MAMMALS OF NANTUCKET COUNTY

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Introduction:

The following list recognizes 21 species and subspecies of mammals occurring in Nantucket County (Nantucket Is., Esther Is., Tuckernuck Is., & Muskeget Is.). The present list does not recognize the Orders Cetacea (whales, dolphins & porpoises), which includes specialized mammals that are entirely aquatic, and Primates (man kind). This list updates any previous list, and includes species which are currently found in Nantucket County.
NANTUCKET LIST

Order Insectivora: Shrews & Moles

Masked Shrew
  Specimen: 11/15/58 Madaket.
Short-tailed Shrew
  Specimen: 8/9/60 Madaket Road.
Eastern Mole
  Specimen: Nantucket/U-Mass Feild Station.

Order Chiroptera: Bats

Silver-haired Bat
  Specimen: 9/19/58.
Red Bat
  Specimen: 8/29/66.
Hoary Bat
  Specimen: no date.

Order Lagomorpha: Rabbits & Hares

Eastern Cottontail
  Introduced.
New England Cottontail
  Present status uncertain; specimen located at the US National
  Museum of Natural History, Wash., DC.
  Sylvilagus transitioning
Snowshoe Hare
  Introduced.
Black-tailed Jackrabbit
  Introduced.

Order Rodentia: Rodents

Gray Squirrel
  Accidentally introduced.
White-footed Mouse
  Specimen: 1/9/59.
Meadow Vole

Sorex cinereus
Blarinus brevicauda compacta
Scalopus aquaticus
Lasionycteris noctivagans
Lasiurus borealis
Lasiurus cinereus
Sylvilagus floridanus
Sylvilagus transitioning
Lepus americanus
Lepus californicus melanotis
Sciurus carolinensis pennsylvanicus
Peromyscus leucopus fusus
Microtus pennsylvanicus
Rodents cont.

Muskeget Vole/Mouse
Endemic to Muskeget Island.
Norway Rat
Introduced.
House Mouse
Introduced.
Meadow Jumping Mouse
Specimen: 10/11/58 Madaket.

Order Carnivora: Carnivores (meat eaters)

House Cat
Feral.

Felis domestica

Order Pinnipedia: Seals, Walruses & Sea Lions

Harbor Seal
Observed.
Gray or Horsehead Seal
Specimen: Museum Comparative Zoology.

Phoca vitulina concolor
Halichoerus grypus

Order Artiodactyla: Even-toed, hoofed mammals

White-tailed Deer
Reintroduced.

Odocoileus virginianus

Microtus brevior
Rattus norvegicus
Mus musculus domesticus
Zapus hudsonius