

A total of 4873 ticks feeding on humans were submitted for identification in 2004. Of these, 4283 were tested for the presence of *Borrelia burgdorferi*, the causative organism of Lyme disease, and 1645 (38%) were found to carry this organism. The names of the tick species and numbers of specimens received are shown in the table below.

<b>Name of Species</b>	<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Total</b>
<i>Ixodes scapularis</i>	Black-legged ("Deer") Tick	4495
<i>Dermacentor variabilis</i>	American Dog Tick	326
<i>Amblyomma americanum</i>	Lone Star Tick	47
<i>Ixodes cookei</i>	(normally on woodchucks)	3
<i>Ixodes dentatus</i>	(normally on rabbits)	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.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total Identified</b>	<b>Total Tested</b>	<b>Total Positive</b>	<b>Percent Positive</b>
<b>2000</b>	6687	6299	1501	24
<b>2001</b>	5849	5588	1434	26
<b>2002</b>	6437	6212	1770	28
<b>2003</b>	5886	5673	1735	31
<b>2004</b>	4495	4231	1645	39

The number of deer ticks submitted from each town and the number infected are summarized by town for the year 2004. 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 Seymour. Any ticks that may have been received from Ansonia through the health district are included in the totals for Seymour. Any ticks received from individuals in Ansonia would be listed separately for Ansonia. 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>

<b>Town</b>	<b>Health District Town</b>	<b>Total Identified</b>	<b>Total Tested</b>	<b>Total Positive</b>	<b>Percent Positive</b>
Andover	Mansfield	1	1	0	0.00%

Ansonia	Seymour				
Ashford	Mansfield				
Avon		230	219	76	34.70%
Barkhamsted	Avon				
Beacon Falls	Seymour				
Berlin	Wethersfield	11	11	4	36.36%
Bethany	North Haven	11	11	6	54.55%
Bethel		39	35	9	25.71%
Bethlehem	Torrington				
Bloomfield		3	3	2	66.67%
Bolton	Mansfield				
Bozrah	Norwich				
Branford		33	30	12	40.00%
Bridgeport		10	10	6	60.00%
Bridgewater	Newtown	2	1	0	0.00%
Bristol		13	9	1	11.11%
Brookfield		48	38	13	34.21%
Brooklyn	Killingly				
Burlington	Bristol	1	1	0	0.00%
Canaan	Torrington				
Canterbury	Killingly				
Canton	Avon	1	1	0	0.00%
Chaplin	Mansfield				
Cheshire		79	74	24	32.43%
Chester		0	0	0	

Clinton	Old Saybrook	5	5	0	0.00%
Colchester		7	7	3	42.86%
Colebrook	Avon				
Columbia	Mansfield	1	1	0	0.00%
Cornwall	Torrington				
Coventry	Mansfield				
Cromwell		0	0	0	
Danbury		2	1	1	100.00%
Darien		216	211	81	38.39%
Deep River	Old Saybrook				
Derby	Seymour	1	1	1	100.00%
Durham		2	2	0	0.00%
East Granby	Avon	2	2	1	50.00%
East Haddam	East Hampton				
East Hampton		3	3	2	66.67%
East Hartford		0	0	0	
East Haven	Branford				
East Lyme	Groton	2	2	0	0.00%
East Windsor	Enfield				
Eastford	Killingly				
Easton		38	33	12	36.36%
Ellington	Enfield				
Enfield		10	10	3	30.00%
Essex		1	1	1	100.00%
Fairfield		8	6	3	50.00%

Farmington	Avon	1	1	0	0.00%
Franklin					
Glastonbury		13	13	5	38.46%
Goshen	Torrington				
Granby	Avon	5	5	0	0.00%
Greenwich		196	191	88	46.07%
Griswold		0	0	0	
Groton		73	69	32	46.38%
Guilford		34	30	13	43.33%
Haddam		2	2	0	0.00%
Hamden	North Haven	28	28	6	21.43%
Hampton	Killingly				
Hartford		2	2	1	50.00%
Hartland	Avon				
Harwinton	Torrington				
Hebron	East Hampton	1	1	1	100.00%
Kent	Torrington	2	2	1	50.00%
Killingly		0	0	0	
Killingworth		4	4	2	50.00%
Lebanon		1	0	0	0.00%
Ledyard	Groton				
Lisbon		0	0	0	
Litchfield	Torrington				
Lyme		0	0	0	
Madison		14	14	6	42.86%

