

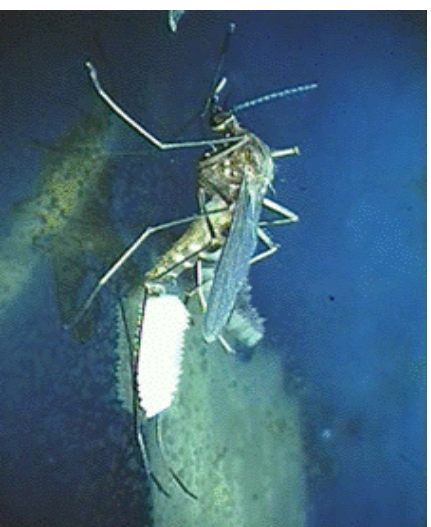
PROTECT YOURSELF FROM BITES

- *Make sure window and door screens are bug tight.*
- *Consider staying indoors at dawn, dusk and early in the evening when mosquitoes are most active.*
- *When outdoors, wear long-sleeves and long pants & socks. Clothing should be loose, light in color and tightly woven.*
- *Insect repellants containing DEET when applied to exposed skin or clothing deter mosquitoes from biting. Be sure to follow all directions on product labels.*

MOSQUITOES!

Can Carry Serious Diseases Such As:

**WEST NILE VIRUS
ST. LOUIS
ENCEPHALITIS
YELLOW FEVER
DENGUE
MALARIA**



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City of Dallas

STOP!

**RAISING
MOSQUITOES
IN YOUR
YARD
& HOME!**



**PROTECT YOUR
FAMILY, YOUR HOME
AND YOURSELF**

HOMEGROWN! IT'S UP TO YOU!

Most mosquitoes are homegrown and all need water to reproduce. Mosquitoes can go from egg to adult in 7-10 days. Check your property for any place where water collects; in containers like garbage cans and lids, birdbaths, toys, cans and jars, flowerpot saucers, old tires. Also, eliminate puddles caused by leaky faucets and pipes or condensed water from air conditioner drains.



**YOU CAN ELIMINATE
MOSQUITO BREEDING PLACES
BY GETTING RID OF STANDING
WATER.**

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MOSQUITO CONTROL ACTIVITIES
CALL THE HOTLINE
214-670-1733
OR VISIT**

http://www.dallascityhall.com/dallas/eng/html/mosquito_control.html

What Does the City Do?

The City of Dallas actively monitors for mosquito borne diseases by collecting mosquitoes for testing and by tracking deaths of crows and blue jays. The City conducts mosquito control activities such as applying larvicide to standing water, minnow stocking and source reduction. In the event of a mosquito, bird or human testing positive for mosquito borne disease, the City's Mosquito Control Plan is followed and spraying for adult mosquitoes may be necessary.

Mosquito breeding sites, dead crows and blue jays, may be reported to 3-1-1 or directly to the Environmental Assessment Program (8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., M-F).



American Crow

WEST NILE VIRUS (WNV)

WNV is a potentially serious seasonal illness spread by certain species of mosquitoes. About one in 150 people bitten by an infected mosquito develop severe symptoms, including high fever, headache, neck stiffness, disorientation, muscle weakness, numbness and paralysis. Symptoms may last several weeks and neurological effects may be permanent.

Up to 20% of people infected will have symptoms, which can include fever, headache, body aches, nausea, and sometimes a skin rash.

Approximately 80% of those infected show no symptoms at all. Typically, symptoms develop in three to 14 days after being bitten by an infected mosquito. Seek medical attention immediately if symptoms such as severe headaches or confusion develop. People over 50 are at higher risk to develop serious symptoms.

Spending time outdoors increases the risk of being bitten by an infected mosquito. Pay attention to avoiding mosquito bites when you are outside by using a repellent and by wearing long sleeves and pants.