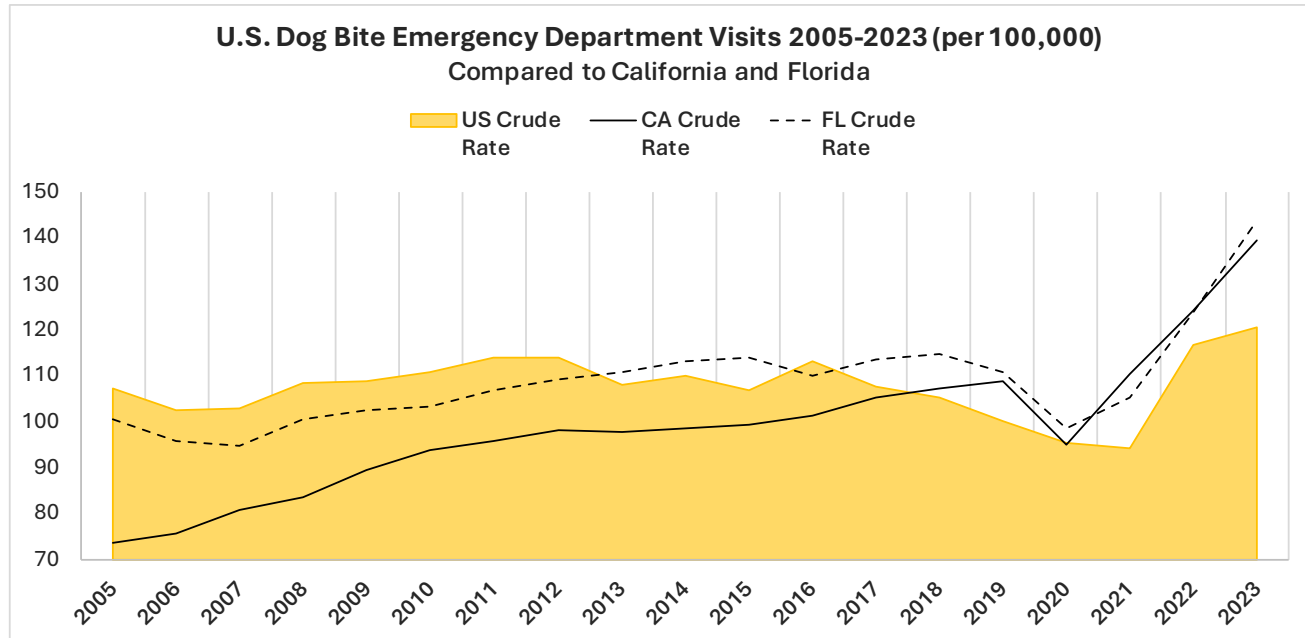


Rate of U.S. Dog Bite Emergency Department Visits Pre- and Post-Covid (2005-2023)

WISQARS - National Electronic Injury Surveillance System (per 100,000)



Rates not age-adjusted

US Increase
2018 to 2023 15%

California Increase
2018 to 2023 30%

Florida Increase
2018 to 2023 25%

United States*				California†			Florida‡		
Year	Population	Estimated Number	US Crude Rate	Population	Recorded Number	CA Crude Rate	Population	Recorded Number	FL Crude Rate
2005	295,516,599	317,446	107.4	35,827,943	26,403	73.7	NA	17,947	100.4
2006	298,379,912	306,273	102.7	36,021,202	27,233	75.6	NA	17,474	95.8
2007	301,231,207	309,638	102.8	36,250,311	29,255	80.7	NA	17,539	94.8
2008	304,093,966	330,405	108.7	36,604,337	30,554	83.5	NA	18,750	100.6
2009	306,771,529	333,669	108.8	36,961,229	33,153	89.7	NA	19,218	102.7
2010	308,758,105	342,060	110.8	37,319,550	35,020	93.8	NA	19,441	103.3
2011	311,583,481	355,073	114.0	37,636,311	36,094	95.9	NA	20,275	107.0
2012	313,877,662	357,629	113.9	37,944,551	37,286	98.3	NA	20,866	109.1
2013	316,059,947	342,021	108.2	38,253,768	37,345	97.6	NA	21,419	110.9
2014	318,386,329	349,734	109.9	38,586,706	38,058	98.6	NA	22,183	113.3
2015	320,738,994	342,882	106.9	38,904,296	38,657	99.4	NA	22,720	114.2
2016	323,071,755	365,621	113.2	39,149,186	39,666	101.3	NA	22,284	110.2
2017	325,122,128	349,962	107.6	39,337,785	41,384	105.2	NA	23,370	113.7
2018	326,838,199	344,202	105.3	39,437,463	42,277	107.2	NA	24,043	114.7
2019	328,329,953	329,522	100.4	39,437,610	42,865	108.7	NA	23,597	111.0
2020	331,526,933	316,421	95.4	39,521,958	37,561	95.0	NA	21,367	98.7
2021	332,048,977	312,876	94.2	39,142,565	43,276	110.6	NA	23,206	105.5
2022	333,271,411	388,756	116.7	39,142,414	48,596	124.2	NA	27,645	124.0
2023	334,914,895	403,835	120.6	39,198,693	54,682	139.5	NA	32,557	143.8

*U.S. incidence, rate and population data from WISQARS. Data downloaded: September 1, 2025.

†California incidence data from California Health and Human Services. Data downloaded: September 2, 2025. Population Macrotrends.net.

‡Florida incidence and rate data from Florida Department of Health. Data downloaded: September 2, 2025.