

# Codebook for State Rabies Vaccination Laws for Domestic Dogs, Cats, and Ferrets

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This codebook describes the variables in a dataset that describes rabies control laws for domestic animals. This is a cross-sectional dataset displaying laws in effect as of March ##, 2018. The jurisdictions selected for measurement are all 50 US states and the District of Columbia.

There are six standard variables in every LawAtlas dataset. They are:

# **JURISDICTION**

This is a dropdown selection in each coding form. It includes the jurisdictions coded in the dataset.

# **EFFECTIVE DATE**

This date (MM/DD/YYYY) is the most recent effective date of the legal text captured for this place. The effective date represents the date the policy coded was put into effect.

# **VALID THROUGH DATE**

This date (MM/DD/YYYY) is either the last date a law or policy was in effect prior to an amendment or the last date the researcher confirmed the law or policy was in effect during the research process.

## **LEGAL TEXT**

This is a text box that captures all legal text relevant to the coding questions. This will not download into Microsoft Excel.

Questions	
Question 1:	Does the state have pre-exposure rabies vaccination laws for domestic dogs, cats, or ferrets?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 1:	instaterabies
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 2:	If yes, what animals do the state's laws apply to? (select all that apply)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 2:	animalstype_Dogs
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 3:	If yes, what animals do the state's laws apply to? (select all that apply)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 3:	animalstype_Cats
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 4:	If yes, what animals do the state's laws apply to? (select all that apply)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 4:	animalstype_Ferrets
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 5:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for primary vaccination?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 5:	initialvax_3 months
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes

Question 6:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for primary vaccination?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 6:	initialvax_4 months
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 7:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for primary vaccination?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 7:	initialvax_5 months
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 8:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for primary vaccination?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 8:	initialvax_6 months
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 9:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for primary vaccination?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 9:	initialvax_In accordance with rabies vaccine manufacturers' recommendations
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 10:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for primary vaccination?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 10:	initialvax_In accordance with standards set by a government actor other than a state legislative or regulatory body (e.g. state veterinarian, rabies board, or local authority)
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes

Question 11:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for primary vaccination?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 11:	initialvax_In accordance with standards set by National Association of State Public Health Veterinarians (NASPHV), Compendium of Animal Rabies Prevention and Control (Compendium)
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 12:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for primary vaccination?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 12:	initialvax_At a frequency to provide continuous protection
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 13:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for primary vaccination?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 13:	initialvax_None specified
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 14:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for primary vaccination?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 14:	initialvax_When the animal's canine teeth come in
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 15:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for booster vaccination or how long immunity should last?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 15:	boosterrabies_9-12 months
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes

Question 16:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for booster vaccination or how long immunity should last?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 16:	boosterrabies_1 year
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 17:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for booster vaccination or how long immunity should last?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 17:	boosterrabies_12-14 months
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 18:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for booster vaccination or how long immunity should last?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 18:	boosterrabies_3 years
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
<b>Question 19:</b>	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for booster vaccination or how long immunity should last?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 19:	boosterrabies_In accordance with rabies vaccine manufacturers' recommendations
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 20:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for booster vaccination or how long immunity should last?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 20:	boosterrabies_In accordance with standards set by National Association of State Public Health Veterinarians (NASPHV), Compendium of Animal Rabies Prevention and Control (Compendium)
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No

Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 21:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for booster vaccination or how long immunity should last?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 21:	boosterrabies_In accordance with standards set by a government actor other than a state legislative or regulatory body (e.g. state veterinarian, rabies board, or local authority)
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 22:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for booster vaccination or how long immunity should last?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 22:	boosterrabies_At a frequency to provide continuous protection
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 23:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for booster vaccination or how long immunity should last?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 23:	boosterrabies_In accordance with veterinarian certification
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 24:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for booster vaccination or how long immunity should last?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 24:	boosterrabies_None specified
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 25:	If yes, is a certificate or other proof of inoculation issued after rabies vaccination?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 25:	proof
Variable Values:	0, 1

Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
<b>Question 26:</b>	If yes, is a rabies tag or rabies tag number issued after rabies vaccination?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 26:	tag
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 27:	If yes, is rabies vaccination required to obtain a license or registration for the animal?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 27:	license
Variable Values:	0, 1, 2
Value Label:	0 = Yes
Value Label:	1 = No
Value Label:	2 = Not specified
Question 28:	If yes, are there or can there be exemptions for vaccination or certificate requirements for animals in the state?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 28:	exemptoverall
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	$0 = N_0$
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Value Label:	1 = Yes
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Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 31:	If yes, what are the vaccination or certificate exemptions for animals in the state? (see protocol for definitions)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 31:	instateexempts_Public safety
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 32:	If yes, what are the vaccination or certificate exemptions for animals in the state? (see protocol for definitions)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 32:	instateexempts_Research/Laboratory
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 33:	If yes, what are the vaccination or certificate exemptions for animals in the state? (see protocol for definitions)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 33:	instateexempts_Breeder/Dealer
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 34:	If yes, what are the vaccination or certificate exemptions for animals in the state? (see protocol for definitions)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 34:	instateexempts_Kennel
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 35:	Does the state have pre-exposure rabies vaccination laws for domestic dogs, cats, or ferrets entering the state?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive

