



## PIT BULL FACTS & FIGURES: Scalping and Disemboweling

Pit bulls have been bred for more than 300 years to execute gripping, tearing, killing types of bites. This document cites cases of scalping and disemboweling attacks from March 2015-April 2016.

Dr. E.J. Caterson and Dr. Matthew Carty, members of one of the world's finest reconstructive plastic surgery teams at Boston's Brigham and Women's Hospital, have reattached faces, salvaged legs, and saved lives. Seven years ago, they worked on a patient whose face had been torn off. The team opened up the pit bull's stomach, removed the face, and reattached it. From "Let General Stanley McChrystal Explain Why Adaptability Trumps Hierarchy."

<http://www.fastcompany.com/3045477/work-smart/goodbye-org-chart>

04/15/16 Fresno, CA: "She is bit(ten), mauled, on every part of her body, may lose an arm, her scalp was torn off, very, very serious attack. Police say the woman was injured so badly she has yet to be identified. The two dogs that were attacking her were both under a year old, both are pit bull mixes." <http://www.yourcentralvalley.com/news/woman-hospitalized-after-dog-attack>

03/31/16 Leesburg, FL: Sonda Tyson, 66, was killed by her pet pit bull-mix (raised from puppyhood) in her home. "She's bleeding everywhere. Her bones are showing," a family member said during the 911 call. <http://www.clickorlando.com/news/leesburg-police-shoot-bloody-dog-blocking-door-to-womans-home>

03/03/16 Indianapolis, IN: Kaiden Harrison, 6, was mauled by a pit bull while playing outside. "There was a lot of blood. The guy's shirt was drenched in blood," he said. Gamble described what his injuries looked like. "It's like he (the pit bull) was on his face for like a minute. It's like he was eating his face." <http://fox59.com/2016/03/14/indianapolis-boy-hospitalized-after-dog-mauling/>

02/10/16 Snug Harbor, NC: Debbie Brown rushed down the street and burst into her daughter's house after hearing she'd been mauled by her new pit bull. "There was blood everywhere," Brown said. "Her hair was just soaked – solid blood – just covered in blood." [http://pilotonline.com/news/local/north-carolina-woman-killed-by-her-own-dog/article\\_bbec153e-4449-5a8c-b690-fb4f5708abff.html](http://pilotonline.com/news/local/north-carolina-woman-killed-by-her-own-dog/article_bbec153e-4449-5a8c-b690-fb4f5708abff.html)

02/04/16 Port Huron, MI: "The attack resulted in extensive injuries to Hardy, including the loss of both ears, a portion of her nose and an eye, according to the police report. Her carotid artery had been severed, the trachea was damaged, her cervical spine broken and there was possible damage to the jugular." <http://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/local/port-huron/2016/02/04/witness-hardy-climbed-fence-pulled-pit-bull/79808858/>

01/24/16 Lumberton, NC: One of the dogs, a pit bull, eventually tackled Talan (West).

"It broke his neck but it took pretty much (took) the entire back of his neck off and that's when he died," said mom Jamie West.

<http://wncn.com/2016/01/25/nc-mom-speaks-out-after-son-dies-from-pit-bull-attack/>

01/17/16 East Palatka, FL: "Authorities took the child to UF Health in Gainesville, and first-responders said that the dog (pit bull) may have bitten into the child's skull and that the dog "almost ripped the child's left ear off," according to an incident report."

<http://www.firstcoastnews.com/story/news/local/2016/01/17/deputies-dog-bites-3-year-old-head-almost-rips-ear-off/78938042/>

12/02/15: Detroit, MI: "What Williams saw when the dogs backed off from the boy was so overwhelming, it caused her to leave the scene: The pit bulls had disemboweled the child, she said."

<http://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/detroit/2015/12/22/horror-video-shown-case-dogs-mauling-child/77767288/>

10/25/15 Cocoa, FL (Brevard County): "A 6-year-old boy is still in the hospital Monday with his family by his side, after a pit bull attacked him and ripped open his scalp over the weekend." "A neighbor said his scalp or his skull was showing."

<http://www.wesh.com/news/west-cocoa-child-bitten-by-dog-on-head-seriously-injured/36043810>

10/01/15 Carroll County, IN: "Flesh was ripped from her scalp and muscle was torn from her leg." ...

"Rebkah has 75 percent of her scalp removed she will not be able to grow her hair back," said Shena, adding that Rebkah will need skin and muscle grafts. "Two young women — cousins — were finishing a two-mile jog when four pit bulls came after them." "The Carroll County Sheriff says this was worse than an attack. Sheriff Toby Leazenby called it a feeding frenzy."

<http://www.wthr.com/story/30174917/carroll-county-women-mauled-in-dog-attack-graphic-images>

09/22/15 Miami-Dade, FL: Autopsy findings reveal that (Carmen) Reigada's flesh was torn from her face and scalp. She also had multiple puncture wounds to her neck.

