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**DESCRIPTION OF THE INCIDENCE OF CONFIRMED RABIES IN  
LABORATORY EXAMS**

**April 2015**

**Positive Animal**

**Bat**  
**Skunk**

**County**

**Boone (1), St. Louis County (1)**  
**Christian (1), Howell (1), Shannon (1)**

**Total Rabies Cases to Date: 5**

**Total Rabies Cases to Date-Last Year: 4**

**Negative Animal Heads Examined This Month: 160\***

**Positive Animal Heads Examined This Month: 5**

**Percent Positive This Month: 3.03%**

**Total Animal Heads Examined to Date This Year: 489\***

| <b>Cumulative Exams and Positive Results - Year To Date</b> |               |                  |   |                |                  | <b>Total Rabies<br/>By Year</b> |
|---|---------------|------------------|---|----------------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Species</b>  | <b>#Exams</b> | <b>#Positive</b> | <b>Species</b>  | <b># Exams</b> | <b>#Positive</b> |                                 |
| Dog:  | 197           | 0                | Rodent/Rabbit:  | 11             | 0                | 2014: 27                        |
| Cat:  | 114           | 0                | Other Domestic:   | 2              | 0                | 2013: 39                        |
| Bat:  | 110           | 2                | Other Wild:   | 4              | 0                | 2012: 28                        |
| Skunk:  | 12            | 3                | Exotic:   | 0              | 0                | 2011: 29                        |
| Fox:  | 3             | 0                | Unknown:  | 0              | 0                | 2010: 63                        |
| Cow:  | 11            | 0                | <b>Total:</b>   | <b>489</b>     | <b>5</b>         | 2009: 65                        |
| Horse:  | 3             | 0                | <b>Counties On Alert:</b>   |                |                  | 2008: 64                        |
| Ferret:   | 0             | 0                | Counties are placed on alert when there is a positive result on a domestic animal or when threshold levels for wild animals have been exceeded. |                |                  | 2007: 38                        |
| Raccoon:  | 22            | 0                |   |                |                  | 2006: 66                        |
|   |               |                  |   |                |                  | 2005: 73                        |

\*Includes unsatisfactory specimens.

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HP:rd

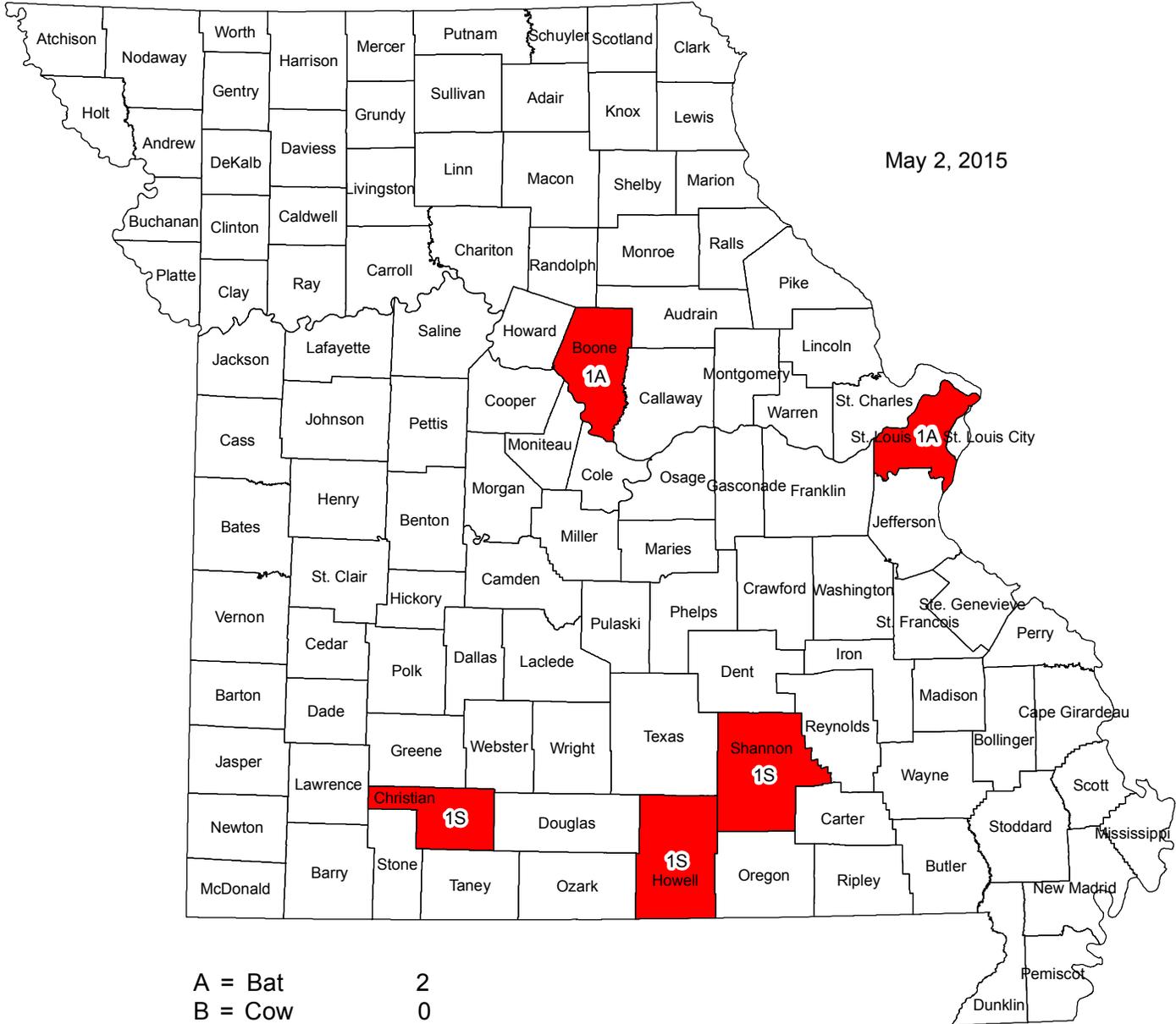
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# Confirmed Animal Rabies in Missouri 2015



|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| A = Bat     | 2 |
| B = Cow     | 0 |
| C = Cat     | 0 |
| D = Dog     | 0 |
| F = Fox     | 0 |
| H = Horse   | 0 |
| R = Raccoon | 0 |
| S = Skunk   | 3 |
| -----       |   |
| Total       | 5 |

Counties with Animal Rabies