Variable Name 35:	import
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 36:	If yes, what animals do the state's laws apply to? (select all that apply)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 36:	importanimal_Dogs
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 37:	If yes, what animals do the state's laws apply to? (select all that apply)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 37:	importanimal_Cats
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
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Question 38:	If yes, what animals do the state's laws apply to? (select all that apply)
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Question Type: Variable Name 38: Variable Values: Value Label:	Categorical - check all that apply  importanimal_Ferrets  0, 1  0 = No
Question Type:  Variable Name 38:  Variable Values:  Value Label:  Value Label:	Categorical - check all that apply  importanimal_Ferrets  0, 1  0 = No  1 = Yes  If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for primary vaccination for domestic
Question Type:  Variable Name 38:  Variable Values:  Value Label:  Value Label:  Question 39:	Categorical - check all that apply  importanimal_Ferrets  0, 1  0 = No  1 = Yes  If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for primary vaccination for domestic animals entering the state?
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Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 41:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for primary vaccination for domestic animals entering the state?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 41:	minimumageimport_5 months
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 42:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for primary vaccination for domestic animals entering the state?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 42:	minimumageimport_6 months
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 43:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for primary vaccination for domestic animals entering the state?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 43:	minimumageimport_In accordance with rabies vaccine manufacturers' recommendations
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 44:	If yes, do the state's laws specify an age for primary vaccination for domestic animals entering the state?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 44:	minimumageimport_In accordance with standards set by National Association of State Public Health Veterinarians (NASPHV), Compendium of Animal Rabies Prevention and Control (Compendium)
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes

Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 45:	minimumageimport_Not specified
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 46:	If yes, is a rabies vaccination certificate, a health certificate, a certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI) with documented rabies vaccination, or other proof of inoculation required for entry?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 46:	certificateimport
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 47:	If yes, is a rabies tag or rabies tag number required for entry?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 47:	tagimport
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 48:	If yes, are there or can there be exemptions for vaccination or certificate requirements for animals entering the state?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 48:	importexemptyn
Variable Values:	0, 1, 2
Value Label:	0 = Yes
Value Label:	1 = No
Value Label:	2 = Unclear
Question 49:	If yes, what are the vaccination or certificate exemptions for animals entering the state? (see protocol for definitions)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 49:	importexempt_Exhibition/Show/Field trial
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes

Question 50:	If yes, what are the vaccination or certificate exemptions for animals entering the state? (see protocol for definitions)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 50:	importexempt_Hunting
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 51:	If yes, what are the vaccination or certificate exemptions for animals entering the state? (see protocol for definitions)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 51:	importexempt_Short time
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 52:	If yes, what are the vaccination or certificate exemptions for animals entering the state? (see protocol for definitions)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 52:	importexempt_Passing through
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 53:	If yes, what are the vaccination or certificate exemptions for animals entering the state? (see protocol for definitions)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 53:	importexempt_Research/Laboratory
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 54:	If yes, what are the vaccination or certificate exemptions for animals entering the state? (see protocol for definitions)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 54:	importexempt_Medical
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes

Question 55:	If yes, what are the vaccination or certificate exemptions for animals entering the state? (see protocol for definitions)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 55:	importexempt_Kennel
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 56:	If yes, what are the vaccination or certificate exemptions for animals entering the state? (see protocol for definitions)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 56:	importexempt_Veterinary procedure
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 57:	If yes, what are the vaccination or certificate exemptions for animals entering the state? (see protocol for definitions)
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 57:	importexempt_Breeder/Dealer
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 58:	Does the state's law reference any version of the National Association of State Public Health Veterinarians (NASPHV), Compendium of Animal Rabies Prevention and Control (Compendium)?
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 58:	compendium
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 59:	If yes, which version of the Compendium does the state's law reference?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 59:	compendiumversion_Current (see protocol for definition and examples)
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No

Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 60:	If yes, which version of the Compendium does the state's law reference?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 60:	compendiumversion_1999
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 61:	If yes, which version of the Compendium does the state's law reference?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 61:	compendiumversion_2006
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 62:	If yes, which version of the Compendium does the state's law reference?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 62:	compendiumversion_2008
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 63:	If yes, which version of the Compendium does the state's law reference?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 63:	compendiumversion_2011
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 64:	If yes, which version of the Compendium does the state's law reference?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 64:	compendiumversion_2016
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes

Question 65:	If yes, which version of the Compendium does the state's law reference?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 65:	compendiumversion_No version indicated
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 66:	If yes, does the law adopt or incorporate the Compendium by reference?
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 66:	compendiumincorp
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 67:	If yes, is the law specific to rabies vaccination for domestic animals?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 67:	compendiumvax
Variable Values:	0, 1, 2
Value Label:	0 = Yes
Value Label:	1 = No, the reference is to the Compendium in general
Value Label:	2 = No, the reference is specific to another aspect of rabies control and prevention
Question 68:	If yes, is the law specific to animals in the state, animals being imported into the state, or both?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 68:	compendiuminstateimport
Variable Values:	0, 1, 2
Value Label:	0 = Animals in the state
Value Label:	1 = Animals imported into the state
Value Label:	2 = Both