

## DOWNEAST DISTRICT:

## Infectious Diseases

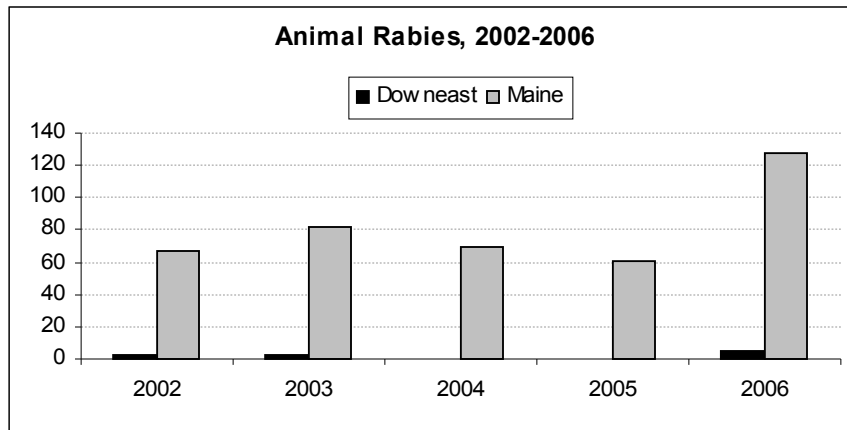
### Rabies in Animals

Animals that are infected with rabies can spread this fatal disease to people and other animals through a bite, scratch, or other exposure to saliva.

Rabies can be prevented in domestic animals through vaccination and in people through prompt medical care once an exposure occurs. Communities can take action to assure awareness and education about rabies.

The Maine CDC's Rabies Program tracks cases, provides outreach education, and technical assistance if an exposure occurs.

To learn more about rabies: see [www.maine.gov/dhhs/boh/ddc/rabies\\_surveillance.htm](http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/boh/ddc/rabies_surveillance.htm).



	<b>Downeast District Number</b>	<b>Maine State Number</b>
Animal Rabies Cases 2002	3	67
Animal Rabies Cases 2003	2	82
Animal Rabies Cases 2004	0	69
Animal Rabies Cases 2005	0	61
Animal Rabies Cases 2006	5	127

\*Maine CDC Infectious Disease Epidemiology Program