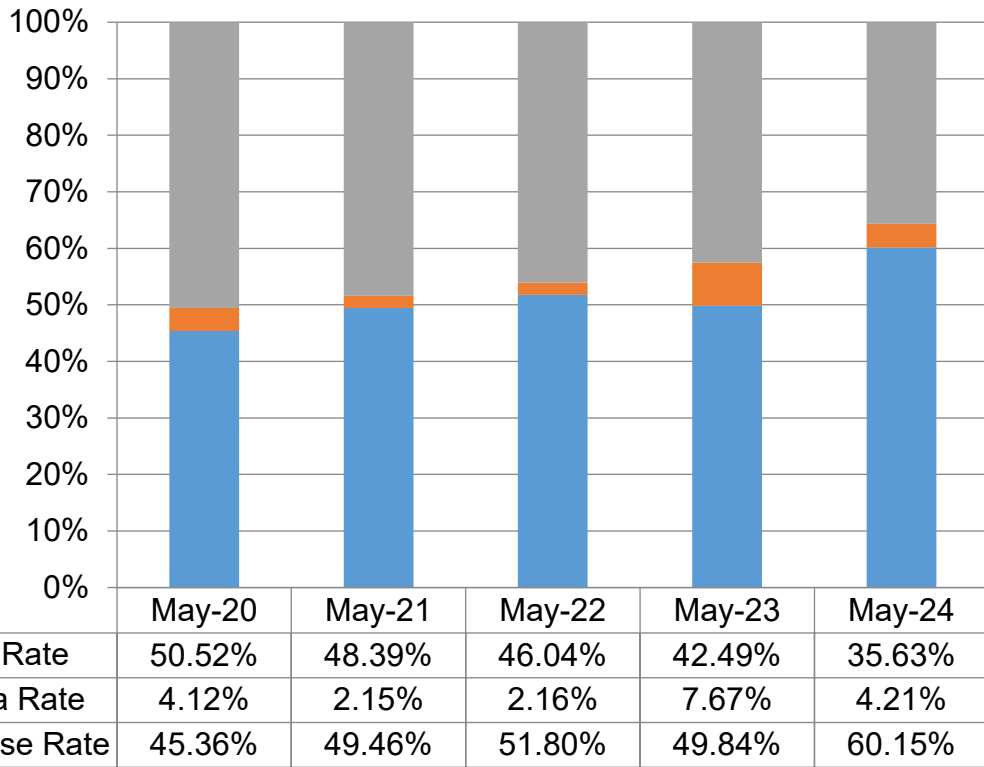


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Rolling Release Rate
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Save Rate
Overview

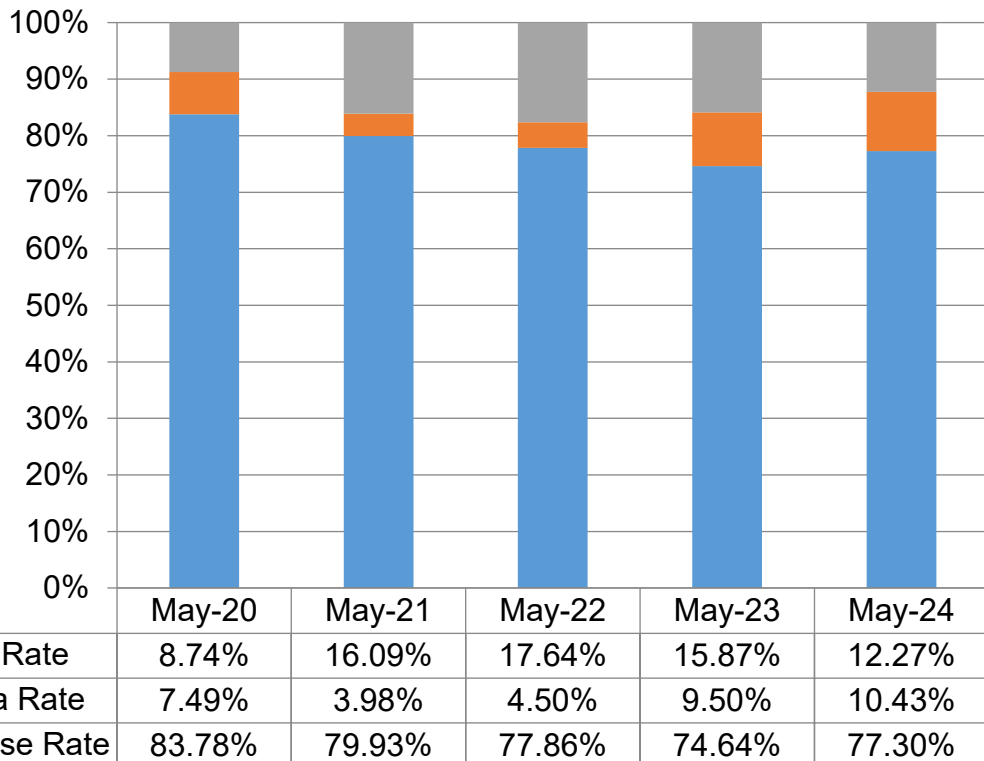
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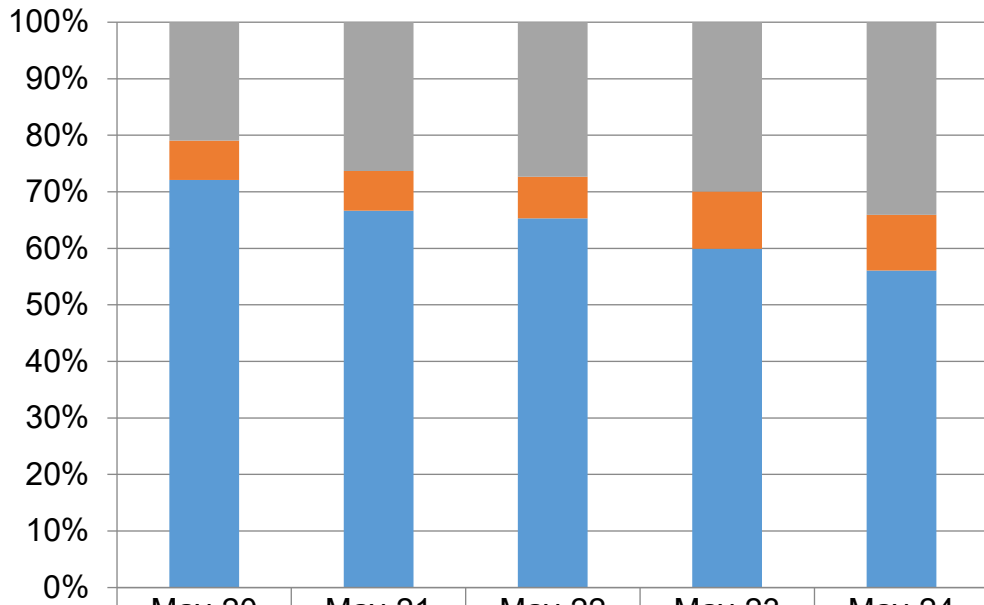
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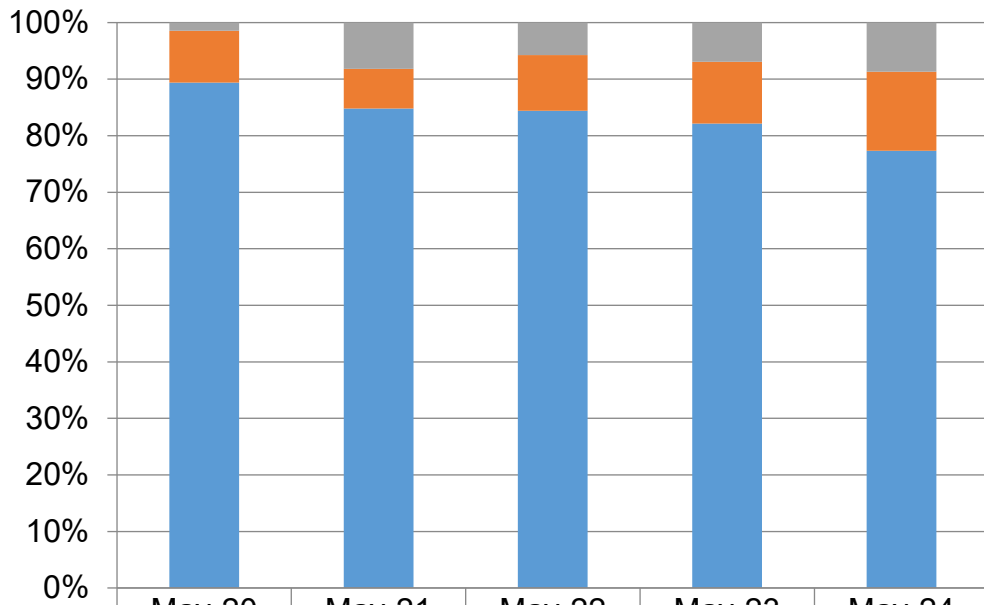


