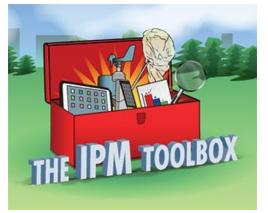


Tick IPM Series

Part 5: Pathogens Found in Ticks Collected on School Grounds and Public Parks

September 14, 2020







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Welcome

A recording of this webinar will be available within a week at

http://www.neipmc.org/go/ipmtoolbox

We Welcome Your Questions

 Please submit a question at any time using the Q&A feature to your right at any time

• If you'd like to ask a question anonymously, please indicate that at the beginning of your query.



Presenters



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Some Questions for You



Don't Get Ticked NY!

A campaign for tick avoidance

Matt Frye, PhD





NYS IPM and Tick Education

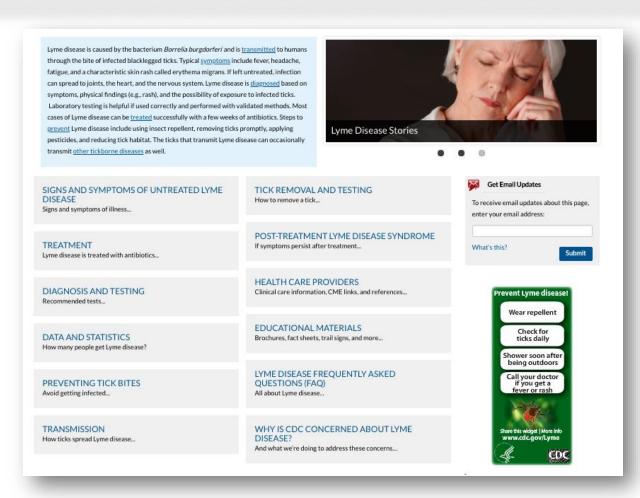


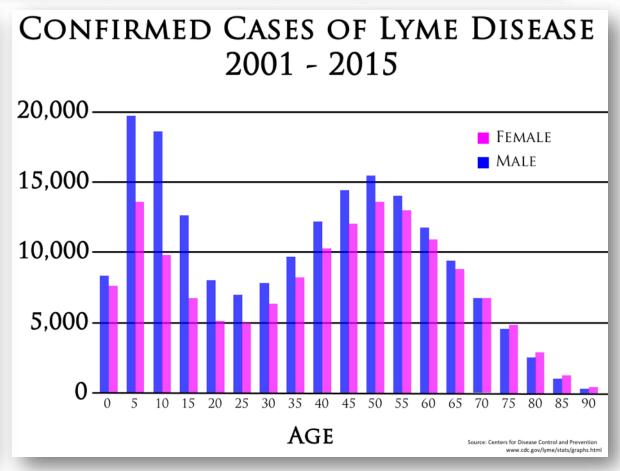
2014: NYS IPM receives requests for tick education -review literature & evaluate outreach efforts-



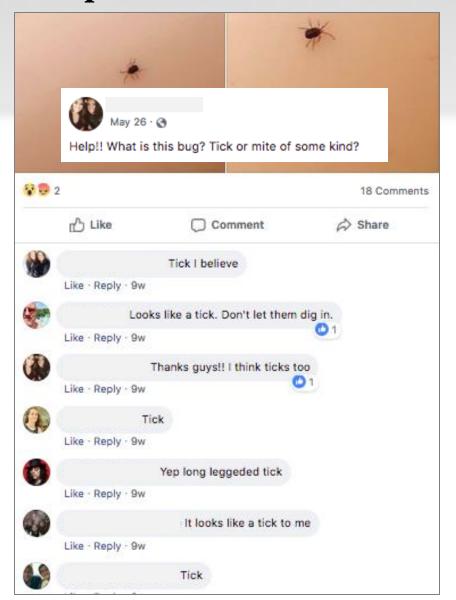
Tick outreach efforts are "inaccessible" to key audiences

- -text heavy, overwhelming, must be retrieved
- -limited information available for children despite risk





Misconceptions about ticks & tickborne disease common -tick prevention, removal and identification





How to Remove Ticks with Peppermint Oil

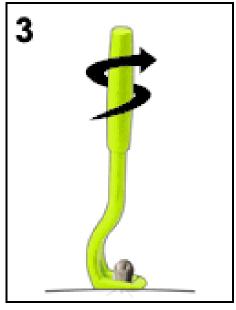
What do you do to get rid of one when it latches on to you...

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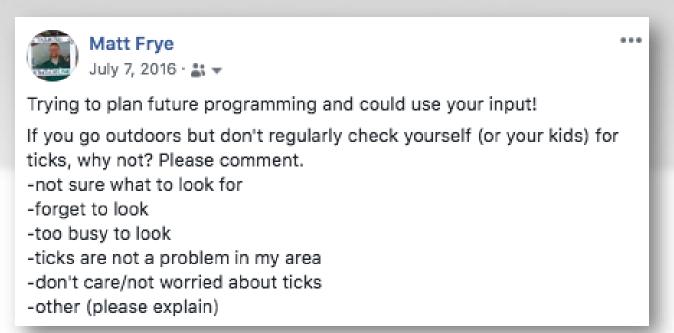


www.americanhunter.org/articles/2017/3/28/a-simple-safe-way-to-remove-ticks/



www.amazon.com/Tick-Twister-Remover-Small-Large/dp/B00X7072HY

Prevention is possible - strategies ignored/overlooked



"Too busy" "I'm Lazy" "Forget"
"I'll feel them crawling on me"
"Depends on exposure and risk"
"I'm too hairy"
"I've had Lyme already.."



NYS IPM and Tick Education

- 2017: Senate Task Force (Serino) funds NYS IPM to create tick outreach and education program
- Don't Get Ticked NY campaign launched
 - -reduce human exposure to ticks and TBD
 - -promote IPM: monitoring, personal protection, BMPs

Make tick avoidance easy to understand and accomplish

Website

www.DontGetTickedNY.org

Claymation video

53 question FAQ

Blog posts



Home / What's Bugging You? / Ticks

Ticks and tick-borne diseases have become a significant public health issue in New York, with different tick species and diseases currently present and spreading within the state and region.



More ticks in more places also increases your risk of tick encounters. Changes in land use such as construction of new neighborhoods and shopping centers leave small patches of wooded areas, and these are great habitat for deer and mice. More hosts means more ticks! In addition, a warming climate expands the areas and seasons where ticks actively feed and reproduce.

We help you use IPM to avoid ticks and tick-borne disease.

What Do Ticks Look Like?

Learn More

Definitions

- Ectoparasite: a parasite that lives on the outside of its host
- Parasite: a living thing which feeds in or on another living thing

NYS IPM Program links

- Frequently Asked Questions About Ticks
- Tick Infographic Posters
- See tick-tagged blog posts at Think IPM
- See tick-tagged blog posts at The ABCs of School and Childcare Pest Management
- NYS IPM YouTube Playlist for Ticks
- NYS IPM Image Gallery Ticks

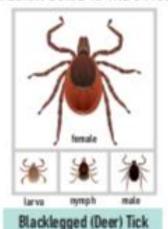
Related Links

- ALERT! Longhorned tick found in NY - NE Vector Borne Disease Center Fact Sheet
- Governor Cuomo Announces Lyme and Tick-Borne Disease Control Plan
- Tick Biology for the Homeowner -Cornell
- Deer Tick Factsheet Cornell's Insect Diagnostic Laboratory
- Northeast Regional Center for Excellence in Vector-Borne Diseases
- Center for Disease Control and Prevention – Ticks

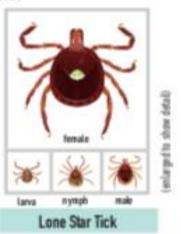
TICK IDENTIFICATION CARD

DON'T GET TICKED NEW YORK

A QUICK GUIDE TO THE 3 MOST COMMON TICKS IN NEW YORK







ACTUAL TICK SIZE larger when fed

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	Black Legged	American Dog	Lone Star	1.5 in
larva	•	•	•	
nymph		*	∌	1 in
adult male	新		**	.5 in
adult female	*	**		

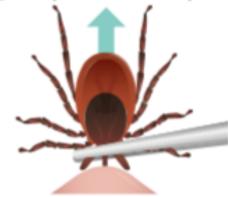
DAILY TICK CHECKS



A tick found crawling on you has not yet bitten you.

