

MEALYBUGS
Family Pseudococcidae

- Natural range -** Mealybugs are a large and diverse family of scale insects that are cosmopolitan in distribution.
- Species affected -** Many broadleaf trees and conifers are hosts to mealybugs including apple, hawthorn, crabapple, cherry, maple and juniper.
- Type of damage -** Twigs and branches are typically infested. Heavy infestations can cause yellowing of foliage, twig and branch dieback.
- Symptoms -** Presence of insects covered with a mealy white wax, branch dieback, yellow and stunted foliage, honeydew and black sooty mold.



Mealybug infestation on twigs (above) and stem (below).