

Deer Ticks ... One bite can change your life...

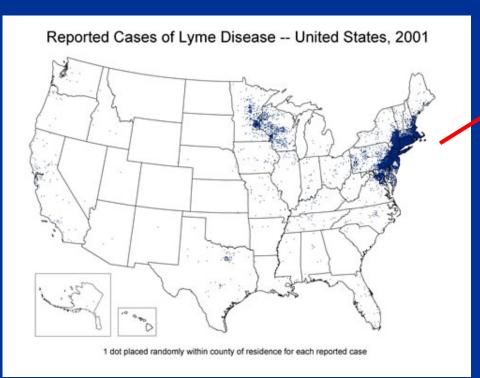


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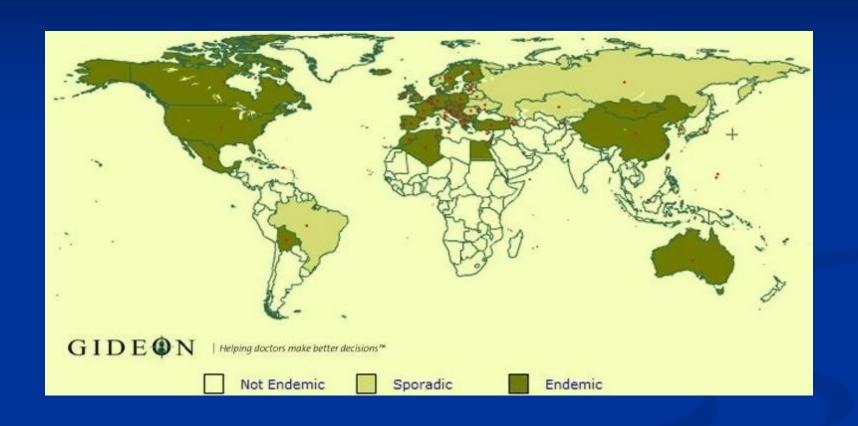






CDC - 300,000 Cases per Year





Incidence Rate Lyme: 2013 - 2015 State Ranking



1 – Vermont	88
2 – Maine	83
3 – New Hampshire	60
4 – Connecticut	53
5 – Massachusetts	51
6 – Rhode Island	50
7 – Pennsylvania	49
U.S.	8

* Confirmed cases
Per 100,000



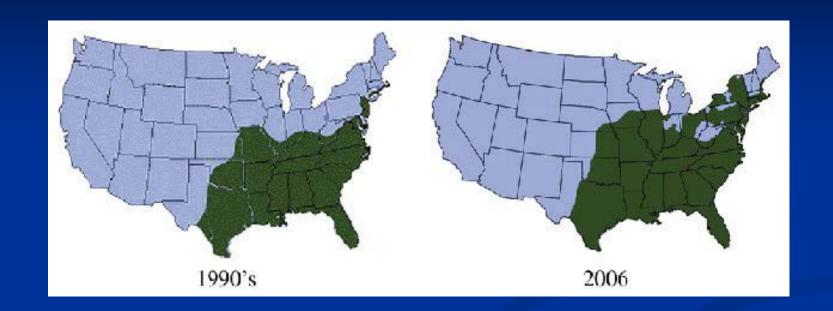
American Dog Tick

Dermacentor variabilis



Lone Star Tick

Amblyomma americanum



Lone Star Tick Distribution

Lone Star Tick

• Aggressive biter



- **■** Erlichiosis
- **STARI**
- **■** Tularemia



Allergy to red meat consumption

Beef, Pork, Lamb and by-products...gelatin



Deer Tick, or Blacklegged Tick

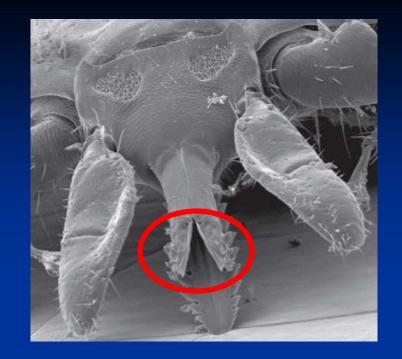




Ambush Predator Questing Behavior

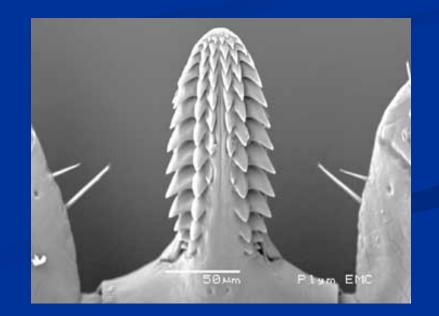








Ticks are designed to stay a while...



