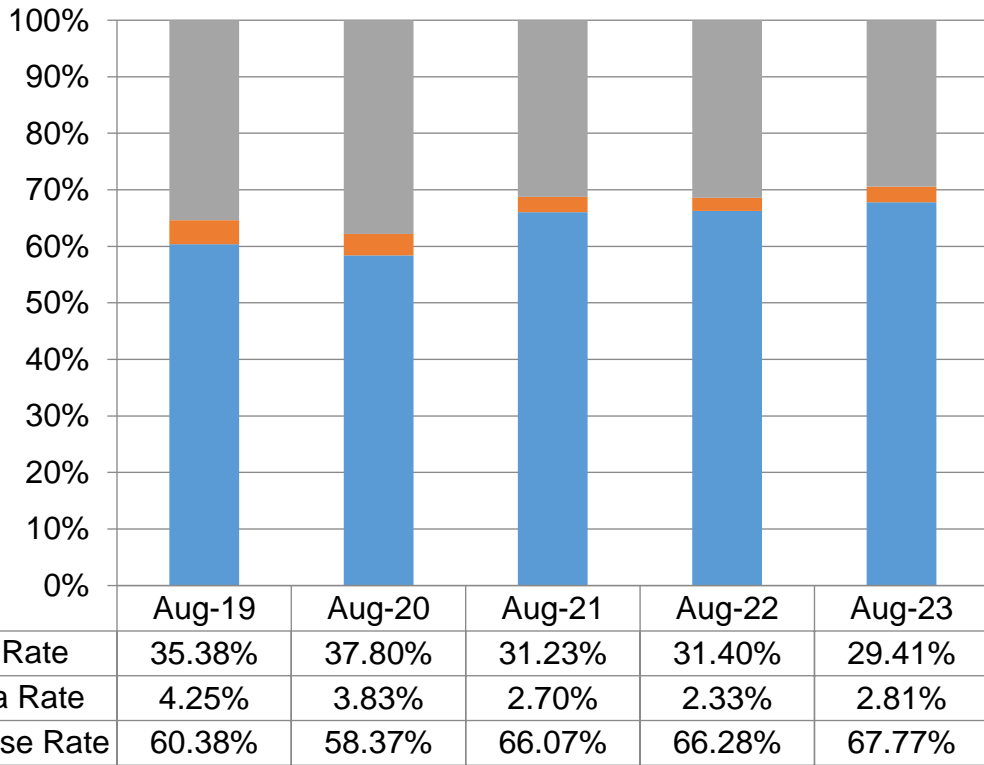


Dane County Humane Society
Rolling Release Rate
&
Save Rate
Overview

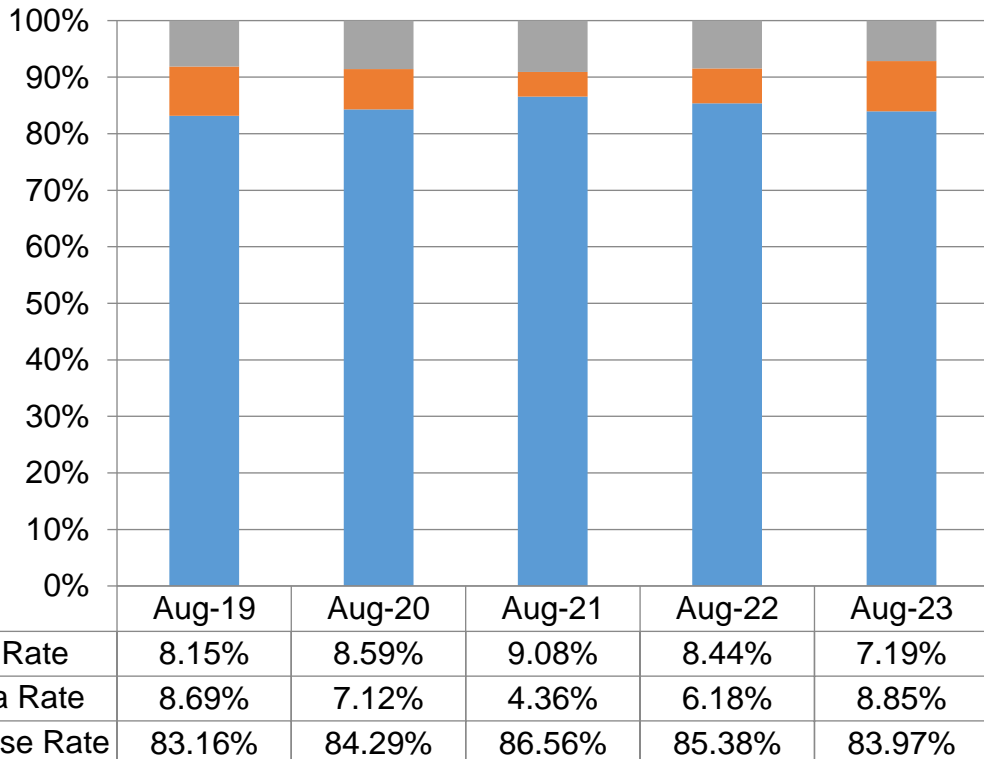
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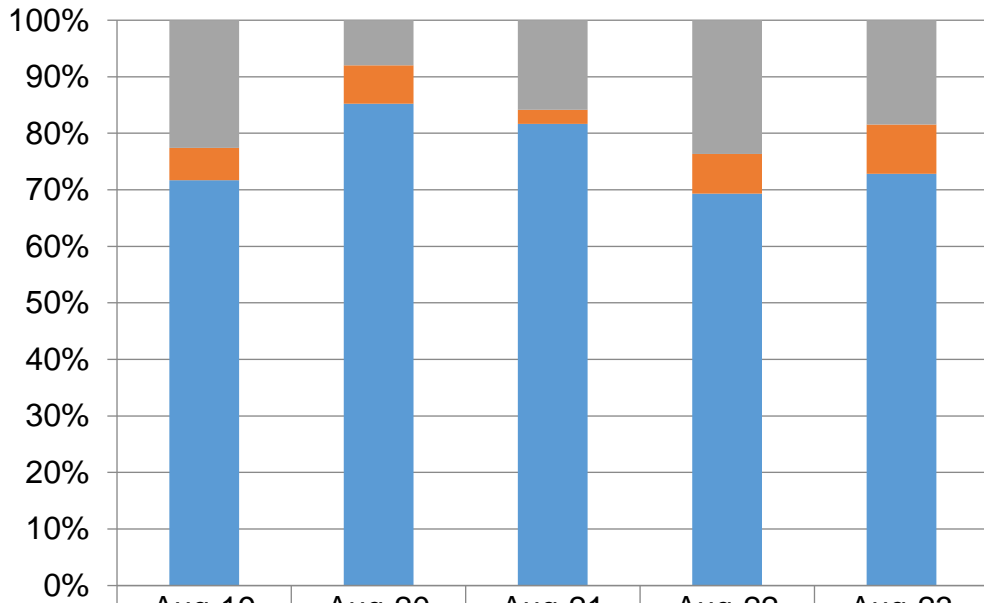
Cat Rolling Release Rate August



Cat Rolling Release Rate Year to Date

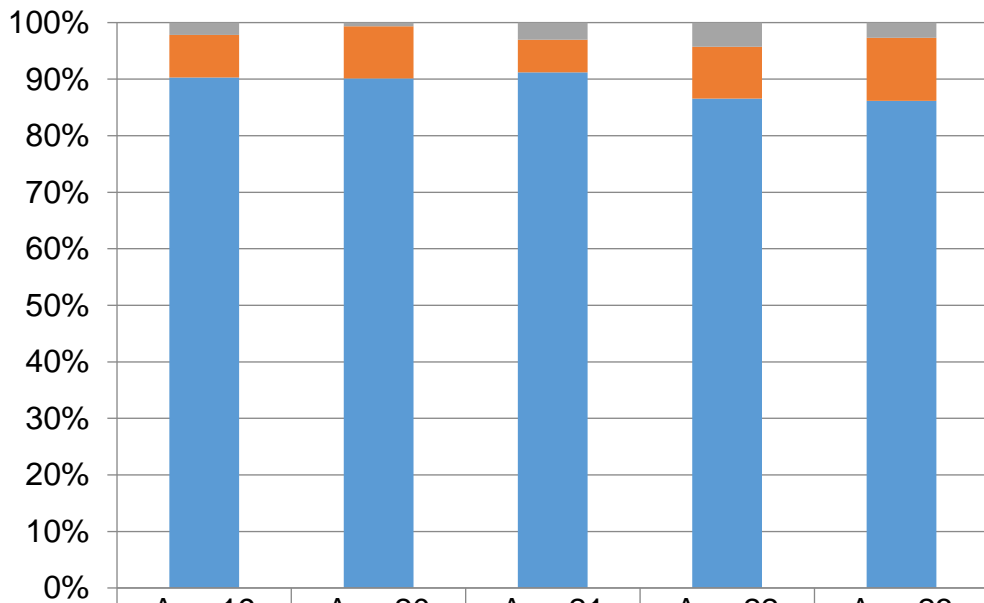


Dog Rolling Release Rate August



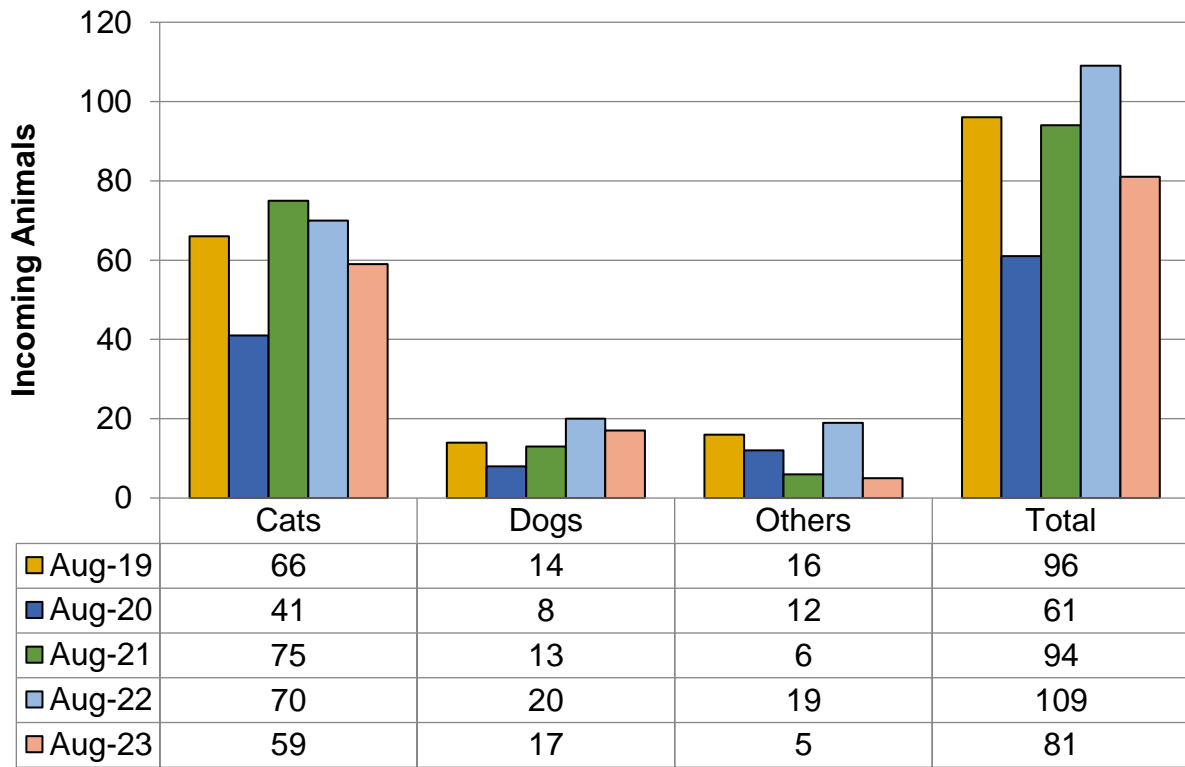
	Aug-19	Aug-20	Aug-21	Aug-22	Aug-23
Sanctuary Rate	22.58%	7.95%	15.84%	23.68%	18.46%
Euthanasia Rate	5.73%	6.82%	2.48%	7.02%	8.72%
Live Release Rate	71.68%	85.23%	81.68%	69.30%	72.82%