TICK REMOVAL

- Use fine-tipped tweezers to grasp the tick as dose to the skin as possible
- Pull upward with steady, even pressure
- (1) If mouthparts break off, treat like a splinter



WHAT TO DO IF YOU HAVE BEEN BITTEN

If you have been bitten by a tick, follow these simple steps:

- Remove tick and save it in a container with the date.
- . Disinfect the bite site with soapy water, peroxide or rubbing alcohol.
- Visit NYSDOH at tinyurl.com/ybanravn for symptoms of tick-borne disease.
- Visit "Don't Get Ticked NY" website for tick avoidance tips.
- Do NOT apply kerosene, vaseline or a lit match to attached ticks.
- . Do NOT squeeze a tick's body during removal.

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IDENTIFICACIÓN DE GARRAPATAS

DON'T GET TICKET NEW YORK

UNA GUÍA PARA LAS GARRAPATAS MÁS COMUNES EN NUEVA YORK







Garrapata canina americana

Garrapata estrella solitaria

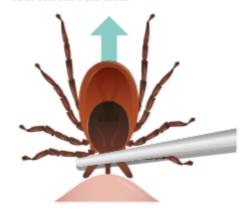
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INSPECCIÓN DIARIA



QUITAR UNA GARRAPATA

- Use una pinza de punta fina para agarrar la garrapata lo más cerca posible de la superficie de la piel
- Jale hacia arriba con presión constante
- Si partes de la boca se quedan pegadas en la piel, tratar esto como una astilla



QUÉ HACER EN CASO DE UNA PICADURA DE GARRAPATA

Si usted tiene una picadura de garrapata seguir estos pasos simples:

- Quite la garrapata y guárdela en un frasco con la fecha.
- Desinfecte el lugar de la picadura con alcohol, peróxido, o con agua y jabón.
- Visite NYSDOH en tinyurl.com/ybanravn para los síntomas de la enfermedad transmitida por garrapatas.
- Visite dontgettickedny.org para consejos para evitar garrapatas.
- No aplique queroseno, vaselina ni encienda un fósforo sobre las garrapatas en la piel.
- No apriete el cuerpo de una garrapata durante la extracción.

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Tick Infographic Posters (13)

Communicate 1-2 key ideas each

Image-based information accessible to more audiences

Captures interest compared to text-based documents

Less "work" to understand concept

Daily Tick Check

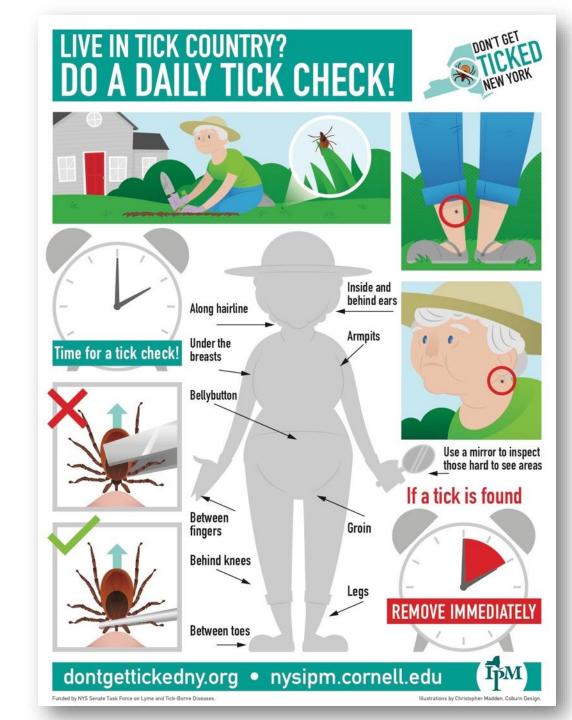
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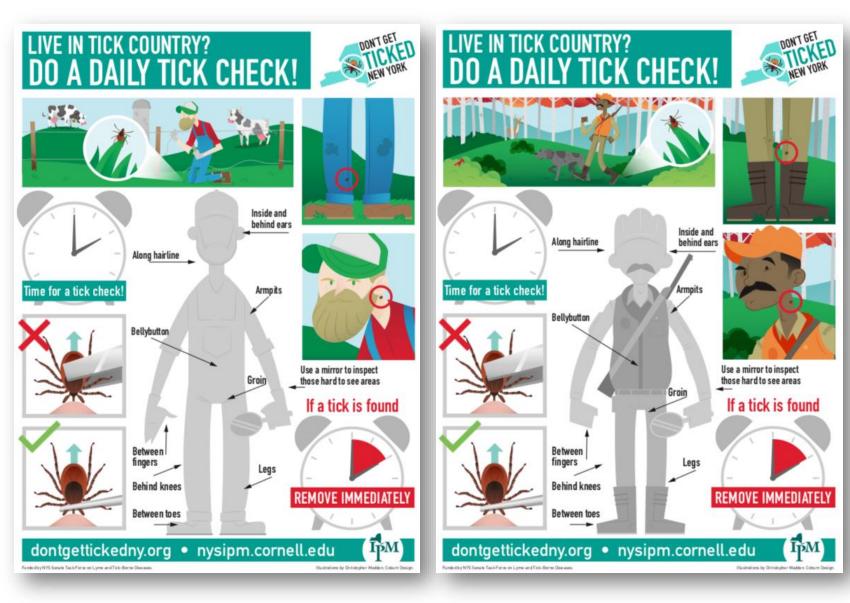
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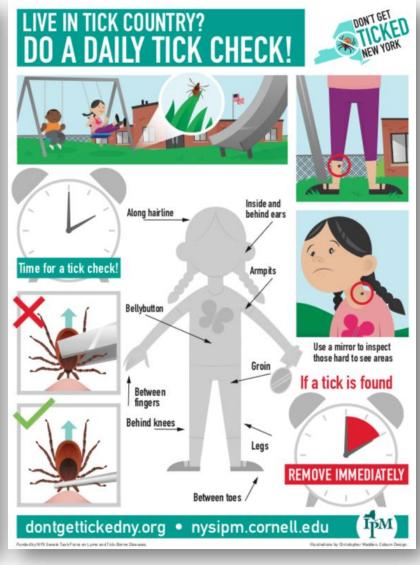
What to look for?

How to look?

What to do with attached tick?







daily tick check – target audience variants

Where are Ticks?

What habitats support ticks (three common species)?

What activities might expose someone to ticks?

Interpretation and learning



Personal Protection

Permethrin treatments for clothing to kill ticks

[or lower chance of attachment]

- DIY treatment
- Professional treatment



Personal Protection

Options for repellent use to reduce risk of tick encounter

- What products work?
- How products work
- How to apply?
- READ THE LABEL!