125 vertebrate species play in the tick-borne disease ecosystem...

Rodents are important infective hosts

Mice are extremely "competent", as are chipmunks

Birds play a role

Hosts that are "incompetent" are important for supporting tick numbers

Risk of infection is year round, but the greatest risk...

is NOT the tick adults

Fall thru Spring, 50% infected

Bite more likely to be detected



...it's from the nymph stage

Late May into August, 25% infected



Bite is more <u>difficult to detect</u>

Tick SIZE WISE? check your bagels

Adult



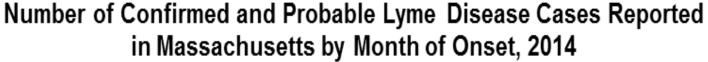


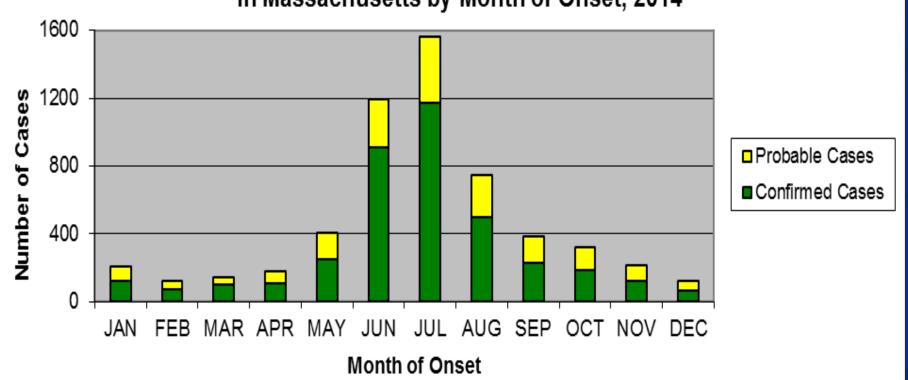
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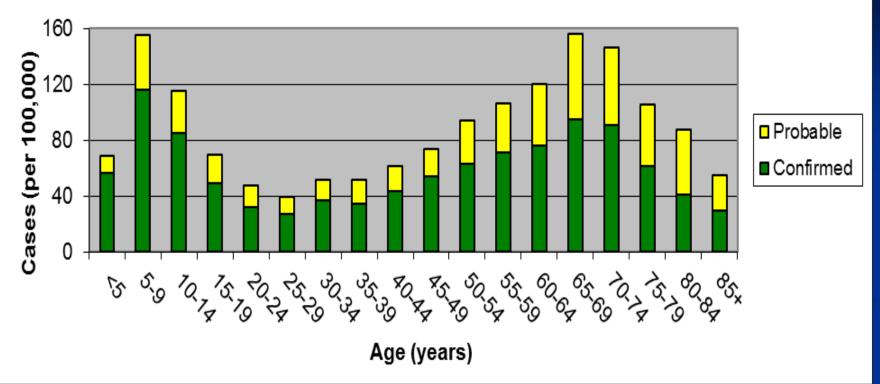
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Incidence Rates of Confirmed and Probable Lyme Disease Cases in Massachusetts by Age Group, 2014



Massachusetts Winters: Kill Ticks?



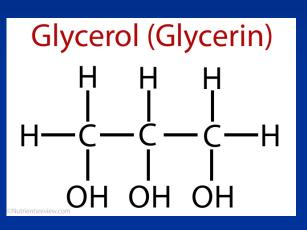


A Wisconsin Winter





Ticks make glycerol...



...antifreeze

Glycerol prevents ice crystal formation in cells

Lyme bacteria use glycerol as a carbon (= energy) source

"Upon further examination the complexity of this problem continues to grow...."

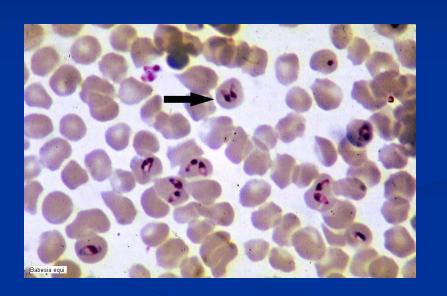


Babesiosis

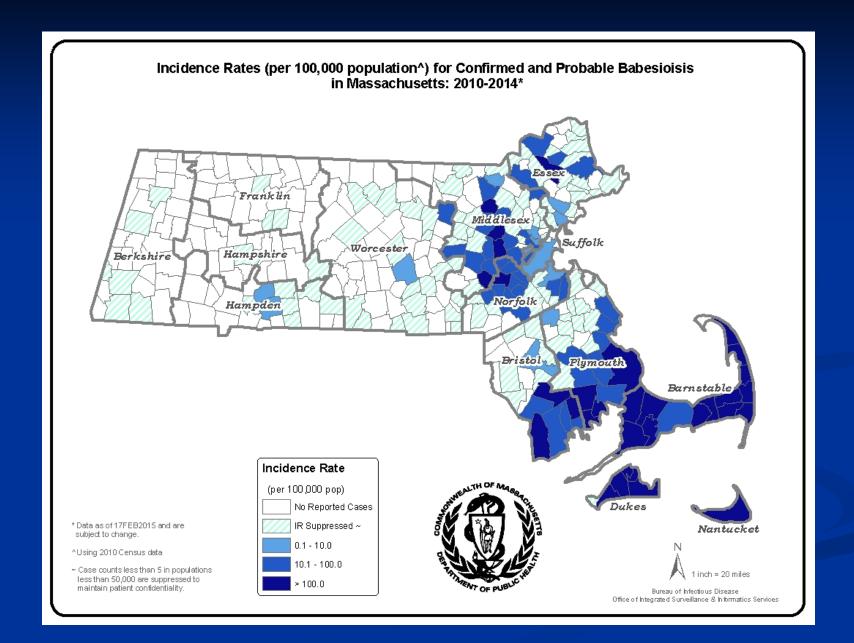
Invades Red Blood Cells

 Symptoms include fever/chills, severe anemia

Blood Transfusion



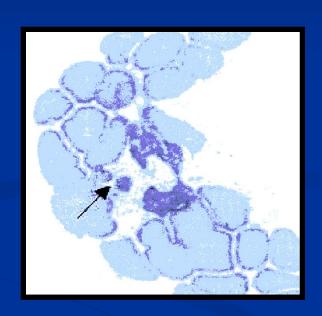




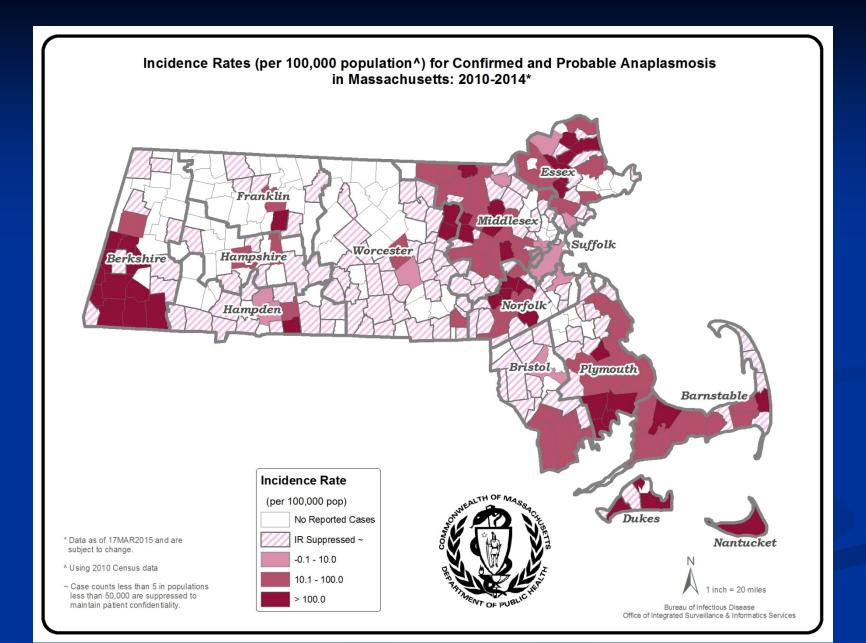
Anaplasmosis (HGA)

o Invades White Blood Cells

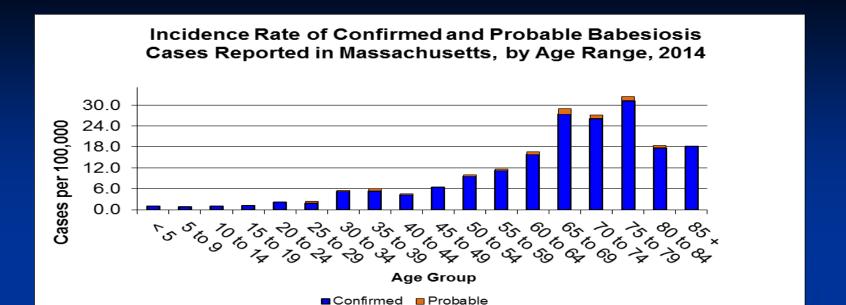
Symptoms include fever, nausea, headache, muscle pain, abdominal pain, confusion...

