

Shelter Animals Count Data

Animal Care Centers of NYC

May 2026



		Dogs			Cats			Rabbits	Guinea Pigs	Grand Total
		Adult	Up to 5 months	Total	Adult	Up to 5 months	Total	All Ages	All Ages	
Intakes	Stray/At Large	341	21	362	306	355	661	5	12	1,040
	Relinquished by Owner	161	19	180	307	62	369	16	13	578
	Other Intakes	0	0	0	0	13	13	0	3	16
	Total	502	40	542	613	430	1,043	21	28	1,634
Live Outcomes	Adoption	134	11	145	274	64	338	5	5	493
	Returned to Owner	113	2	115	26	3	29	0	0	144
	Transferred to Other Agency	184	16	200	196	195	391	9	8	608
	Total	431	29	460	496	262	758	14	13	1,245
Other Outcomes	Died in Care	2	3	5	6	10	16	1	3	25
	Lost in Care	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Shelter Euthanasia	66	1	67	46	40	86	1	1	155
	Total	68	4	72	52	50	102	2	4	180

Placement Rate 87% 97% 87% 92% 87% 90% 93% 93% 89%

Placement Rate Calculation in percentage: (Adoptions + Transfers + RTO)/Total Outcomes (minus owner-intended euthanasia and died/lost in care)

Does not include low-cost end-of-life services provided to the public for 96 dogs, 50 cats, 1 rabbit, and 1 guinea pig.



About Shelter Animals Count: Eight of the nation's largest and most influential animal welfare organizations and foundations recently convened to create a position statement on the importance of transparency and sharing key data as defined by Shelter Animals Count. The joint position statement is being made publicly available to provide a better understanding of accountability expectations for organizations that take stray and homeless pets into their care. It is also intended to help guide shelter protocols and inform the future of the industry.

Together, the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals®, Best Friends Animal Society, Michelson Found Animals Foundation, the Humane Society of the United States, Maddie's Fund®, PetSmart Charities®, Petco Foundation and WaterShed Animal Fund contribute more than \$100 million annually to animal welfare and provide for the care of millions of pets each year.

The issuing of this position statement marks a shared commitment among the eight renowned animal welfare organizations to lead by example and work together to save and enhance the lives of animals across the country. The position statement reads as follows:

"As national leaders and funders of animal welfare in North America, we believe that organizations should be transparent about the number of animals that come under their care, and the outcome for all of those animals. That is why we support the public availability of key data (the basic data matrix as defined by Shelter Animals Count), from all animal welfare agencies and nonprofits, both publicly and privately funded and whether or not they provide government animal control services or humane law enforcement."