Pet Protection

Pets are affected by ticks too

- Options for pet protection
- How to remove a tick
- Reduce exposure to ticks



MONITOR FOR TICKS in your school yard

















Tall Socks



















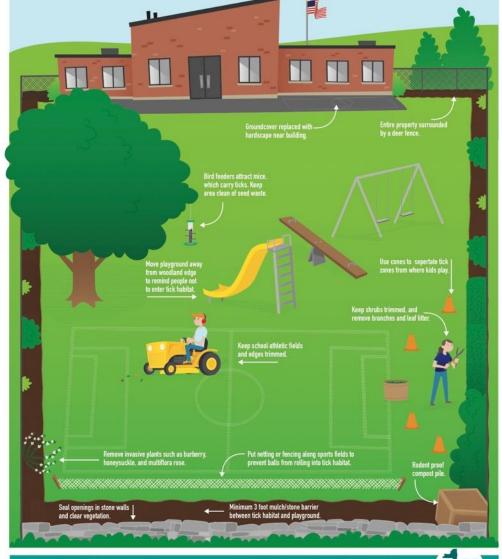


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Minimize Ticks in School Yard





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Protecting Campers

What to do before and after camp to reduce risks for kids



PREPARE FOR CAMP





PREPARING BEFORE CAMP:



WHEN YOU RETURN FROM CAMP

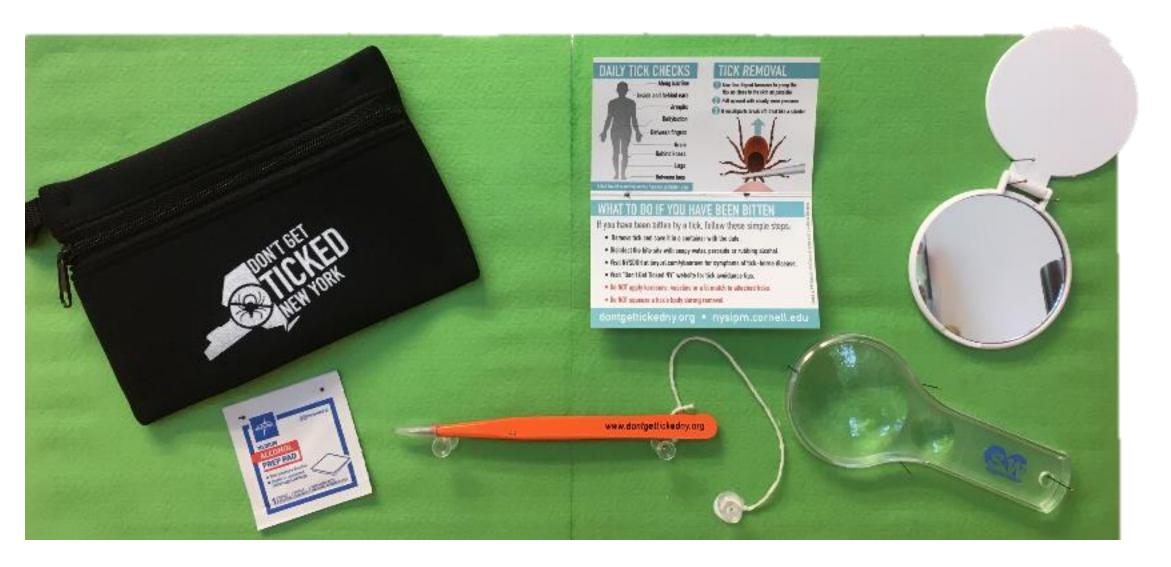




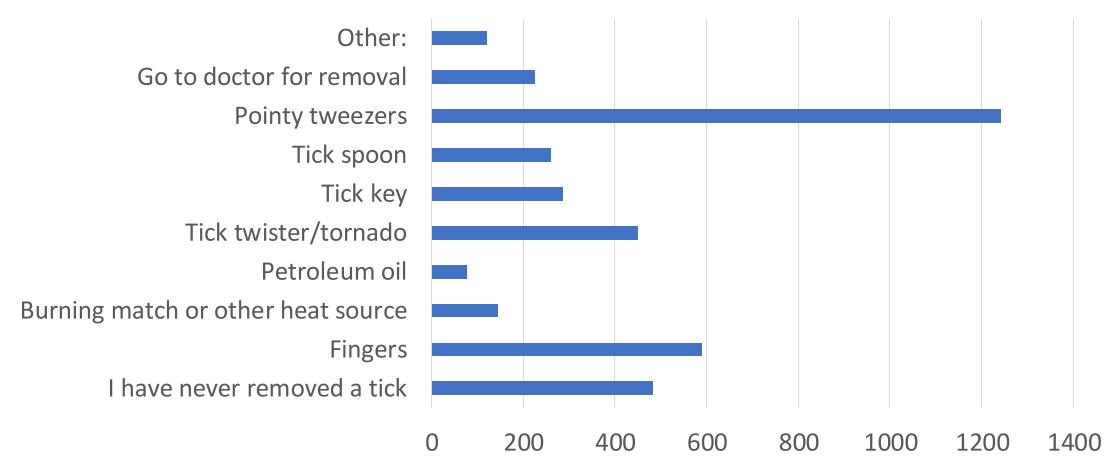
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Tick Removal Kits

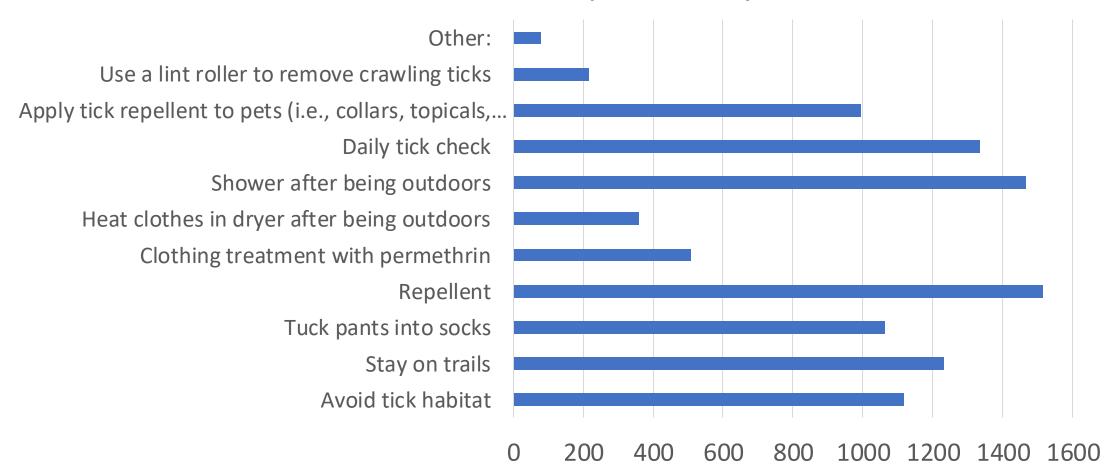
Data collection on tick removal



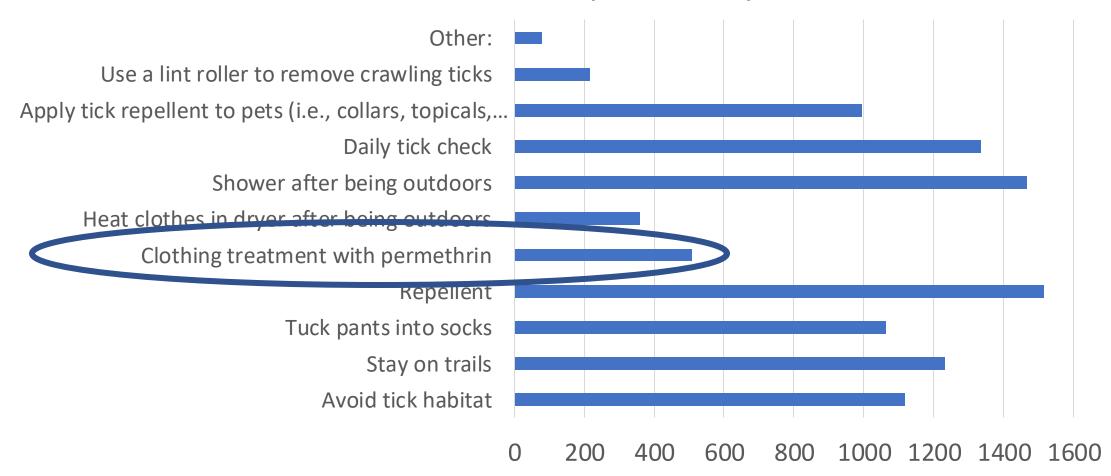
How have you removed embedded ticks in the past?



