

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Division of Epidemiology, Environmental, and Occupational Health
Infectious and Zoonotic Diseases Program

NEW JERSEY ANIMAL RABIES CASES BY COUNTY AND SPECIES
January 1 - December 31, 2015

COUNTY	Raccoon		Skunk		Fox		Cat		Groundhog		Bovine	Equine	Dog***	Ferret	Other Domestic*		Deer	Other Wild**		Total Terrestrial	Bats						
Atlantic	1	231	2	27	1	16		14		2		1								4	291	6					
Bergen	11	292	5	111			1	40		19				1		1			2	3	19	467	5				
Burlington	7	492	2	84	4	24	1	40		13		1								1	14	655	5				
Camden	10	152	3	20		1	1	20		1											14	194	1				
Cape May	5	125		23		2		2												1	5	153	2				
Cumberland	8	200	2	53		2	1	12													11	267					
Essex	3	143		24			1	15		7			1			2		1	1	1	4	194	4				
Gloucester	8	172	7	72		9		20		2		1							2	15	278	11					
Hudson	1	14		5				5												1	24	1					
Hunterdon	9	388		42		6	1	32	2	13		2		1		1		4	1	12	491	3					
Mercer	7	350	3	24		12	1	17		5				1						11	409	4					
Middlesex	4	192		74	1	7	2	24	1	12										8	309	6					
Monmouth	17	469	2	56	2	18	2	37		11		1		4						23	596	6					
Morris	13	471	3	101	1	17		25	1	16		1				3		1	3	18	639	7					
Ocean	18	381	5	96	1	16	1	34		12			1							25	540	1					
Passaic	6	214	1	57		6		21		12		2						1	1	7	314	1					
Salem	7	79	1	15	1	3		6		1		1	1							9	106	1					
Somerset	6	348	2	56		14		20		9		2				3			2	8	454	8					
Sussex	3	257	2	108		17	1	20		21		4		2					1	6	430						
Union	8	110	1	28		1	1	11		1										10	151	2					
Warren	2	263	1	67		12	1	28		12		5	1			1		2	3	4	394	4					
Unknown		1																			1						
TOTAL	154	5344	42	1143	11	183	15	443	4	169	0	14	0	12	0	7	0	3	0	11	0	9	2	19	228	7357	78

NUMBERS IN WHITE COLUMNS REPRESENT YEAR-TO-DATE TOTALS (January 1 through December 31, 2015)

NUMBERS IN SHADED COLUMNS REPRESENT EPIZOOTIC TOTALS (January 1989 through December 2015)

*Other Domestic includes 9 rabbits, 1 goat and 1 sheep

**Other Wild includes 5 otters, 4 opossums, 7 coyotes, 2 beavers, and 1 bear

***One dog diagnosed in Essex County during 2008 acquired rabies in Iraq and became ill shortly after importation into NJ

Summary of Rabies Specimens Tested and Positive Cases by Year, New Jersey				
Year	Specimen Tested	Terrestrial Cases	Bat Cases	Total Cases
2012	3172	241	68	309
2013	3207	249	66	315
2014	3680	270	78	348
2015	2964	228	78	306

Cats have accounted for 90% of the domestic animal cases in New Jersey since 1989. For the last 5 years there has been an average of 16 cats infected with rabies annually.