

TIME IS TICKING

The people, pets, livestock, and wildlife
supporting and transporting ticks

Can you find
9 ticks on this
poster?

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Ticks feed on many hosts such as rodents, birds, deer, livestock, pets, and humans. Larvae acquire most pathogens from small mammals and birds; nymphs and adults pass them to larger animals and people. Migratory birds, livestock movement, pets, and outdoor recreation move ticks through rural, wooded, peri-urban, and urban areas, where changing climate conditions or host imbalances (like especially abundant rodents and fewer predators) can increase tick and infection rates.