

A total of 7165 ticks feeding on humans were submitted for identification in 2000. Of these, 6366 were tested for the presence of *Borrelia burgdorferi*, the causative organism of Lyme disease, and 1502 (24%) were found to carry this organism. All infected ticks were deer ticks except for one lone star tick from Norwalk. The names of the tick species and numbers of specimens received are shown in the table below.

Name of Species	Common Name	Total
<i>Ixodes scapularis</i>	Black-legged ("Deer") Tick	6687
<i>Dermacentor variabilis</i>	American Dog Tick	411
<i>Amblyomma americanum</i>	Lone Star Tick	63
<i>Ixodes cookei</i>	(normally on woodchucks)	3
<i>Ixodes dentatus</i>	(normally on rabbits)	1

Most of the ticks received by us are the black-legged or "deer" ticks. Below is a table comparing the numbers and infection rates of deer ticks over the past five years.

Year	Total Identified	Total Tested	Total Positive	Percent Positive
1996	5108	4829	1038	22
1997	2800	2621	526	20
1998	4401	4101	1064	26
1999	6679	6337	1491	24
2000	6687	6299	1501	24

The number of deer ticks submitted from each town and the number infected are summarized by town for the year 2000. If the town is served by a health district, its totals are included with the town listed in the second column. For example, Ansonia is served by the Naugatuck Valley Health District, which is located in Shelton. Any ticks that may have been received from Ansonia through the health district are included in the totals for Shelton. Those totals reflect the data for all the towns served by the health district. For a directory of local health departments and districts, see the state website at <https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Local-Health-Admin/LHA/Local-Health-Administration---Site-Map>

Town	Hlth. Dist. Town	Total Identified	Total Tested	Total Positive	Percent Positive
Andover		0	0	0	0.00%
Ansonia	Shelton	3	2	1	50.00%
Ashford	Killingly				

Avon		210	199	35	17.59%
Barkhamsted	Avon				
Beacon Falls	Shelton				
Berlin	Wethersfield	6	6	0	0.00%
Bethany		38	38	7	18.42%
Bethel		50	42	6	14.29%
Bethlehem	Torrington				
Bloomfield	West Hartford				
Bolton	Mansfield				
Bozrah		0	0	0	0.00%
Branford		45	44	6	13.64%
Bridgeport		17	17	2	11.76%
Bridgewater		2	2	1	50.00%
Bristol		22	0	0	0.00%
Brookfield		34	29	2	6.90%
Brooklyn	Killingly	1	1	0	0.00%
Burlington	Bristol	1	1	0	0.00%
Canaan		0	0	0	0.00%
Canterbury	Killingly				
Canton	Avon	2	2	1	50.00%
Chaplin		0	0	0	0.00%
Cheshire		94	92	17	18.48%
Chester		1	1	0	0.00%
Clinton		9	9	1	11.11%
Colchester		2	2	0	0.00%
Colebrook	Avon				
Columbia		0	0	0	0.00%

Cornwall	Torrington				
Coventry	Mansfield				
Cromwell		1	1	0	0.00%
Danbury		1	1	1	100.00%
Darien		373	360	88	24.44%
Deep River		0	0	0	0.00%
Derby	Shelton	5	1	0	0.00%
Durham		2	2	1	50.00%
East Granby	Avon				
East Haddam		4	3	1	33.33%
East Hampton		6	4	2	50.00%
East Hartford		1	1	0	0.00%
East Haven	Branford	1	1	1	100.00%
East Lyme		0	0	0	0.00%
East Windsor	Enfield				
Eastford	Killingly				
Easton		40	36	7	19.44%
Ellington	Enfield				
Enfield		24	17	5	29.41%
Essex		2	2	0	0.00%
Fairfield		56	54	13	24.07%
Farmington	Avon				
Franklin		0	0	0	0.00%
Glastonbury		7	6	1	16.67%
Goshen	Torrington				
Granby	Avon				
Greenwich		684	667	181	27.14%

