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Ross River virus disease case data summary

East Metropolitan region: Apr – Jun 2020

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Ross River virus (RRV)

East Metropolitan Health Region

3 RRV cases were notified by laboratory only in this quarter, for the East Metropolitan Health Region. Follow-up data is not available for these cases.

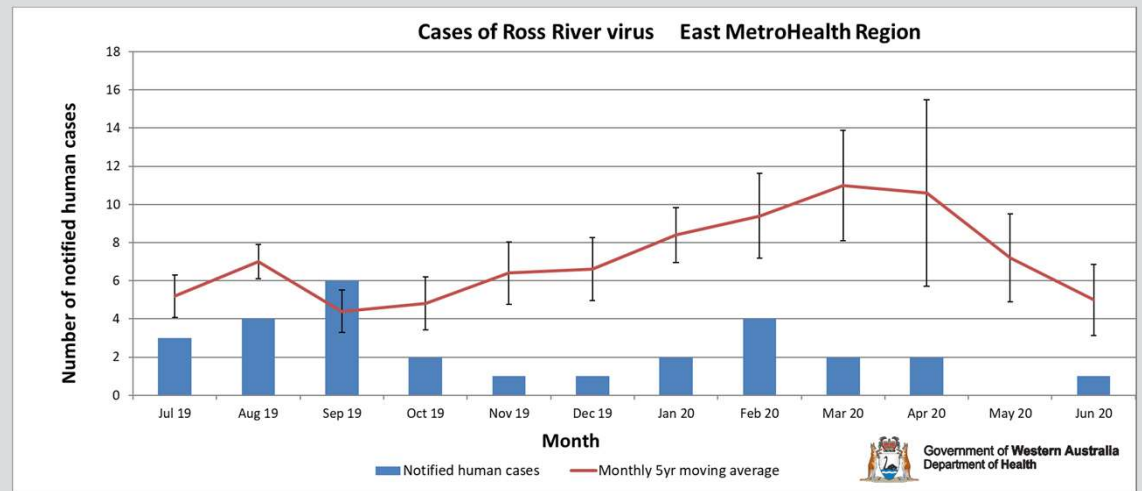
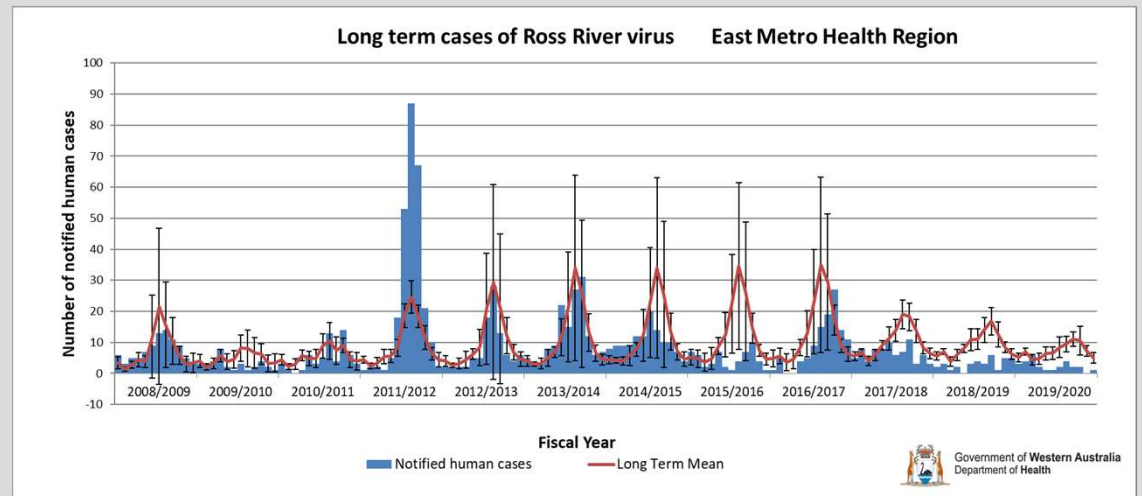
The number of cases has been significantly below the 5-year moving average for all months except September.

During 2019/2020 there was a total of 28 cases, 11 were notified by Doctor with follow-up data available for 4 cases.



