

# West Virginia Animal Rabies Surveillance Report



## JANUARY 1 – AUGUST 12, 2025

The purpose of this report is to share descriptive surveillance data related to animal rabies activity with public health partners in West Virginia. All information in this report is considered provisional. For questions or comments, please contact either Eric Dotseth or Michael Abshire at (304) 558-5358 or by email.

### Office of Laboratory Services (OLS) and United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Data:

During the period of January 1 to August 12, 2025, 13 animals tested positive for rabies at OLS. USDA has had one rabies positive animal in 2025 (raccoons from Monongalia County), but their data is only accurate up to June 30, 2025 (Tables 1 and 2).

Species	Total
Bat	1
Cat	2
Fox	3
Raccoon	4
Sheep	1
Skunk	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>

Table 1. Rabies positives by species.

County	Total
Grant	3
Hardy	1
Jefferson	1
Kanawha	1
Mineral	1
Monongalia	2
Monroe	3
Pendleton	1
Preston	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>

Table 2. Rabies positives by county.

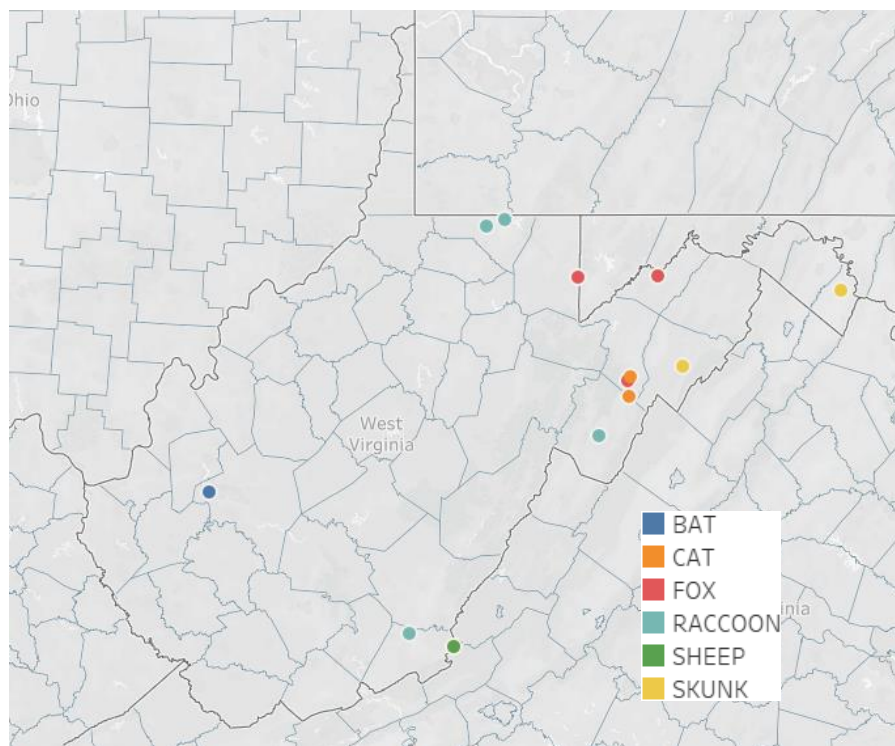


Figure 1. Map of rabies positive animals tested at OLS and USDA through 8/12/25.