

# Hound Hunting in Virginia

**Where are the problems?**

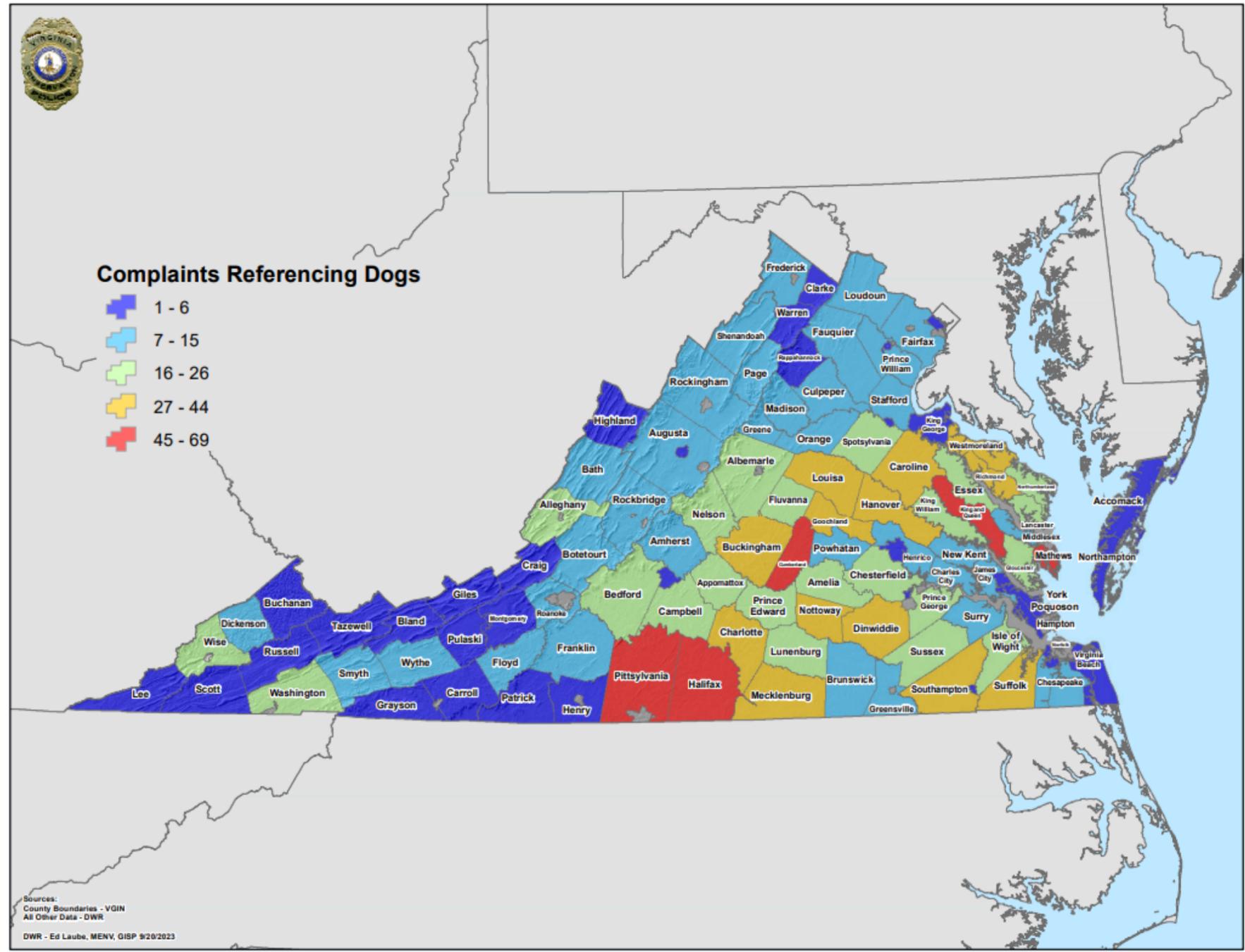
**How bad are the problems?**

**DWR MAPS + HOTSPOTS**



### Complaints Referencing Dogs

- 1 - 6
- 7 - 15
- 16 - 26
- 27 - 44
- 45 - 69



Sources:  
County Boundaries - VGIN  
All Other Data - DWR  
DWR - Ed Laube, MENV, GISP 9/20/2023

