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Rabies cases this quarter

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As expected, there was an increase in reported rabies cases during the third quarter of 2013.

All of them occurred in bats. It has now been 15 months since the last confirmed case of fox strain rabies in southern Ontario.

The rabid bats were dispersed throughout all regions of Ontario. Sixteen rabid bats were reported from 13 different counties – Ottawa-Carleton (2), Lennox and Addington (2), Prince Edward, Durham Region (2), York Region, Toronto, Halton, Waterloo, Hamilton-Wentworth, Middlesex, Lambton, Parry Sound, and Nipissing.

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Animal Type	Fox			Raccoon			Skunk			Other Wildlife			Bat			Dog			Cat			Livestock			Totals		
County or Region	Cumulative			Cumulative			Cumulative			Cumulative			Cumulative			Cumulative			Cumulative			Cumulative			Cumulative		
	#	13	12	#	13	12	#	13	12	#	13	12	#	13	12	#	13	12	#	13	12	#	13	12	#	13	12
Southern																											
Wentworth													1	1											1	1	0
Haldimand-Norfolk																									0	0	0
Brant															2										0	0	2
Niagara															2										0	0	2
Elgin														1	2										0	1	2
Oxford																									0	0	0
Middlesex													1	2	1										1	2	1
Lambton													1	1											1	1	0
Kent															2										0	0	2
Essex																									0	0	0
Northern																											
Muskoka																									0	0	0
Parry Sound													1	1											1	1	0
Nipissing													1	1											1	1	0
Sudbury															1										0	0	1
Cochrane																									0	0	0
Timiskaming																									0	0	0
Algoma																									0	0	0
Thunder Bay																									0	0	0
Rainy River																									0	0	0
Kenora																	1								0	1	0
Regional Totals																											
Eastern	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	5	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	5	5
Central	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	6	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	6	8
Western	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	3	4
Southern	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	5	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	5	9
Northern	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	1
Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	16	21	24	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	16	22	27