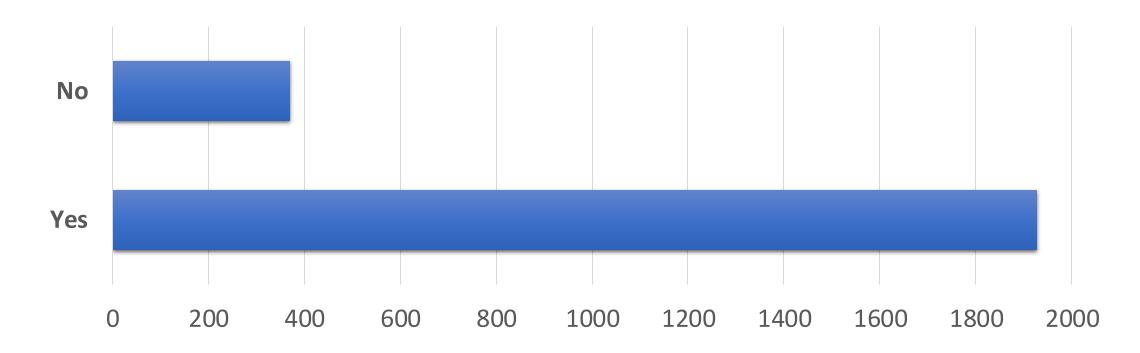
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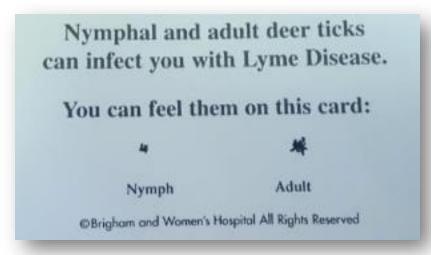


Do you plan to change your tick avoidance or tick removal behavior as a result of what you learned?

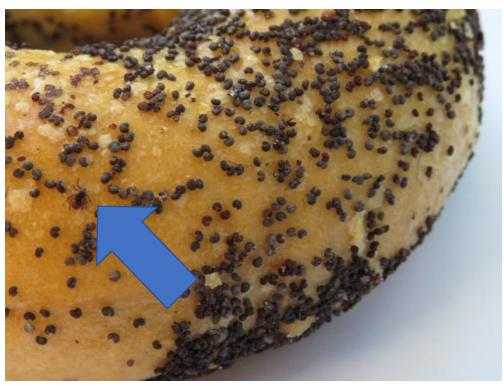


Expanding the Reach Education Kits

feel cards









tick vials

tick bagels

tick tattoos

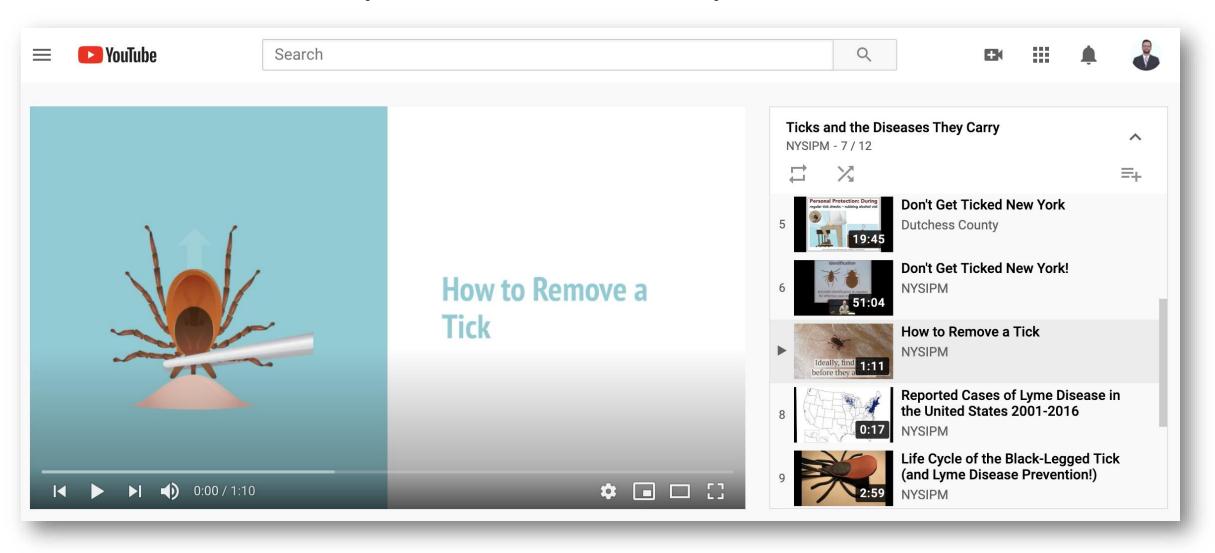
Mirror and Window Clings



Prompt tick check at critical times/places [bathroom/car]

Expanding the Reach

YouTube Videos: presentations & tips



Expanding the Reach

Branded slide sets for various audiences

- General public
- Landscapers
- Schools (maintenance staff/administration)
- Hunter/naturalist
- Campers
- Children
- Others?

Partnering with statewide agencies: NYSTA | NYPMA

Expanding the Reach





www.poughkeepsiejournal.com/story/news/2015/06/30/public-forum-talks-lyme-disease-cause-prevention/29515525/

community forums

monitoring workshops

Future Directions

- Follow-up survey to assess impact and guide further outreach
- K-12 Activities
 - Classroom lessons
 - Research projects



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Research Project

Surveillance: schools & parks

- Hudson Valley
- Nassau County

What ticks are present?

Abundance

Distribution

Test for pathogens



Questions?



Questions?



ACTIVE SURVEILLANCE OF PATHOGENS FROM TICKS

IN NEW YORK STATE SUBURBAN PARKS & SCHOOL YARDS

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Project support by NY Senator Sue Serino – NYS Senate Lyme and TBD Task Force



Objectives of the project

- Test TBD risks thru transects of school properties (woods to field), tick abundance,
- TBD testing of ticks collected in a variety of efforts in NY,
- Describe tick distribution in Nassau County, NY,
- Characterize TBD in Nassau County, NY.



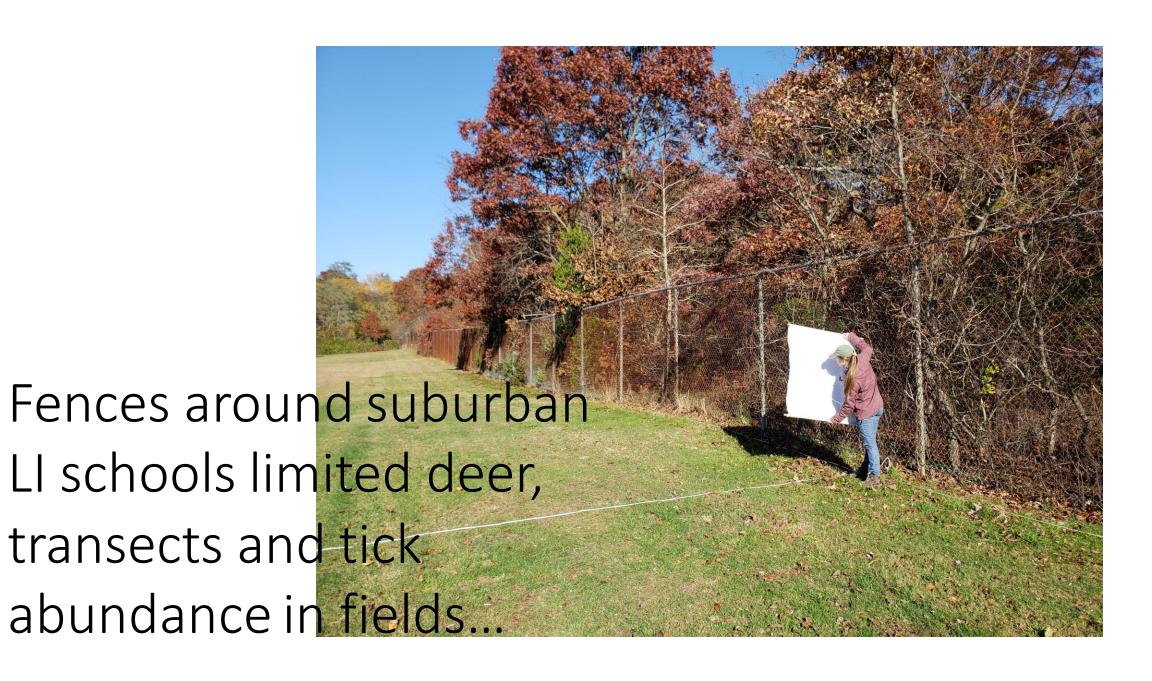
Study aims

- Improve the understanding of tick-borne pathogen prevalence on school properties and in parks in NYS;
- Highlight the importance of active surveillance for tickborne diseases.



