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Facts on rabies in Essex County 2012:

129 bite reports and follow-up

62 specimen submissions/ 19 positive

Authorized post-exposure prophylaxis for 37

20 Rabies Clinics/ 1,187 animals vaccinated

Outreach: 10 paid advertising including prevention information & rabies clinics; 7 press releases; posters targeting children and the general public distributed through all public schools and Town Supervisors; website information.

website [http://](http://www.co.essex.ny.us/EssexCountyPublicHealth/index_files/Page3423.htm)

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I WAS ABLE TO LOCATE THE DATA FOR ANIMALS TESTING POSITIVE FOR EACH COUNTY FOR THE FOLLOWING YEARS:

	CLINTON	ESSEX	FRANKLIN
2012	4	17	0
2011	3	9	0
2010	1	0	0
2009	0	0	0
2008	0	0	1
2007	0	1	0

BAIT DROP :

IN 2008 ESSEX COUNTY INCLUDED THE ENTIRE EASTERN HALF OF THE COUNTY ,
EXTENDING FROM TICONDEROGA TO CHESTERFIELD.

IN 2009 ESSEX COUNTY INCLUDED THE TOWNS OF CHESTERFIELD , LEWIS AND
WILLSBORO.

IN 2010 ESSEX COUNTY COULD NOT FIND DATA ON A BAIT DROP ??

IN 2011 ESSEX COUNTY INCLUDED A SMALL PORTION OF THE CLINTON BORDER.

IN 2012 ESSEX COUNTY INCLUDED SMALL PORTION IT WAS BAITED FROM THE QUEBEC
BORDER SOUTH TOWARDS PLATTSBURGH .