

PetPoint Report: June 2016

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 1,197 animal welfare organizations (“AWOs”) in the United States and compares it to data from the same month in 2015. 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 2015 and June 2016 have been included.

The report includes data on 188,341 cats and dogs that entered AWOs during the month (referred to as Intakes) and 172,122 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, as well as Washington D.C. and the U.S. Virgin Islands are represented in this report; AWOs from North Dakota and West Virginia are excluded.

Intakes

Cats

- Total intakes of all cats into AWOs equaled 100,980 during June 2016, which represents a 3.5% decrease from June 2015.
- Owner surrenders of cats totaled 30,525, a decrease of 1.6% from June 2015.
- Cats returned by owners previously adopting from the same organization totaled 2,801, an increase of 6.0% from the previous year.
- Intakes of stray cats totaled 47,097, which represents a 7.8% decrease from June 2015.
- In June 2016, 12,508 cats were transferred in from other AWOs, an increase of 4.8% over the previous year.
- Seizures of cats conducted by law enforcement agencies increased 1.3% during June 2016 to 8,049.

Dogs

- Total intakes of all dogs equaled 87,361 during June 2016, a decrease of 2.1% from June 2015.
- Owner surrenders totaled 22,522, a decrease of 4.8% from June 2015.
- Returns of dogs previously adopted from the same organizations totaled 4,656, an increase of 3.7% from the previous year.
- Intakes of stray dogs totaled 28,179, a decrease of 7.1% from June 2015.
- Transfers of dogs into AWOs totaled 21,608 in June 2016, an increase of 6.7% over the previous year.
- Seizures of dogs conducted by law enforcement agencies decreased 0.9% during June 2016 to 10,366.

Outcomes

Cats

- In June 2016, 88,648 cats left AWOs, which represents a 2.8% decrease from June 2015.
- 45,006 cats were adopted in June 2016, which represents a 5.1% increase year over year.
- Euthanasia totaled 28,042, a decline of 18.0% from June of last year.
- Transfers of cats out of reporting AWOs to other organizations increased 17.0% to 9,718.
- 2,194 cats were returned to their owners, an increase of 11.0% compared to June 2015.
- The number of cats that died while in AWOs totaled 3,688 (excluding euthanasia), which represents a 4.6% decrease from June 2015 to June 2016.

Dogs

- In June 2016, 83,474 dogs left AWOs, a decrease of 3.43% from June 2015.
- 43,382 dogs were adopted in June 2016, which represents a 0.9% decrease from the previous year.
- Euthanasia totaled 14,191, a decline of 18.2% from June of last year.
- Transfers of dogs from reporting AWOs to other organizations increased 8.3% to 13,164.
- Dogs returned to owners totaled 12,069, which represents a 2.1% decrease compared to June 2015.
- The number of dogs that died while in AWOs totaled 668 (excluding euthanasia), which represents a 22.5% decrease from June 2015 to June 2016.

Adoption Fees

- Adoption fees for cats younger than 1 year of age averaged \$71 in June 2016, which represents a 6.0% increase from June 2015.
- Adoption fees for cats older than 1 year of age averaged \$39, which represents a 2.6% increase compared to June of last year.
- For dogs less than 1 year of age, adoption fees averaged \$152, which represents a 7.8% increase from June 2015.
- For dogs older than 1 year of age, adoption fees averaged \$98, which represents a 4.3% increase compared to June of last year.

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