

Tactics and Economics of Wildlife Oral Rabies Vaccination, Canada and the United States

Technical Appendix 2

Correction for Inflation of Selected Costs in Original Publications

This Technical Appendix provides selected oral rabies vaccination (ORV), point infection control (PIC), trap–vaccinate–release (TVR), and postexposure prophylaxis (PEP) costs for studies cited in the article; published costs are corrected for inflation. The annual Consumer Price Index (CPI %) between 1990 and 2007 for “all goods and services (urban consumers)” was used to derive 2008 values. Bank of Canada

(http://www.bankofcanada.ca/en/rates/inflation_calc.html) and the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics (<http://www.bls.gov/CPI/#overview>) were sources of CPI rates.

Table 1. Annual Consumer Price Index inflation (% change between years)*

Year	Canada	United States
1990	4.8	5.4
1991	5.6	4.2
1992	1.4	3.0
1993	1.9	3.0
1994	0.1	2.6
1995	2.2	2.8
1996	1.5	2.9
1997	1.7	2.3
1998	1.0	1.6
1999	1.8	2.2
2000	2.7	3.4
2001	2.5	2.8
2002	2.2	1.6
2003	2.8	2.3
2004	1.8	2.7
2005	2.2	3.4
2006	2.0	3.2
2007	2.2	2.8
2008	2.3	3.8

*Briefly, costs cited in the original publications were compounded for years subsequent to the originally specified oral rabies vaccination, trap–vaccinate–release, point infection control, and postexposure prophylaxis cost estimates. If no monetary year was provided in the original article, we arbitrarily specified a likely year for the authors' calculations based on 1–2-year publication lags. As of June 25, 2008, currency conversion was as follows: 0.98 Can\$ = 1.00 US\$; whereas, as of May 5, 2009 1.00 Can\$ = 1.19 US\$.

Table 2. List of originally cited studies and inflated cost estimates for ORV, TVR, PIC, or PEP variables in 2008 Can\$ or US\$*

Study and reference	Year or assumed year of original monetary estimate	Current cost (Can\$ or US\$ in 2008)
ORV/TVR/PIC†		
(1)	No estimate	No estimate
(2)	1990	TVR \$616/km ² Can\$
(3)	1999	PIC \$605/km ² Can\$
Slate (prior unpub. data)		ORV only \$245/km ² Can\$
(4)	1999	ORV \$111/km ² US\$
(5)	2004	ORV \$198/km ² US\$
PEP‡		ORV \$48/km ² US\$
(6)	1990	\$1,874/patient US\$
(7)	1995	\$3,356/patient US\$
(8)	1995	1,501/patient US\$
(9)	2005	\$4,066/patient US\$

*ORV, oral rabies vaccination; TVR, trap–vaccinate–release; PIC, point infection control; PEP, postexposure prophylaxis.

†Rosatte et al. (2001), Slate (prior unpublished data), and Foroutan et al. (2002) report ORV costs for raccoons (i.e., bait densities of 50–75/km²; Sidwa et al. (2004) report ORV for coyote and gray fox (i.e., bait densities of 19–39/km²).

‡Chang et al. (2002) report PEP for New York (i.e., biologics are paid by state); Shwiff et al. (2007) report both direct and indirect costs of PEP.

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