East Metro Health Region

| RRV 2020 | Apr | May | Jun | Total |
|----------------------|----------|-----|----------|----------|
| Metro | 1 | | 1 | 2 |
| Mundaring (S) | 1 | | 1 | 2 |
| DARLINGTON | 1 | | | 1 |
| MUNDARING | | | 1 | 1 |
| Wheatbelt | 1 | | | 1 |
| Toodyay (S) | 1 | | | 1 |
| MORANGUP | 1 | | | 1 |
| Total | 2 | | 1 | 3 |



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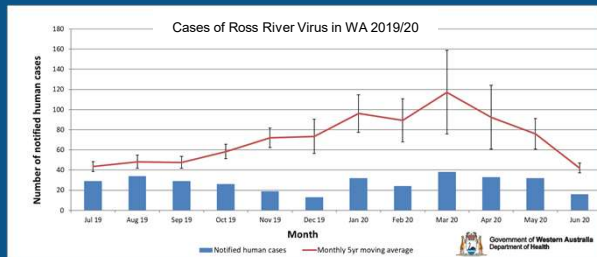
Western Australia: 2019/20

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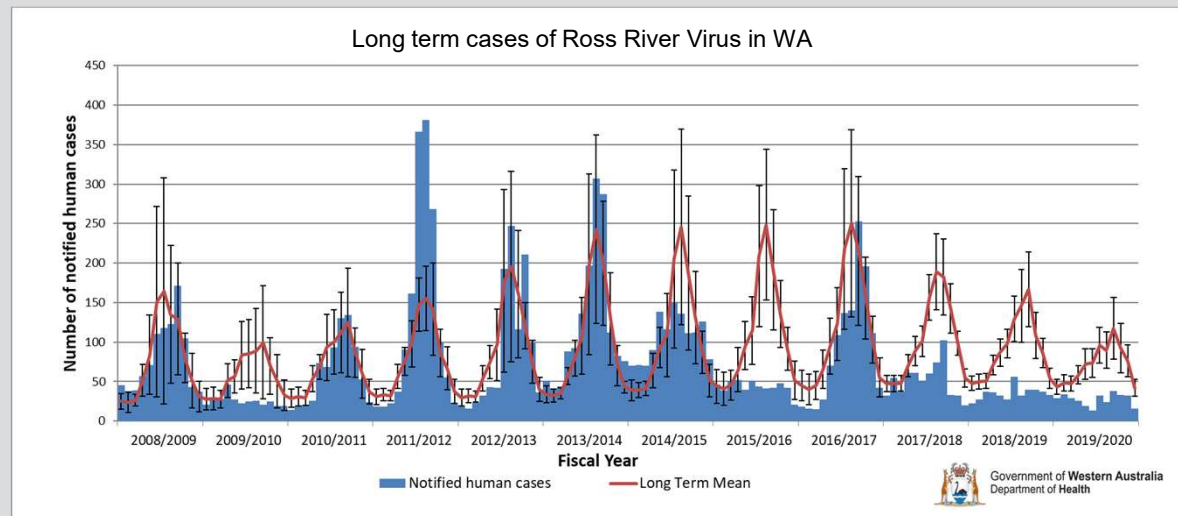
Ross River virus (RRV) Western Australia

A total of 317 cases of RRV have been reported between 1 July 2019 and 30 June 2020 in Western Australia. 179 cases were notified by Doctor and follow-up data is available for 72.

The number of cases was significantly below the 5-year moving average.



| REGION | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Total | Crude Rate | Age Std Rate |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|
| KIMBERLEY | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 14 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 29 | 80.5 | 75.7 |
| PILBARA | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 27 | 43.8 | 41.8 |
| GASCOYNE | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 10.6 | 10.3 |
| MIDWEST | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 14.8 | 13.8 |
| WHEATBELT | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 8.8 | 8.6 |
| METRO | 8 | 13 | 17 | 13 | 9 | 3 | 13 | 10 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 100 | 5.6 | 5.4 |
| PEEL | 4 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 7 | 22 | 10 | 74 | 27.3 | 26.6 |
| LESCHENAULT | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 15 | 20.3 | 19.5 |
| GEOGRAPHE | 1 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 42.1 | 47.6 |
| ELSEWHERE SW | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 10 | 21.0 | 22.3 |
| SOUTH WEST | 8 | 12 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 7 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 12 | 25 | 11 | 123 | 27.3 | |
| GREAT SOUTHERN | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 14 | 23.0 | 21.1 |
| GOLDFIELDS-ESPERANCE | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 14.5 | 15.0 |
| WA UNDETERMINED | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| INTERSTATE | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 8 | | |
| WA TOTAL (does not include interstate) | 26 | 34 | 28 | 25 | 19 | 13 | 32 | 23 | 38 | 33 | 31 | 15 | 317 | | |