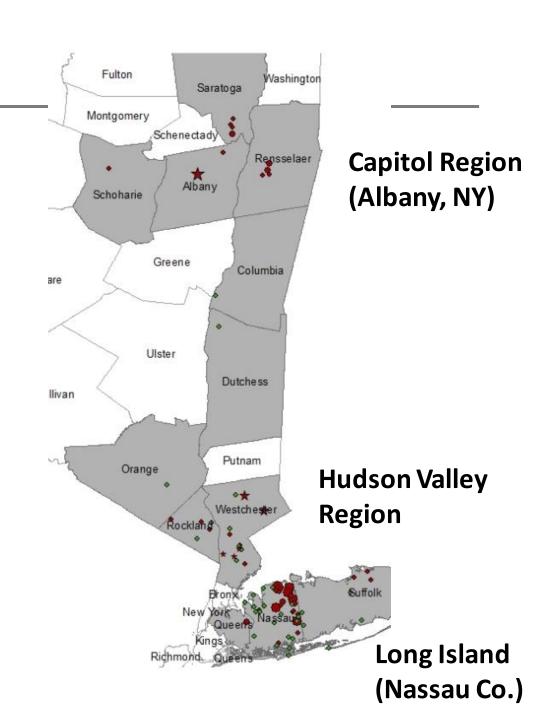
Study limitations

- Funding came in October 2018, period of funding ended March 2019.
- Fall sampling hindered by very cold weather, rain, snow.
- Sampling Oct 18 to December 21
- Mainly Ixodes scapularis adults collected.
- Schools in Nassau generally urban, lacking habitat

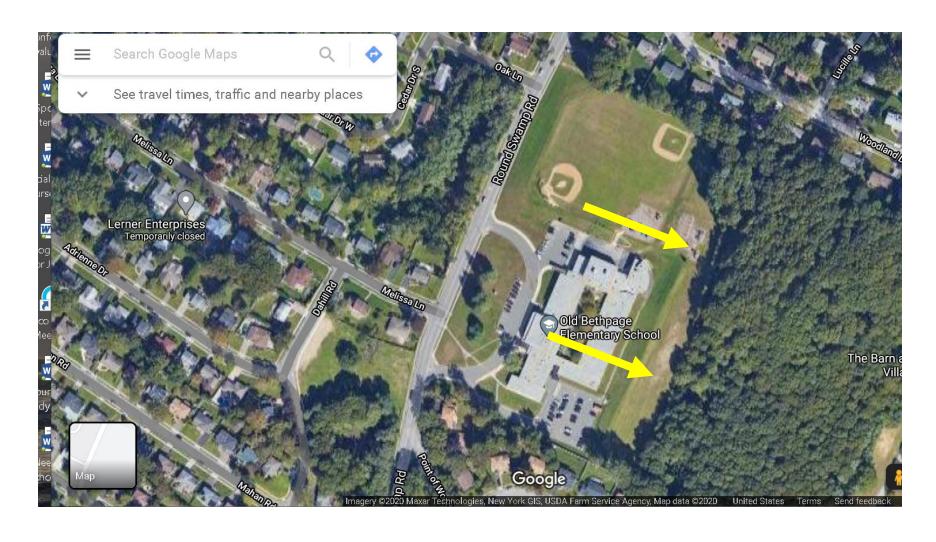


Sampling Methods

- Selection of study area sites
 - School grounds (mainly Capitol region),
 - State and county parks,
 - Public and private wildlife preserves,
 - Added ticks collected from a Christmas tree farm survey.
 - A total of 19 schoolyards and 32 parks were sampled.



We visualized sites using Google Maps



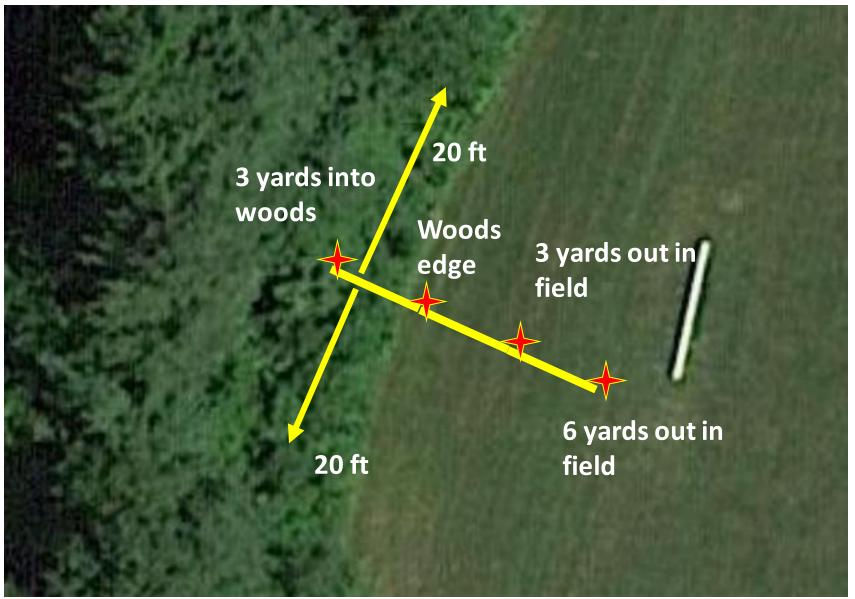
Sampling method for school transects

- Flannel cloth (1 Y²)
- Temperature > 37F, no rainfall





School transect sampling scheme



Dates October 23 to Nov 29

Recorded:

- Date, time
- Temperature
- Humidity
- Cloud cover/sun
- Previous rainfall

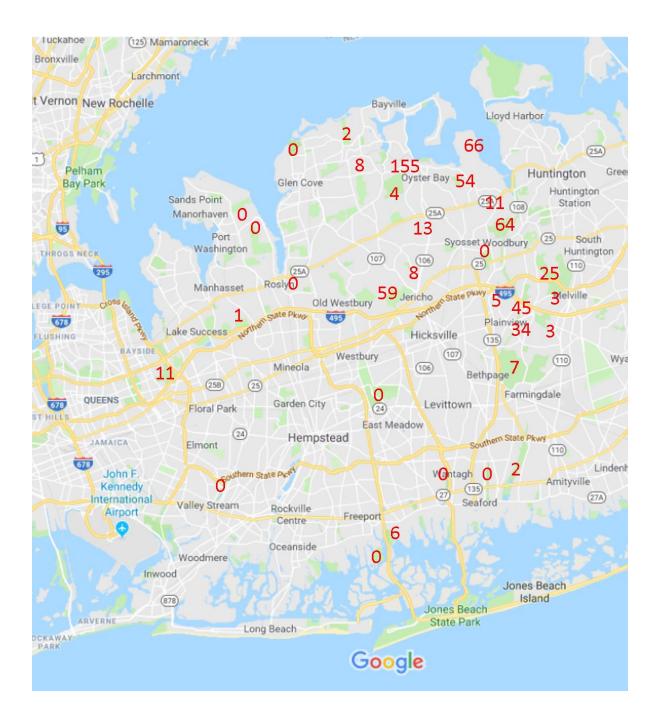
Sampling method for HV and NC parks/preserves

- Nassau Document presence/absence of ticks, not abundance.
- 1 Y² cloth drag along pathways, into brush,
- Sampled most of Nassau's wooded parks and a few HV locations.
- HV low tick collections



