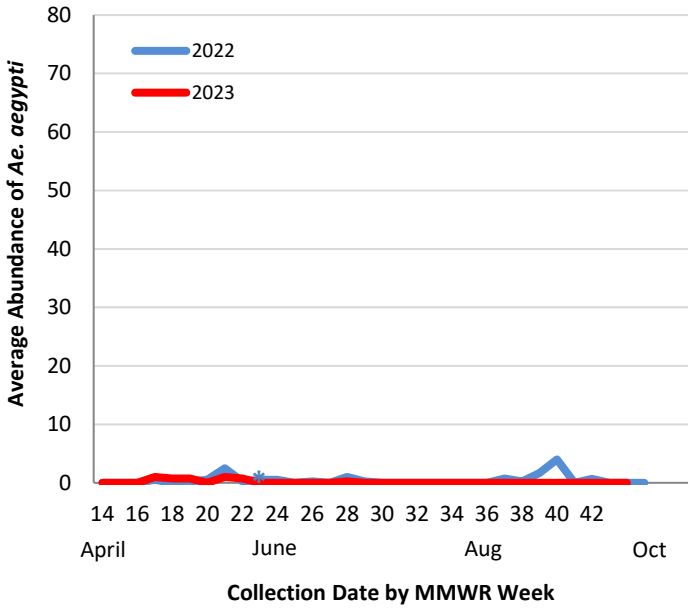
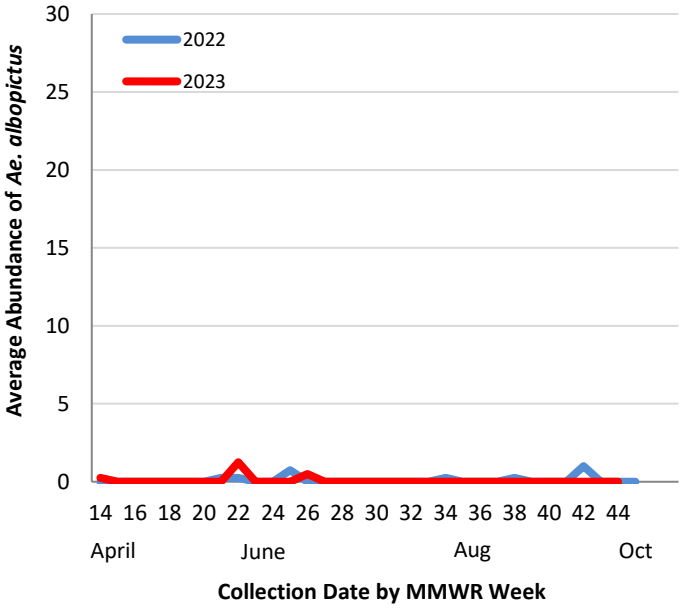


Figure 10: Average Numbers of *Ae. albopictus* per Trap-night: 2022 and 2023 Seasons*,[†]



[†]Routine *Aedes* BG-Sentinel trapping was conducted during week 14-43 in 2023

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