Dog Rolling Release Rate Year to Date

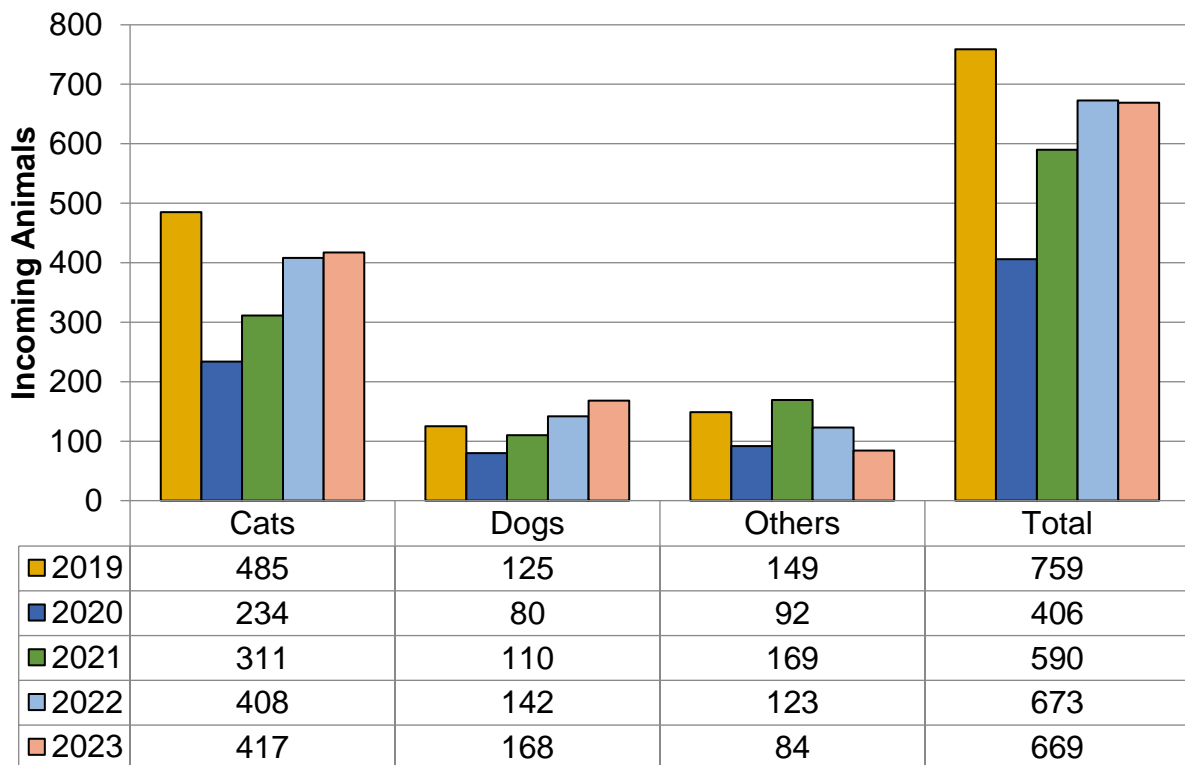


	Aug-19	Aug-20	Aug-21	Aug-22	Aug-23
Sanctuary Rate	2.17%	0.63%	3.03%	4.30%	2.70%
Euthanasia Rate	7.55%	9.23%	5.78%	9.15%	11.15%
Live Release Rate	90.28%	90.14%	91.19%	86.56%	86.15%

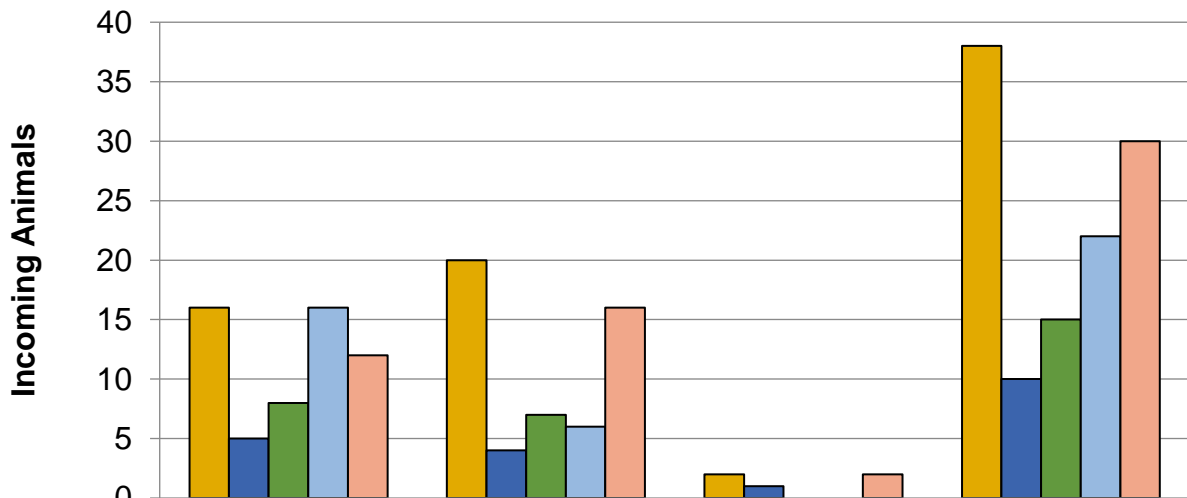
Surrenders August



Surrenders Year to Date

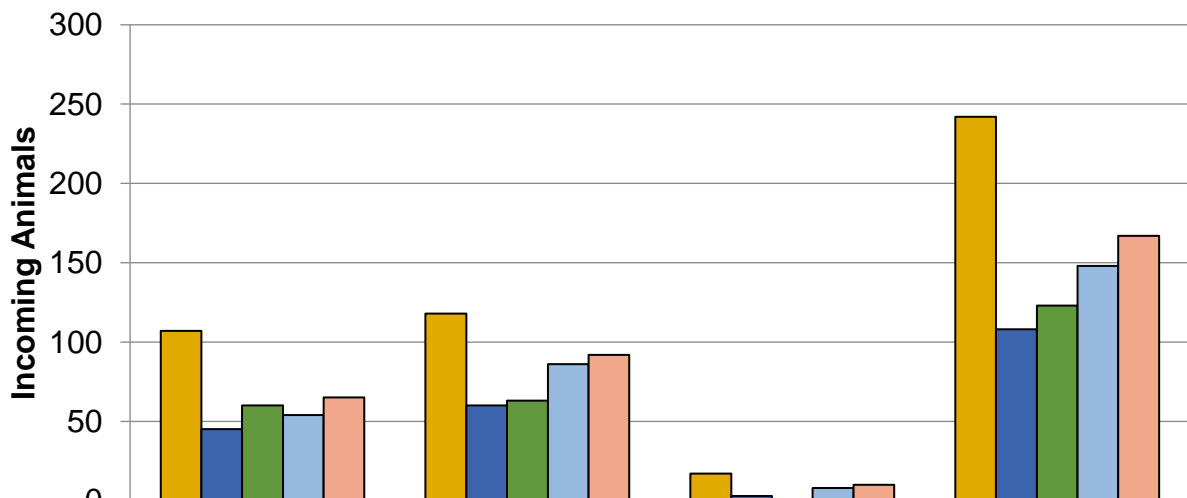


Returns August



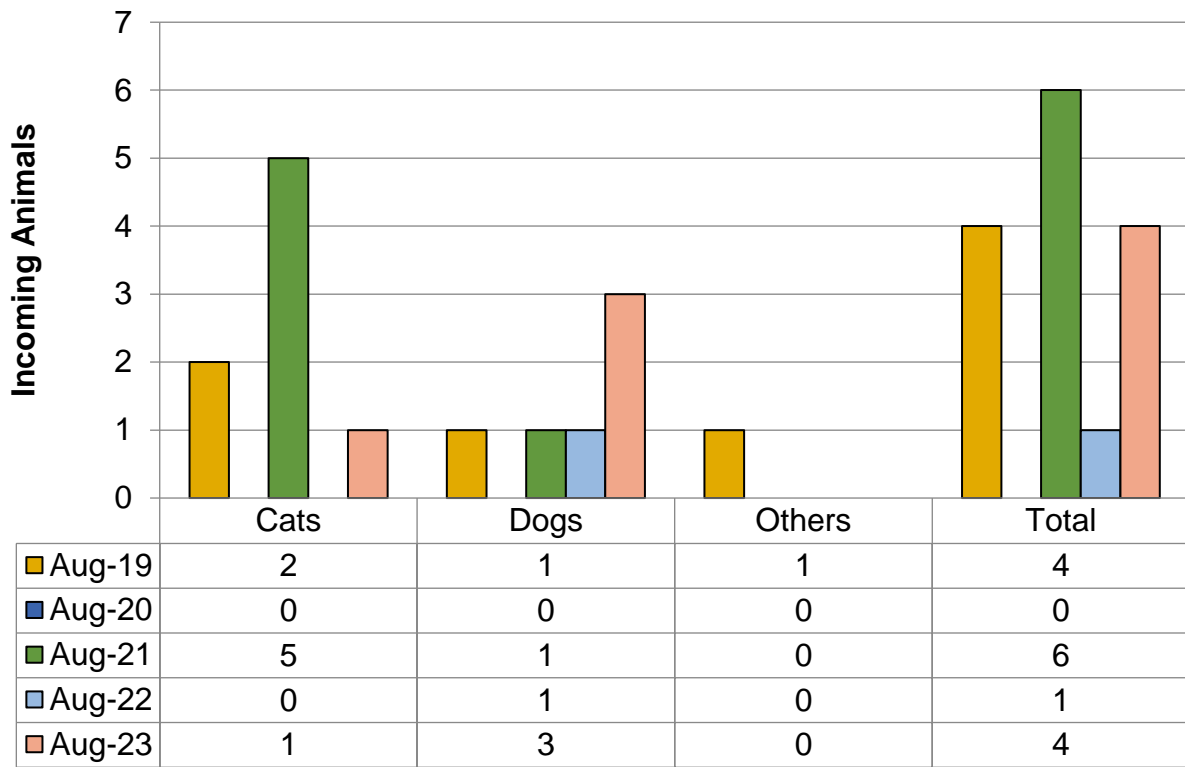
	Cats	Dogs	Others	Total
Aug-19	16	20	2	38
Aug-20	5	4	1	10
Aug-21	8	7	0	15
Aug-22	16	6	0	22
Aug-23	12	16	2	30

