



Division of Preparedness, Response, Infectious Disease, and Emergency Medical Services
Center for Acute Infectious Disease Epidemiology

Animal Rabies Surveillance Report
January 2018 to June 2018

Report at a glance:

- All animals tested for rabies have been described according to time, place, and species concerned.
- A total of 277 specimens were submitted to test for animal rabies. Approximately 4.92% of all specimens tested were positive for rabies virus, 12 specimens were unable to be tested.
- Approximately 34.4% of the samples were submitted in **June**.
- The majority of submissions (58.0%) came from **Providence County**.
- **Bats** were the most commonly submitted species (45.5% of all submissions). Approximately 79.4% percent of the bat submissions came from **Providence County**.
- The highest rates of positive tests were in **raccoons** (61.5%), followed by **bats** (30.8%), and **cats** (7.7%) Refer to Table 2.
- Animals positive for rabies were found in **11 municipalities**.

Graph 1. Animal Rabies Testing Submission Results, January-June 2018, Rhode Island

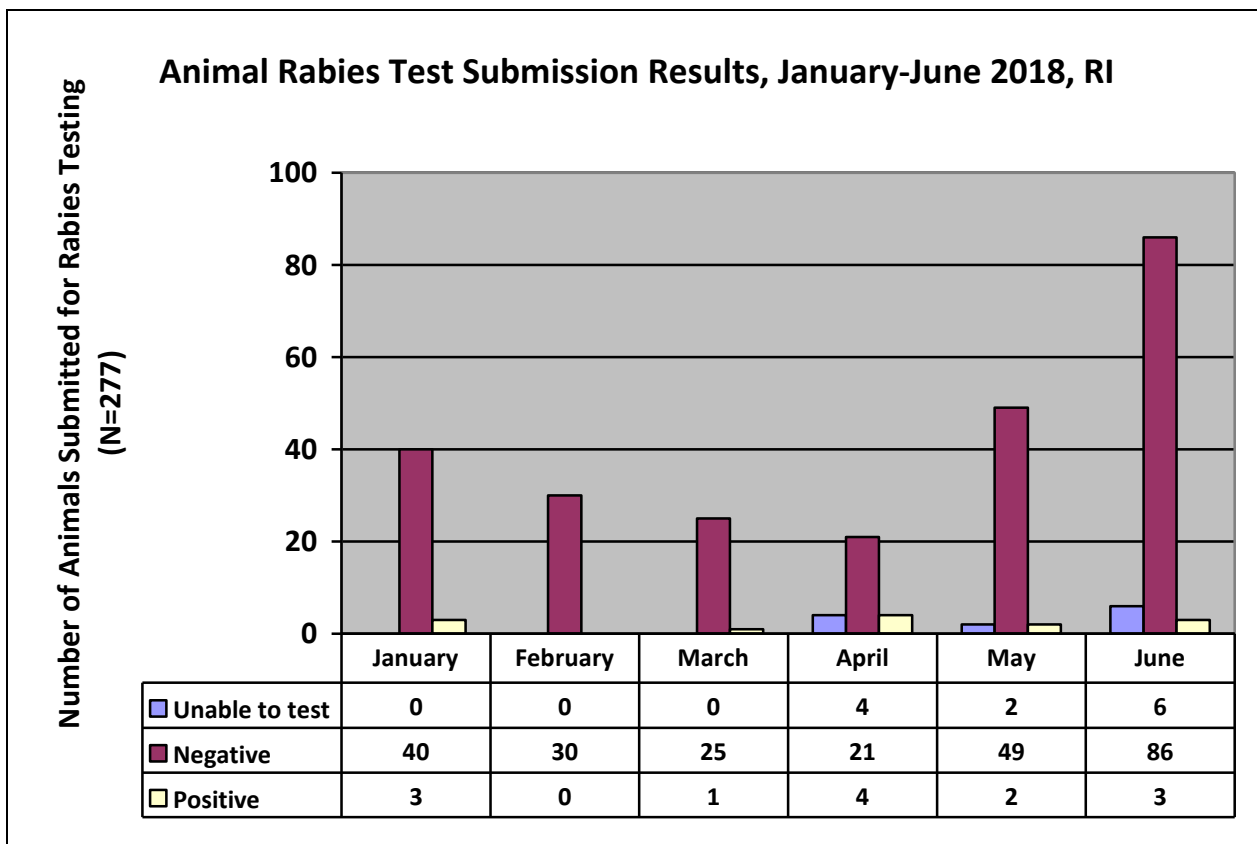


Table 1. Positive Rabies Test Results in Animals by County, January-June 2018, Rhode Island

County	Number of Positives	% of Total Positives
Bristol	1	7.7
Kent	3	23.1
Newport	0	0.0
Providence	7	53.8
Washington	2	15.4
Total	13	100.0

Table 2. Positive Rabies Test Results in Animals by Species, January-June 2018, Rhode Island

Species	# Positive	% Positive by Species (Number of this species positive/ number of this species tested) x 100	% Positive Overall (Number positive for this species / Number of all positive tests) x 100
Raccoon	8	26.7	61.5
Bat	4	3.2	30.8
Cat	1	2.0	7.7

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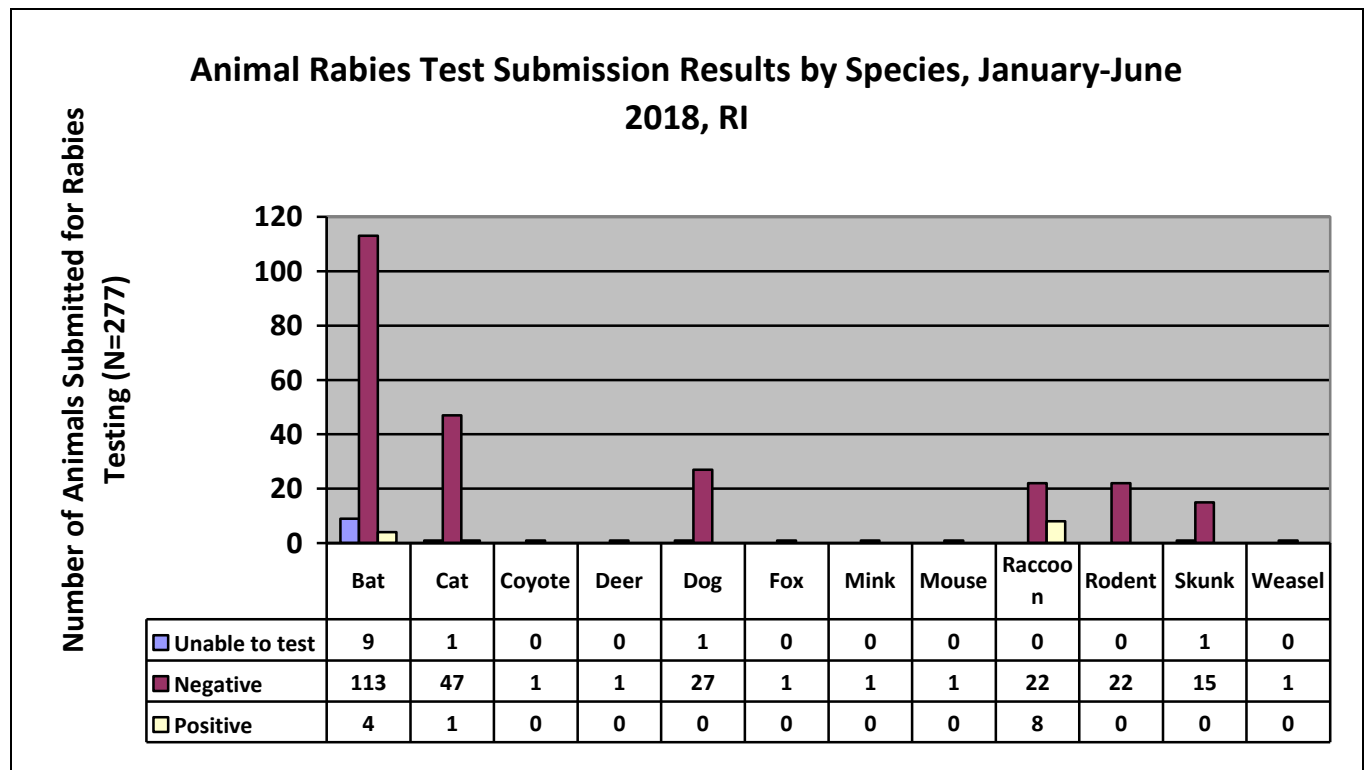


Table 3. Animals Submitted for Rabies Testing by Species and Locale, January-June 2018, Rhode Island