Griswold		1	1	0	0.00%
Groton		3	3	0	0.00%
Guilford		56	55	8	14.55%
Haddam		1	0	0	0.00%
Hamden	North Haven	6	6	2	33.33%
Hampton	Killingly				
Hartford		10	8	0	0.00%
Hartland	Avon	1	1	1	100.00%
Harwinton	Torrington				
Hebron		2	1	1	100.00%
Kent	Torrington				
Killingly		116	106	28	26.42%
Killingworth		2	2	0	0.00%
Lebanon		3	3	0	0.00%
Ledyard		2	2	0	0.00%
Lisbon		0	0	0	0.00%
Litchfield	Torrington				
Lyme		6	6	0	0.00%
Madison		24	23	6	26.09%
Manchester		11	11	4	36.36%
Mansfield		10	10	3	30.00%
Marlborough		0	0	0	0.00%
Meriden		17	15	0	0.00%
Middlebury		17	14	2	14.29%
Middlefield		1	1	0	0.00%
Middletown		6	5	2	40.00%
Milford		21	21	6	28.57%

Monroe		70	63	8	12.70%
Montville	Norwich				
Morris	Torrington				
Naugatuck	Shelton	1	1	0	0.00%
New Britain		29	7	2	28.57%
New Canaan		368	342	86	25.15%
New Fairfield		22	20	5	25.00%
New Hartford	Avon				
New Haven		18	18	3	16.67%
New London		1	1	0	0.00%
New Milford		44	43	13	30.23%
Newington		3	3	0	0.00%
Newtown		398	370	95	25.68%
Norfolk	Torrington				
North Branford	Branford	1	1	1	100.00%
North Canaan		0	0	0	0.00%
North Haven		67	64	10	15.63%
North Stonington		0	0	0	0.00%
Norwalk		402	394	97	24.62%
Norwich		17	14	5	35.71%
Old Lyme		10	9	1	11.11%
Old Saybrook		6	5	2	40.00%
Orange		16	16	5	31.25%
Oxford	Southbury				
Plainfield	Killingly				
Plainville		0	0	0	0.00%
Plymouth	Torrington				

Pomfret	Killingly				
Portland		1	1	0	0.00%
Preston		1	1	0	0.00%
Prospect	Cheshire	1	1	0	0.00%
Putnam	Killingly				
Redding		5	4	2	50.00%
Ridgefield		148	133	30	22.56%
Rocky Hill	Wethersfield				
Roxbury		7	7	1	14.29%
Salem		0	0	0	0.00%
Salisbury	Torrington				
Scotland		0	0	0	0.00%
Seymour	Shelton				
Sharon		0	0	0	0.00%
Shelton		111	109	19	17.43%
Sherman		6	5	2	40.00%
Simsbury	Avon	1	1	0	0.00%
Somers		2	2	0	0.00%
South Windsor		3	3	1	33.33%
Southbury		250	240	59	24.58%
Southington		23	11	2	18.18%
Sprague		0	0	0	0.00%
Stafford		0	0	0	0.00%
Stamford		651	633	157	24.80%
Sterling	Killingly				
Stonington		0	0	0	0.00%
Stratford		57	53	10	18.87%

Suffield	Enfield				
Thomaston	Torrington				
Thompson	Killingly				
Tolland	Mansfield	1	1	0	0.00%
Torrington		638	615	160	26.02%
Trumbull		126	118	19	16.10%
Union	Stafford				
Vernon	Enfield	4	2	1	50.00%
Voluntown		0	0	0	0.00%
Wallingford		21	18	2	11.11%
Warren	Torrington				
Washington		0	0	0	0.00%
Waterbury		64	63	9	14.29%
Waterford		1	1	0	0.00%
Watertown	Torrington	1	1	1	100.00%
West Hartford		10	10	4	40.00%
West Haven		2	2	1	50.00%
Westbrook		0	0	0	0.00%
Weston	Westport	3	1	0	0.00%
Westport		324	314	70	22.29%
Wethersfield		12	12	5	41.67%
Willington		0	0	0	0.00%
Wilton		612	566	151	26.68%
Winchester	Torrington				
Windham	Enfield				
Windsor		18	11	2	18.18%
Windsor Locks	Enfield	1	1	1	100.00%

Wolcott	Cheshire				
Woodbridge	North Haven	1	1	0	0.00%
Woodbury	Southbury	2	2	0	0.00%
Woodstock	Killingly	2	2	1	50.00%