

PetPoint Report: June 2013

The PetPoint Report is a monthly gauge of U.S. pet owner demand for cats and dogs available for adoption. Data is aggregated via the PetPoint Animal Management Software, a cloud-based application developed and launched in 2005. PetPoint is the most widely used animal management application in North American animal welfare.

The June PetPoint Report aggregates data from 1,113 animal welfare organizations (“AWOs”) in the United States and compares it to data from 2012. For the purposes here, AWOs are defined as animal control agencies, SPCAs, humane societies and rescue groups. Only data from AWOs operating PetPoint during both June 2012 and June 2013 have been included.

The report includes data on 182,234 cats and dogs that entered AWOs during the month (referred to as Intakes) and 170,629 cats and dogs that left AWOs over the same period (referred to as Outcomes). Only data for cats and dogs is reported here. AWOs from 48 states (excluding Delaware and North Dakota), Washington D.C. and the U.S. Virgin Islands are represented in this report.

Intakes

Cats

- Owner surrenders of cats totaled 30,950, a decrease of 8% from June 2012.
- Cats returned to shelters from owners previously adopting from the same organization totaled 2,331, an increase of 12% from the previous year.
- Seizures of cats conducted by law enforcement agencies decreased 9% to 6,900.
- Intakes of stray cats totaled 48,735, a decrease of 8%.
- 9,886 cats were transferred in from other AWOs, an increase of 4%.
- Total intakes of all cats into AWOs equaled 98,802 during June 2013, a decrease of 7% from June 2012.

Dogs

- Owner surrenders totaled 23,055, a decline of 8% from June 2012.
- Returns of dogs previously adopted from the same organizations totaled 4,417, an increase of 11% from the previous year.
- Seizures of dogs conducted by law enforcement agencies increased 2% to 8,894.
- Intakes of stray dogs totaled 29,379, a decline of 7%.
- Transfers of dogs into AWOs totaled 17,687, an increase of 5%.
- Total intakes of all dogs equaled 83,432 during June 2013, a decline of 3% from June 2012.

Outcomes

Cats

- 38,494 cats were adopted in June 2013, which represented a 3% increase year over year.
- A total of 2,935 cats died (excluding euthanasia) while in AWOs during June 2013, which represents a 1% decrease compared to June of last year.
- Euthanasia totaled 38,989, a decline of 21% from June last year.
- 1,724 cats were returned to their owners, an increase of 2% compared to June 2012.
- Transfers of cats out of reporting AWOs to other organizations increased 16% to 6,642.
- In June 2013, 88,784 cats left AWOs, a decrease of 9% from June 2012.

Dogs

- 40,379 dogs were adopted in June 2013, which represented a 5% increase from the previous year.
- The number of dogs that died while in shelters totaled 803 (excluding euthanasia), a decline of 6% over 2012.
- Euthanasia totaled 20,538, a decrease of 15% from June last year.
- Dogs returned to owners totaled 10,364, an increase of 2% compared to June 2012.
- Transfers of dogs from reporting AWOs to other organizations increased 8% to 9,761.
- In June 2013, 81,845 dogs left AWOs during June 2013, a decline of 1% from June 2012.

Adoption Fees

- Adoption fees for cats younger than 1 year of age averaged \$64 in June 2013, which represents a decrease of 2% from June 2012.
- Adoption fees for cats older than 1 year of age averaged \$37, which represents a 3% decrease compared to June of last year.
- For dogs less than 1 year of age, adoption fees averaged \$126, a 6% increase over June 2012.
- For dogs older than 1 year of age, adoption fees averaged \$93, an increase of 2% compared to June of last year.

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