Dog Rolling Release Rate May



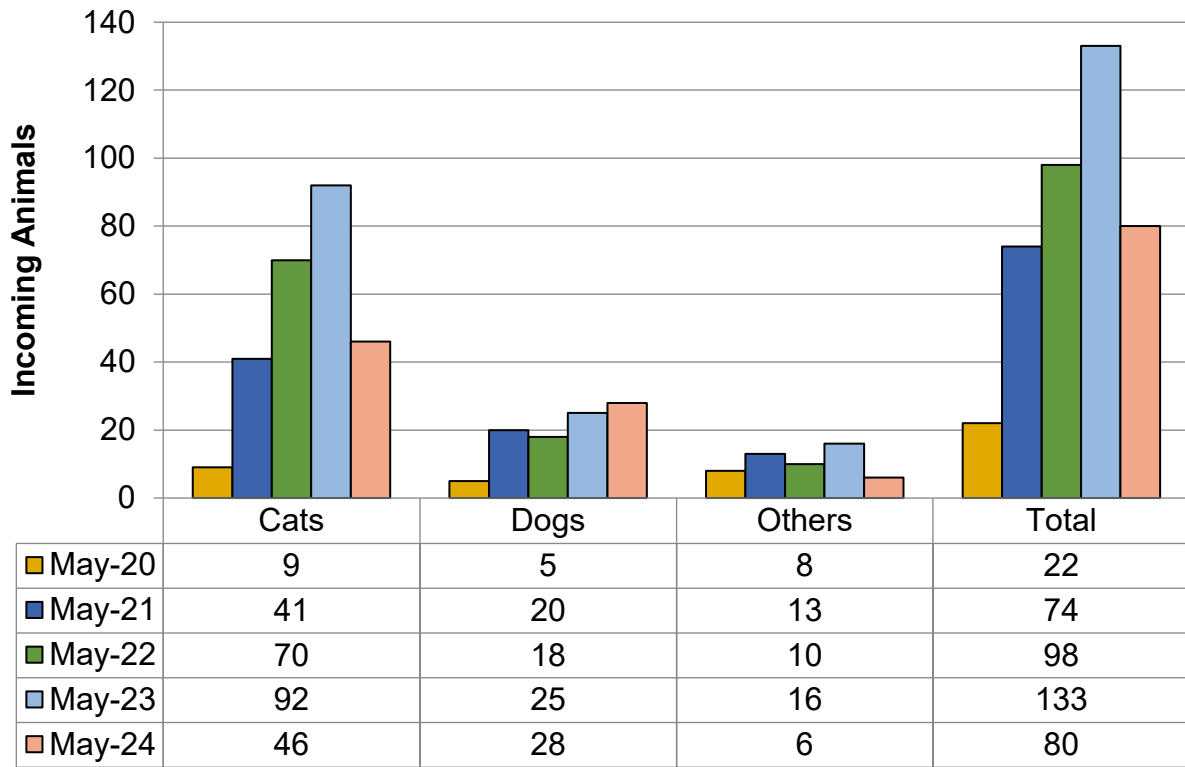
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Sanctuary Rate	20.93%	26.34%	27.33%	29.96%	34.08%
Euthanasia Rate	6.98%	6.99%	7.33%	10.12%	9.87%
Live Release Rate	72.09%	66.67%	65.33%	59.92%	56.05%

Dog Rolling Release Rate Year to Date

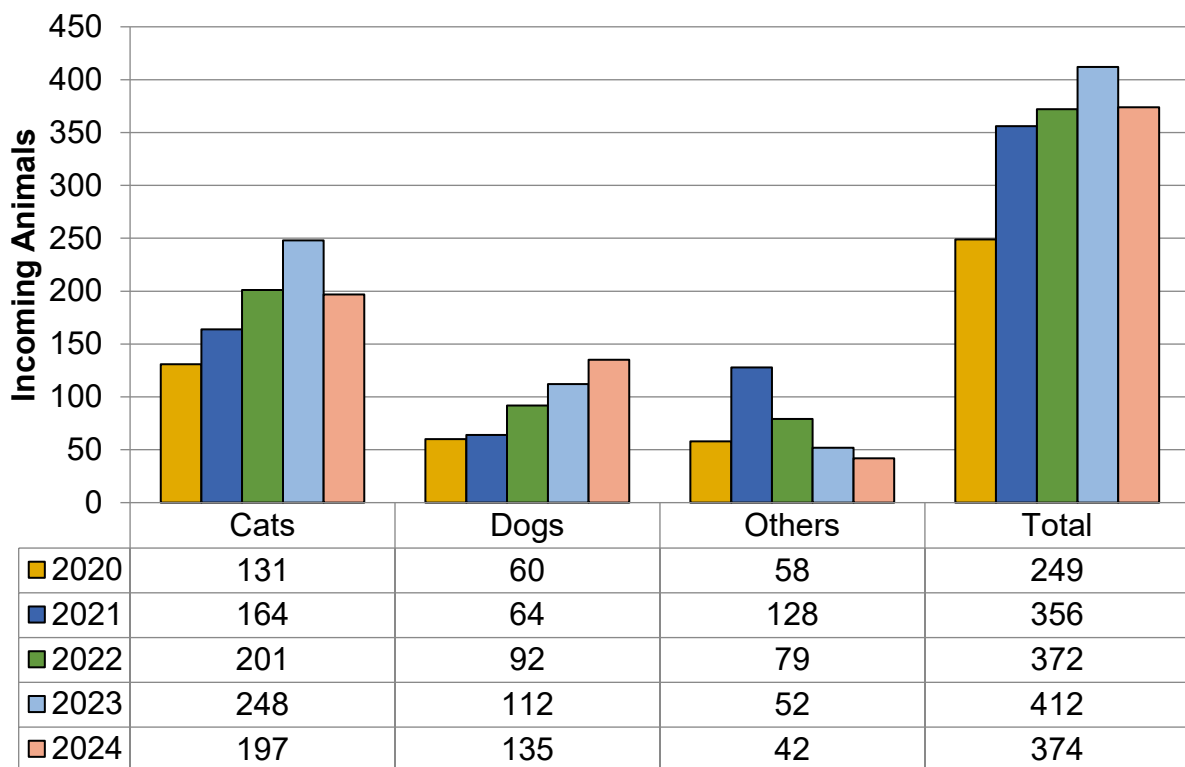


	May-20	May-21	May-22	May-23	May-24
Sanctuary Rate	1.42%	8.19%	5.76%	6.91%	8.68%
Euthanasia Rate	9.22%	7.02%	9.82%	10.95%	14.00%
Live Release Rate	89.36%	84.78%	84.42%	82.15%	77.31%