Returns Year to Date

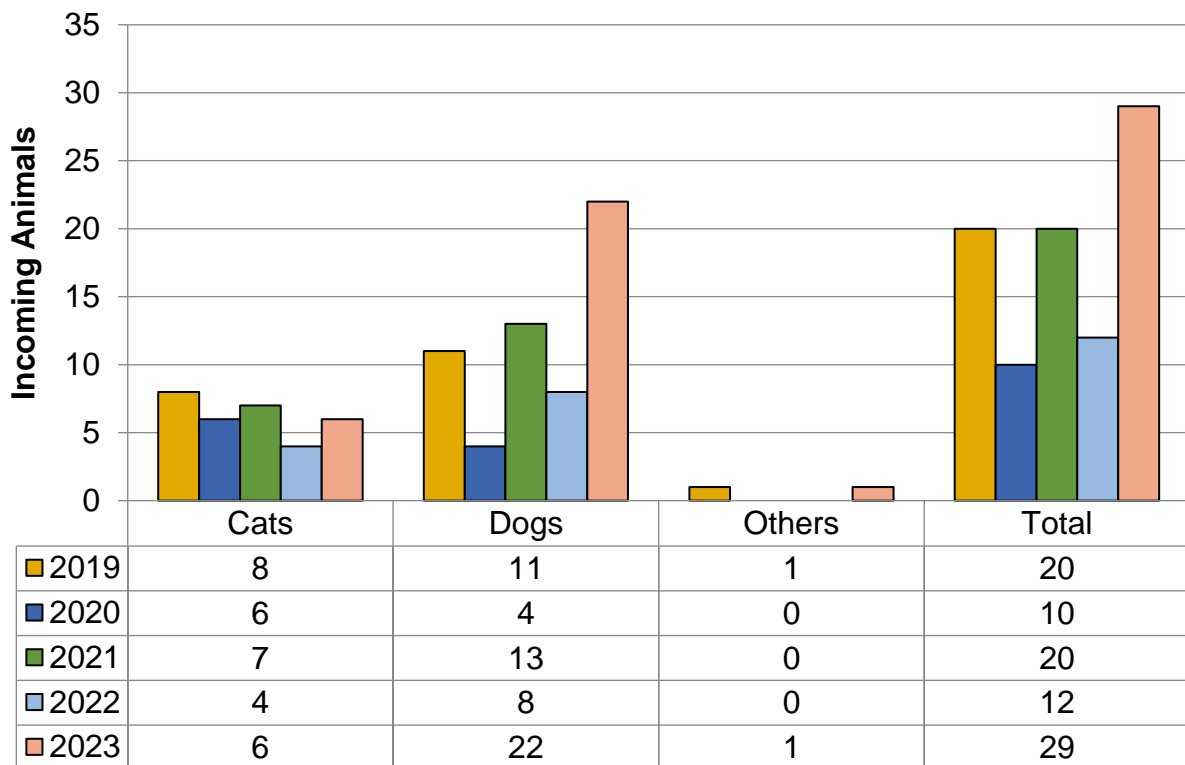


	Cats	Dogs	Others	Total
2019	107	118	17	242
2020	45	60	3	108
2021	60	63	0	123
2022	54	86	8	148
2023	65	92	10	167

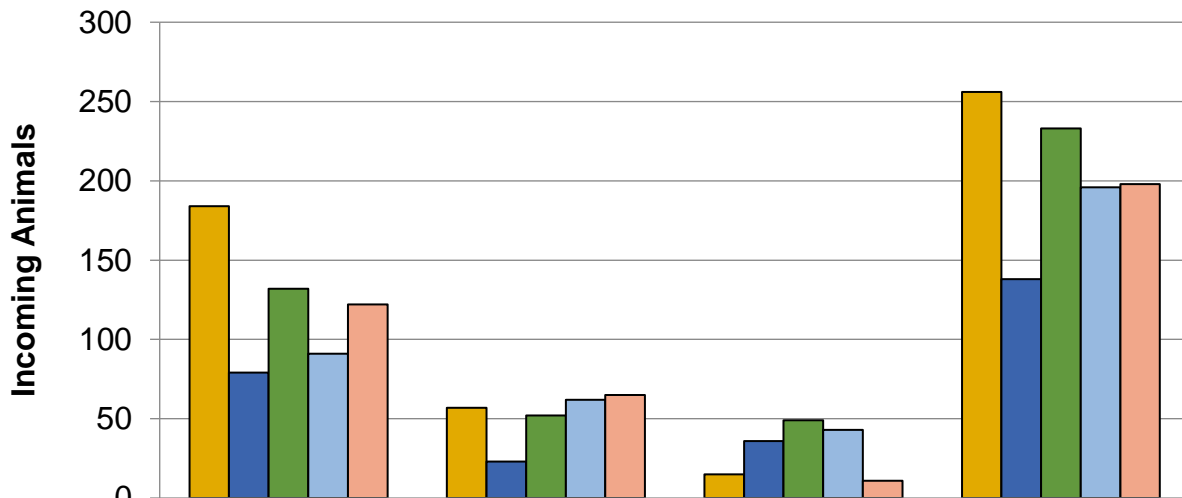
Seized / Custody August



Seized / Custody Year to Date

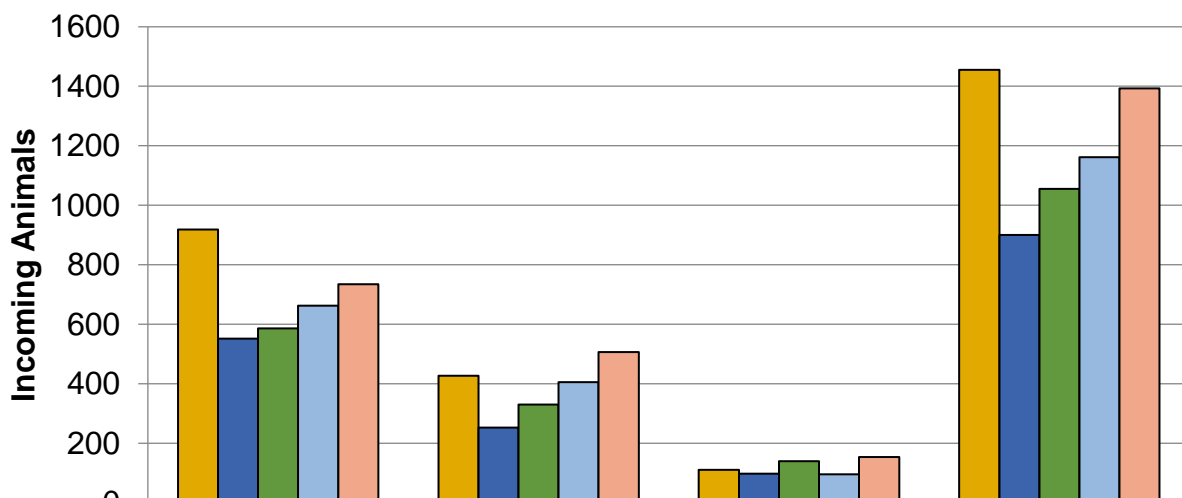


Stray August



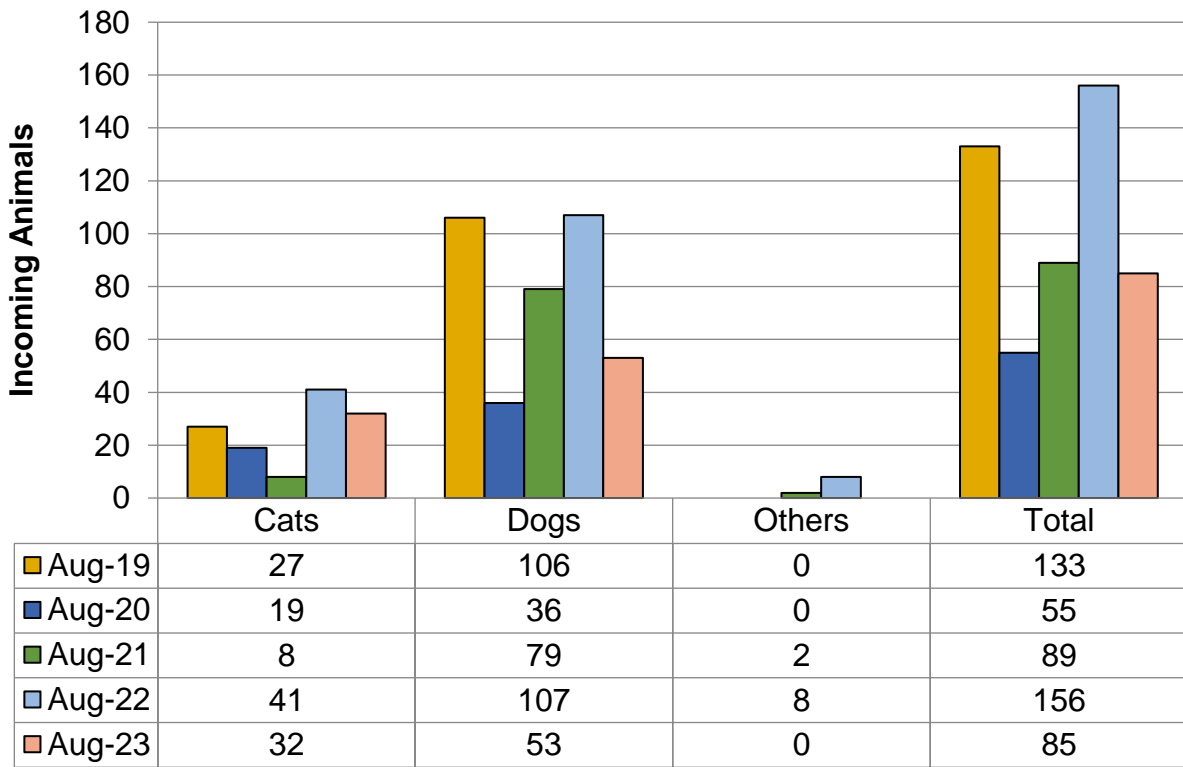
	Cats	Dogs	Others	Total
Aug-19	184	57	15	256
Aug-20	79	23	36	138
Aug-21	132	52	49	233
Aug-22	91	62	43	196
Aug-23	122	65	11	198