"The skin of the scalp and most of the face is absent," the report said, noting that bone was exposed on portions of her face and her upper lip was missing. The report also revealed that Reigada suffered multiple rib fractures, lacerations to her liver and lungs, and contusions to her liver, lungs and heart.

<http://www.local10.com/news/autopsy-report-reveals-graphic-details-of-91yearold-womans-body-after-dog-attack/35729750>

08/26/15 Muncie, IN: Dog bites off part of elderly Muncie woman's face "I could see that part of her face around the right jaw was missing," the officer said in his narrative.

<http://cbs4indy.com/2015/08/28/dog-bites-off-part-of-elderly-muncie-womans-face/>

08/07/15 Warren, MI: 9 year old attacked by pit bull in Warren "Her face was pretty much ripped open," Pino said. "And her scalp as well. And she was bleeding profusely."

<http://www.fox2detroit.com/news/local-news/5882639-story>

07/31/15 Tacoma, WA: "Her face is nearly ripped off," Weymer said.

<http://www.thenewstribune.com/news/business/article29765404.html>

07/27/15 Wichita Falls, TX: "The victim was rushed to the hospital for treatment of puncture wounds to his head, neck, jaw and abdomen. Part of his scalp had been ripped away."

[http://www.timesrecordnews.com/news/local-news/man-seriously-hurt-in-dog-attack\\_57508993](http://www.timesrecordnews.com/news/local-news/man-seriously-hurt-in-dog-attack_57508993)

07/26/15 N. Charleston, SC: "A North Charleston man's pit bull attacked his wife Sunday and tore her arm off." <http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20150727/PC16/150729431/north-charleston-woman-in-icu-after-husband-x2019-s-dog-tears-off-her-arm>

05/03/15 Lebanon, PA: "Lebanon Animal Control confiscated a pit bull after it bit the head off of a neighbor's dog." [http://www.lebanondailyrecord.com/news/local/article\\_8eee3152-f29e-11e4-93c8-db159092b873.html](http://www.lebanondailyrecord.com/news/local/article_8eee3152-f29e-11e4-93c8-db159092b873.html)

04/14/15 Pahrump, NV: Man attacked by pit bulls in March dies of his wounds. "The dogs actually chewed his left hand off. He lost six pints of his blood and his face was torn off. His eye was hanging out..." [http://www.news3lv.com/content/news/story/Pahrump-man-dies-from-attack-by-pack-of-pit-bulls/EQsU\\_6e\\_TEOVtLwcnY3Rjg.csp](http://www.news3lv.com/content/news/story/Pahrump-man-dies-from-attack-by-pack-of-pit-bulls/EQsU_6e_TEOVtLwcnY3Rjg.csp)

04/01/15 Grosse Pointe Farms, MI: "Pale skin frames the jagged cavity that a male pit bull tore, and likely ate, from the rear left calf of a woman taking an evening's walk near her home on lower Moross." "With the amount of flesh I saw missing, some had to be consumed."

<http://www.grossepointenews.com/Articles-News-i-2015-04-09-256441.114135-Pit-bull-attack.html>

03/31/15 Tuscaloosa, AL: Boy attacked by neighbor's pit bull while walking home from school. "I've worked on several dog bite cases," Patterson said. "In all my years doing so, I've never seen injuries so horrific as this child has had to endure."

[http://www.al.com/news/tuscaloosa/index.ssf/2015/04/family\\_of\\_9-year-old\\_mauled\\_by.html](http://www.al.com/news/tuscaloosa/index.ssf/2015/04/family_of_9-year-old_mauled_by.html)

03/28/15 Fort Lauderdale, FL: Boy attacked by neighbor's pit bull while riding his bike in his driveway; mother injured trying to save him. "The dog took off a portion of the meat off (sic) her body," her brother said. <http://www.local10.com/news/woman-son-attacked-by-pit-bull-to-be-released-from-hospital/32161024>

03/21/15 Pine Bluff, AR: Man mauled to death by pack of pit bulls. "It's hard to describe. The man was just chewed up." <http://www.thv11.com/story/news/2015/03/21/pine-bluff-man-mauled-to-death-by-group-of-pit-bulls-one-still-at-large/25152897/>

03/09/15 Romania: Woman "decapitated and eaten alive by son's pit bull in savage attack in back yard" <http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/world-news/woman-decapitated-eaten-alive-sons-5298592>

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**National Pit Bull Victim Awareness** is a North American coalition of more than 50 organizations and groups including Daxton's Friends (Wisconsin), DogsBite.org (Texas), Dangerous By Default (Maryland), Protect Children from Pit Bulls and Other Dangerous Dogs (California), BanPitBulls.org (USA and Canada), and AVOCA (Worldwide), and is supported by PETA - People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals.