



Technical Bulletin

Heartworm Statistics Update

The following information indicates the method of testing and results from all animals tested at Phoenix Central Laboratory from 1998 through August 2007. Definitive heartworm disease has not been verified by the lab in each of the positive antigen cases.

NUMBER OF DOGS & CATS TESTED FOR DIROFILARIASIS

Year	Positive Adult Antigen (Ag)	Negative Adult Antigen (Ag)	Positive For Microfilaria	Negative Microfilaria	Positive Feline Antibody	Negative Feline Antibody
1998	39	2,129	10	420	N/A	N/A
1999	44	2,080	10	547	N/A	N/A
2000	53	2,257	24	611	N/A	N/A
2001	39	2,445	17	671	N/A	N/A
2002	32	2,345	17	627	N/A	N/A
2003	12	1,207	6	316	N/A	N/A
2004	39	2,727	19	213	N/A	N/A
2005	50	2,961	20	903	N/A	N/A
2006	145	3,784	40	1,086	N/A	N/A
2007*	23	1,721	12	469	0	51

NOTE: In fourth quarter 2005, Hurricane Katrina rescue animals began arriving in Washington State. In 2006, 75% with known travel history were relocated from the Gulf Coast, and one native Washington case. In 2007, 36% with known travel history were relocated from the Gulf Coast, and one native Washington case.

*Through Aug 31, 2007