Stray Year to Date

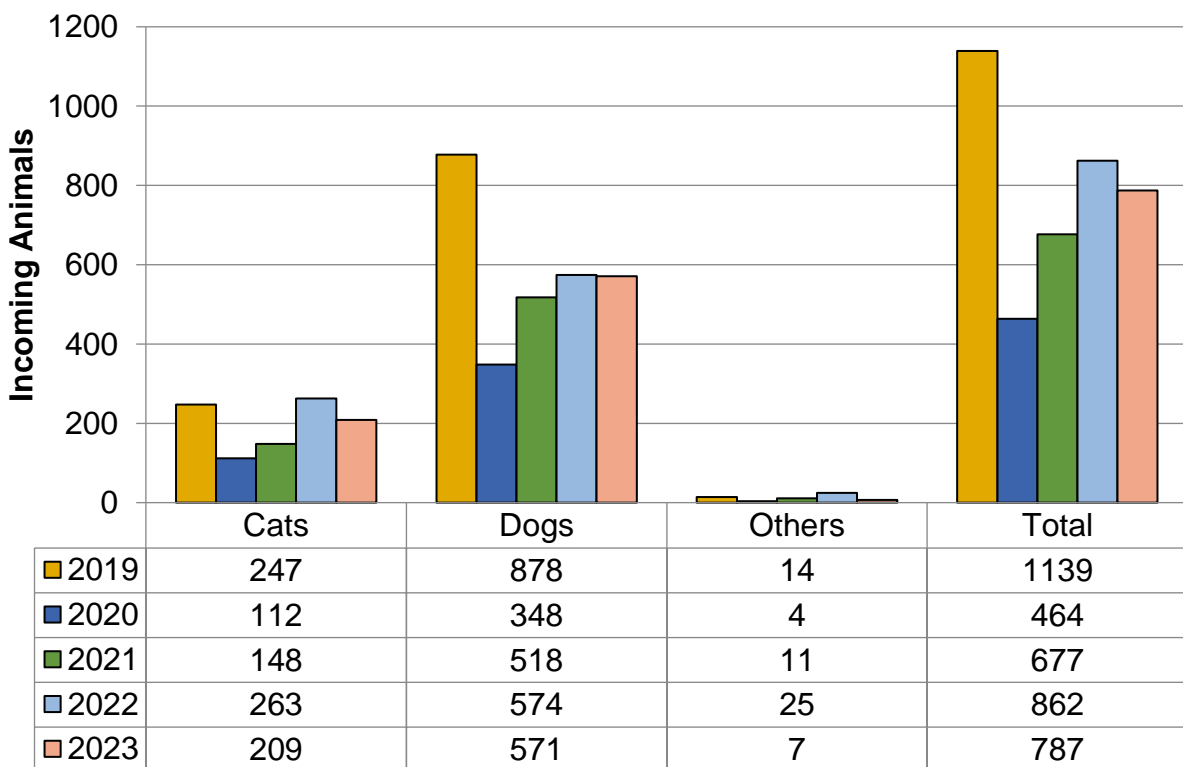


	Cats	Dogs	Others	Total
2019	918	427	110	1455
2020	551	252	97	900
2021	586	330	139	1055
2022	662	405	95	1162
2023	734	506	153	1393

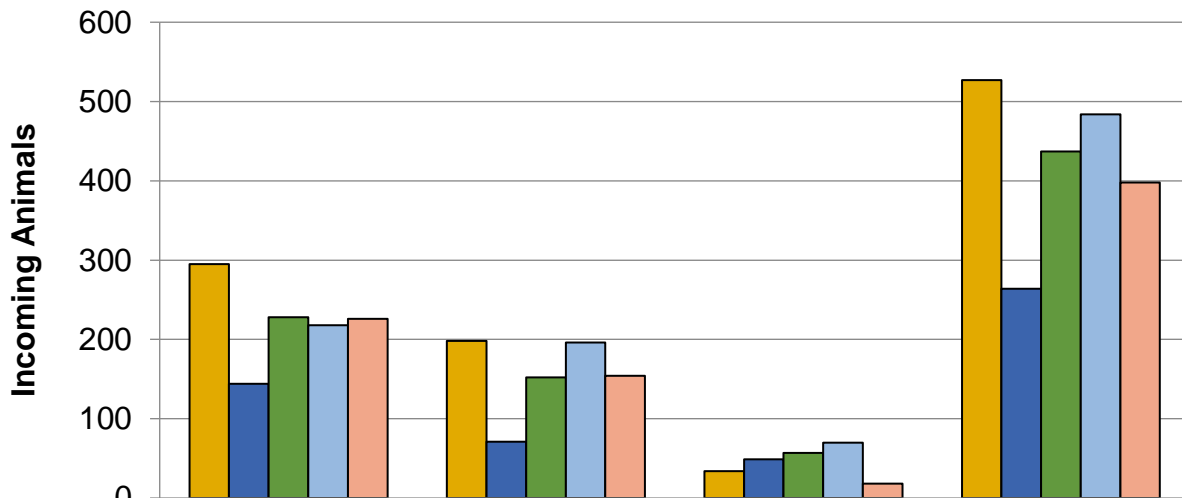
Incoming Transfers August



Incoming Transfers Year to Date

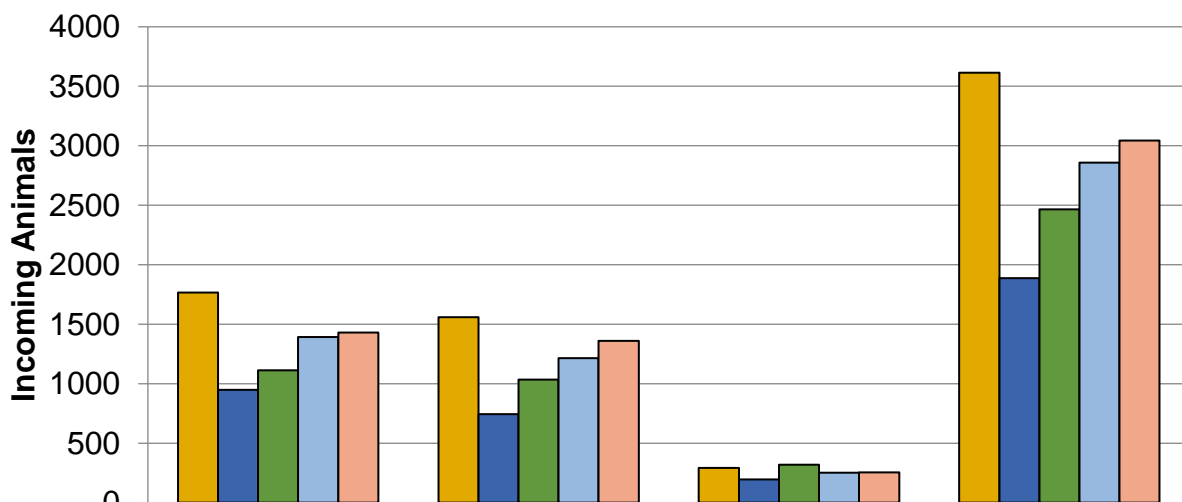


Intake August



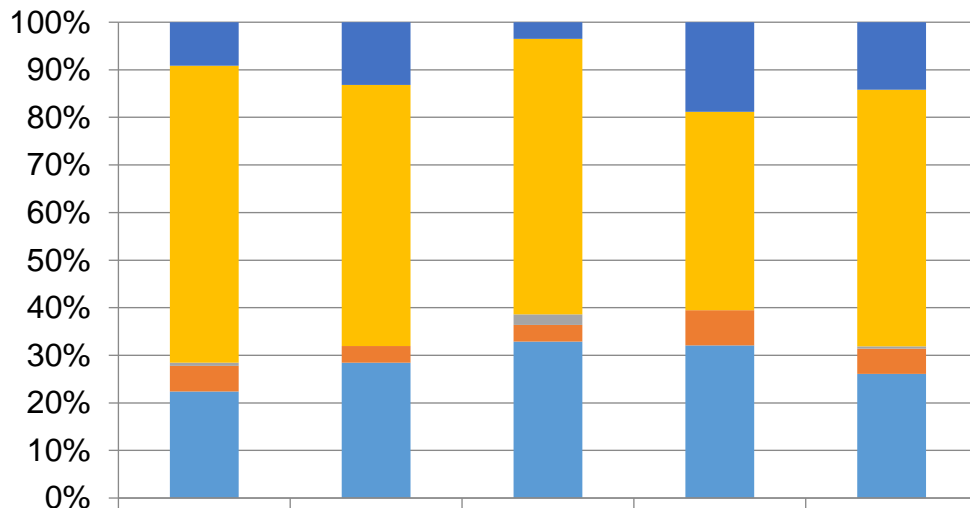
	Cats	Dogs	Others	Total
Aug-19	295	198	34	527
Aug-20	144	71	49	264
Aug-21	228	152	57	437
Aug-22	218	196	70	484
Aug-23	226	154	18	398

Intake Year to Date



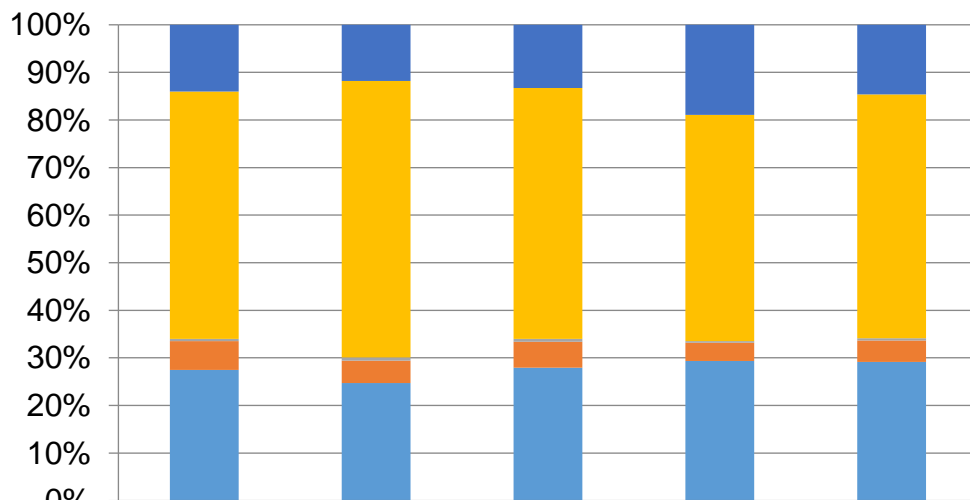
	Cats	Dogs	Others	Total
2019	1765	1559	291	3615
2020	948	744	196	1888
2021	1112	1034	319	2465
2022	1391	1215	251	2857
2023	1431	1359	255	3045

