

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES  
 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, 2008

COUNTY	Raccoon		Skunk		Fox		Cat		Groundhog		Bovine	Equine	Dog***		Ferret	Other Domestic*		Deer	Other Wild**		Total Terrestrial	Bats					
Atlantic	14	200	3	22		13	1	8		1											18	244	0				
Bergen	4	200	4	76				30	1	13					1		1			1	9	322	1				
Burlington	13	346	2	53	2	17	1	30		6			1							1	18	454	10				
Camden	5	104		10		1	1	16		1											6	132	3				
Cape May		94		19		2		2												1	0	118	0				
Cumberland	5	156	2	34		2	1	7													8	199	1				
Essex	2	111		20			1	13		5			1	1			2		1		4	153	1				
Gloucester	15	118	5	46	1	6		14	1	1			1							1	1	23	187	12			
Hudson	2	8		4				4													2	16	0				
Hunterdon	5	340	2	36	1	5		23		8	2			1		1	1		4	1	8	422	3				
Mercer	8	284	1	13		7	2	13	1	4					1						12	322	5				
Middlesex	7	147	2	56	1	2		15		9											10	229	2				
Monmouth	16	359	4	44		14	2	25		10	1		3								22	456	3				
Morris	8	364	2	79	1	9		19		11	1			1			3		1	1	11	489	1				
Ocean	15	278	4	63		11	2	23		8				1							21	384	4				
Passaic	12	143	5	41		4		15	2	9			2						1	1	19	216	0				
Salem	4	37	2	8		1	1	3		1				1	1						8	51	0				
Somerset	8	295	1	45		7	2	15		8			2				3			1	11	376	2				
Sussex	5	224	3	101		9	1	15		20	3			2						1	9	375	0				
Union	3	94		26				9													3	129	2				
Warren	4	234	2	57		12		19		8	4		1				1		2	2	6	340	6				
Unknown		1																			0	1	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>4137</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>853</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>5615</b>	<b>56</b>

NUMBERS IN WHITE COLUMNS REPRESENT YEAR-TO-DATE TOTALS (January 1 through December 31, 2008)

NUMBERS IN SHADED COLUMNS REPRESENT EPIZOOTIC TOTALS (January 1989 through December 2008)

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

\*\*Other Wild includes 3 otters, 3 opossums (1-2008), 2 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
2005	2944	209	32	241
2006	3329	219	45	264
2007	3384	230	54	284
2008	3463	228	56	284

Cats have accounted for 89% of the domestic animal cases since 1989. For the last 5 years there has been an average of 17 cases in cats per year.