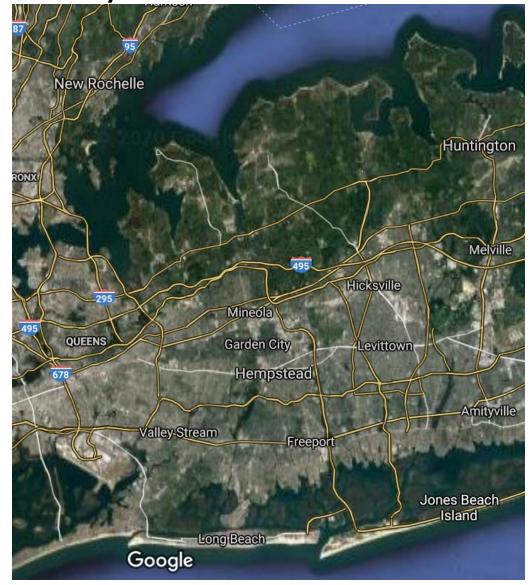
Nassau County sampling

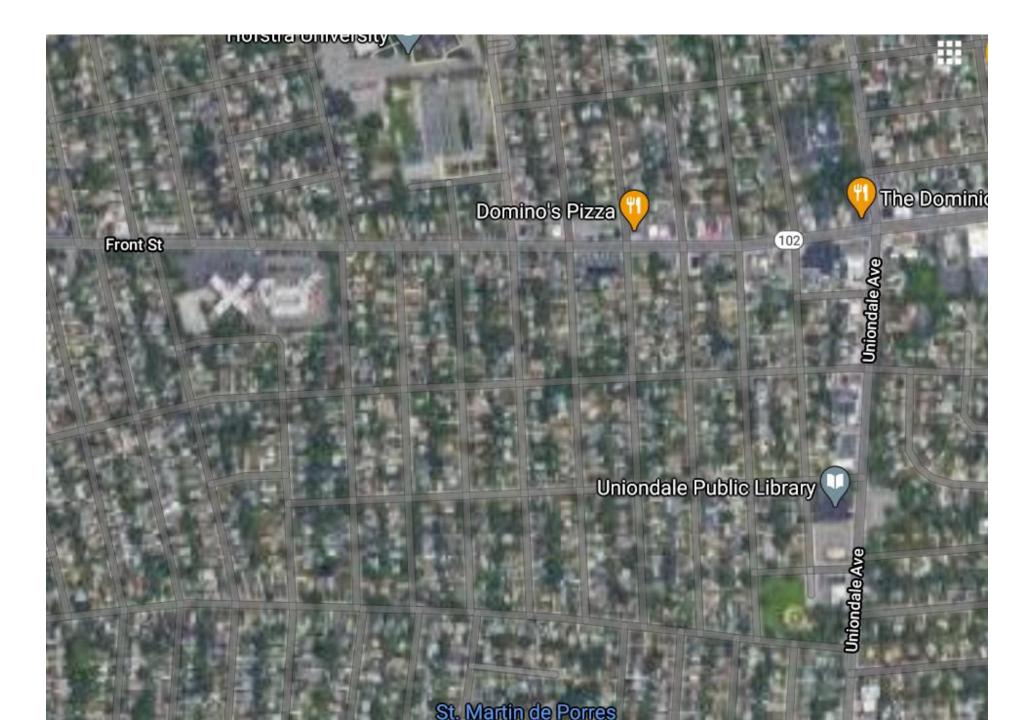
- Many locations lacked ticks.
- Many other places were loaded with ticks.
- Deer and wildlife were noted via anecdotes and physical evidence.
- Deer are more abundant than is obvious.



Urban nature of Nassau County

- As you'd expect, greener spaces have more ticks.
- Many neighborhoods cannot support large wildlife.





Takeaways from prelim surveillance work



- Urban and suburban areas should not be overlooked for tick surveillance.
- Nassau County, while low TBD rates, has ample tick populations.
- Distribution of ticks and risk of TBD is unknown for school properties in NY.

Questions?



Pathogen Testing

Dr. Laura Goodman's team at AHDC tested a total of 769
 Ixodes scapularis collected in 2017 (Christmas tree project) and 2018 (all other sites).

Pathogen testing

- Homogenization with hollow brass beads followed by zirconia beads + chemical lysis
- Extracted DNA and RNA using magnetic bead based robotic method
- ☐ Tested for the presence of 17 pathogens by nanochip tick array

Statistical Methods

- County-level prevalence was calculated using the percentage of ticks carrying any one pathogen in question.
- Fisher's exact test was used to evaluate if carriage of any pathogen differed by:
 - Life stage (Nymph vs. Adult; Westchester Co. 2017)
 - Adult tick sex (Female vs. Male; all sites)
 - Habitat (edge of woods, 3 m into woods, not in woods;
 Capital Region 2018)

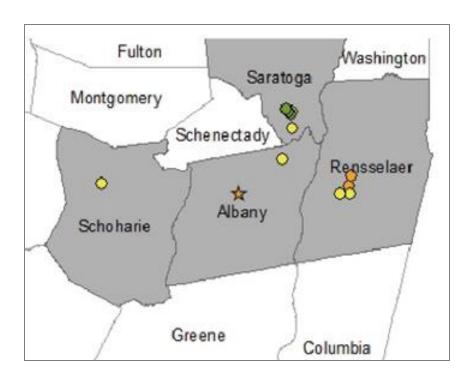
Results – Tick collection (769 in total)

Year	Location	Simple size	Collection period	Female (%)	Life stage Male (%)	Nymph (%)	Collect in the morning (%)	Clear sky cover (%)
2017	Albany	47	Oct 25	38.3	61.7	0	0	0
	Westchester*^	45	Apr 26 - Jun 23	32.6	23.9	41.3	42.2	0
2018	Long Island Region	594	Oct 18 - Dec 4	51.7	48.1	0	40.9	67.3
	Nassau	573	Oct 18 - Dec 4	51.3	48.5	0.2	38.9	68.8
	Queens	11	Nov 12	81.8	18.2	0	100	0
	Suffolk	10	Nov 1 - Nov 7	40	60	0	90	60
	Capital Region	72	Oct 23 - Nov 11	50	50	0	8.3	30.6
	Albany	4	Oct 23	50	50	0	0	75
	Rensselaer	42	Nov 8 – Nov 11	50	50	0	14.3	0
	Saratoga	19	Oct 25 – Oct 30	47.4	52.6	0	0	63.2
	Schoharie	7	Oct 31	57.1	42.9	0	0	100
	Lower Hudson Valley	11	Nov 29 – Dec 4	72.7	27.3	0	72.7	72.7
	Westchester	7	Nov 29 – Dec 4	71.4	28.6	0	85.7	75
	Rockland	4	Nov 29 – Dec 3	75	25	0	50	71.4

^{*1} nymph tick was lost and not tested.