Manchester		12	11	3	27.27%
Mansfield		11	11	7	63.64%
Marlborough	East Hampton				
Meriden		8	8	6	75.00%
Middlebury		16	16	6	37.50%
Middlefield		2	2	1	50.00%
Middletown		4	4	0	0.00%
Milford		11	11	3	27.27%
Monroe	Trumbull	1	1	0	0.00%
Montville	Norwich				
Morris	Torrington				
Naugatuck	Seymour	2	2	0	0.00%
New Britain		10	8	3	37.50%
New Canaan		297	265	103	38.87%
New Fairfield		13	10	1	10.00%
New Hartford	Avon				
New Haven		24	21	5	23.81%
New London	Groton	1	1	1	100.00%
New Milford		32	31	12	38.71%
Newington	Wethersfield	3	3	1	33.33%
Newtown		305	262	113	43.13%
Norfolk	Torrington				
North Branford	Branford				
North Canaan		0	0	0	
North Haven		34	34	14	41.18%

North Stonington		0	0	0	
Norwalk		213	210	94	44.76%
Norwich		3	3	0	0.00%
Old Lyme		4	3	0	0.00%
Old Saybrook		2	2	2	100.00%
Orange		14	14	5	35.71%
Oxford	Southbury	2	2	0	0.00%
Plainfield	Killingly				
Plainville		0	0	0	
Plymouth	Torrington	2	2	0	0.00%
Pomfret	Killingly				
Portland	East Hampton				
Preston		0	0	0	
Prospect	Cheshire				
Putnam	Killingly				
Redding		29	27	7	25.93%
Ridgefield		162	154	58	37.66%
Rocky Hill	Wethersfield	1	1	0	0.00%
Roxbury	Newtown	9	9	1	11.11%
Salem		1	1	1	100.00%
Salisbury	Torrington	1	1	1	100.00%
Scotland	Mansfield	1	1	0	0.00%
Seymour		81	78	22	28.21%
Sharon		0	0	0	

Shelton	Seymour				
Sherman		4	3	1	33.33%
Simsbury	Avon	4	4	2	50.00%
Somers		0	0	0	
South Windsor		1	1	1	100.00%
Southbury		200	188	79	42.02%
Southington		37	28	11	39.29%
Sprague	Norwich				
Stafford	Enfield	1	0	0	0.00%
Stamford		372	359	132	36.77%
Sterling	Killingly				
Stonington		0	0	0	
Stratford		38	37	22	59.46%
Suffield	Enfield				
Thomaston	Torrington				
Thompson	Killingly				
Tolland	Mansfield				
Torrington		629	619	246	39.74%
Trumbull		105	102	32	31.37%
Union	Killingly				
Vernon	Enfield	2	2	0	0.00%
Voluntown		0	0	0	
Wallingford		18	17	2	11.76%
Warren	Torrington				
Washington		0	0	0	

Waterbury		24	23	6	26.09%
Waterford	Groton				
Watertown	Torrington	1	1	0	0.00%
West Hartford	Bloomfield	4	4	1	25.00%
West Haven		3	3	0	0.00%
Westbrook		1	1	0	0.00%
Weston	Westport				
Westport		264	259	107	41.31%
Wethersfield		5	5	3	60.00%
Willington	Mansfield				
Wilton		302	262	106	40.46%
Winchester	Torrington				
Windham	Enfield	1	1	1	100.00%
Windsor		6	6	5	83.33%
Windsor Locks	Enfield				
Wolcott	Cheshire				
Woodbridge	North Haven	3	3	1	33.33%
Woodbury	Southbury	2	2	1	50.00%
Woodstock	Killingly	1	1	0	0.00%