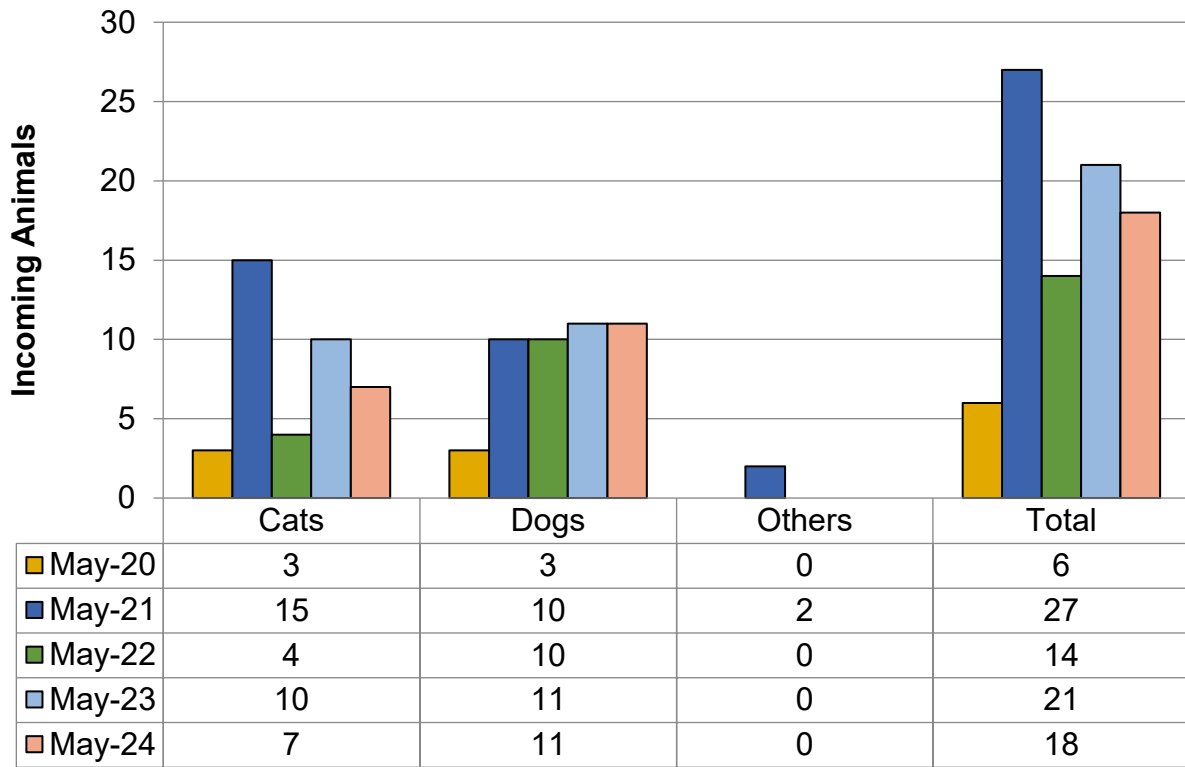
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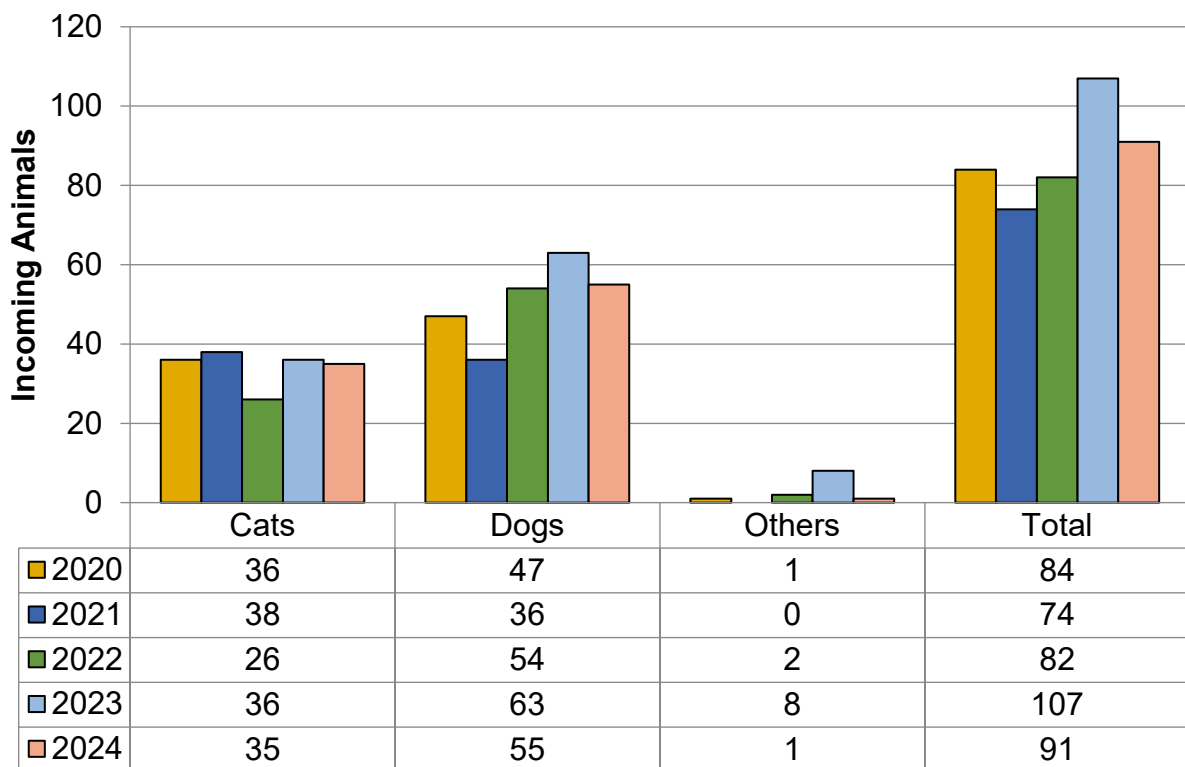
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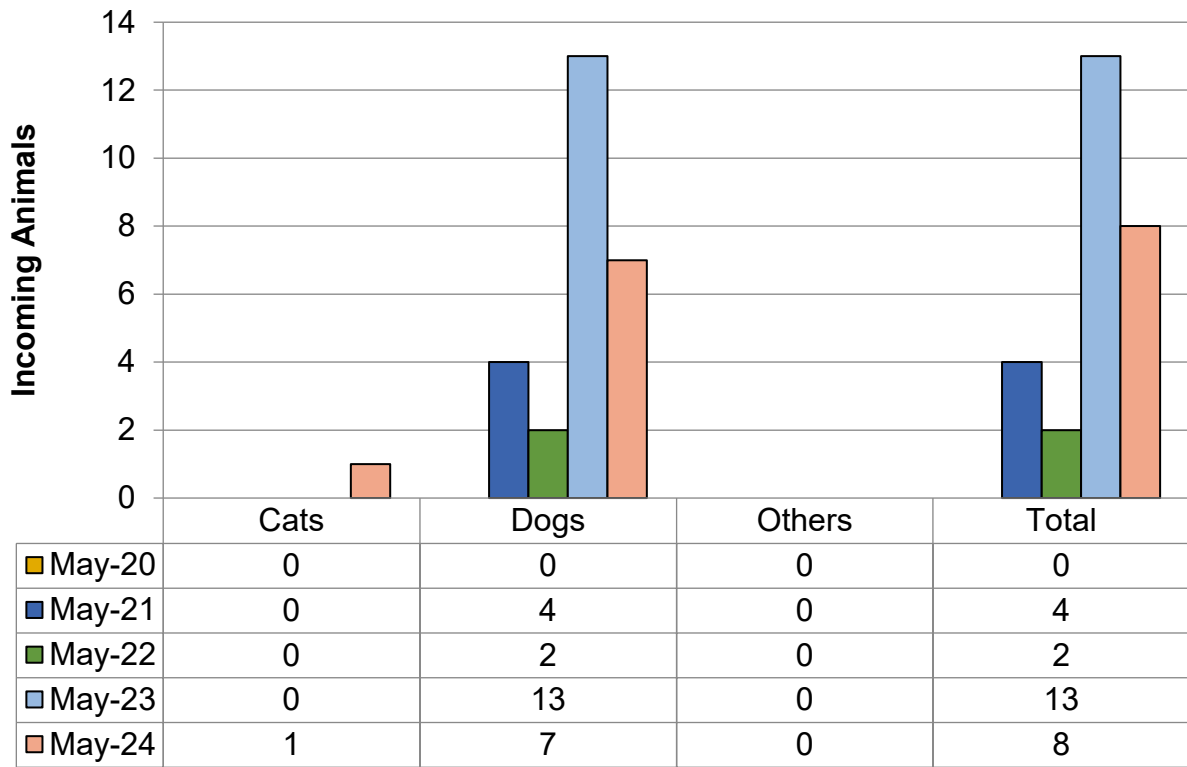
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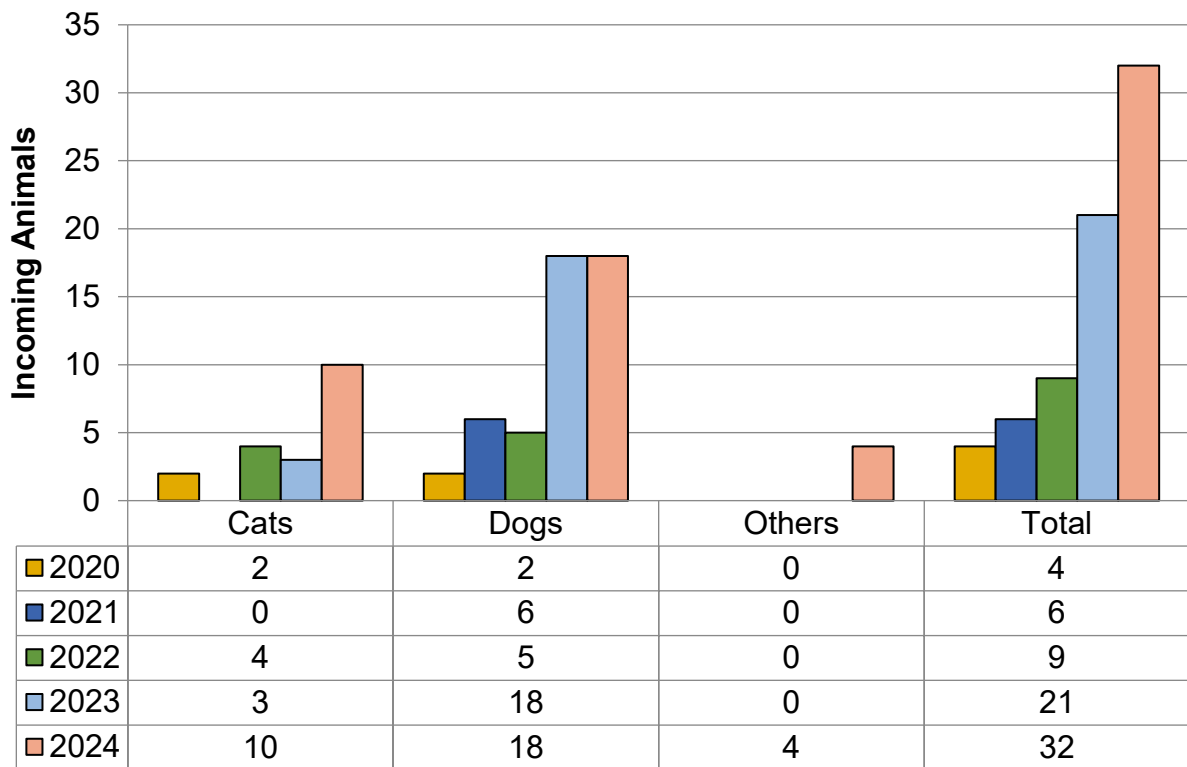