^{^1} larva tick was not list in the table

Pathogen positive tick distribution

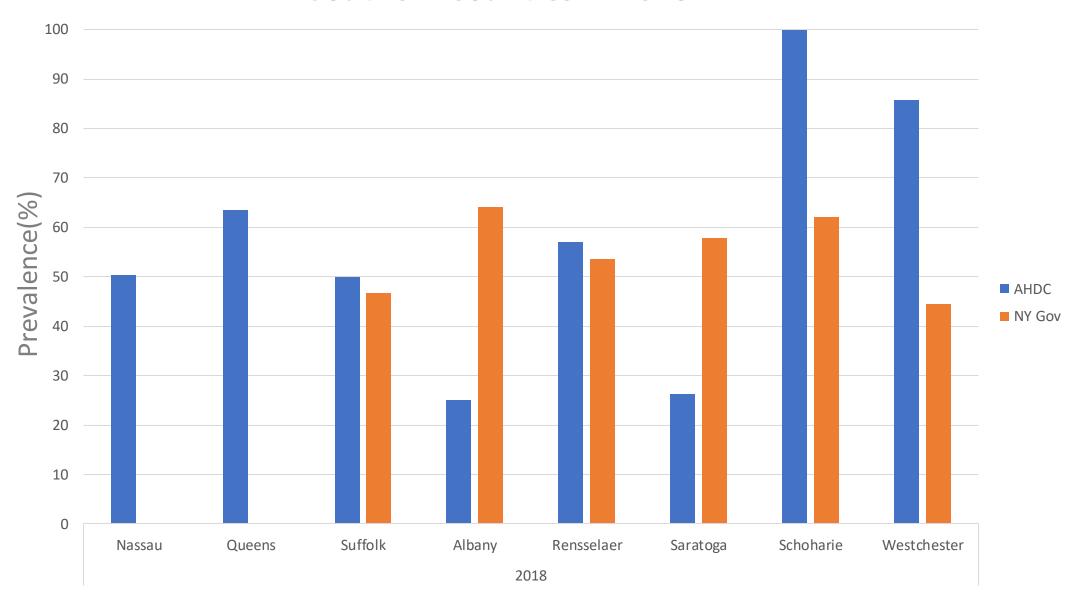


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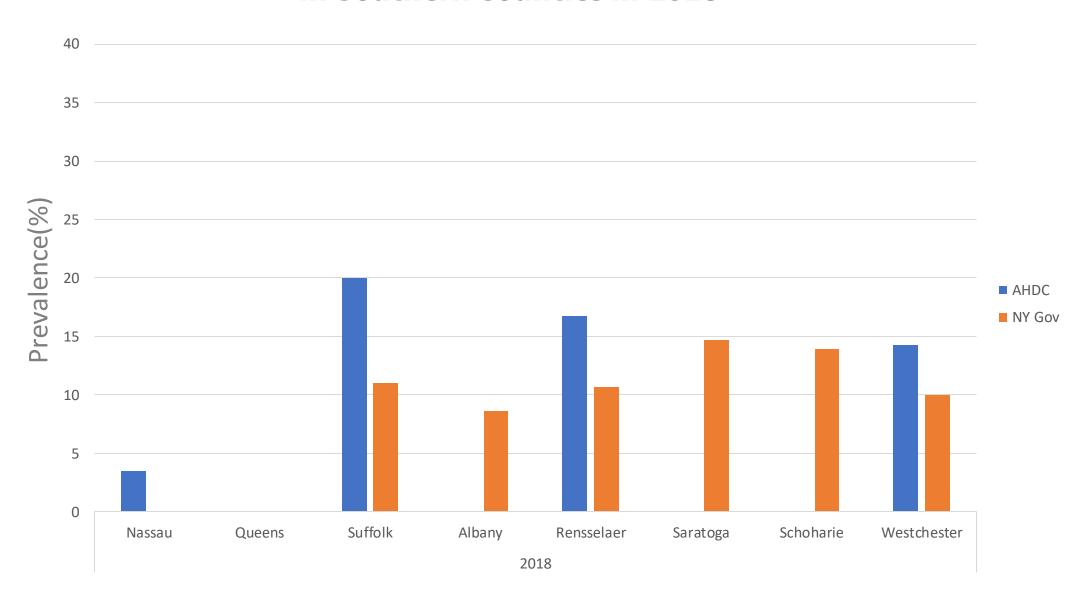
Capital Region

Long Island Region + Lower Hudson Valley

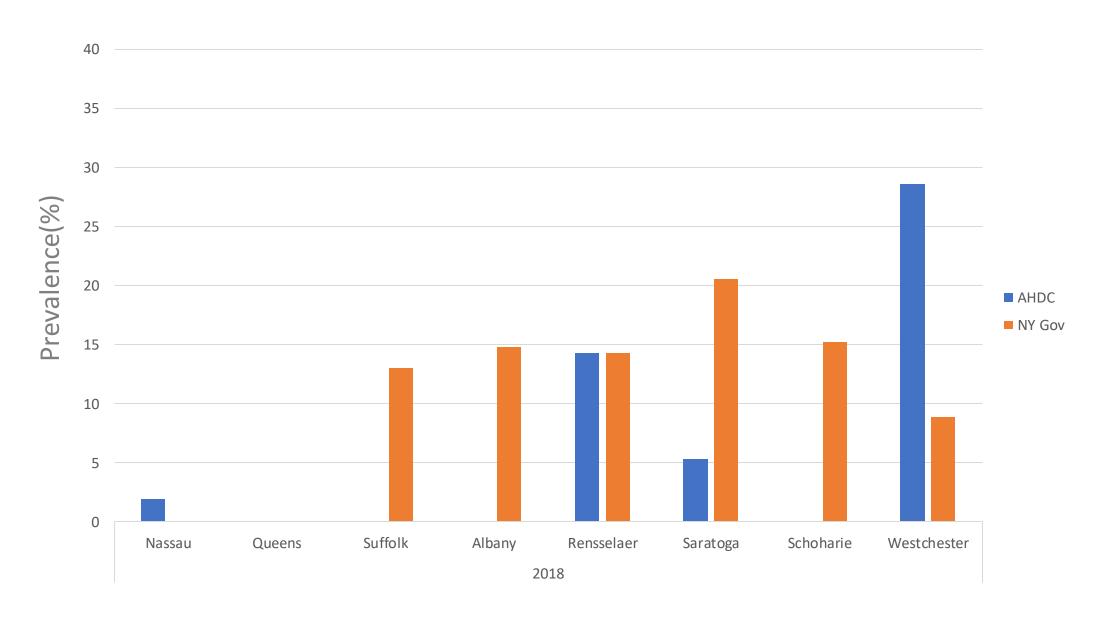
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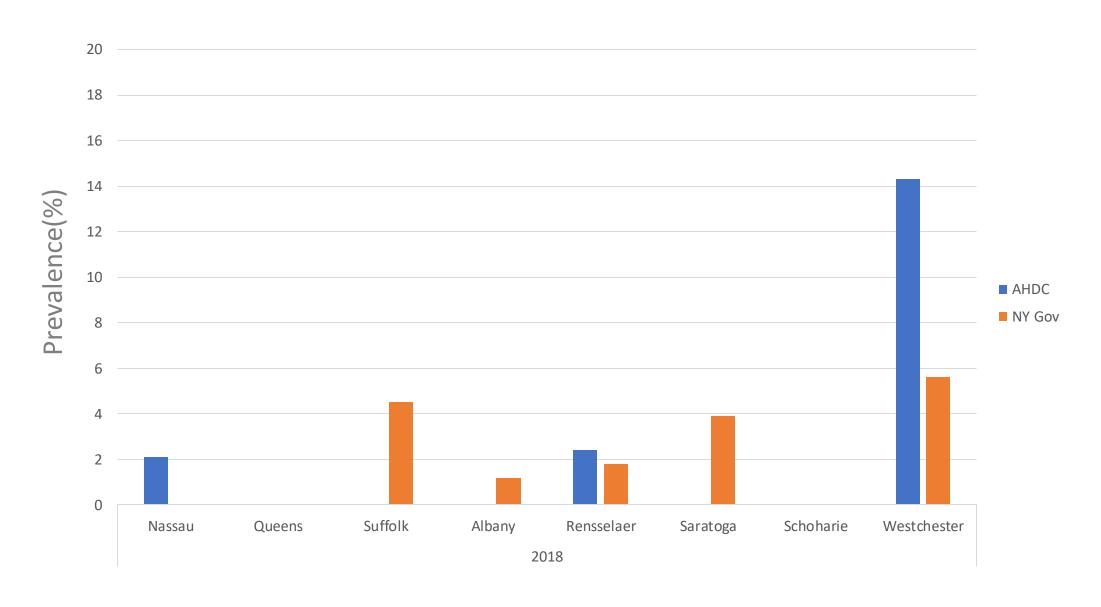
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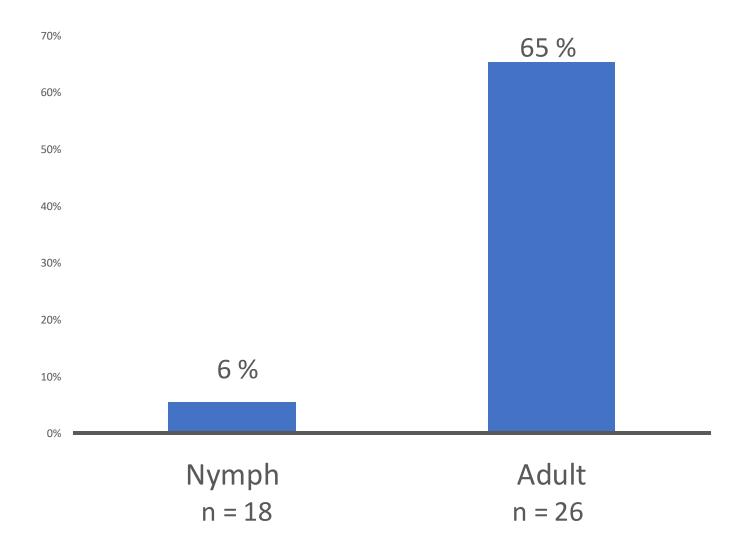
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Prevalence of *B. miyamotoi* in adult *I. scapularis* in Southern Counties in 2018

