

# Chronic Wasting Disease

## CWD

This is a progressive, fatal disease of the central nervous system that attacks cervids (e.g. deer, moose, elk, and caribou). There is currently no treatment.

### SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS\*

Similar signs may be observed in other diseases.

\*Sometimes no visible signs are shown.

Uncoordinated movements

Excessive thirst

Emaciated

Drooping head



### CWD SAMPLING

Ontario tests wild deer and other cervids annually.

Since **2002**, Ontario has tested more than **14,000** wild deer and elk



And over **3,100** farmed deer and elk for the disease

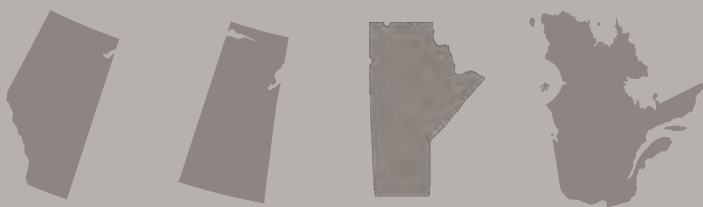


CWD has not been detected



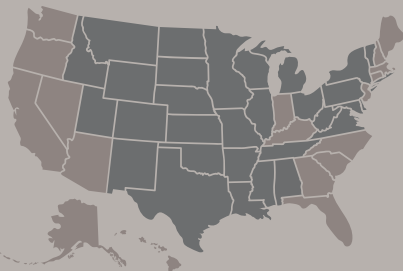
### LOCATION

CWD has been found in 4 Canadian provinces:



Alberta Saskatchewan Manitoba Quebec

Also in 30 US states



### LEGAL

#### CANNOT

Cannot bring cervids from other provinces/states into Ontario, except:

- Packaged and deboned meat
- Finished taxidermy mounts
- Tanned hides and skins
- Cleaned skull plate and antlers with no tissue attached



Use products that contain bodily fluids from any cervids for any purpose, including hunting.

#### MUST

Hold a permit to transport live, captive cervids into, through or between points within the province.



### CONTACT

If you see a sick deer, report it to the Canadian Wildlife Health Cooperative at 1-866-673-4781, the Natural Resources Information and Support Centre 1-800-667-1940, or email [cwd@ontario.ca](mailto:cwd@ontario.ca)



More information and details regarding CWD regulations at [ontario.ca/cwd](http://ontario.ca/cwd)