# MAP 3 "Complaints Referencing Dog"

\*These are not specific to hound hunting  
\*From tab 2 in public FOIA data

## 5 Hot Spots (Red)

- Cumberland County
- Halifax County
- Pittsylvania County
- King & Queen County
- Mathews County

# ABOUT MAP 3

- Map 3 data is "Complaints referencing dogs."
- There were 1798 dog complaints out of 5287 hunting complaints in 2022
- The data comes from Tab 2 in 2022 DWR Hunting FOIA documents.
- DWR identified five "hot spots" in the Commonwealth where hunting complaints referencing dogs is the highest
- These are coded red on the map
- They are Cumberland, King & Queen, Matthews, Halifax, and Pittsylvania Counties
- The highest number of dog complaints is from K&Q county, with 76 complaints out of 1798 total, or 4.2%

# NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS PER COUNTY IN HOT SPOTS

<b>Cumberland County</b>	<b>55</b> all dogs complaints	<b>1798</b> total dogs complaints	<b>3.0%</b>
<b>King &amp; Queen County</b>	<b>76</b> all dogs complaints	<b>1798</b> total dogs complaints	<b>4.2%</b>
<b>Mathews County</b>	<b>56</b> all dogs complaints	<b>1798</b> total dogs complaints	<b>3.1%</b>
<b>Halifax County</b>	<b>67</b> all dogs complaints	<b>1798</b> total dogs complaints	<b>3.7%</b>
<b>Pittsylvania County</b>	<b>68</b> all dogs complaints	<b>1798</b> total dogs complaints	<b>3.8%</b>

- These are the five hot spots identified by DWR where hunting complaints referencing dogs are the highest
- Even as the determined hot spots, the percentage of dog complaints are all under 5%

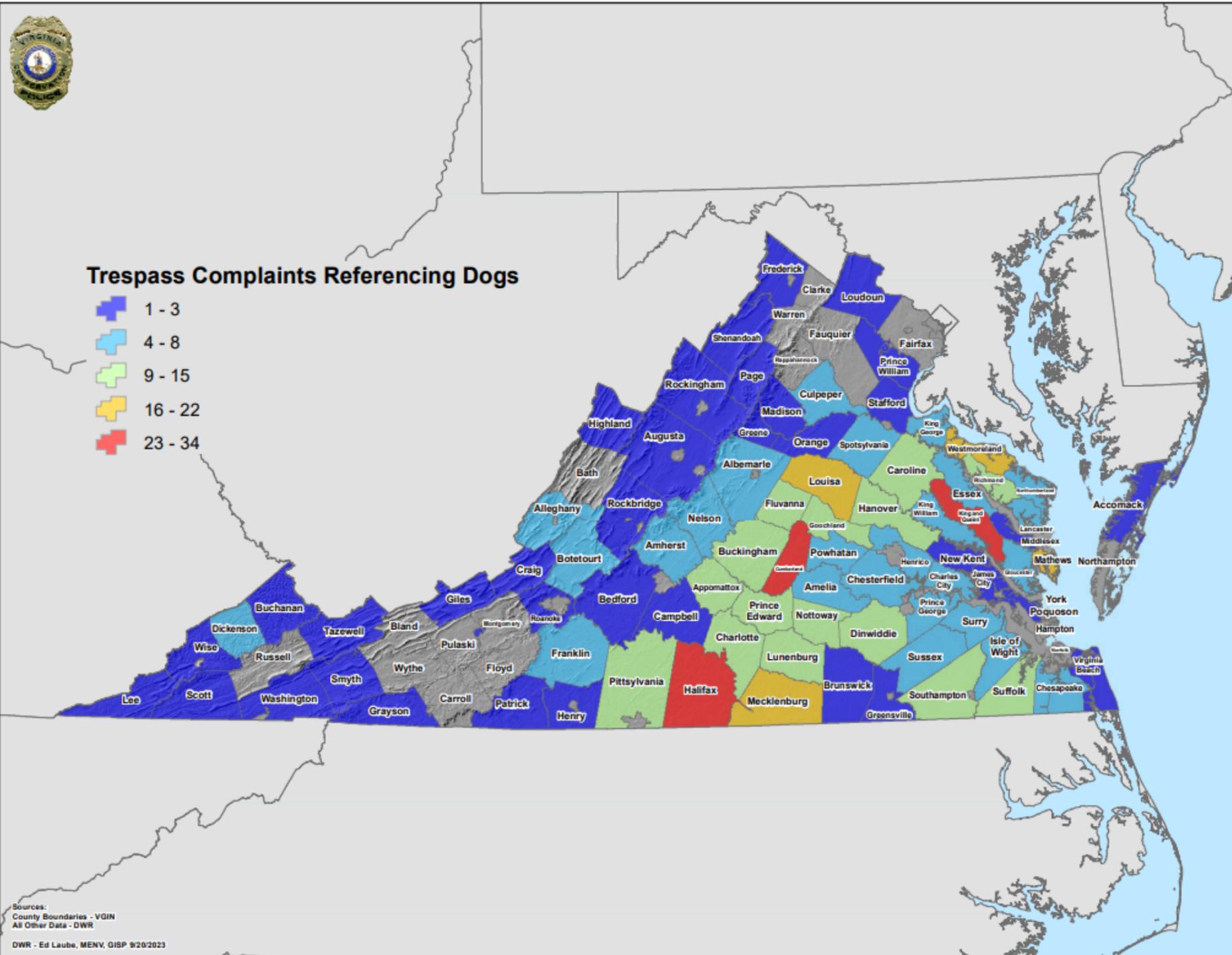
# NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS PER COUNTY IN HOT SPOTS

## Complaints referencing Dog (Specific to Hound Hunting)

<b>Cumberland County</b>	<b>41</b> HH dog complaints	<b>1798</b> total dogs complaints	<b>2.2%</b>
<b>King &amp; Queen County</b>	<b>64</b> HH dog complaints	<b>1798</b> total dogs complaints	<b>3.6%</b>
<b>Mathews County</b>	<b>37</b> HH dog complaints	<b>1798</b> total dogs complaints	<b>2.1%</b>
<b>Halifax County</b>	<b>52</b> HH dog complaints	<b>1798</b> total dogs complaints	<b>2.8%</b>
<b>Pittsylvania County</b>	<b>19</b> HH dog complaints	<b>1798</b> total dogs complaints	<b>1.1%</b>

- These are the same five hot spots identified by DWR
- These are complaints referencing dog specific to hound hunting
- In the determined hot spots, when considering dog complaints specific to hound hunting, the numbers are even smaller (3.6% or fewer)

This comes from FOIA Data Tab 3, "Complaints Referencing Dogs Specific to Hound Hunting"



## MAP 5 "Trespass Complaints Referencing Dog"

\*These are not specific to hound hunting  
\*From tab 4 in public FOIA data

### 3 Hot Spots (Red)

Cumberland County  
Halifax County  
King & Queen County

### 4 Orange Level Hot Spots

Louisa  
Mecklenburg  
Westmoreland  
Matthews

# ABOUT MAP 5

- Map 5 data is "Trespassing Complaints Referencing dogs."
- There were 590 trespassing dog complaints out of 5287 hunting complaints in 2022
- The data comes from Tab 4 in 2022 DWR Hunting FOIA documents.
- DWR identified three "red hot spots" in the Commonwealth where hunting complaints referencing dogs is the highest
- They are Cumberland, King & Queen, and Halifax
- DWR identified four "orange level hot spots" in the Commonwealth where hunting complaints referencing dogs is the next highest
- They are Louisa, Mecklenburg, Westmoreland, and Matthews

# NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS PER COUNTY IN HOT SPOTS

## Trespass Complaints referencing Dog

<b>Cumberland County</b>	<b>35</b> dog trespass	<b>590</b> total dog trespass	<b>5.9%</b>
<b>King &amp; Queen County</b>	<b>32</b> dog trespass	<b>590</b> total dog trespass	<b>5.4%</b>
<b>Halifax County</b>	<b>29</b> dog trespass	<b>590</b> total dog trespass	<b>4.9%</b>
<b>Mathews County</b>	<b>23</b> dog trespass	<b>590</b> total dog trespass	<b>3.9%</b>
<b>Louisa County</b>	<b>17</b> dog trespass	<b>590</b> total dog trespass	<b>2.9%</b>
<b>Westmoreland County</b>	<b>19</b> dog trespass	<b>590</b> total dog trespass	<b>3.2%</b>
<b>Mecklenburg County</b>	<b>21</b> dog trespass	<b>590</b> total dog trespass	<b>3.6%</b>

- These are the seven “hottest” spots identified by DWR where hunting trespassing complaints referencing dogs are the highest
- Even in the determined hot spots, the percentage of dog trespass complaints are all under 6%

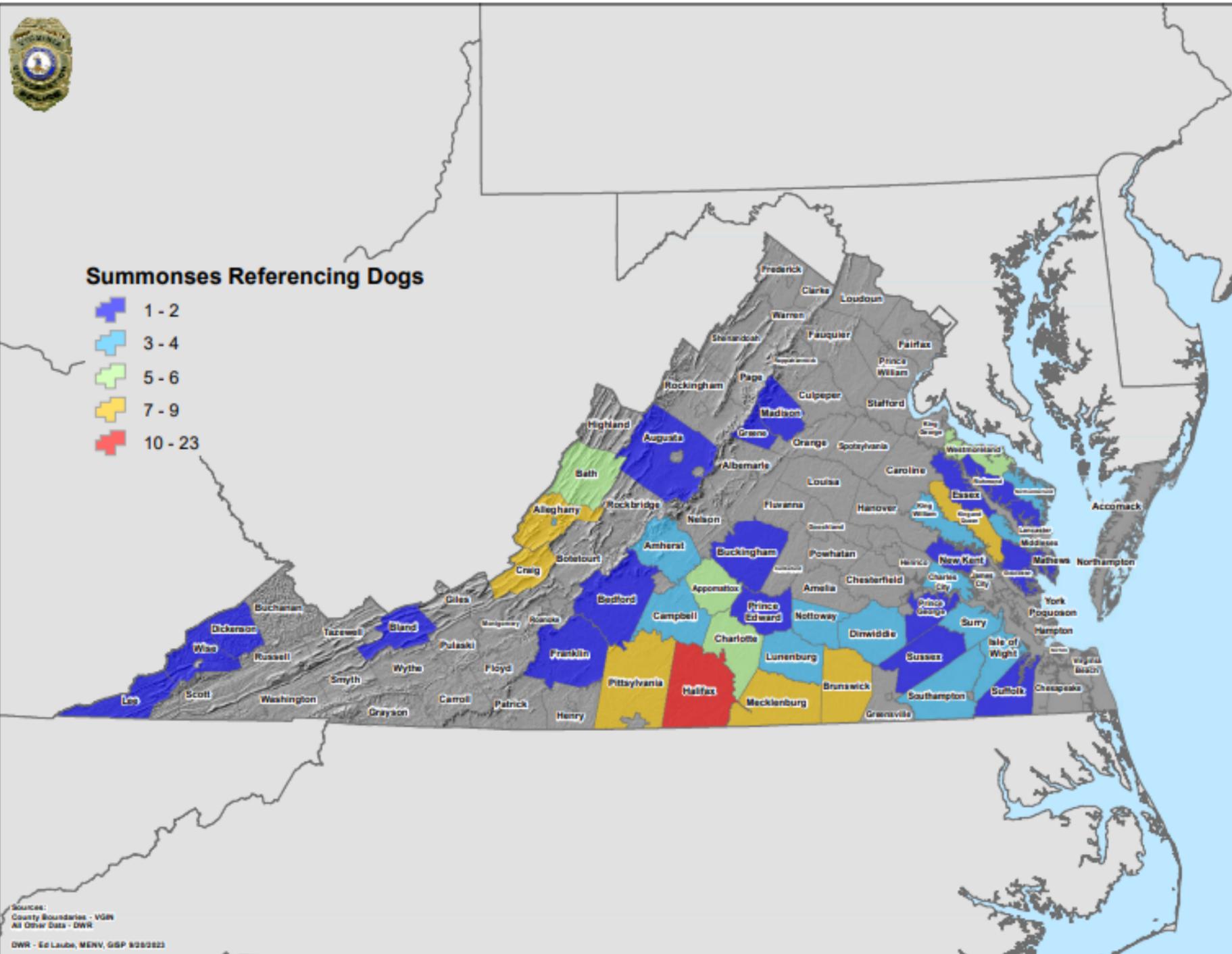
# NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS PER COUNTY IN HOT SPOTS

## Trespass Complaints Referencing Dog Specific to Hound Hunting

<b>Cumberland County</b>	<b>29</b> HH dog trespass	<b>590</b> total dog trespass	<b>4.9%</b>
<b>King &amp; Queen County</b>	<b>25</b> HH dog trespass	<b>590</b> total dog trespass	<b>4.2%</b>
<b>Halifax County</b>	25 HH dog trespass	<b>590</b> total dog trespass	<b>4.2%</b>
<b>Mathews County</b>	<b>16</b> HH dog trespass	<b>590</b> total dog trespass	<b>2.7%</b>
<b>Louisa County</b>	<b>11</b> HH dog trespass	<b>590</b> total dog trespass	<b>1.9%</b>
<b>Westmoreland County</b>	<b>14</b> HH dog trespass	<b>590</b> total dog trespass	<b>2.4%</b>
<b>Mecklenburg County</b>	<b>15</b> HH dog trespass	<b>590</b> total dog trespass	<b>2.5%</b>

- These are the same seven “hot spots” identified by DWR
- These are trespass complaints referencing dog specific to hound hunting
- In the determined hot spots, when considering dog trespass complaints specific to hound hunting, the numbers are even smaller (under 5%)

This comes from FOIA Data Tab 5, “Complaints Referencing Dogs Specific to Hound Hunting”



# MAP 7 "Summonses Referencing Dog"

\*These are not specific to hound hunting  
\*From tab 15 in public FOIA data

**1 Hot Spots (Red)**

Halifax County

**6 Orange Level Hot Spots**

Pittsylvania  
Mecklenburg  
King & Queen  
Brunswick  
Allegheny  
Craig

# ABOUT MAP 7

- Map 7 data is "Summonses Referencing Dogs."
- There were 199 summonses referencing dog out of 1914 summonses issued in 2022
- The data comes from Tab 15 in 2022 DWR Hunting FOIA documents.
- DWR identified one "hot spot" in the Commonwealth where hunting summonses referencing dogs is the highest
- This is Halifax
- DWR identified six "orange level hot spots" in the Commonwealth where hunting summonses referencing dogs is the next highest
- They are Pittsylvania, Mecklenburg, King & Queen, Brunswick, Allegheny, Craig

# NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS PER COUNTY IN HOT SPOTS

## Summonses referencing Dog

<b>Halifax County</b>	23 dog summonses	199 total dog summonses	<b>11.6%</b>
<b>Pittsylvania County</b>	7 dog summonses	199 total dog summonses	<b>3.5%</b>
<b>Mecklenburg County</b>	7 dog summonses	199 total dog summonses	<b>3.5%</b>
<b>Brunswick County</b>	7 dog summonses	199 total dog summonses	<b>3.5%</b>
<b>King &amp; Queen County</b>	8 dog summonses	199 total dog summonses	<b>4.0%</b>
<b>Allegheny County</b>	8 dog summonses	199 total dog summonses	<b>4.0%</b>
<b>Craig County</b>	0 dog summonses	199 total dog summonses	<b>0%</b>

- These are the seven “hottest” spots identified by DWR where hunting summonses referencing dogs are the highest
- The one red hot spot was 11.6%. The rest were 4% or fewer, and in Craig County (ID'd by DWR as a hot spot), there were actually zero summonses

# NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS PER COUNTY IN HOT SPOTS

## Trespass Summonses Referencing Dog

<b>Halifax County</b>	6 trespass summonses	199 total dog summonses	<b>3.0%</b>
<b>Pittsylvania County</b>	1 trespass summonses	199 total dog summonses	<b>0.5%</b>
<b>Mecklenburg County</b>	1 trespass summonses	199 total dog summonses	<b>0.5%</b>
<b>Brunswick County</b>	1 trespass summonses	199 total dog summonses	<b>0.5%</b>
<b>King &amp; Queen County</b>	2 trespass summonses	199 total dog summonses	<b>1.0%</b>
<b>Allegheny County</b>	0 trespass summonses	199 total dog summonses	<b>0%</b>
<b>Craig County</b>	0 trespass summonses	199 total dog summonses	<b>0%</b>

- These are the seven “hottest” spots identified by DWR where hunting summonses referencing dogs are the highest
- These are the number of trespass summonses referencing dogs in the hot spots.
- The hottest spot had 6 total trespass summonses, while the rest had 2, 1, or 0.

This comes from FOIA Data Tab 16, “Trespass Summonses Referencing Dog”

# ACTUAL NUMBER OF SUMMONSES REFERENCING DOGS & TRESPASS SUMMONSES REFERENCING DOGS FOR ALL COUNTIES IN 2022

Allegheny County:	9 summonses	0 trespass	King and Queen County:	8 summonses	2 trespass HH
Amherst County:	4 summonses	0 trespass	King William County:	4 summonses	1 trespass HH
Appomattox County:	7 summonses	5 trespass HH	Lancaster County:	2 summonses	1 trespass HH
Augusta County:	2 summonses	2 trespass HH	Lee County:	2 summonses	0 trespass
Bath County:	6 summonses	5 trespass HH	Lunenburg County:	4 summonses	3 trespass HH
Bedford County:	2 summonses	0 trespass	Madison County:	1 summons	0 trespass
Bland County:	1 summons	0 trespass	Mathews County:	1 summons	0 trespass
Brunswick County:	7 summonses	1 trespass HH	Mecklenburg County:	7 summonses	1 trespass HH
Buckingham County:	1 summons	0 trespass	Middlesex County:	3 summonses	0 trespass
Campbell County:	1 summons	0 trespass	Montgomery County:	7 summonses	0 trespass
Charles City County:	4 summonses	2 trespass HH	New Kent County:	1 summons*	0 trespass
Charlotte County:	6 summonses	0 trespass	Northumberland County:	3 summonses	2 trespass HH
Covington City:	3 summonses	0 trespass	Nottoway County:	3 summonses	0 trespass
Dickenson County:	1 summons	0 trespass	Pittsylvania County:	7 summonses	1 trespass HH
Dinwiddie County:	4 summonses	3 trespass HH	Prince George County:	1 summons	1 trespass HH
Franklin County:	1 summons	1 trespass HH	Richmond County:	1 summons	0 trespass
Gloucester County:	2 summonses	0 trespass	Southampton County:	5 summonses	3 trespass HH
Greene County:	4 summonses	1 trespass HH	Suffolk City:	1 summonses*	1 trespass HH
Greensville County:	1 summons	0 trespass	Surry County:	4 summonses	2 trespass HH
Halifax County:	23 summonses	6 trespass HH	Sussex County:	4 summonses	1 trespass HH
Isle of Wight County:	4 summonses	2 trespass HH	Westmoreland County:	5 summonses*	1 trespass HH
			Wise County:	2 summonses	

**TOTAL: 49 HH TRESPASS SUMMONSES**

## 2022 DATA SUMMARY

• All complaints referencing dog (map 3)	<b>1798</b>
• Complaints referencing dog specific to HH (unmapped)	<b>803</b>
• Trespass complaints referencing dog (map 5)	<b>590</b>
• Trespass complaints referencing dog specific to HH (unmapped)	<b>379</b>
• Summonses referencing dog (map 7)	<b>199</b>
• Trespass summonses referencing dog specific to HH (unmapped)	<b>49</b>

- **56%** of complaints referencing dog are non HH complaints
- **34%** of dog trespass complaints are non HH trespass complaints
- **75%** of dog summonses are non HH trespass summonses
- **15.5%** of HH trespass complaints result in a HH trespass summons
- **6.1%** of HH complaints result in a HH trespass summons
- **2.7%** all dog complaints results in a HH trespass summons

**HH TRESPASS SUMMONSES ARE A FRACTION OF ALL COMPLAINTS**