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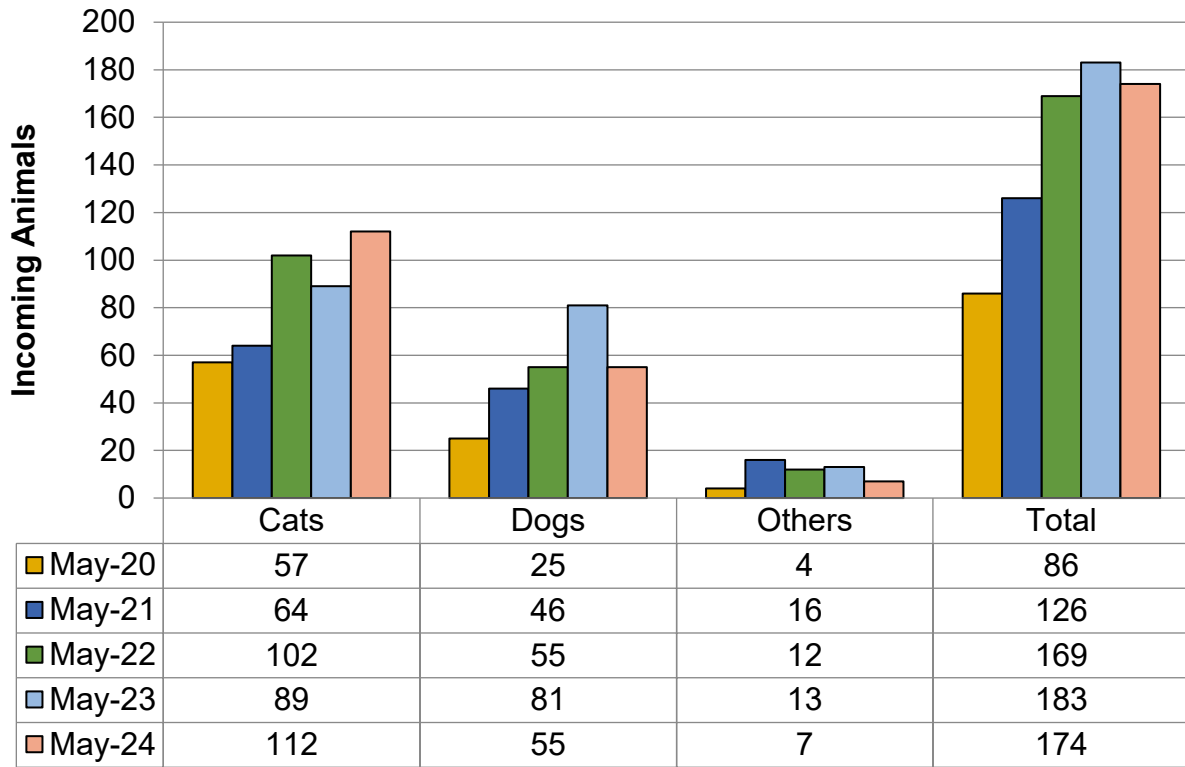
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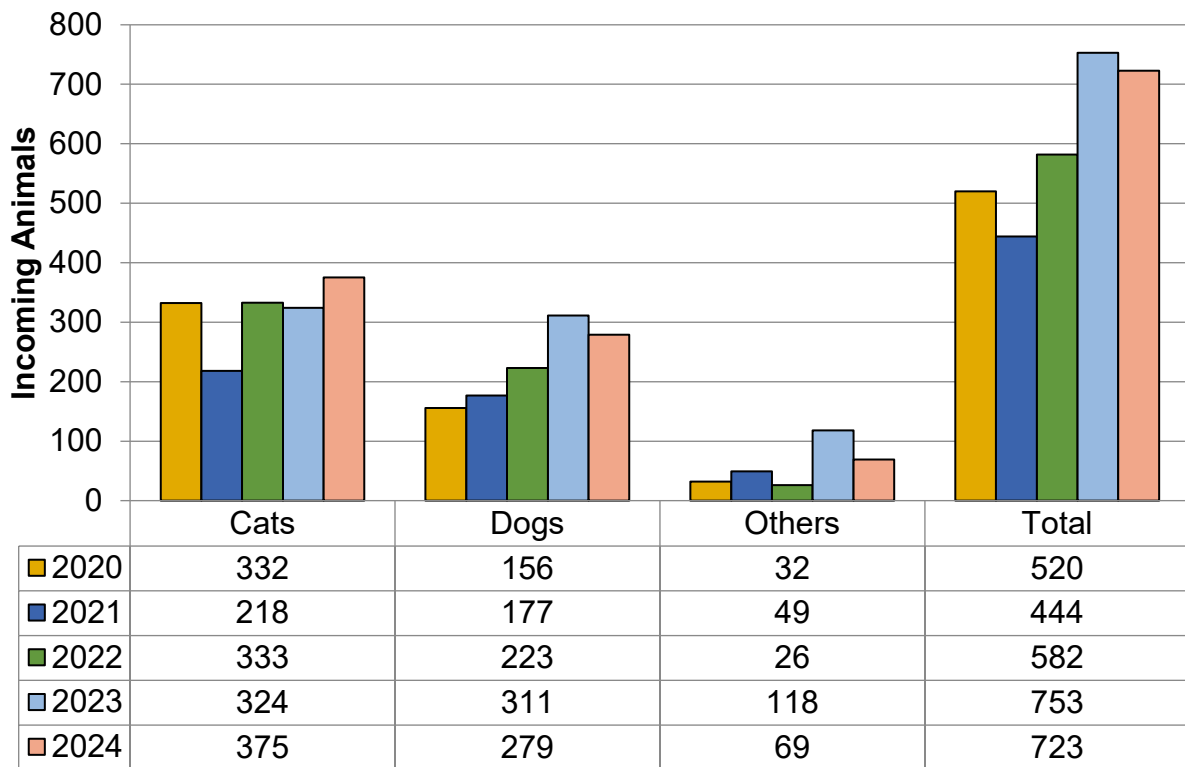
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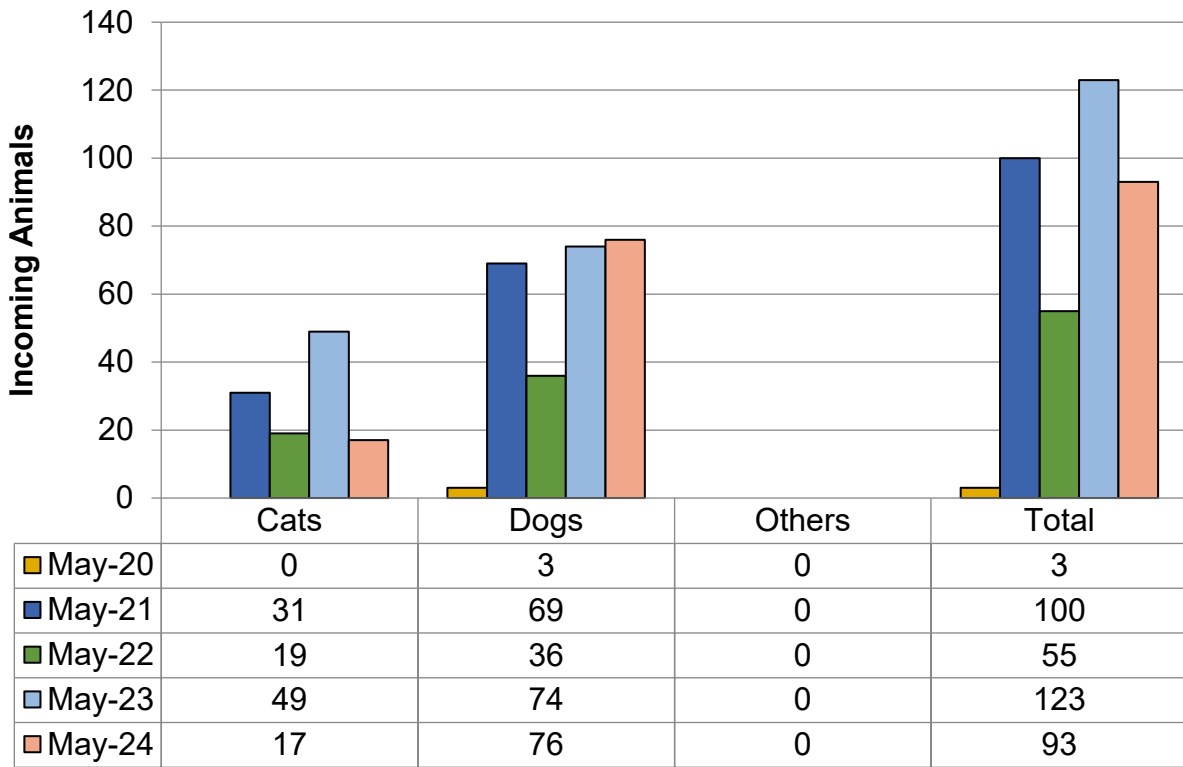
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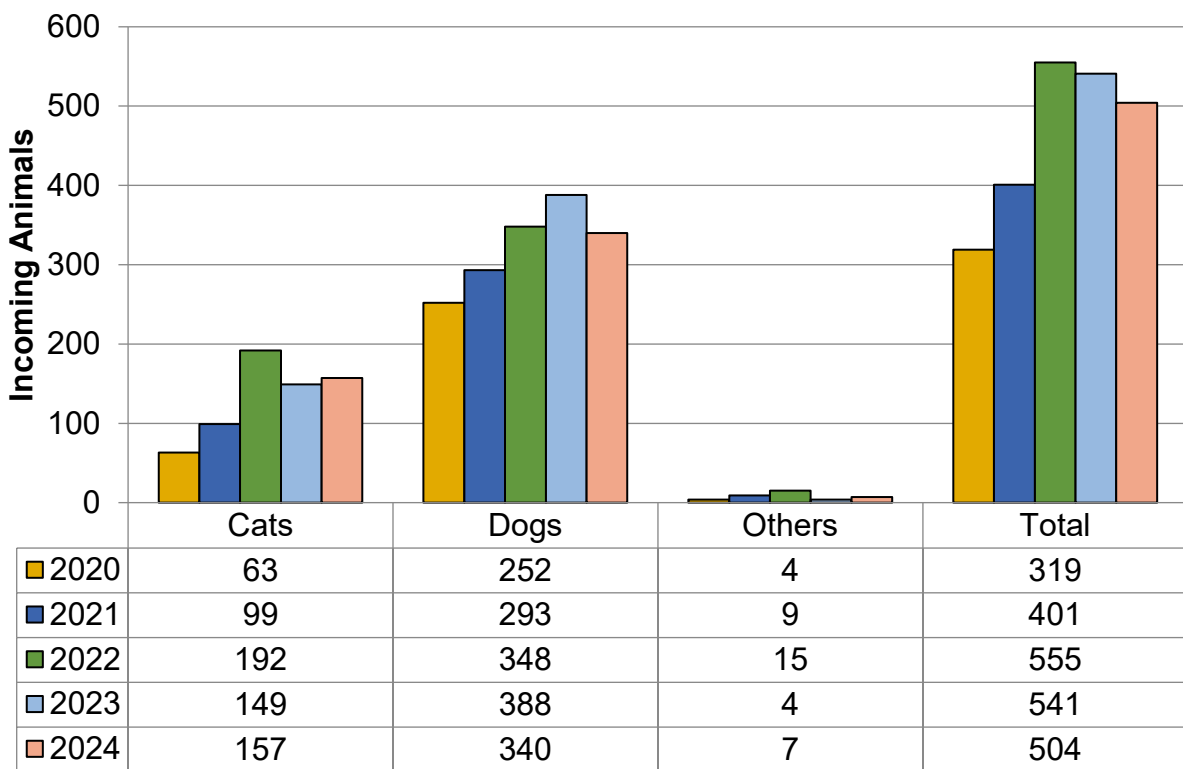
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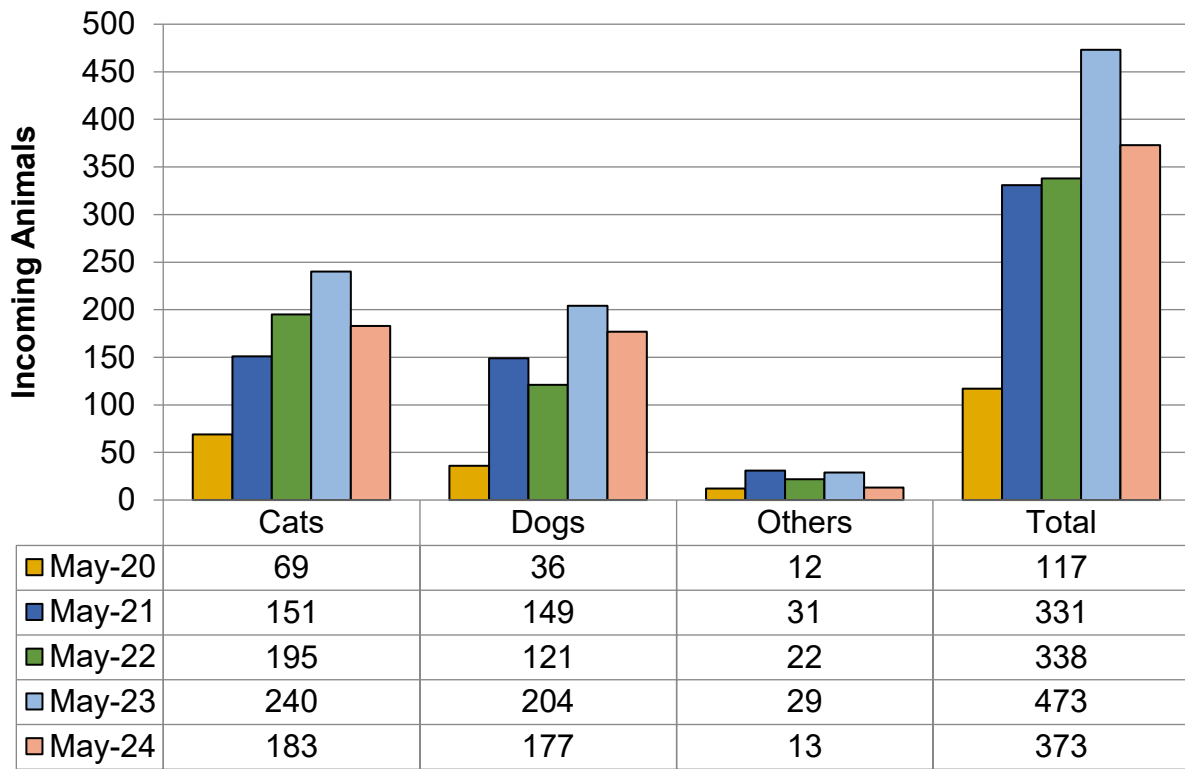
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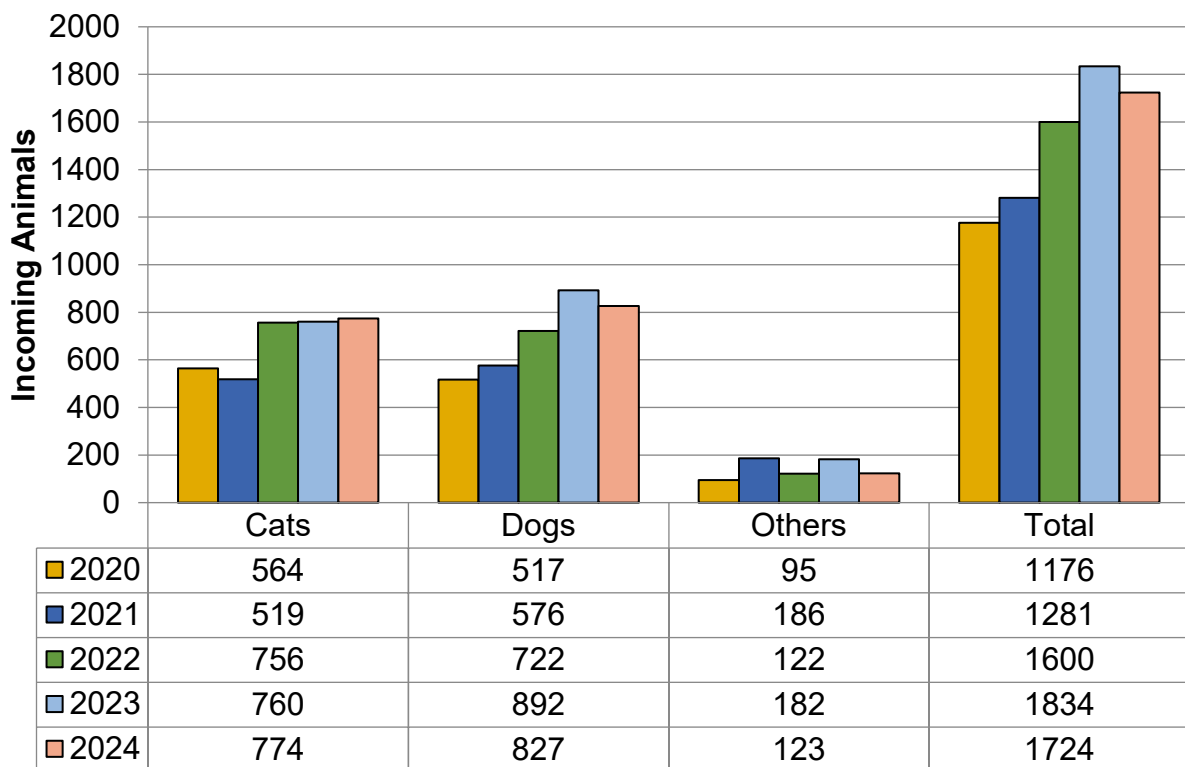
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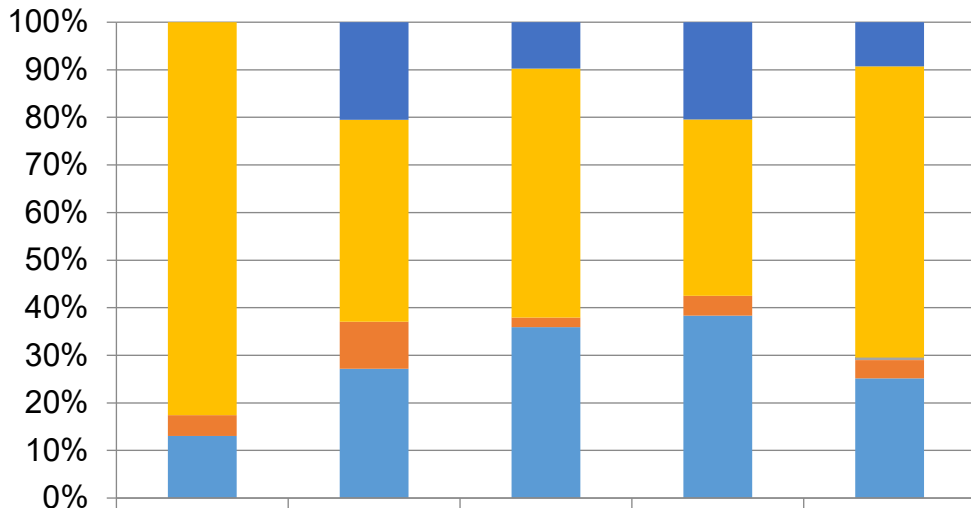
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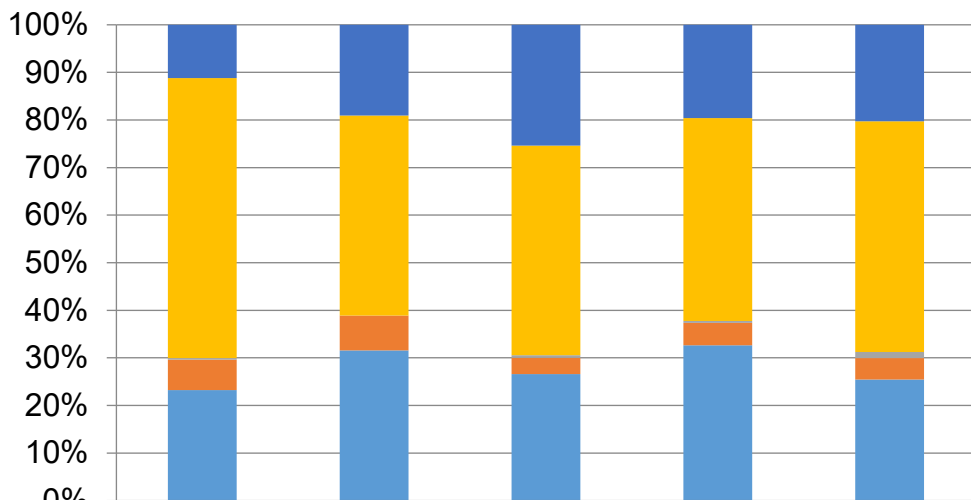