City	Species	Indeterminate	Negative	Unable to Test	Positive	Total
Barrington	Rodent	0	2	0	0	2
Bristol	Dog	0	1	0	0	1
	Rodent	0	1	0	0	1
	Skunk	0	1	0	0	1
Burrillville	Cat	0	1	0	0	1
	Raccoon	0	1	0	0	1
Central Falls	Cat	0	1	0	0	1
	Dog	0	1	0	0	1
	Skunk	0	1	0	0	1
Coventry	Bat	0	2	1	0	3
	Cat	0	2	0	0	2
	Dog	0	4	0	0	4
	Raccoon	0	0	0	1	1
	Skunk	0	1	0	0	1
Cranston	Bat	0	16	0	0	16
	Dog	0	1	0	0	1
	Fox	0	1	0	0	1
	Rodent	0	2	0	0	2
Cumberland	Bat	0	2	0	0	2
	Cat	0	1	0	0	1
	Skunk	0	4	0	0	4
East Greenwich	Cat	0	4	0	0	4
	Dog	0	2	1	0	3
East Providence	Bat	0	1	0	0	1
	Cat	0	3	0	0	3
	Dog	0	2	0	0	2
	Raccoon	0	1	0	2	2
	Rodent	0	2	0	0	2
Exeter	Raccoon	0	1	0	0	1
Foster	Bat	0	0	0	1	1
Glocester	Bat	0	2	0	0	2
	Cat	0	1	0	0	1
Hopkinton	Bat	0	0	0	1	1
Johnston	Bat	0	3	0	0	3
	Cat	0	1	0	0	1
	Dog	0	1	0	0	1
	Raccoon	0	3	0	0	3
	Rodent	0	1	0	0	1
	Weasel	0	1	0	0	1
Lincoln	Bat	0	7	0	0	7
	Raccoon	0	1	0	0	1

Little Compton	Raccoon	0	1	0	0	1
Middletown	Cat	0	3	0	0	3
	Rodent	0	1	0	0	1
Narragansett	Bat	0	1	0	0	1
Newport	Bat	0	1	0	0	1
	Cat	0	0	1	0	1
	Dog	0	1	0	0	1
North Kingstown	Bat	0	2	0	0	2
	Cat	0	2	0	0	2
	Coyote	0	1	0	0	1
	Raccoon	0	4	0	0	4
	Skunk	0	1	0	0	1
North Providence	Bat	0	7	0	0	7
	Raccoon	0	0	0	1	1
	Rodent	0	2	0	0	2
North Smithfield	Bat	0	1	0	0	1
	Rodent	0	3	0	0	3
Pawtucket	Bat	0	10	1	0	11
	Cat	0	0	0	1	1
	Dog	0	1	0	0	1
	Raccoon	0	0	0	1	1
	Rodent	0	1	0	0	1
	Skunk	0	0	1	0	1
Portsmouth	Bat	0	1	0	0	1
	Cat	0	2	0	0	1
	Raccoon	0	1	0	0	1
Providence	Bat	0	35	6	1	42
	Cat	0	8	0	0	8
	Dog	0	3	0	0	3
	Mouse	0	1	0	0	1
	Raccoon	0	1	0	0	1
	Rodent	0	2	0	0	2
Richmond	Bat	0	1	0	0	1
Scituate	Rodent	0	1	0	0	1
Smithfield	Bat	0	2	1	0	3
	Cat	0	1	0	0	1
South Kingstown	Bat	0	2	0	0	2
	Deer	0	1	0	0	1
	Raccoon	0	0	0	1	1
Tiverton	Dog	0	2	0	0	2
	Raccoon	0	1	0	0	1
Warren	Cat	0	2	0	0	2
	Dog	0	1	0	0	1
	Raccoon	0	0	0	1	1
Warwick	Bat	0	7	0	0	7

	Cat	0	6	0	0	6
	Dog	0	6	0	0	6
	Mink	0	1	0	0	1
	Raccoon	0	3	0	1	4
	Rodent	0	2	0	0	2
	Skunk	0	2	0	0	2
West Greenwich	Cat	0	2	0	0	2
	Dog	0	1	0	0	1
	Skunk	0	3	0	0	3
West Warwick	Bat	0	3	0	1	4
	Cat	0	3	0	0	3
	Raccoon	0	1	0	0	1
	Rodent	0	1	0	0	1
Westerly	Bat	0	2	0	0	2
	Cat	0	2	0	0	2
	Raccoon	0	2	0	0	2
	Skunk	0	2	0	0	2
Woonsocket	Bat	0	5	0	0	5
	Cat	0	2	0	0	2
	Raccoon	0	1	0	0	1
	Rodent	0	1	0	0	1
Total		0	252	12	13	277

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