

TABLE 1—ESTIMATED AVERAGE ANNUAL NUMBERS OF DOG IMPORTS BY COUNTRY AND BY IMMUNIZATION STATUS

Baseline estimate of dog imports	Best estimate	Lower bound ^b	Upper bound ^c
Airports ^a	700,000	560,000	840,000
From rabies-free countries	161,000	128,800	193,200
From CRVV-free countries	235,900	188,720	283,080
Dogs with rabies vaccination certificates	234,750	187,800	281,700
Dogs with unimmunized dog permits	920	736	1,104
Dogs with DCAs	62	50	74
Dogs denied entry	168	134	202
From CRVV low-risk countries under new guidance	196,000	128,800	277,200
Dogs with rabies vaccination certificates	195,910	128,728	277,092
Dogs with DCAs	48	38	58
Dogs denied entry	42	34	50
From CRVV high-risk countries	107,100	113,680	86,520
Dogs with rabies vaccination certificates	106,634	113,307	85,961
Dogs with DCAs	12	10	14
Dogs denied entry	454	363	545
Land borders	364,796	324,036	405,555
Canada–US land borders	122,000	97,600	146,400
Dogs with rabies vaccination certificates	120,344	96,275	144,413
Dogs from Canada, other CRVV-free or low-risk countries	119,141	94,350	143,691
Dogs from high-risk countries	1,203	1,926	722
Dogs with unimmunized dog permits	1,572	1,258	1,886
Dogs with DCAs	84	67	101
Dogs denied entry	0	0	0
Mexico–US land borders	242,796	226,436	259,155
Dogs with rabies vaccination certificates	241,500	225,400	257,600
Dogs with DCAs	1,184	947	1,420
Dogs denied entry	112	90	134
Total	1,064,796	884,036	1,245,555

^a DHS/CBP field staff provided estimates of the proportions of dogs from (1) rabies-free countries (23%) (2) CRVV-free countries (34%), (3) CRVV low-risk countries under the new guidance, including Mexico and Israel (28%), and (4) CRVV high-risk countries (15%, these countries are considered high-risk under both the previous and new guidance).

^b For the lower bound estimate, it was assumed that a larger proportion of dogs arrive from high-risk countries, which would result in less benefits (reduced costs) from the clarification in guidance. For the lower bound the following proportions are used: (3) CRVV low-risk countries under the new guidance, including Mexico and Israel (23%), (4) CRVV high-risk countries (20%).

^c For the upper bound estimate, it was assumed that a larger proportion of dogs arrive from countries that will be considered low-risk in the new guidance, which would result in more benefits (reduced costs) from the clarification in guidance. For the upper bound the following proportions are used: (3) CRVV low-risk countries under the new guidance, including Mexico and Israel (33%), (4) high-risk countries (10%).