Intakes by Percentage Cats - May



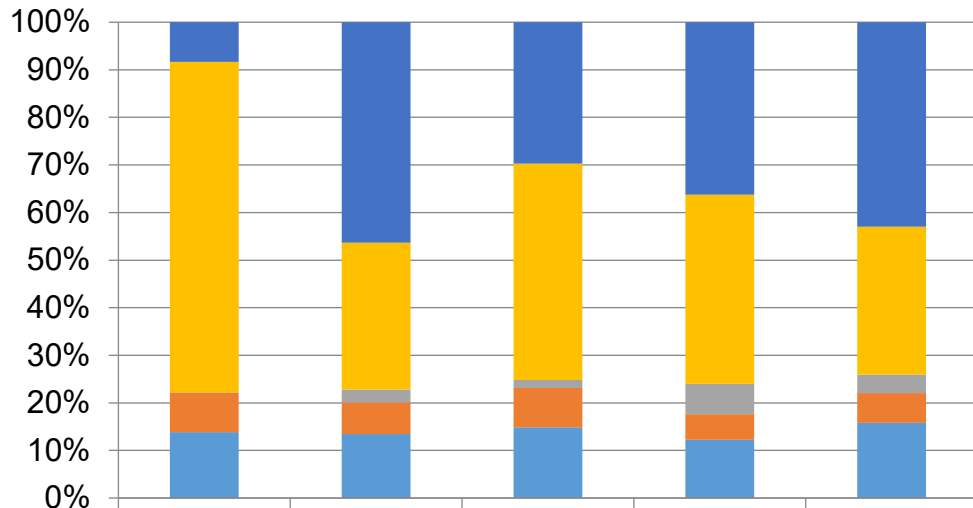
	May-20	May-21	May-22	May-23	May-24
■ Incoming Transfers	0.00%	20.53%	9.74%	20.42%	9.29%
■ Strays	82.61%	42.38%	52.31%	37.08%	61.20%
■ Seized / Custody	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.55%
■ Returns	4.35%	9.93%	2.05%	4.17%	3.83%
■ Owner Surrenders	13.04%	27.15%	35.90%	38.33%	25.14%

Intakes by Percentage Cats - Year to Date



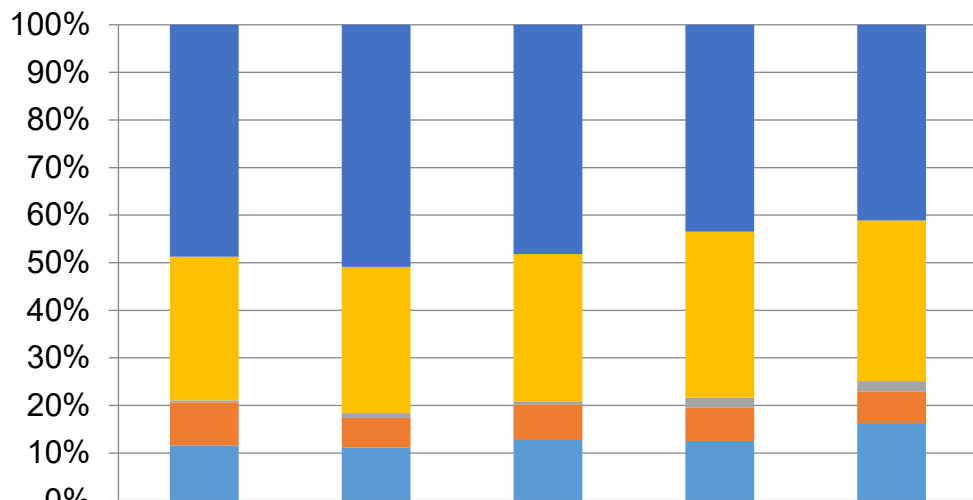
	May-20	May-21	May-22	May-23	May-24
■ Incoming Transfers	11.17%	19.08%	25.40%	19.61%	20.28%
■ Strays	58.87%	42.00%	44.05%	42.63%	48.45%
■ Seized / Custody	0.35%	0.00%	0.53%	0.39%	1.29%
■ Returns	6.38%	7.32%	3.44%	4.74%	4.52%
■ Owner Surrenders	23.23%	31.60%	26.59%	32.63%	25.45%

Intakes by Percentage Dogs - May



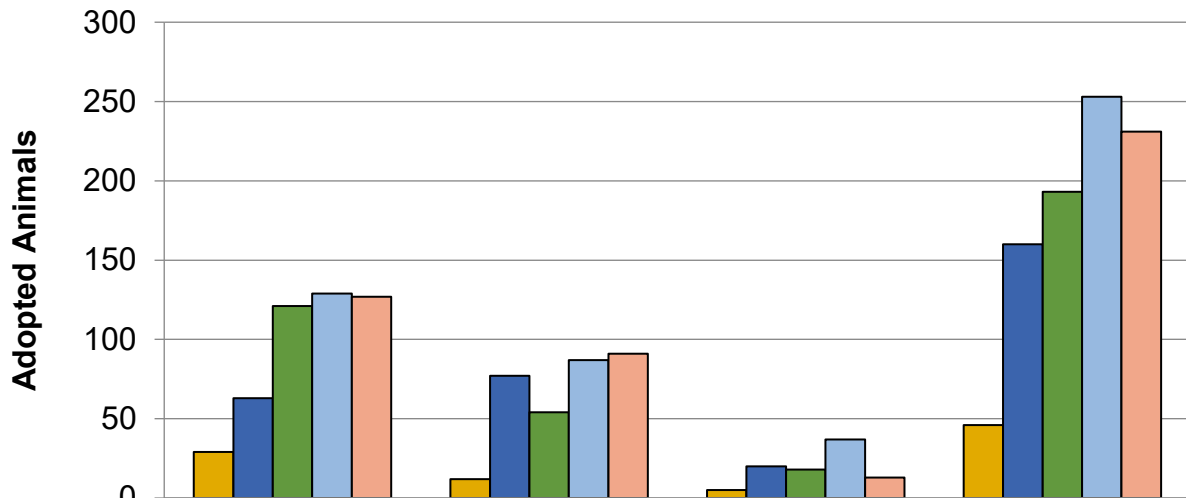
	May-20	May-21	May-22	May-23	May-24
Incoming Transfers	8.33%	46.31%	29.75%	36.27%	42.94%
Strays	69.44%	30.87%	45.45%	39.71%	31.07%
Seized / Custody	0.00%	2.68%	1.65%	6.37%	3.95%
Returns	8.33%	6.71%	8.26%	5.39%	6.21%
Owner Surrenders	13.89%	13.42%	14.88%	12.25%	15.82%

Intakes by Percentage Dogs - Year to Date



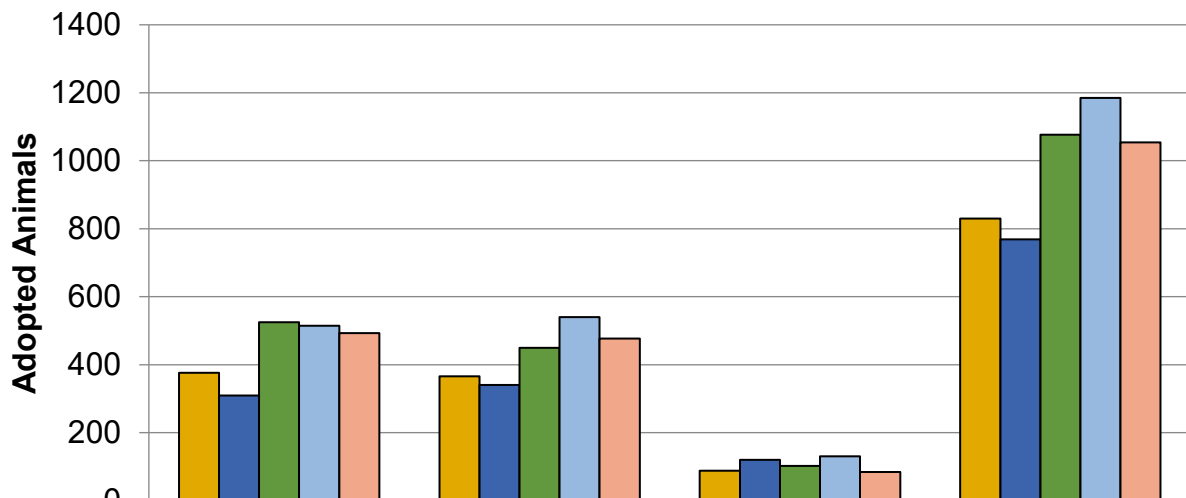
	May-20	May-21	May-22	May-23	May-24
Incoming Transfers	48.74%	50.87%	48.20%	43.50%	41.11%
Strays	30.17%	30.73%	30.89%	34.87%	33.74%
Seized / Custody	0.39%	1.04%	0.69%	2.02%	2.18%
Returns	9.09%	6.25%	7.48%	7.06%	6.65%
Owner Surrenders	11.61%	11.11%	12.74%	12.56%	16.32%