Intakes by Percentage Cats - August



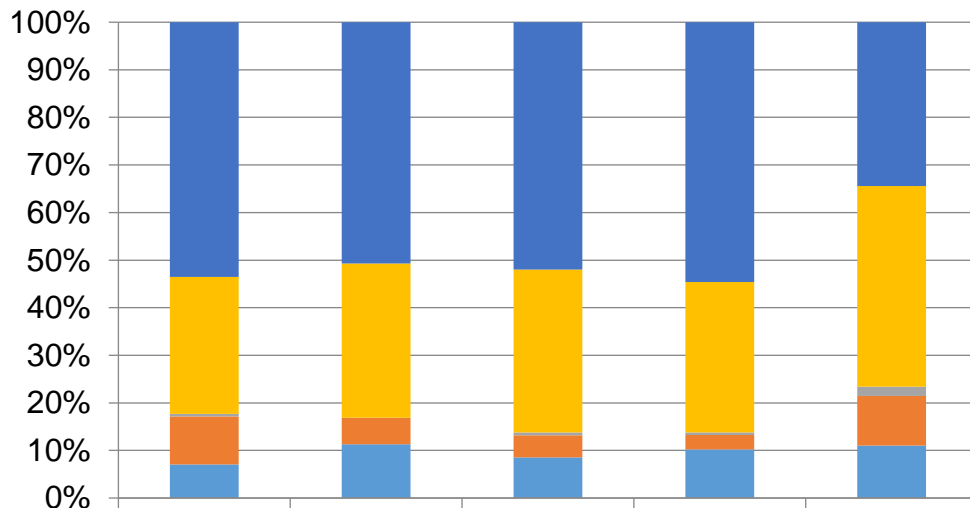
	Aug-19	Aug-20	Aug-21	Aug-22	Aug-23
■ Incoming Transfers	9.15%	13.19%	3.51%	18.81%	14.16%
■ Strays	62.37%	54.86%	57.89%	41.74%	53.98%
■ Seized / Custody	0.68%	0.00%	2.19%	0.00%	0.44%
■ Returns	5.42%	3.47%	3.51%	7.34%	5.31%
■ Owner Surrenders	22.37%	28.47%	32.89%	32.11%	26.11%

Intakes by Percentage Cats - Year to Date



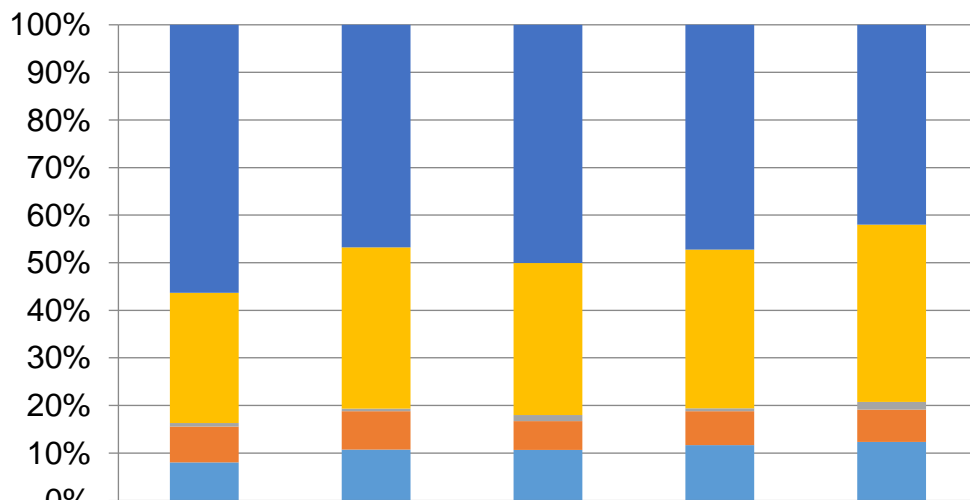
	Aug-19	Aug-20	Aug-21	Aug-22	Aug-23
■ Incoming Transfers	13.99%	11.81%	13.31%	18.91%	14.61%
■ Strays	52.01%	58.12%	52.70%	47.59%	51.29%
■ Seized / Custody	0.45%	0.63%	0.63%	0.29%	0.42%
■ Returns	6.06%	4.75%	5.40%	3.88%	4.54%
■ Owner Surrenders	27.48%	24.68%	27.97%	29.33%	29.14%

Intakes by Percentage Dogs - August



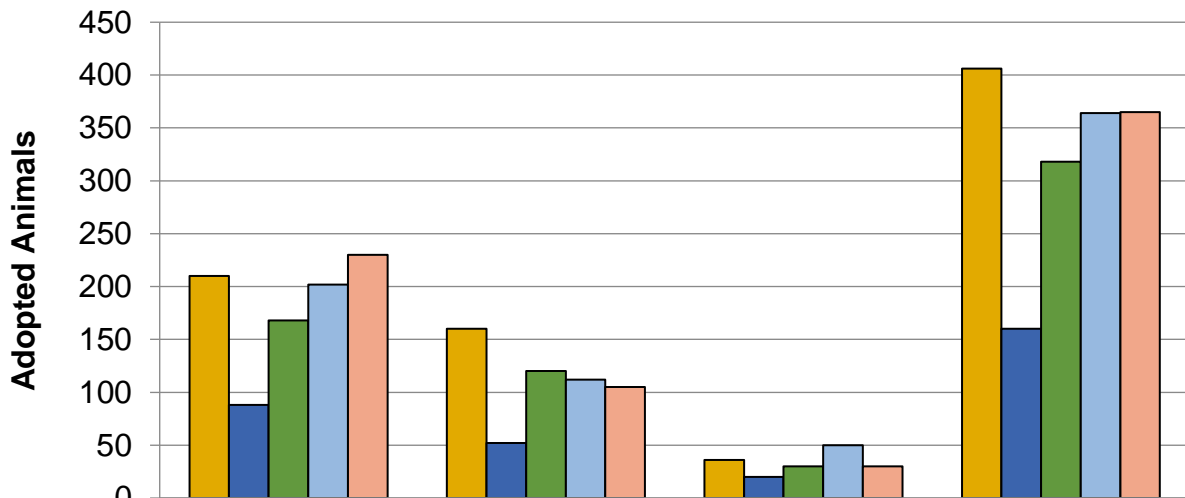
	Aug-19	Aug-20	Aug-21	Aug-22	Aug-23
■ Incoming Transfers	53.54%	50.70%	51.97%	54.59%	34.42%
■ Strays	28.79%	32.39%	34.21%	31.63%	42.21%
■ Seized / Custody	0.51%	0.00%	0.66%	0.51%	1.95%
■ Returns	10.10%	5.63%	4.61%	3.06%	10.39%
■ Owner Surrenders	7.07%	11.27%	8.55%	10.20%	11.04%

Intakes by Percentage Dogs - Year to Date



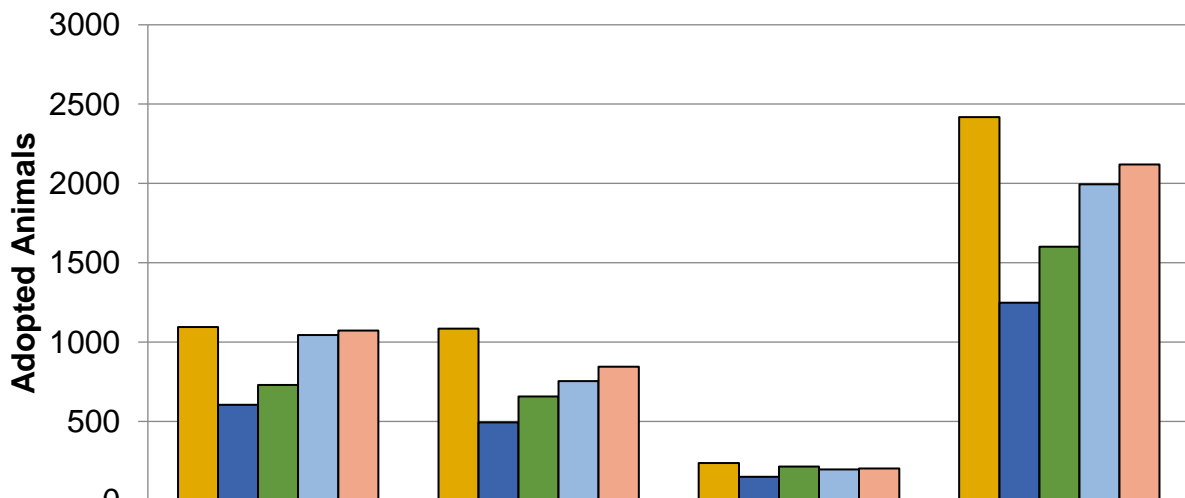
	Aug-19	Aug-20	Aug-21	Aug-22	Aug-23
■ Incoming Transfers	56.32%	46.77%	50.10%	47.24%	42.02%
■ Strays	27.39%	33.87%	31.91%	33.33%	37.23%
■ Seized / Custody	0.71%	0.54%	1.26%	0.66%	1.62%
■ Returns	7.57%	8.06%	6.09%	7.08%	6.77%
■ Owner Surrenders	8.02%	10.75%	10.64%	11.69%	12.36%

Adoptions August



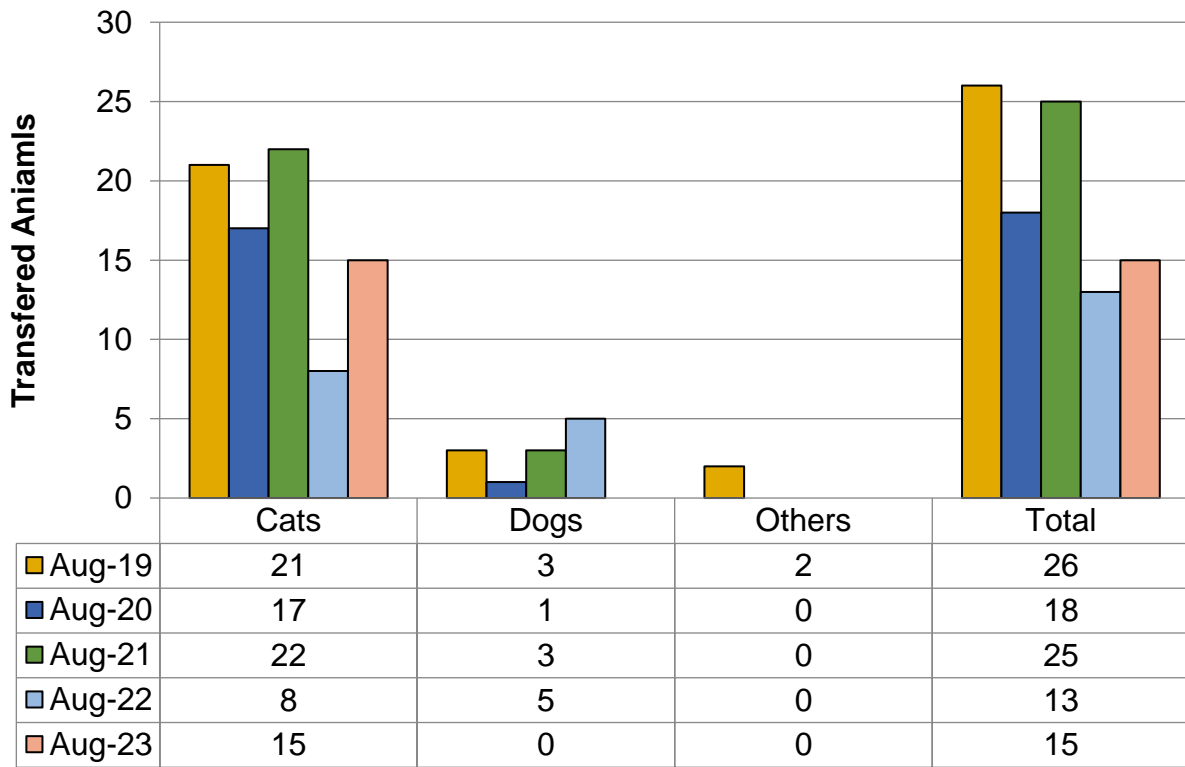
	Cats	Dogs	Others	Total
Aug-19	210	160	36	406
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Aug-21	168	120	30	318
Aug-22	202	112	50	364
Aug-23	230	105	30	365

Adoptions Year to Date

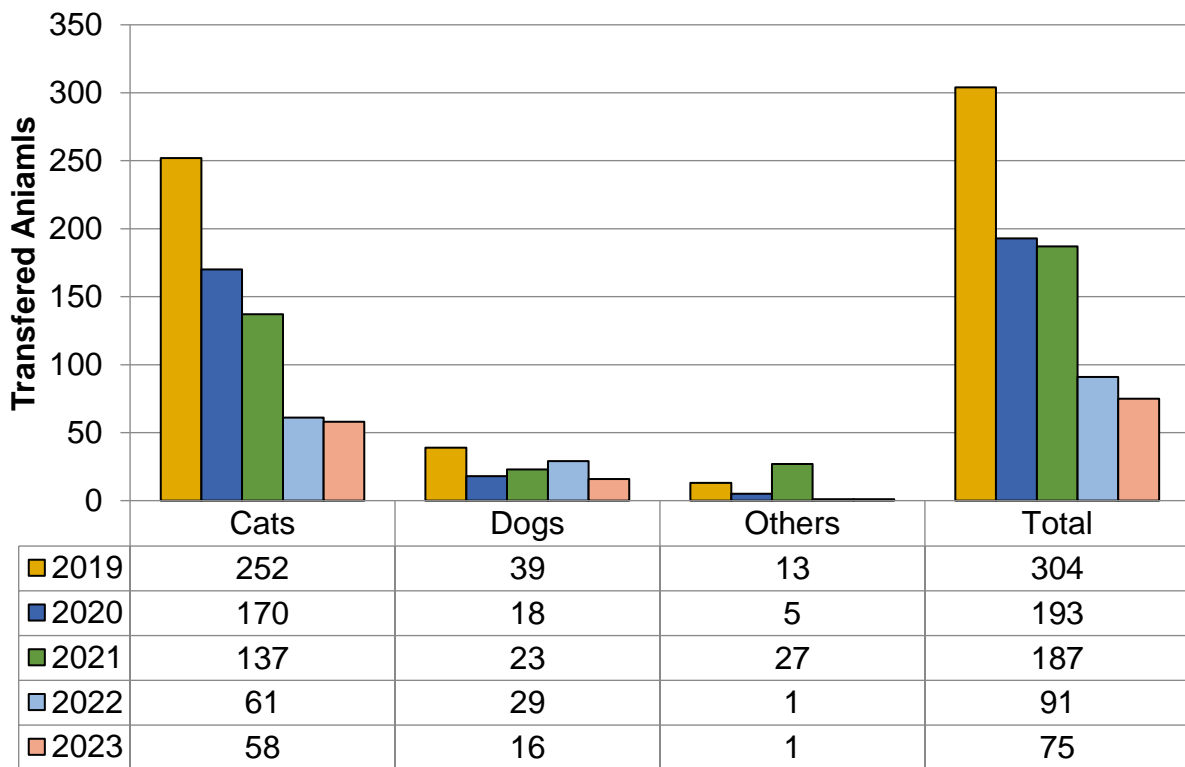


	Cats	Dogs	Others	Total
2019	1095	1085	238	2418
2020	605	493	150	1248
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2023	1072	844	203	2119

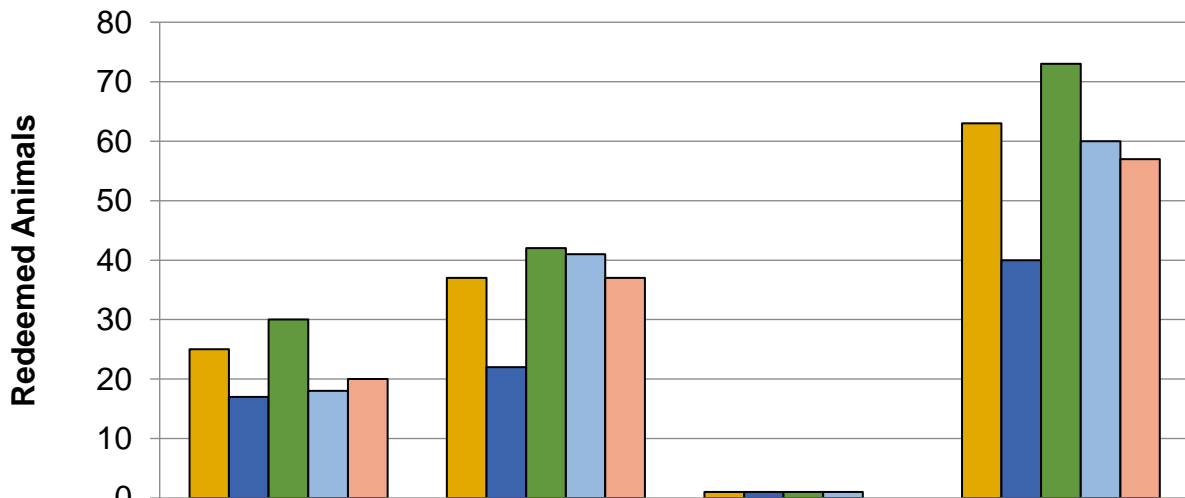
Outgoing Transfers August



Outgoing Transfers Year to Date

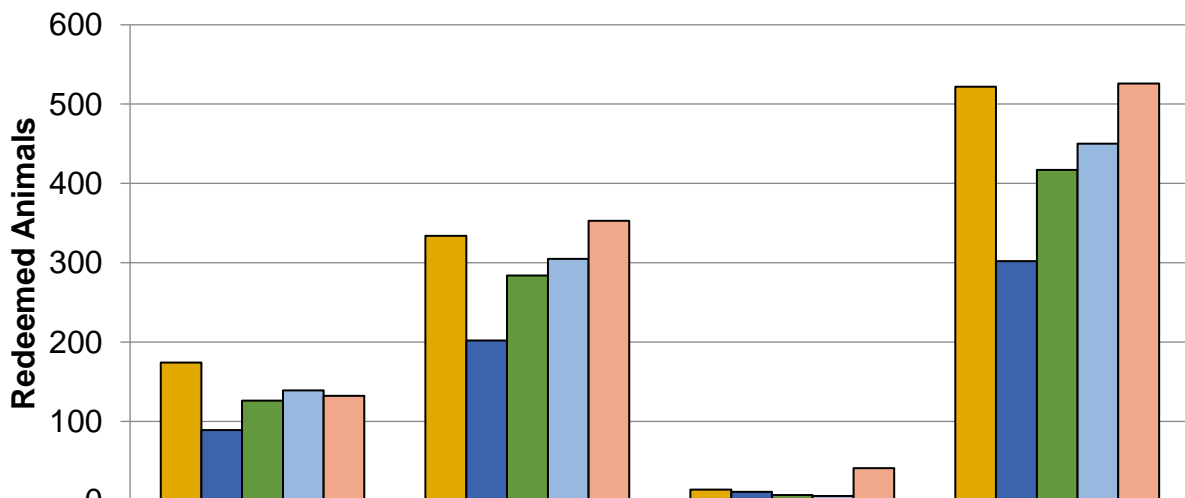


Redemptions August



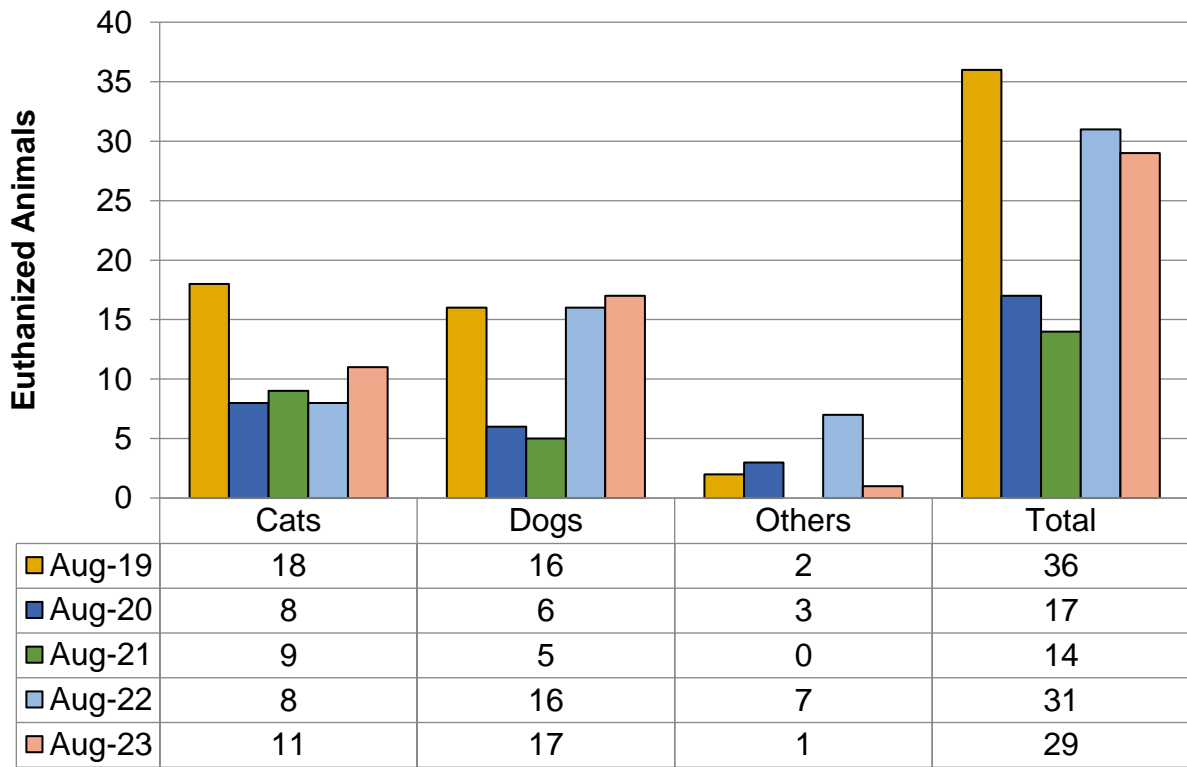
	Cats	Dogs	Others	Total
Aug-19	25	37	1	63
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Aug-22	18	41	1	60
Aug-23	20	37	0	57

