



New World Screwworm: Current Situation

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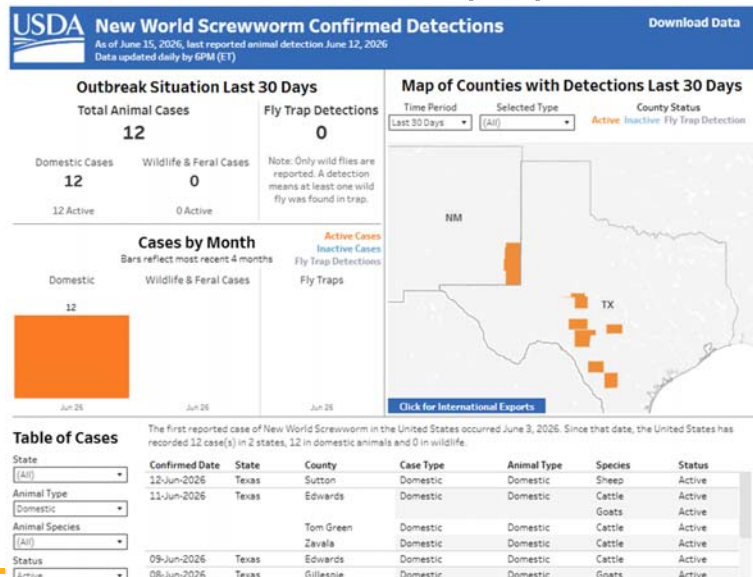
NWS – Key Takeaways

- There are no active cases in Kansas.
- Not a food safety issue.
- NWS is treatable.
- Get your eyes on your animals!



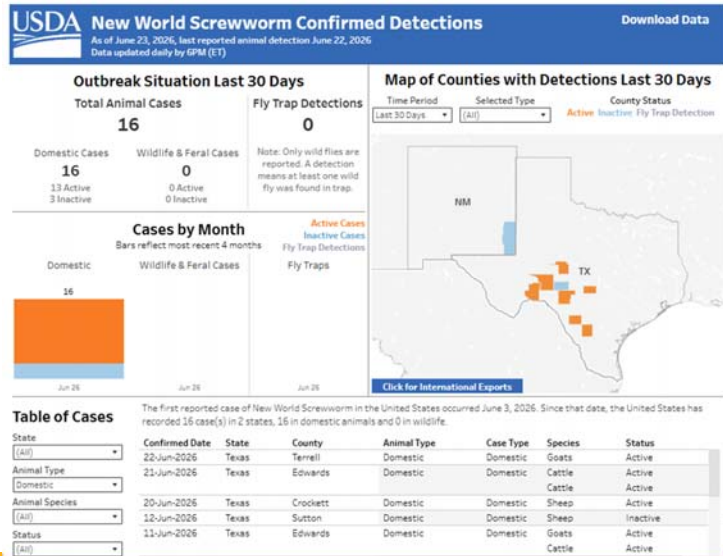
Confirmed Detections of New World Screwworm as of 6/15/26

- June 3 – confirmed case in a calf in Zavala County, Texas
- June 7 – confirmed case in a dog in Lea County, New Mexico



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- June 20 – confirmed case in a sheep in Crockett County, Texas
- June 21 – two confirmed case in calves in Edwards County, Texas
- June 22 – confirmed case in a goat in Terrell County, Texas



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NOTICE: There is currently a quarantine in place due to an established New World Screwworm Infested Zone in parts of the following Texas counties: Coke, Crockett, Edwards, Gillespie, Kerr, Kimble, La Salle, Pecos, Schleicher, Sutton, Terrell, Tom Green, Uvalde, Val Verde, Webb, Zavala.

According to the Executive Director Orders issued, all warm-blooded animals in a zone may not move out of the zone without prior authorization from the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC).

View the zone map.

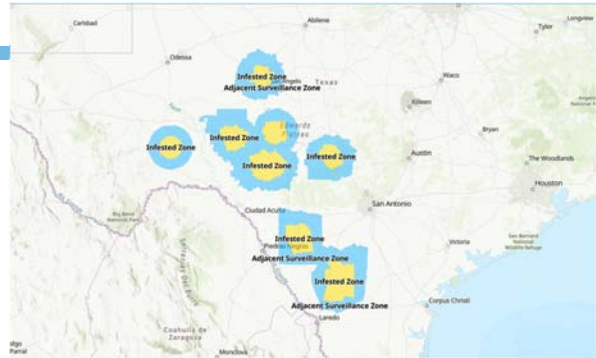
Warm-blooded animals moving outside of an infested zone must contact the TAHC to set up an inspection. During this inspection, an animal health official will fill out an animal movement certificate listing the product used for prevention or treatment and the animals' official ID. This certificate will need to accompany the animal movement. Additional guidance can be provided during an initial inspection request call to TAHC and general guidance can be referenced in the Livestock Movement from a NWS-Infested Zone handout.

Current Background
Pest Information
NWS Certified Inspector Program
Texas Current Situation
News & Updates
Reporting
Producer Information

NWS International and National Outbreak Information
Federal Government Resources
USDA NWS Best Practices for Evaluation of Animals

NWS – Current Response

- Infested Zones — checkpoints on roads
 - Boots on the ground — education and outreach.
 - Inspections and treatment are required.
 - <https://www.tahc.texas.gov/emergency/nws.html>
- Sterile fly release:
 - Ground chambers in infested zones (4 million flies/week).
 - Aerial release around infested zones – 30 million/week.
 - Continue to release flies near border with Mexico.
- Investigations — Texas reporting 10-20 investigations daily across the state
 - USDA deployed an entomologist to the Texas USDA ARS facility.
- Fly Traps:
 - Traps in areas around infested zones and 94 traps across southern Texas.



NWS – Current Response and Request

- Critical to understand where NWS infestations are and the extent of the infestation.
- “Eyes on animals” — Routinely monitor pets and livestock for wounds and signs of infestation.
- Inspection process will require a more individual animal exam — “pinch point.”
- Reporting is crucial to slowing the spread and eradication.
- NWS is considered a foreign animal disease — must contact KDA Animal Health or USDA if suspected.



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