

Christian County Health
Department uses your
reports to help track
West Nile virus in Illinois



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REPORT



BIRDS

The collecting and testing of dead birds and mosquitoes are important components of our West Nile virus surveillance program.

Results of these tests help us determine the extent of West Nile virus activity. Because the virus generally appears in Illinois bird and mosquito populations before it is transmitted to humans, monitoring bird and mosquito populations helps us predict when and where humans will be at risk for West Nile virus infection as well as where and when additional precautions and control measures should be taken. If you find a dead bird, contact us (217-824-4113). We will determine if the bird is acceptable for testing and will pick up acceptable birds.

DO NOT TOUCH THE DEAD BIRDS