Adoptions May



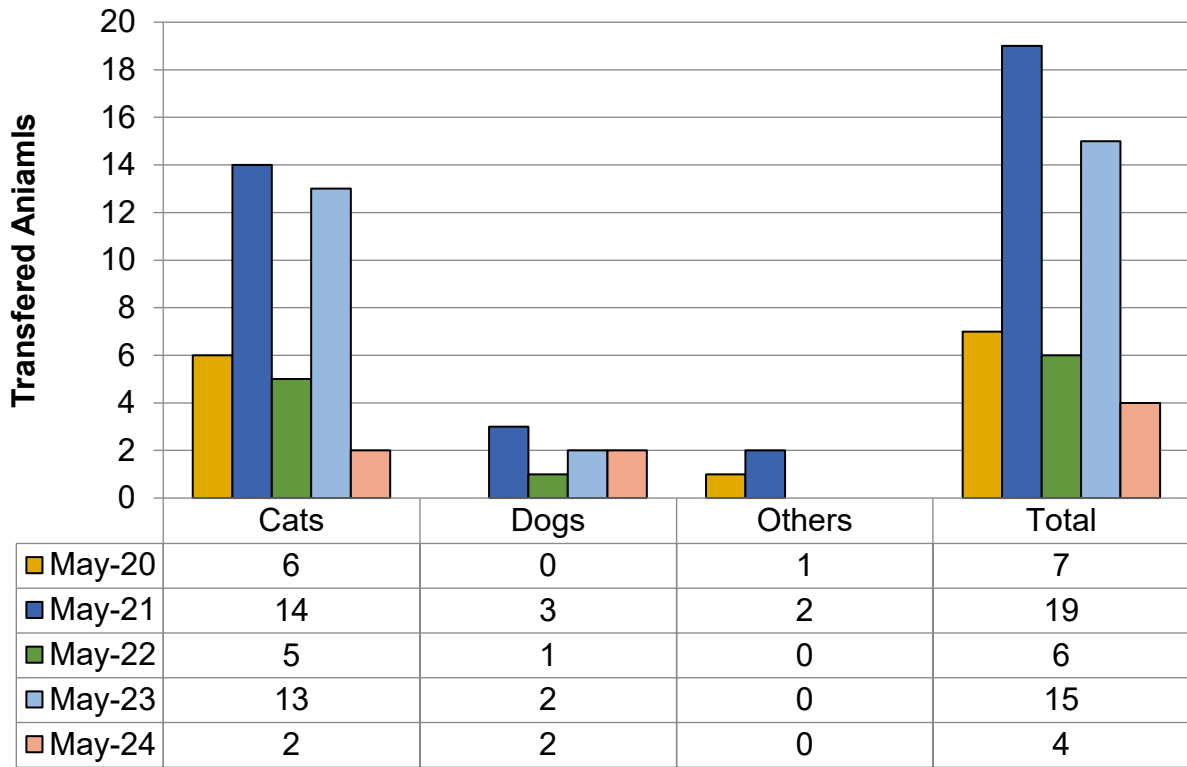
	Cats	Dogs	Others	Total
May-20	29	12	5	46
May-21	63	77	20	160
May-22	121	54	18	193
May-23	129	87	37	253
May-24	127	91	13	231

Adoptions Year to Date

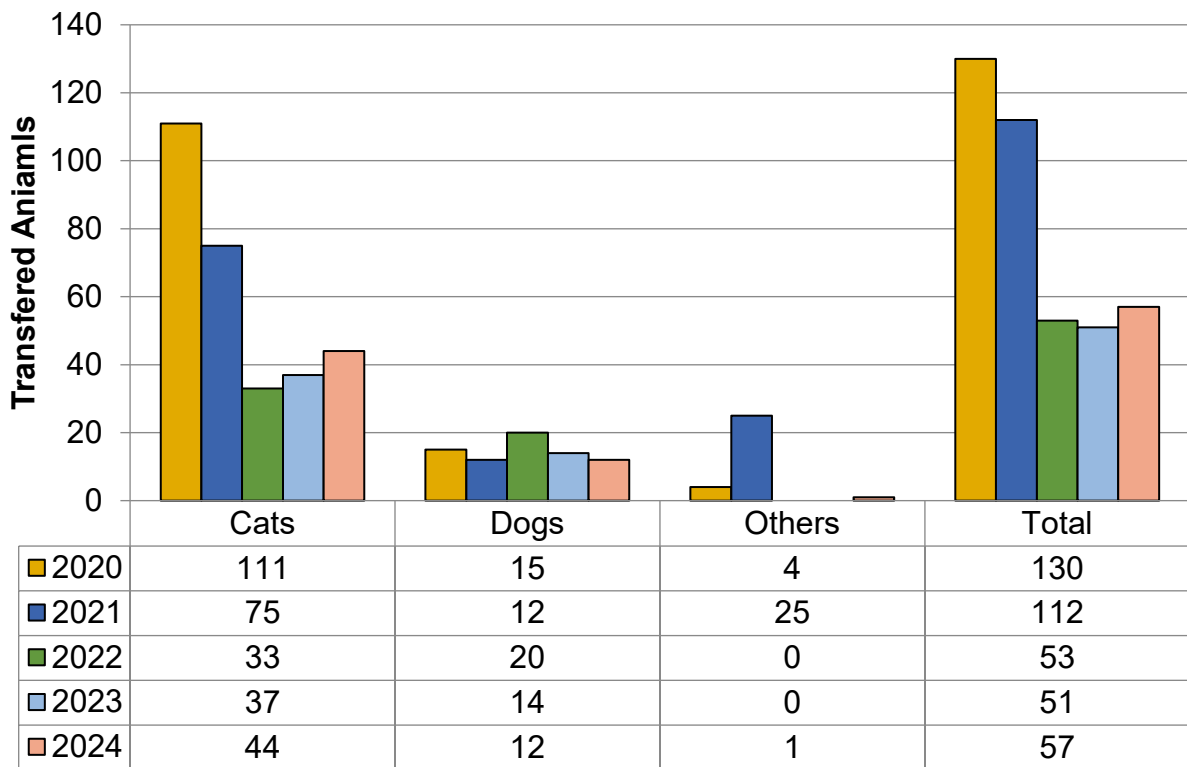


	Cats	Dogs	Others	Total
2020	376	366	88	830
2021	309	340	120	769
2022	525	450	102	1077
2023	515	540	130	1185
2024	493	477	84	1054

