



Comparison of animal shelter statistics, 1993-2018

The following results are from Humane Canada’s survey of humane societies and SPCAs in Canada. Other establishments that also shelter homeless animals, such as individual private shelters, rescue and foster groups, and municipal animal services were not targeted by the survey. Nevertheless, this data set represents the best information about companion animals in Canadian shelters that Humane Canada is aware of. Percentages represent outcome relative to number admitted. For the years 2012 and later, the percentage relative to total number in shelter is also given in parentheses.

DOGS

| | Admitted | Reclaimed | Adopted | Euthanized |
|------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| 1993 | 102,132 | 24% | 39% | 30% |
| 1995 | 29,108 | 35% | 37% | 26% |
| 1997 | 83,133 | 28% | 37% | 31% |
| 1998 | 85,564 | 28% | 38% | 26% |
| 1999 | 55,290 | 26% | 38% | 27% |
| 2000 | 73,655 | 24% | 36% | 23% |
| 2001 | 39,531 | 24% | 49% | 23% |
| 2002 | 58,052 | 25% | 46% | 19% |
| 2003 | 38,105 | 16% | 53% | 21% |
| 2004 | 37,774 | 19% | 49% | 19% |
| 2007 | 48,333 | 28% | 43% | 21% |
| 2008 | 36,651 | 30% | 49% | 19% |
| 2010 | 43,121 | 28% | 52% | 14% |
| 2011 | 54,978 | 28% | 45% | 16% |
| 2012 | 53,085 | 28% (26%) | 48% (45%) | 17% (15%) |
| 2013 | 46,578 | 28% (25%) | 49% (45%) | 17% (16%) |
| 2014 | 38,630 | 31% (28%) | 47% (42%) | 11% (10%) |
| 2015 | 35,550 | 31% (29%) | 50% (48%) | 13% (12%) |
| 2016 | 31,722 | 30% (28%) | 52% (48%) | 10% (9%) |
| 2017 | 33,740 | 30% (28%) | 48% (45%) | 12% (11%) |
| 2018 | 29,955 | 28% (27%) | 49% (47%) | 12% (11%) |



CATS

| | Admitted | Reclaimed | Adopted | Euthanized |
|------|----------|-------------|-----------|------------|
| 1993 | 176,185 | 3.8% | 28% | 60% |
| 1995 | 39,927 | 4.2% | 35% | 58% |
| 1997 | 140,205 | 5.1% | 32% | 60% |
| 1998 | 136,316 | 5.1% | 33% | 54% |
| 1999 | 94,269 | 4.5% | 32% | 56% |
| 2000 | 120,422 | 4.7% | 34% | 49% |
| 2001 | 74,087 | 3.6% | 38% | 51% |
| 2002 | 105,603 | 3.9% | 37% | 48% |
| 2003 | 71,126 | 3.2% | 45% | 41% |
| 2004 | 72,261 | 3.4% | 45% | 43% |
| 2007 | 109,347 | 3.8% | 38% | 51% |
| 2008 | 84,301 | 3.8% | 41% | 54% |
| 2010 | 91,853 | 3.8% | 46% | 46% |
| 2011 | 123,746 | 4.8% | 45% | 42% |
| 2012 | 119,198 | 3.7% (3.7%) | 46% (42%) | 44% (41%) |
| 2013 | 103,433 | 3.5% (3.2%) | 53% (47%) | 37% (33%) |
| 2014 | 85,392 | 5.0% (4.5%) | 58% (53%) | 27% (24%) |
| 2015 | 82,436 | 5.3% (5.0%) | 61% (57%) | 21% (20%) |
| 2016 | 85,546 | 5.3% (4.9%) | 63% (58%) | 21% (19%) |
| 2017 | 87,737 | 5.8% (5.4%) | 64% (60%) | 19% (17%) |
| 2018 | 81,602 | 5.1% (4.8%) | 66% (62%) | 16% (15%) |