Redemptions Year to Date

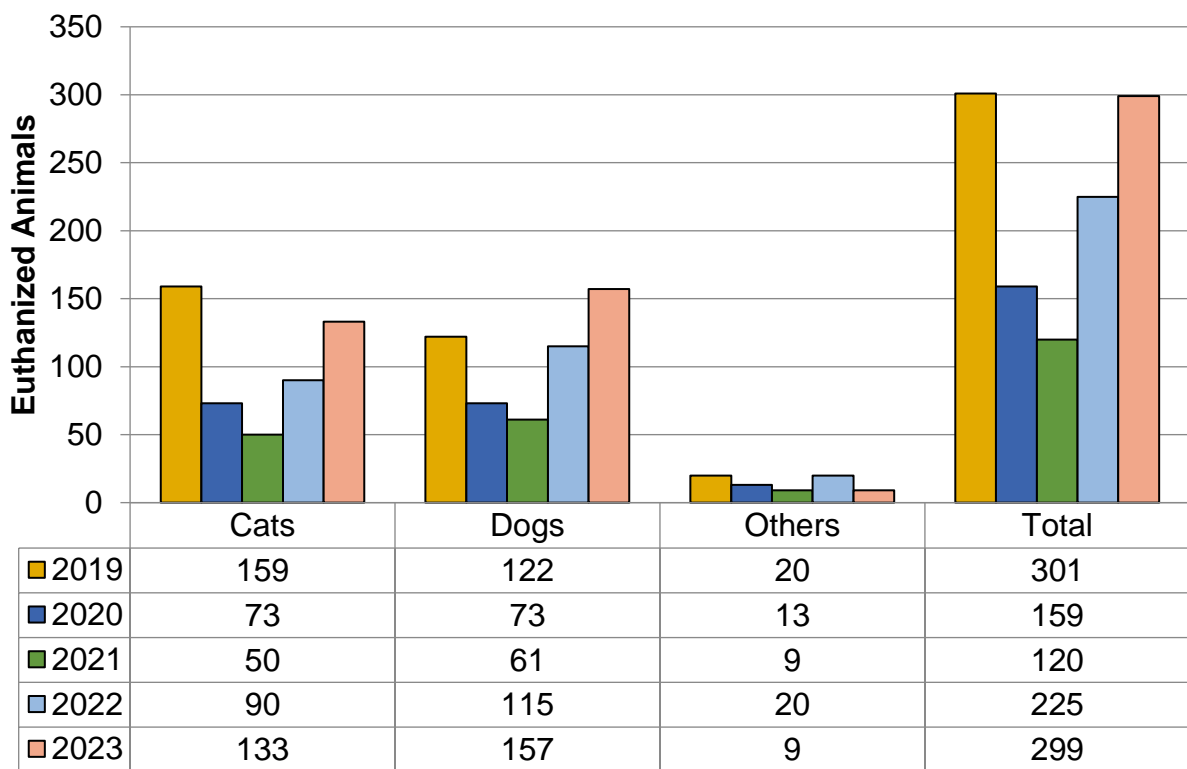


	Cats	Dogs	Others	Total
2019	174	334	14	522
2020	89	202	11	302
2021	126	284	7	417
2022	139	305	6	450
2023	132	353	41	526

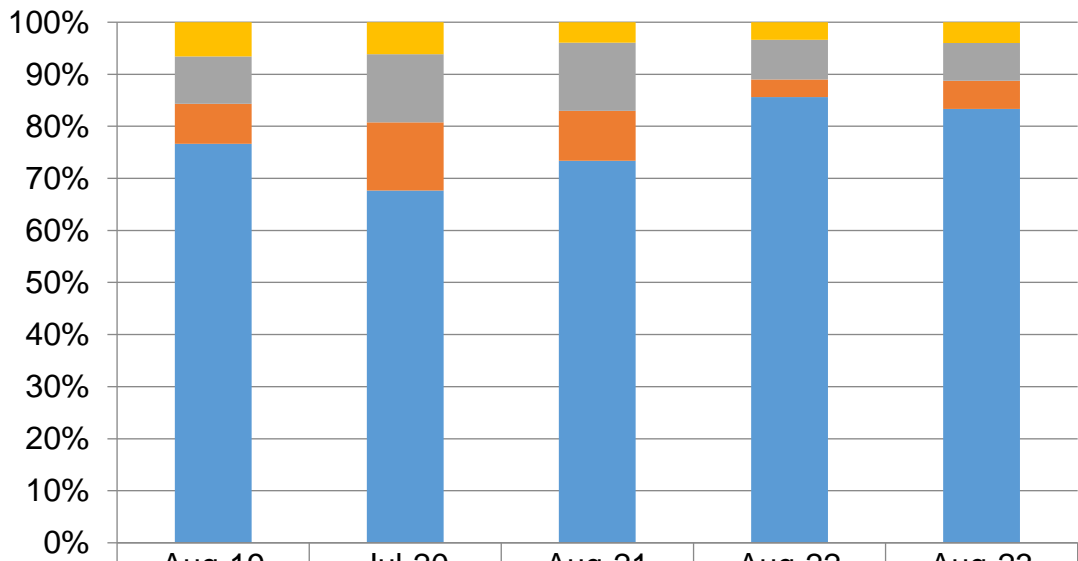
Euthanasia August



Euthanasia Year to Date

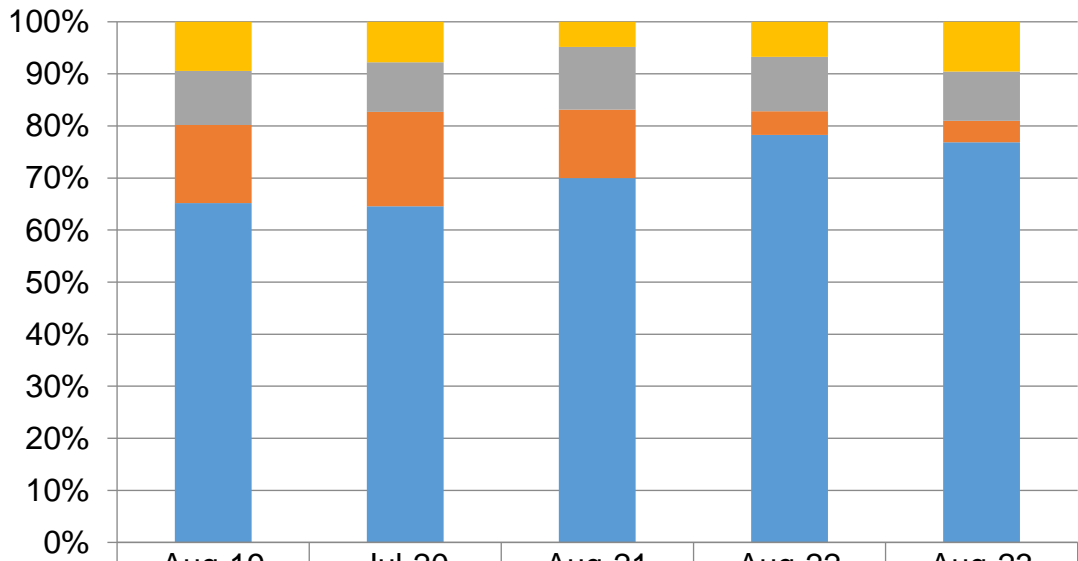


Outcomes by Percentage Cats - August



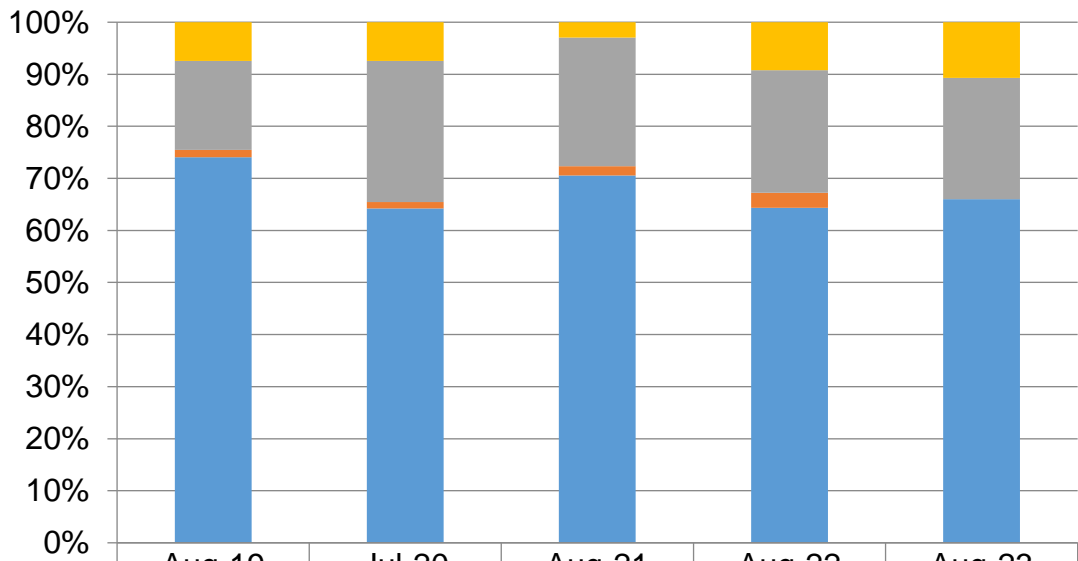
	Aug-19	Jul-20	Aug-21	Aug-22	Aug-23
■ Euthanasia	6.57%	6.15%	3.93%	3.39%	3.99%
■ Redemption	9.12%	13.08%	13.10%	7.63%	7.25%
■ Transfer	7.66%	13.08%	9.61%	3.39%	5.43%
■ Adoption	76.64%	67.69%	73.36%	85.59%	83.33%

