

A total of 6824 ticks feeding on humans were submitted for identification in 2002. Of these, 6267 were tested for the presence of *Borrelia burgdorferi*, the causative organism of Lyme disease, and 1785 (28%) were found to carry this organism. 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	6437
<i>Dermacentor variabilis</i>	American Dog Tick	329
<i>Amblyomma americanum</i>	Lone Star Tick	53
<i>Amblyomma maculatum</i>	(acquired in Central America)	1
<i>Ixodes cookei</i>	(normally on woodchucks)	1
<i>Ixodes marxii</i>	(normally on squirrels)	1
<i>Ixodes pacificus</i>	(acquired in California)	1
<i>Rhipicephalus sanguineus</i>	Brown Dog Tick	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
1998	4401	4101	1064	26
1999	6679	6337	1491	24
2000	6687	6299	1501	24
2001	5849	5588	1434	26
2002	6437	6212	1770	28

The number of deer ticks submitted from each town and the number infected are summarized by town for the year 2002. 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	3	0	0.00%
Ashford	Killingly				
Avon		276	272	83	30.51%
Barkhamsted	Avon				
Beacon Falls	Shelton				
Berlin		4	4	0	0%
Bethany		8	8	0	0%
Bethel		32	31	6	19.35%
Bethlehem	Torrington				
Bloomfield	West Hartford				
Bolton	Mansfield				
Bozrah		0	0	0	0.00%
Branford		38	38	12	31.58%
Bridgeport		14	14	6	42.86%
Bridgewater		0	0	0	0.00%
Bristol		18	10	3	30.00%
Brookfield		30	30	7	23.33%
Brooklyn	Killingly				
Burlington	Bristol	1	1	1	100.00%
Canaan		0	0	0	0.00%
Canterbury	Killingly				
Canton	Avon	3	3	1	33.33%
Chaplin		0	0	0	0.00%
Cheshire		110	106	26	24.53%

Chester		1	1	0	0.00%
Clinton		11	11	3	27.27%
Colchester		5	5	2	40.00%
Colebrook	Avon				
Columbia		0	0	0	0.00%
Cornwall	Torrington	3	2	1	50.00%
Coventry	Mansfield				
Cromwell		1	1	0	00.00%
Danbury		6	6	2	33.33%
Darien		391	376	111	29.52%
Deep River		1	0	0	0.00%
Derby	Shelton	4	2	1	50.00%
Durham		3	3	1	33.33%
East Granby	Avon	1	1	1	100.00%
East Haddam		5	5	0	0.00%
East Hampton		11	10	4	40.00%
East Hartford		0	0	0	0.00%
East Haven	Branford	2	2	2	100.00%
East Lyme		0	0	0	0.00%
East Windsor	Enfield				
Eastford	Killingly				
Easton		43	40	12	30.00%
Ellington	Enfield				
Enfield		13	13	2	15.38%
Essex		2	2	1	50.00%
Fairfield		38	34	11	33.33%
Farmington	Avon				

Franklin		0	0	0	0.00%
Glastonbury		8	8	3	37.50%
Goshen	Torrington				
Granby	Avon	3	3	0	0.00%
Greenwich		445	439	122	27.79%
Griswold		1	1	0	0.00%
Groton		57	55	16	29.09%
Guilford		78	78	25	32.05%
Haddam		3	3	0	0.00%
Hamden	North Haven	12	12	4	33.33%
Hampton	Killingly				
Hartford		3	3	1	33.33%
Hartland	Avon				
Harwinton	Torrington				
Hebron		8	8	1	12.50%
Kent	Torrington	4	4	2	50.00%
Killingly		283	277	56	20.22%
Killingworth		1	1	1	100.00%
Lebanon		1	1	0	0.00%
Ledyard		0	0	0	0.00%
Lisbon		0	0	0	0.00%
Litchfield	Torrington				
Lyme		0	0	0	0.00%
Madison		19	19	3	15.79%
Manchester		5	5	1	20.00%
Mansfield		30	30	4	13.33%
Marlborough		1	1	0	0.00%

Meriden		23	21	5	23.81%
Middlebury		23	23	9	39.13%
Middlefield		3	1	0	0.00%
Middletown		6	6	2	33.33%
Milford		16	16	3	18.75%
Monroe		76	76	16	21.05%
Montville	Norwich	3	3	1	33.33%
Morris	Torrington				
Naugatuck	Shelton				
New Britain		12	8	3	37.50%
New Canaan		299	286	94	32.87%
New Fairfield		38	36	6	16.67%
New Hartford	Avon				
New Haven		38	37	10	27.03%
New London		0	0	0	0.00%
New Milford		48	48	15	31.25%
Newington		0	0	0	0.00%
Newtown		422	389	89	22.88%
Norfolk	Torrington				
North Branford	Branford				
North Canaan		0	0	0	0.00%
North Haven		39	39	9	23.08%
North Stonington		1	1	0	0.00%
Norwalk		334	333	112	33.63%
Norwich		11	9	0	0.00%
Old Lyme		2	2	0	0.00%
Old Saybrook		14	13	7	53.85%

Orange		26	26	9	34.62%
Oxford	Southbury	1	1	0	0.00%
Plainfield	Killingly				
Plainville		1	1	0	0.00%
Plymouth	Torrington	1	1	1	100.00%
Pomfret	Killingly	1	1	0	0.00%
Portland		3	1	0	0.00%
Preston		0	0	0	0.00%
Prospect	Cheshire				
Putnam	Killingly				
Redding		2	2	1	50.00%
Ridgefield		156	145	44	30.34%
Rocky Hill	Wethersfield	1	1	0	0.00%
Roxbury		6	4	2	50.00%
Salem		0	0	0	0.00%
Salisbury	Torrington	1	1	1	100.00%
Scotland		0	0	0	0.00%
Seymour	Shelton	1	1	0	0.00%
Sharon		0	0	0	0.00%
Shelton		89	84	25	29.76%
Sherman		5	5	0	0.00%
Simsbury	Avon	5	5	0	0.00%
Somers		3	3	2	66.67%
South Windsor		5	5	2	40.00%
Southbury		268	262	78	29.77%
Southington		48	39	18	46.15%
Sprague		0	0	0	0.00%

Stafford		4	4	0	0.00%
Stamford		538	526	177	33.65%
Sterling	Killingly				
Stonington		2	2	1	50.00%
Stratford		45	44	15	34.09%
Suffield	Enfield				
Thomaston	Torrington				
Thompson	Killingly				
Tolland	Mansfield				
Torrington		703	684	206	30.12%
Trumbull		105	98	25	25.51%
Union	Stafford				
Vernon	Enfield				
Voluntown		0	0	0	0.00%
Wallingford		14	14	2	14.29%
Warren	Torrington				
Washington		1	1	1	100.00%
Waterbury		62	60	14	23.33%
Waterford		2	2	0	0.00%
Watertown	Torrington				
West Hartford		14	14	3	21.43%
West Haven		5	5	1	20.00%
Westbrook		0	0	0	0.00%
Weston	Westport	1	1	0	0.00%
Westport		331	326	92	28.22%
Wethersfield		11	11	3	27.27%
Willington		0	0	0	0.00%

Wilton		509	488	125	25.61%
Winchester	Torrington				
Windham	Enfield				
Windsor		17	14	3	21.43%
Windsor Locks	Enfield				
Wolcott	Cheshire				
Woodbridge	North Haven	1	0	0	0.00%
Woodbury	Southbury				
Woodstock	Killingly				