

Shelter Animals Count Data

Animal Care Centers of NYC

September 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	329	9	338	259	263	522	18	3	881
	Relinquished by Owner	169	5	174	278	69	347	11	4	536
	Other Intakes	0	0	0	0	19	19	0	0	19
	Total	498	14	512	537	351	888	29	7	1,436
Live Outcomes	Adoption	114	5	119	337	204	541	7	0	667
	Returned to Owner	111	0	111	20	1	21	2	0	134
	Transferred to Other Agency	172	6	178	164	192	356	6	5	545
	Total	397	11	408	521	397	918	15	5	1,346
Other Outcomes	Died in Care	3	0	3	4	18	22	0	0	25
	Lost in Care	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Shelter Euthanasia	70	4	74	67	61	128	4	2	208
	Total	73	4	77	71	79	150	4	2	233

Placement Rate 85% 73% 85% 89% 87% 88% 79% 71% **87%**

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



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."