Barmah Forest virus disease case data summary

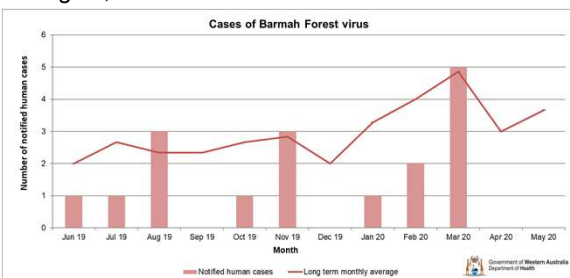
East Metropolitan and State summary: 2019/20

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Barmah Forest virus (BFV) Western Australia

A total of 20 cases of BFV have been reported between 1 July 2019 and 30 June 2020 in Western Australia. 12 were notified by Doctor and follow-up data is available for 7 cases.

The number of cases was significantly below the 5-year moving average for all months except August, November and March.

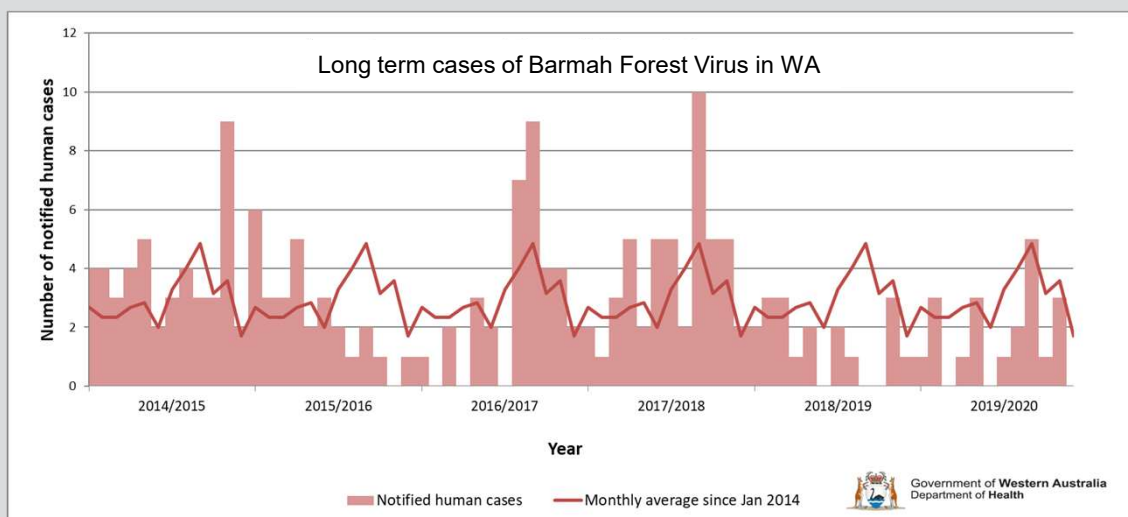


Barmah Forest virus (BFV) East Metropolitan Health region

No BFV cases were notified in the East Metropolitan Health region between Apr-Jun 2020 with 1 case of BFV between 1 July 2019 and 30 June 2020.

The 5-year moving average is less than one case per month for this region.

| REGION | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Total | Crude Rate | Age Std Rate |
|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|------------|--------------|
| KIMBERLEY | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 13.9 | 14.9 |
| PILBARA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1.6 | 1.4 |
| GASCOYNE | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 10.6 | 9.7 |
| MIDWEST | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| WHEATBELT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| METRO | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| PEEL | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 1.1 | 1.0 |
| LESCHENAULT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1.4 | 1.0 |
| GEOGRAPHE | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| ELSEWHERE SW | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2.1 | 1.4 |
| SOUTH WEST | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 1.1 | |
| GREAT SOUTHERN | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 6.6 | 6.5 |
| GOLDFIELDS-ESPERANCE | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3.6 | 3.2 |
| WA UNDETERMINED | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| INTERSTATE | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| WA TOTAL (does not include interstate) | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 20 | | |



Climate outlook for Western Australia

July – Sept 2020

Predicted impact of climatic conditions on mosquito breeding

ENSO and the Indian Ocean Dipole are neutral and predicted to remain neutral though winter with a 50-55% chance of La Niña developing during Spring. As a result average to above average seasonal rainfall is expected.

Impact on mosquito breeding: Above average rainfall conditions and warmer nights, predicted along the mid-coast and inland, are conducive to mosquito breeding and possible mosquito-borne virus activity. This will be heightened if conditions swing towards La Niña in early spring.

El Niño–Southern Oscillation (ENSO)

A weather forecast based on interaction between the atmosphere and tropical Pacific Ocean. Conditions can be El Niño, La Niña or neutral:

El Niño: Associated with drier conditions, decreased rainfall and tidal activity. Warmer days in south. Late start to northern wet season with less cyclones and less flooding.

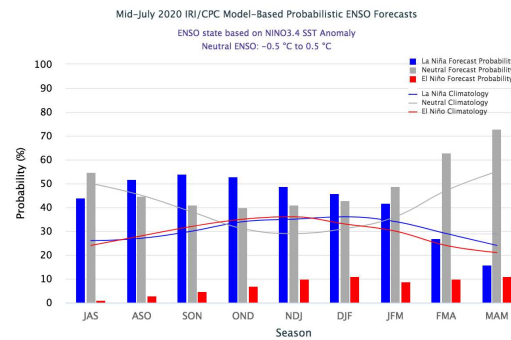
La Niña: Associated with wetter, cooler days and warmer nights (due to increased cloud cover). Earlier start to the northern wet season with more tropical cyclones. More conducive to mosquito breeding and possible mosquito-borne virus activity.

Indian Ocean Dipole (IOD)

Positive IOD: Brings below average winter-spring rainfall, warmer days in the west, warmer nights in the south west, and cooler nights in the north.

Negative IOD: Brings above average winter-spring rainfall, cooler days in the south, and warmer nights in the north with increased chances of flooding.

International Research Institute for Climate and Society (IRI ENSO) Forecast Issued 20 July 2020

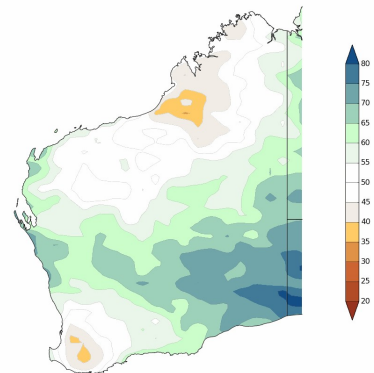


ENSO Alert Status: La Niña WATCH. ENSO-neutral is expected to continue through to Autumn and Winter 2020.



Australian BOM Rainfall Outlook Issued 23 July 2020

Chance of exceeding the median rainfall for August to October 2020

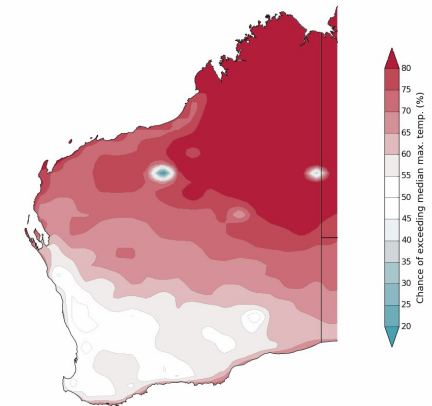


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Rainfall is likely to be above average in the mid-coast and central inland of WA.

Australian BOM Temperature Outlook Issued 23 July 2020

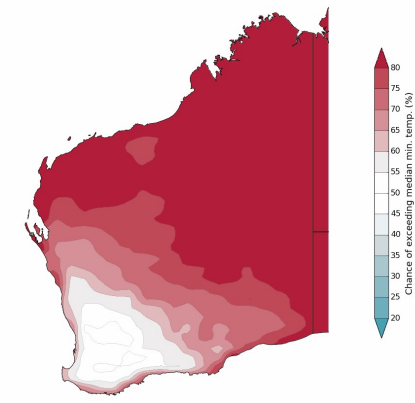
Chance of exceeding the median maximum temperature for August to October 2020



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Daytime temperatures for winter are likely to be above average across northern and central Western Australia.

Chance of exceeding the median minimum temperature for August to October 2020



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Winter night-time temperatures are likely to be warmer than average across much of the state except the South West.