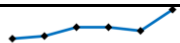



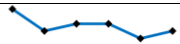

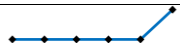


Gallatin County Weekly Communicable Disease Report

This report provides a weekly snapshot of communicable disease activity in Gallatin County. Data are provisional and are expected to change as more information is received. If you are seeking data that is not included in the report below, please submit a data request through HS@gallatin.mt.gov. The turnaround time depends on the complexity of the request and availability of our staff.

Table 1. Communicable diseases reported in Gallatin County* compared to statewide data during MMWR Week 32 (week ending 8/12/2023).

	Gallatin			State of Montana	
	Total (2023 Year-to-Date)	MMWR Week 32	Six-Week Trend Line	Total (2023 Year-to-Date)	MMWR Week 32
General Communicable Diseases					
COVID-19	1,588	52		12,666	298
Latent TB Infection (LTBI)	28	1		171	4
Hepatitis					
Hepatitis C, Chronic	11	1		668	28
Sexually Transmitted Diseases					
Chlamydia	320	6		2,237	66
Gonorrhea	41	1		494	6
Other Conditions					
Animal Bites	170	8		Not Reported	
Elevated Blood Lead	9	1		94	6

Data source: MTDPHHS Weekly Communicable Disease Epidemiology Report

*Not all cases were contracted in Gallatin County

Communicable Disease News:

- Additional summary of diseases reported in the state of Montana for MMWR Week 32:
 - **Enteric Diseases:** Campylobacteriosis (7), Cryptosporidiosis (2), Cyclosporiasis (1), Giardiasis (4), Salmonellosis (7), Shiga toxin-producing Escherichia coli (STEC) (6)
 - **Hepatitis:** Hepatitis C, acute (1)
 - **STD/HIV:** Syphilis, primary or secondary (3), Syphilis, latent (2)
 - **Vaccine Preventable Diseases:** Streptococcus pneumoniae, invasive (1)
 - **Vector-Borne Diseases:** Lyme disease (1)*, West Nile Virus, neuroinvasive (1)
 - **Zoonoses:** Rabies, animal (2), Rabies, post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) (11)

* Acquired outside of Montana

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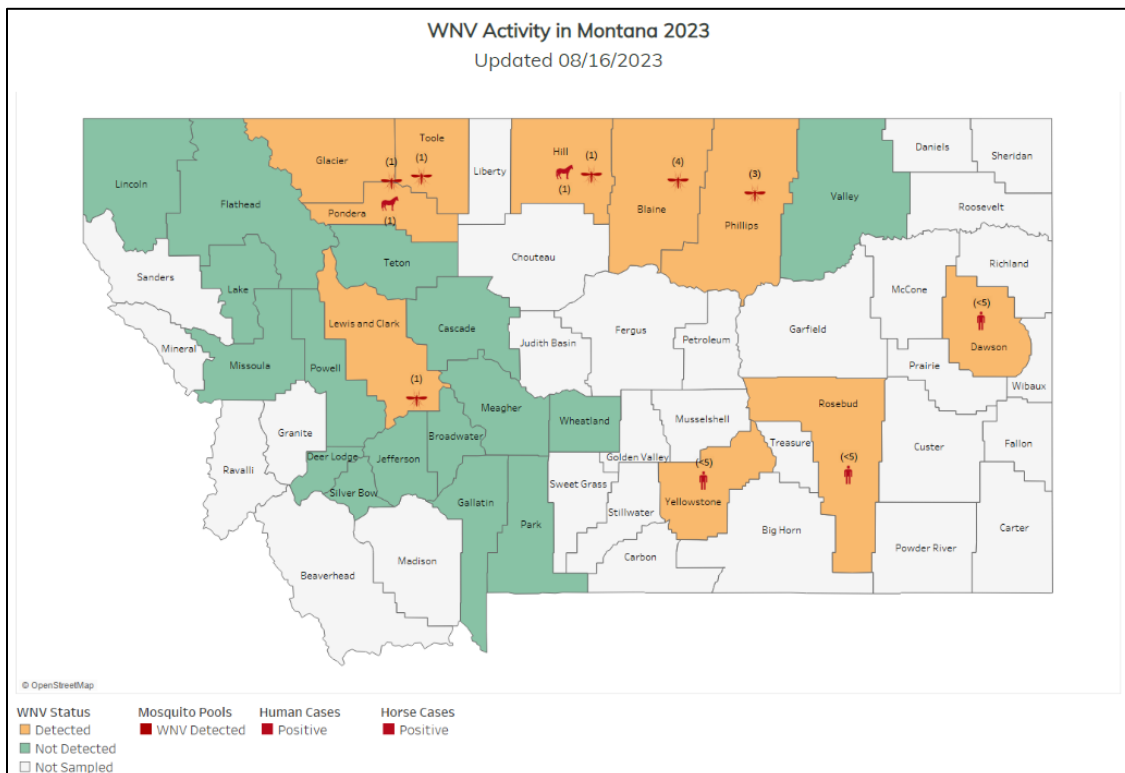
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- **West Nile Virus Activity Increasing in Montana**

- Montana DPHHS published a press release last week, highlighting the increasing West Nile virus (WNV) activity across the state. Read the full press release [here](#). As of 8/16/2023 Montana has WNV activity reported in 10 different counties (highlighted orange on the map below). DPHHS reported the first three human cases of WNV this season, as well as three horse cases, and mosquito pools testing positive in six different counties. Nationally, as of 8/15/2023, 190 cases of WNV have been confirmed in 27 states. For more information about WNV protection and surveillance activities, contact GCCHD at 406-582-3100 or visit the [DPHHS WNV webpage](#).



- **Rabies Activity on the Rise in Montana**

- Over the past several weeks, MTDPHHS has received an increase both in the number of calls about human-bat interactions and the number of bats that have tested positive for rabies. **Eleven bats have tested positive for rabies since July 1, 2023.** Bats have special considerations when evaluating a potential rabies exposure, where the nature of the encounter is not always as obvious as a bite from a cat, dog, or other wild animal (see the Exposure Assessment Tree below). Whenever a bat is found inside a home or other structure (tent, camper, cabin, RV, etc.), in order to guide rabies post-exposure prophylaxis recommendations, it's vital that the bat is captured and kept secure while determining the need for rabies testing.

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