

USA Tick Diseases Fact Sheet

The 3 major disease carrying ticks in the USA

All three of these ticks can carry Lyme Disease and Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever.



Brown Dog Tick



American Dog Tick



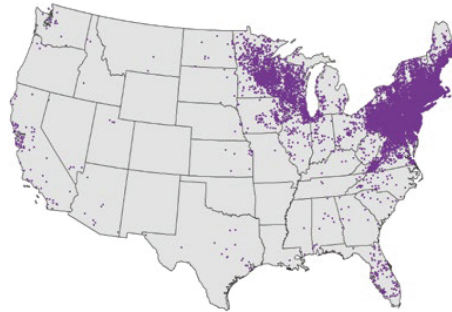
Rocky Mountain Wood Tick

FIGHT THE BITE

These diseases are
PREVENTABLE through
informed protective measures.

Lyme Disease

REPORTED CASES



INCUBATION PERIOD:
3–30 days

TREATABLE
Yes

CURABLE
No

Lyme disease is most frequently reported from the upper midwestern and northeastern U.S. Some cases are also reported in northern California, Oregon, and Washington.

In 2013, 95% of Lyme disease cases were reported from 14 states: Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, and Wisconsin.

Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever

REPORTED CASES



INCUBATION PERIOD:
2–14 days


TREATABLE
Yes

CURABLE
No

Although Rocky Mountain spotted fever cases have been reported throughout most of the contiguous U.S., five states (North Carolina, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Tennessee, and Missouri) account for over 60% of RMSF cases.

Rocky Mountain spotted fever has become increasingly common in certain areas of Arizona over the last several years. Between 2003 and 2012 over 250 cases and 19 fatalities occurred. RMSF can be rapidly fatal if not treated within the first 5 days of symptoms. Before tetracycline antibiotics were available, case fatality rates ranged from 20–80%.

* All data and research was conducted and provided by The CDC.
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