

Rabies Control Program

There were no confirmed rabid animals during June of 2014. However, rabid animals have been confirmed in a number of surrounding Counties. It is important to avoid contact with wildlife and keep pets vaccinated against rabies. Even indoor pets can be exposed to rabies. Bats commonly enter homes causing a rabies exposure. Additionally, other animals such as raccoons, foxes, and skunks may also enter a home.

Key Data Overview				
	This Month	YTD 2014	YTD 2013	TOTAL 2013
Bites¹	22	67	109	234
Non Bites²	4	18	25	66
Referrals to Other Counties	5	17	24	47
Submissions to NYS Rabies Lab	10	51	67	203
Human Post-Ex Treatments	6	25	31	88
Unvaccinated Pets 6-Month Quarantined³	0	0	3	3
Unvaccinated Pets Destroyed⁴	0	0	0	0
Rabid Animals (Lab Confirmed)	0	2	3	8

¹"Bites" include all reported bites inflicted by mammals and any other wounds received while saliva is present.

²"Non-bites" include human exposures to saliva of potentially rabid animals. This also includes bats in rooms with sleeping

people or young children where the bat was unavailable for testing.

³When an otherwise healthy, unvaccinated pet has contact with a rabid animal, or suspect rabid animal, that pet must be quarantined for 6 months or euthanized. Quarantine must occur in a TCHD-approved facility (such as a kennel) at the owner's expense. If the pet is still healthy at the end of 6 months, the exposure did not result in rabies and the pet is released.

⁴ Pets must be euthanized if they are unvaccinated and have been in contact with a rabid or suspect rabid animal and begin to display signs consistent with rabies. Alternatively, a pet is euthanized if a prescribed 6-month quarantine cannot be performed or the owners elect euthanasia instead of quarantine.

Reports by Animal Type												
	Bites				Animals sent to the NYS Rabies Laboratory				Rabid Animals			
	Mo	YTD 2014	YTD 2013	Total 2013	By TCHD	By Cornell	Totals		Mo	YTD 2014	YTD 2013	Total 2013
							Mo	YTD				
Cat	9	27	36	80	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	0
Dog	11	36	67	133	1	0	1	5	0	0	0	0
Cattle	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Horse/Mule	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sheep/Goat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Other Domestic	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Raccoon	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	1	1	1
Bats	0	0	0	5	3	1	4	24	0	1	2	6
Skunks	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Foxes	0	0	1	3	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	1
Other Wild	1	1	4	8	0	3	3	8	0	0	0	0
Totals	22	67	109	234	5	5	10	51	0	2	3	8