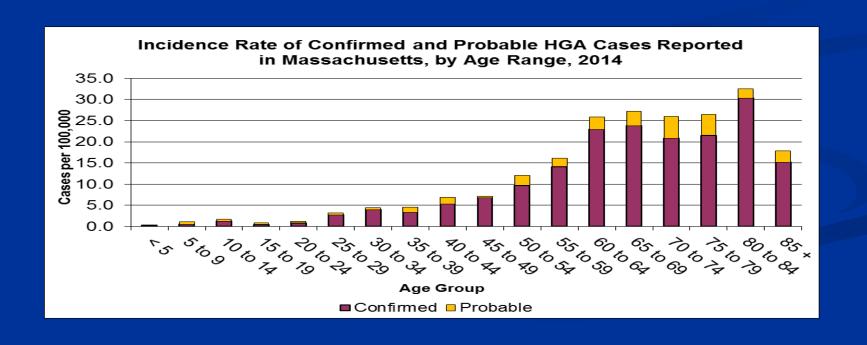


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First linkage to human disease in 2012 – Russia

U.S. cases followed...Relapsing Fever

■ Found in 3% of ticks tested from Cape - 2016

Powassan Massachusetts 2013-2016

■ 14 cases



- Encephalitis requiring hospitalization
 - 3 fatalities

Phase 1 Game Plan- Protect Yourself



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- Proper Tweezers
- Proper Removal



Record Date...Save the Tick

- Infection Test Available
 - Laboratory of Medical Zoology...UMass-Amherst
 - www.TickReport.com



Tests Ordered		
Pathogen	Date Ordered	Result
Borrelia mayonii	4/6/2016	NEGATIVE
Borrelia burgdorferi	3/30/2016	POSITIVE
Anaplasma	3/30/2016	NEGATIVE
Babesia	3/30/2016	POSITIVE
Borrelia miyamotoi	3/30/2016	NEGATIVE

Patient Information: Host Source: human

Gender: male

Age: 3

City: Norwell

State: MA

Zip: 02061

Attached: Yes

Site of Attachment: Head

Rash Present: No



Species: Ixodes scapularis

Sex: female Stage: adult

Feeding State: engorged





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Patient Information:

Host Source: human

Gender: female

Age: 63

City: Eastham

State: MA

Zip: 02642

Attached: Yes

Site of Attachment:

Upper Leg

Rash Present: No

Tick Information

Species: Ixodes scapularis (Deer tick)

Sex: female
Stage: adult

Feeding State: partially fed





Protect Yourself

Long pants - tucked into socks

Light colors...easier to see ticks



Tumble-dry clothes for 20 minutes

Shoes

Deet, Picaridan, IR3535,
 Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus to treat <u>exposed skin</u>







"All Natural"?





■ FIFRA Section 25(c) Minimum Risk Pesticides

- Active Ingredient <u>List</u>
- Claims Linking Pest to Specific Diseases NO
- False or Misleading Statements i.e. "Chemical Free"
 - **■** Federal Trade Commission
- EPA Registration Exemption
 - Performance Data <u>NOT</u> Required
 - Note: Some actives ID'd as known human allergens
 Negative interaction observed with
 sunscreens



Tick Repellent Clothing - Permethrin







Fabric only...Active thru 6 washings



















70 Washings EPA Claim

Or, send clothing to Insect Shield for treatment

Permethrin Facts

- 2,250 times more toxic to ticks than humans
- EPA: Permethrin-treated clothing poses no harm to infants, children, pregnant women or nursing mothers
- Low skin absorption...metabolized quickly
- Exposure data also studied by National Research Council
- Also used for scabies and head lice control





Phase 2 Game Plan - Protect Your Yard

Damminix Tubes – Eco-Health, Inc.



Damminix Tubes

- Several initial university studies looked promising
 - Fewer ticks on mice
- Follow-up studies, NY & CT
 - Replicated, multi-year
 - No significant effect on <u>nymph</u> tick populations
 - ...not all tick-carrying animals take cotton
- Company website testimonial driven, no baseline data in company trial

Phase 3 Game Plan - Protect Your Pets

- Tick check
- Topical products: K9 Advantix II, Frontline
- Seresto collar









insect shield repellent technology





Don't Let...one bite change your life...

Simplified Game Plan Summary

Tick Checks and Use of Permethrin-Treated Clothing

Perimeter Yard Spray

Pet Protection