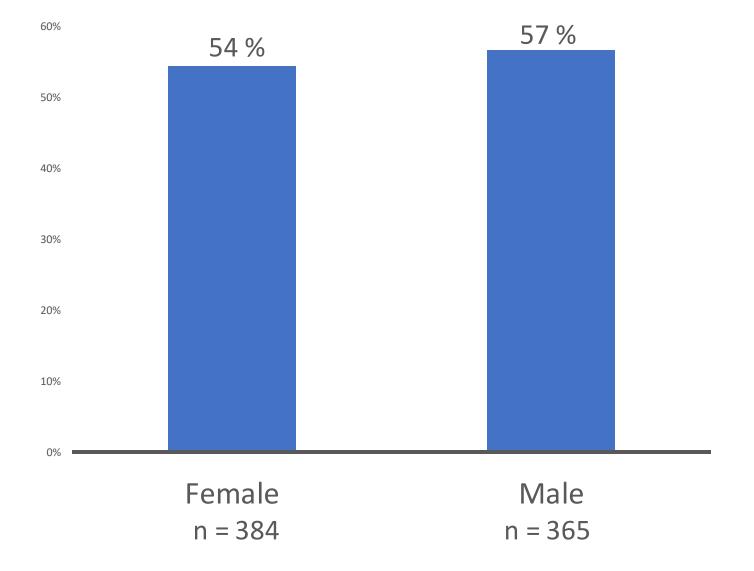


Pathogen Carriage by Life Stage



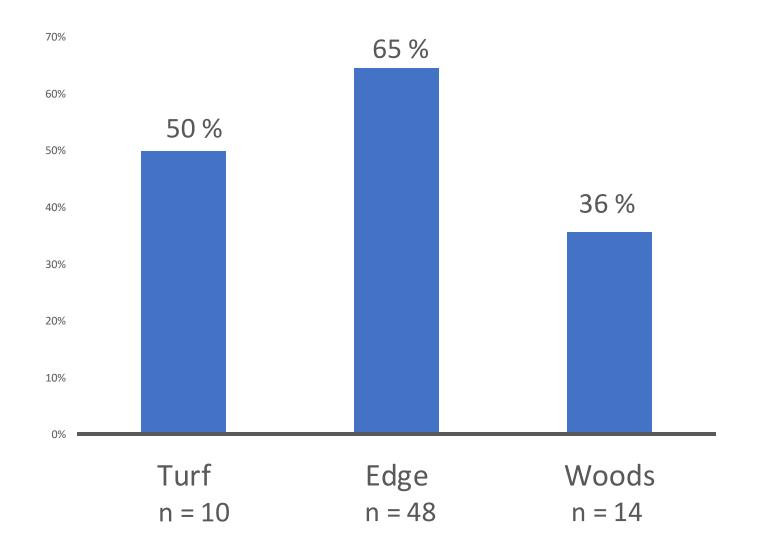
Higher pathogen prevalence in adults than nymphs (p < 0.001)

Pathogen Carriage by Sex



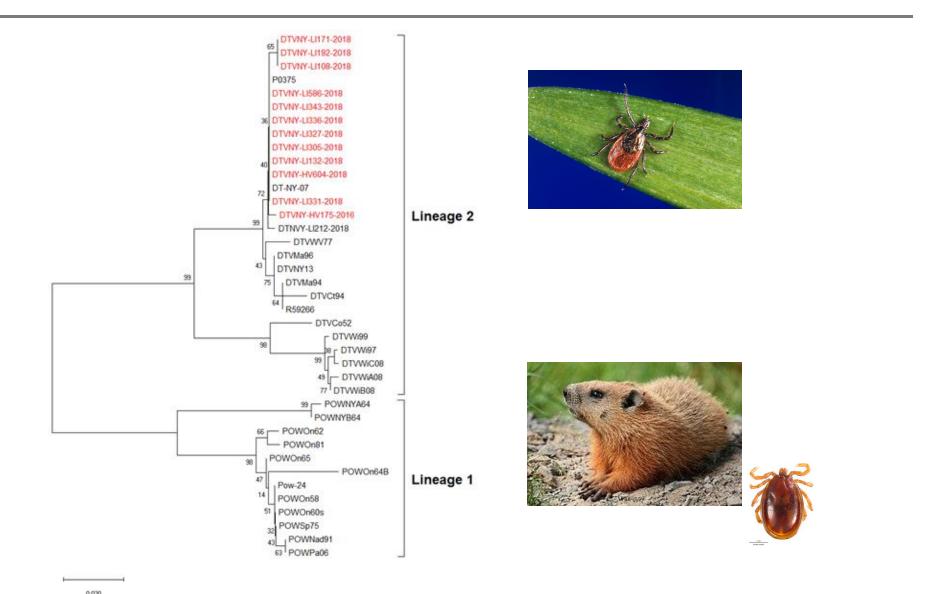
No difference in pathogen prevalence by sex (p = 0.56)

Pathogen Carriage by Habitat



No difference in pathogen prevalence by habitat (p = 0.14)

Powassan virus in Nassau county, Hudson Valley



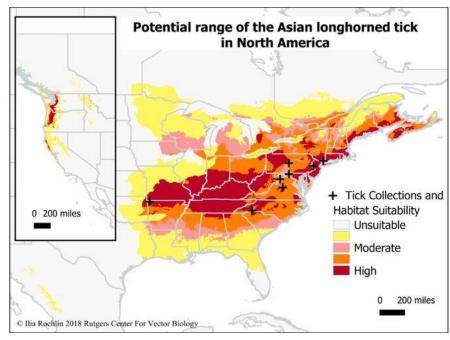
First documented *Haemaphysalis longicornis* in New York State





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NY County	First collected		
Bronx	June 2018		
Dutchess	August 2018		
Richmond	June 2017		
Rockland	June 2018		
Suffolk	August 2018		
Westchester	June 2017		



Rochlin J Med Entomol. 2018

Summary

- High prevalence of *B. burgdorferi*, presence of POWV in ticks in Nassau county
- Pathogen prevalence was equivalent in turf and woods
- Coordinated strategic surveillance collaborations are needed



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 Tick IPM #6: Host-Targeted Tick Control – What Works, What Doesn't, and What's New

Dr. Andrew Li , Research Entomologist, USDA-ARS Invasive Insects Biocontrol and Behavior Laboratory, Beltsville, MD. September 30, 2020, 11:00 am

Tick IPM #7: Leaf Litter/Snow Removal for Tick Reduction

Dr. Kirby C. Stafford III, Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, October 7, 2020 – 11:00 a.m.

For Updates: https://www.northeastipm.org/ipm-in-action/the-ipm-toolbox/



Recording of Tick IPM Webinar Series

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- You can watch as often as you like.

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