

MATHEMATICKS!



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- 1 in 204 ticks carried the bacteria that causes *Borrelia miyamotoi* disease
- 1 in 5,000 ticks carried the parasite that causes babesiosis

Of the 718 western blacklegged ticks that were found:

- 1 in 705 ticks carried the bacteria that causes *Borrelia miyamotoi* disease
- No tick carried the bacteria that causes Lyme disease

* Source: [Tick surveillance in Canada: Ixodes scapularis and Ixodes pacificus ticks and their associated pathogens in Canada, 2020](#)

ANSWER THE QUESTIONS BELOW.

1

How many ticks (blacklegged and western blacklegged) were found in total?

CALCULATION

ANSWER

2

What was the percentage of blacklegged ticks?

CALCULATION

ANSWER

3

What was the percentage of western blacklegged ticks?

CALCULATION

ANSWER



Bonus questions!

4

What was the number of blacklegged ticks that carried Lyme disease (round up)?

CALCULATION

ANSWER

5

Come up with a mathemaTICKS question. Write down your calculation and your answer.

QUESTION _____

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WESTERN
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QUESTIONS

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How many ticks (blacklegged and western blacklegged) were found in total?

$$7,534 + 718$$

CALCULATION

8,252

ANSWER

2

What was the percentage of blacklegged ticks?

$$7,534 \div (7,534 + 718) \times 100$$

CALCULATION

91.3 %

ANSWER

3

What was the percentage of western blacklegged ticks?

$$718 \div (7,534 + 718) \times 100$$

CALCULATION

8.7 %

ANSWER



Bonus questions!

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What was the number of blacklegged ticks that carried Lyme disease (round up)?

$$(1 \div 6) \times 7,534 = 1,256$$

CALCULATION

1,256

ANSWER

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