Outcomes by Percentage Cats - Year to Date



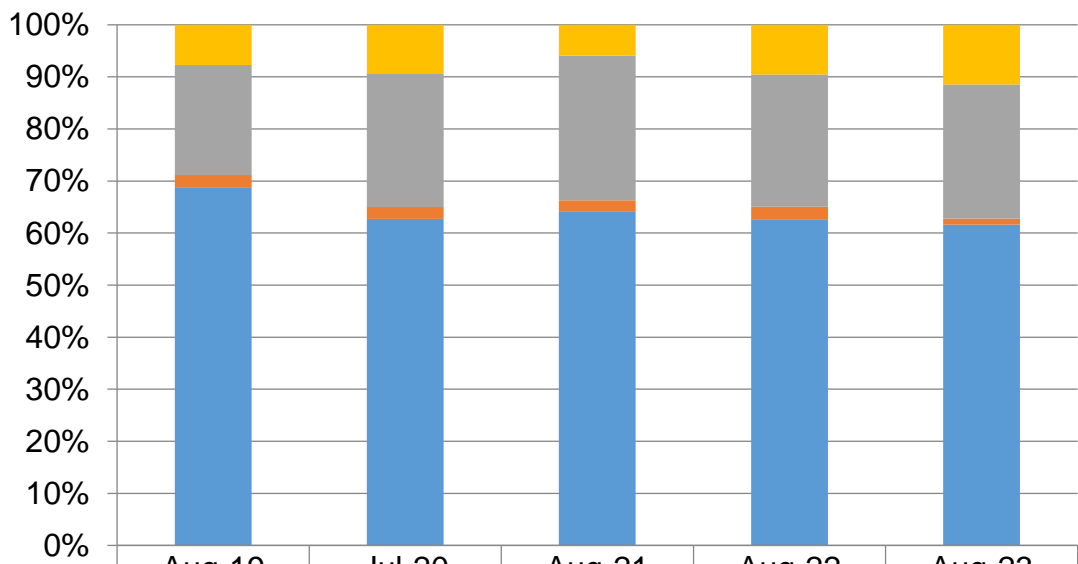
	Aug-19	Jul-20	Aug-21	Aug-22	Aug-23
■ Euthanasia	9.46%	7.79%	4.80%	6.75%	9.53%
■ Redemption	10.36%	9.50%	12.09%	10.42%	9.46%
■ Transfer	15.00%	18.14%	13.15%	4.57%	4.16%
■ Adoption	65.18%	64.57%	69.96%	78.26%	76.85%

Outcomes by Percentage Dogs - August



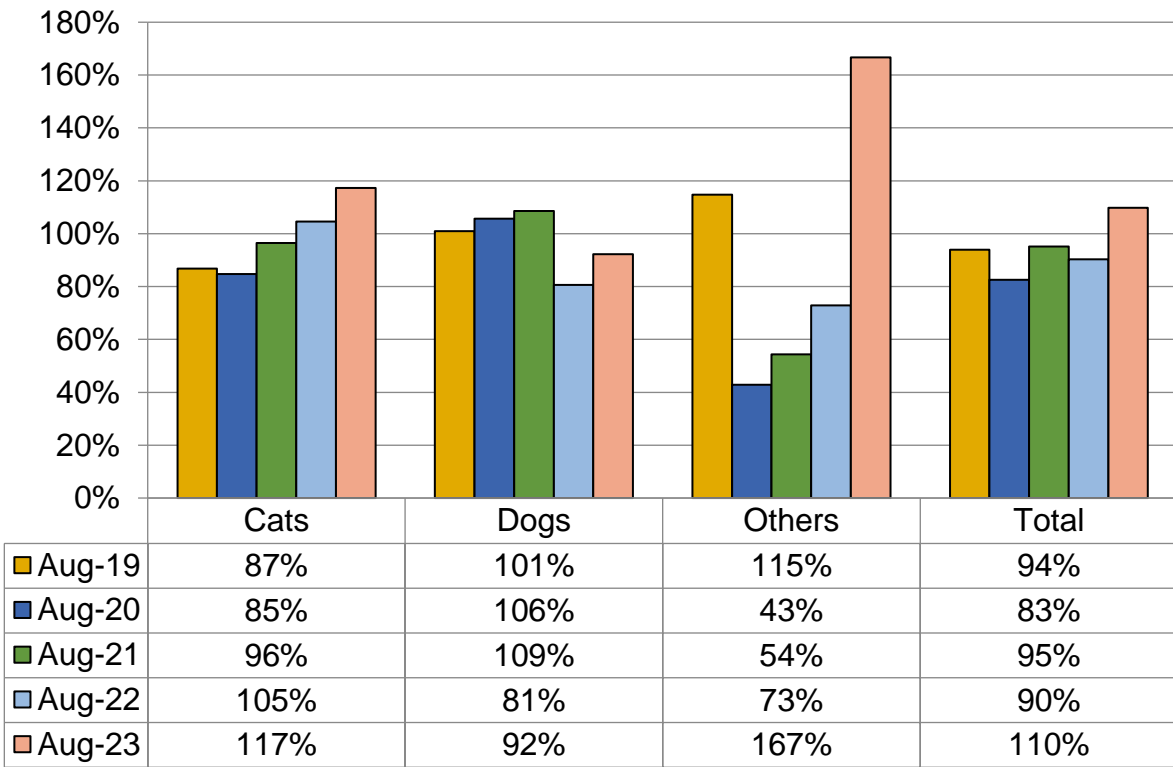
■ Euthanasia	7.41%	7.41%	2.94%	9.20%	10.69%
■ Redemption	17.13%	27.16%	24.71%	23.56%	23.27%
■ Transfer	1.39%	1.23%	1.76%	2.87%	0.00%
■ Adoption	74.07%	64.20%	70.59%	64.37%	66.04%

Outcomes by Percentage Dogs - Year to Date

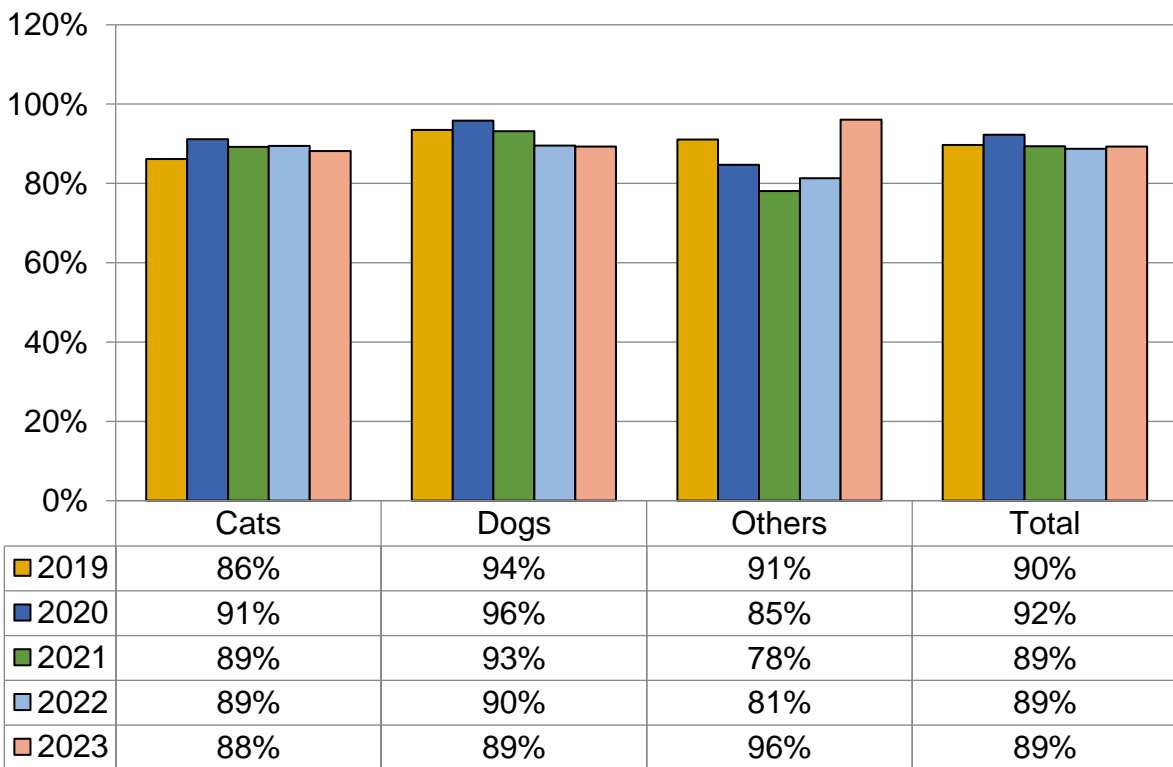


■ Euthanasia	7.72%	9.29%	5.96%	9.56%	11.46%
■ Redemption	21.14%	25.70%	27.73%	25.35%	25.77%
■ Transfer	2.47%	2.29%	2.25%	2.41%	1.17%
■ Adoption	68.67%	62.72%	64.06%	62.68%	61.61%

Save Rate August



Save Rate Year to Date



Terms and Definitions:

Adoption – The placement of an animal with a new owner/family.

Euthanasia – The act of putting an animal to death painlessly.

Euthanasia Rate – The percentage of animals euthanized during a given time period. For statistical purposes, this number does not include animals admitted specifically for euthanasia.

$$\text{Euthanasia Rate} = \text{Euthanasia} / (\text{Intake} + \text{Inventory})$$

Intake – The number of live animals admitted. For statistical purposes, this number does not include animals admitted specifically for euthanasia.

Live Release Rate – The percentage of live animals released by means of adoption, redemption and transfer during a given time period. The difference between Live Release Rate and Save Rate (see Save Rate) is that Live Release Rate takes into account the starting animal inventory for the given time period. This results in a more accurate reflection of live release versus population. DCHS started using Live Release Rate in 2008.

$$\text{Live Release Rate} = (\text{Adoptions} + \text{Redemptions} + \text{Transfers}) / (\text{Intake} + \text{Inventory})$$

Redemption – The reclaiming of an animal by an existing or previous owner.

Rolling Release Rate – A compilation of Live Release Rate, Euthanasia Rate and Sanctuary Rate.

Sanctuary Rate – The percentage of animals remaining in the shelter's care at the end of a given time period.

$$\text{Sanctuary Rate} = ((\text{Inventory} + \text{Intake}) - (\text{Adoptions} + \text{Redemptions} + \text{Transfers} + \text{Euthanasia})) / (\text{Intake} + \text{Inventory})$$

Save Rate – The percentage of live animals released by means of adoption, redemption and transfer during a given time period. Save Rate is an older and previously widely used formula for calculating a shelter's success but does not include the starting animal inventory for the given time period. This results in a less accurate reflection of live release versus population and could even generate percentages above 100% (for example if during a given time period 10 animals were adopted but only 5 were admitted, the Save Rate would equal 200% because the existing inventory of 5+ animals are not taken into consideration). Save Rate is still commonly used by shelters and is still calculated at DCHS for the purpose of comparisons to other shelter that still use Save Rate and for comparison to past years before Live Release Rate started to be calculated in 2008.

$$\text{Save Rate} = (\text{Adoption} + \text{Redemptions} + \text{Transfers}) / \text{Intake}$$

Transfer – The placement of an animal with another animal welfare organization.