

Rabies in Colorado
January 1 – December 17, 2010
Lab Confirmed Rabies Positive Animals

County	Bat	Skunk	Other	Total
Adams	1	1		2
Arapahoe		4	1 - horse*	5
Bent		2		2
Boulder	19			19
Cheyenne		2		2
Clear Creek	2			2
Denver	3			3
Douglas	1	9		10
Eagle	1			1
El Paso	8	5	1 - Fox *, 3 - Fox **	17
Elbert		20	1-Mule Deer *, 2-Fox*, 1-Fox **	24
Garfield	1			1
Jefferson	5			5
Kiowa		1		1
La Plata	1			1
Larimer	8	1		9
Lincoln		1		1
Mesa	2			2
Montezuma			1 - coyote ^b	1
Morgan		4	1- muskrat***	5
Otero		8		8
Phillips		1		1
Prowers			1- cat*	1
Saguache	1			1
Pueblo	5	3		8
Weld	6			6
Yuma		0		0
Total	64	62	12	138

Year to date known/strongly suspected exposures to lab confirmed rabid animals: 45 humans and 167 domestic animals.

Number of lab confirmed rabid animals with known/strongly suspected exposures to humans: 15

Number of lab confirmed rabid animals with known/strongly suspect exposures to pets/domestic animals: 78

* Testing at CDC of these animals indicated infection with the variant associated with skunks in south central U.S. ^bTesting at CDC of this coyote indicated infection with a variant associated with *Epitescus fuscus* and *Myotis* species of bats. ^P Testing at CDC is pending on these specimens.

** Variant typing was not completed on these animals.

***CDC was not able to perform testing for variant typing, as there was insufficient remaining tissue.

A suspect rabid horse from Franktown, Douglas County, had conflicting rabies DFA results in CO; results from CDC did not support a positive result; therefore, rabies could not be definitively ruled out.

Rabies by Month 2010 (by date of report- results from CDPHE or CSU Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Bat	0	0	0	0	1	14	15	18	11	4	1		
Skunk	2	5	11	14	10	4	6	2	3	4	1		
Fox	0	0	0	1	1	3	2	0	0	0	0		
Other	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1		
Total	3	5	12	16	13	21	23	20	14	8	3		138