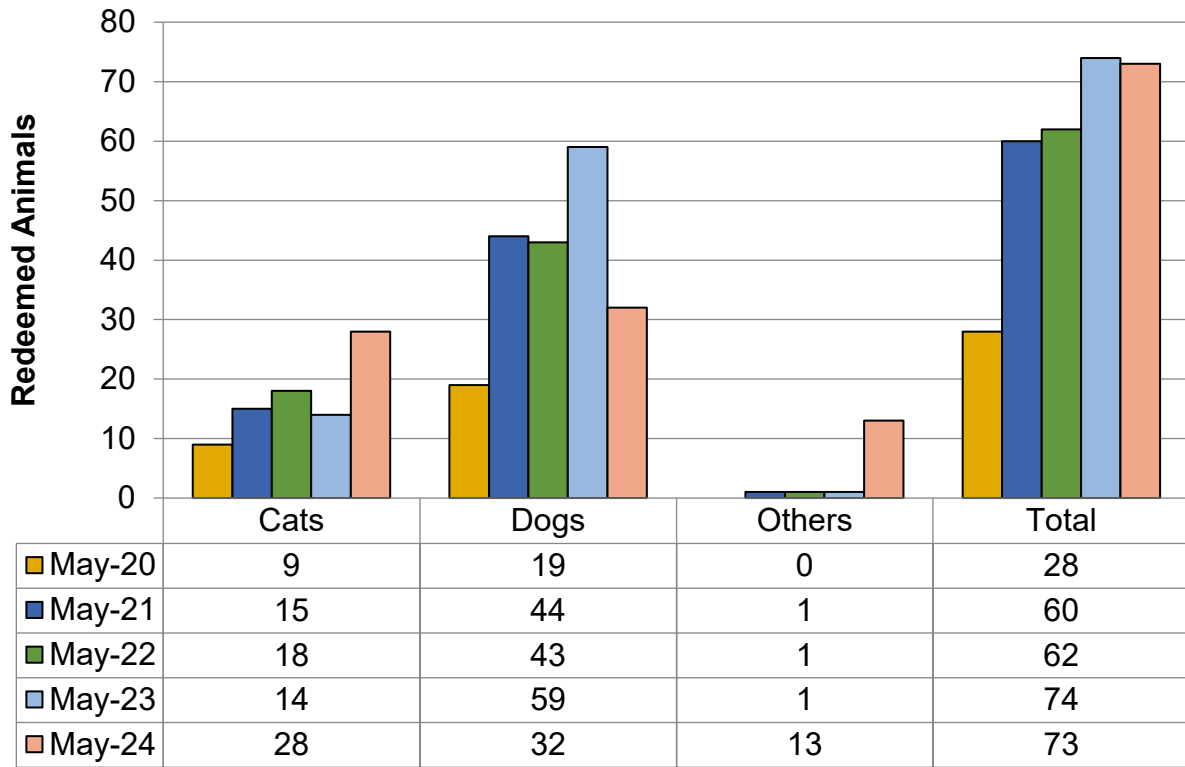
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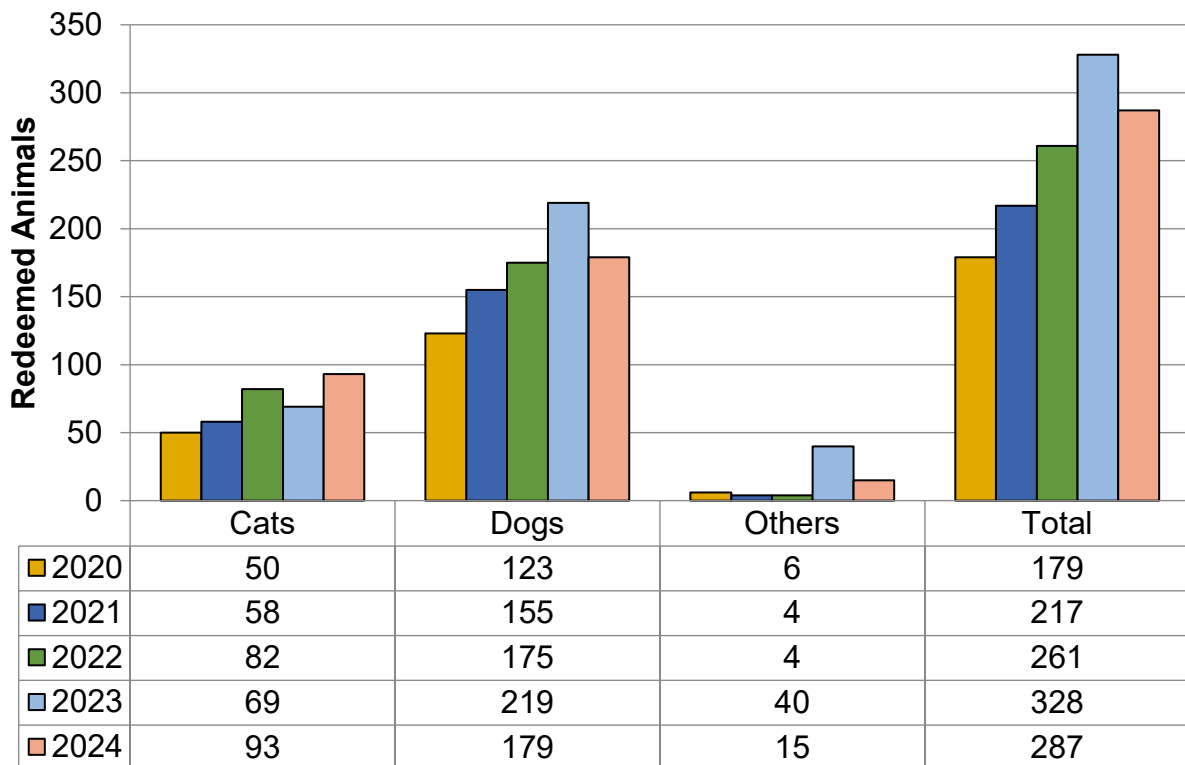
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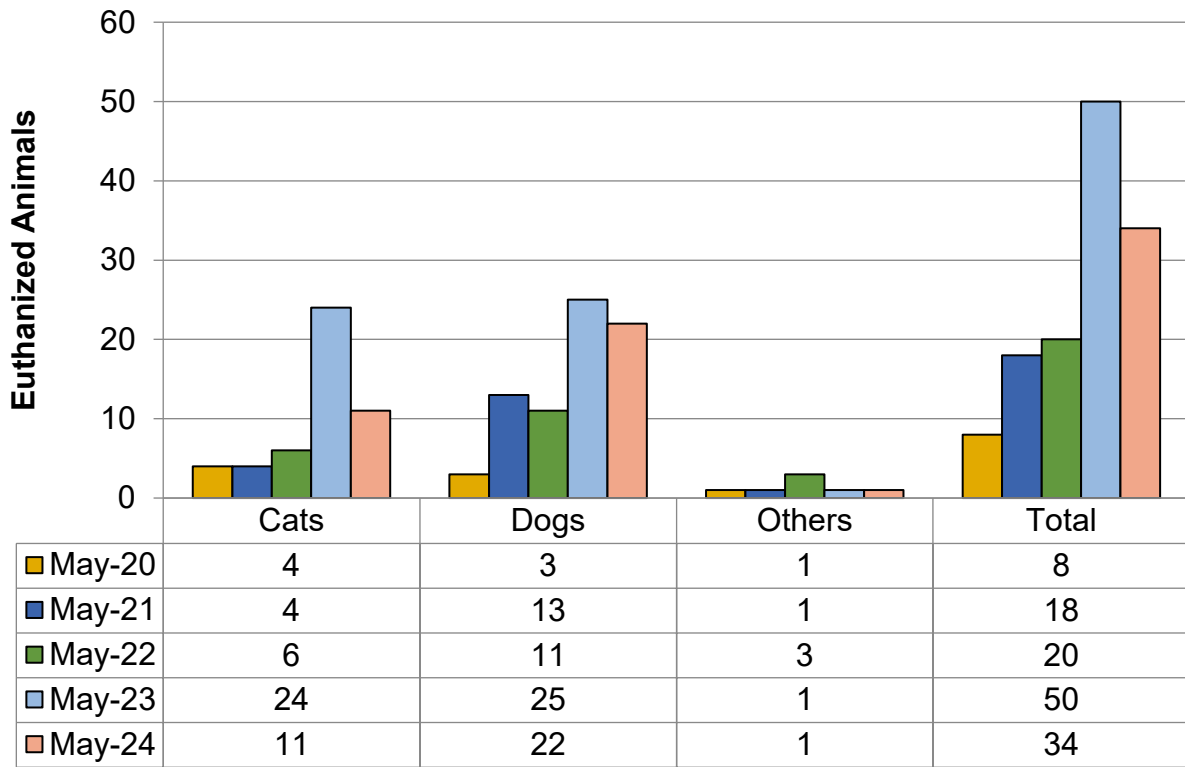
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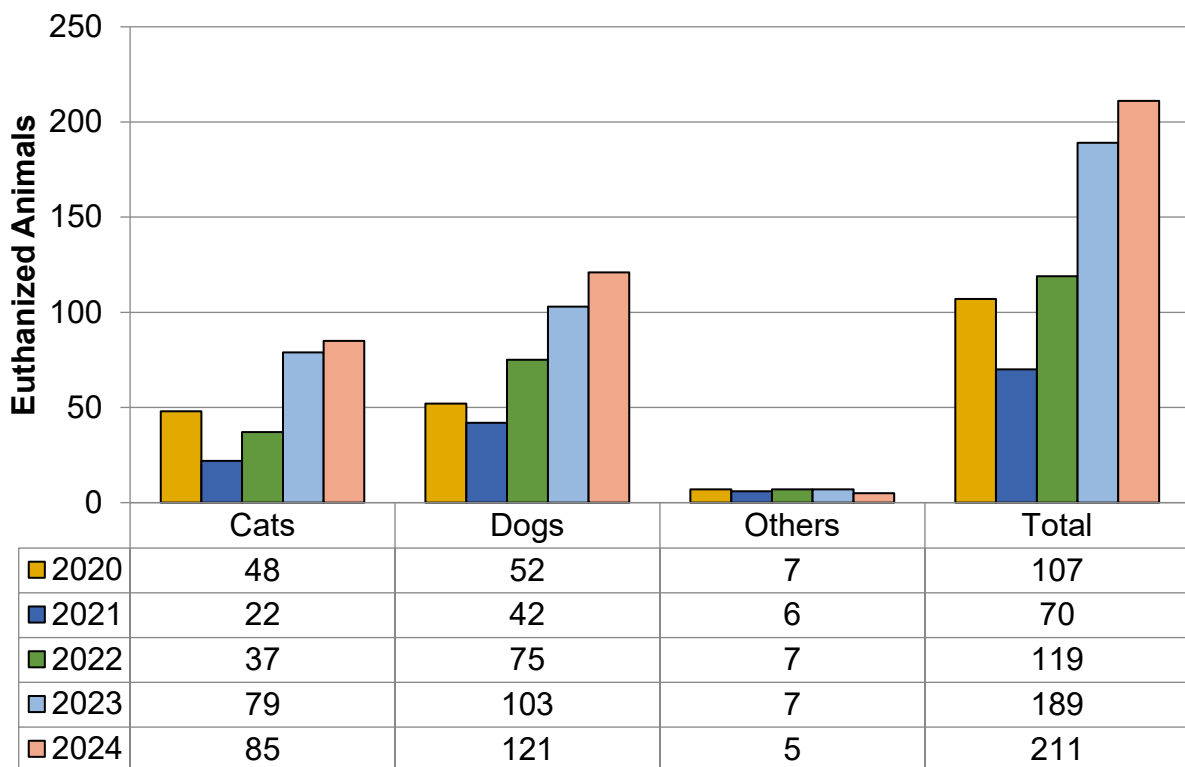
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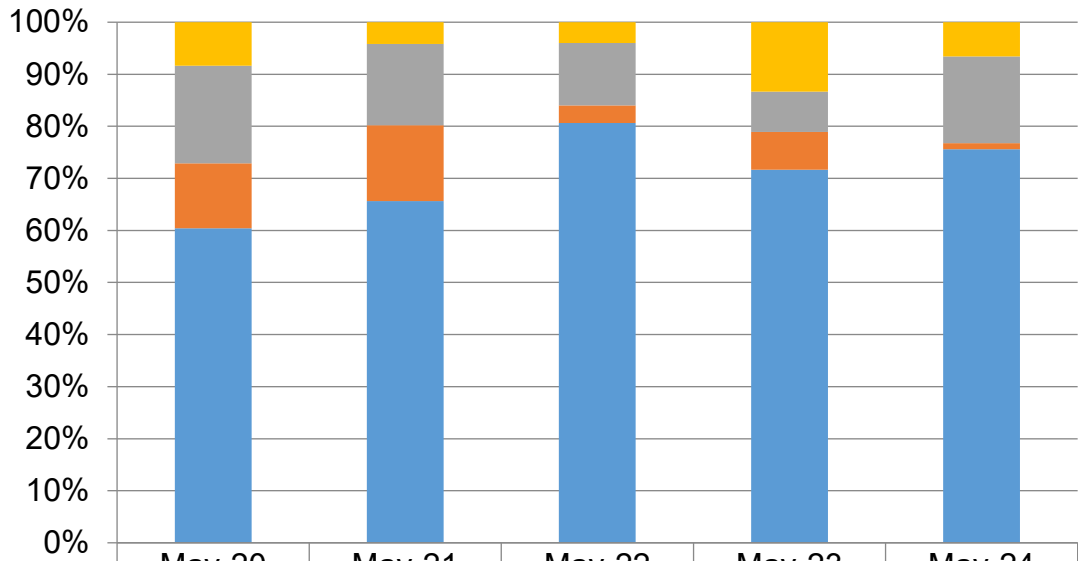
Euthanasia May



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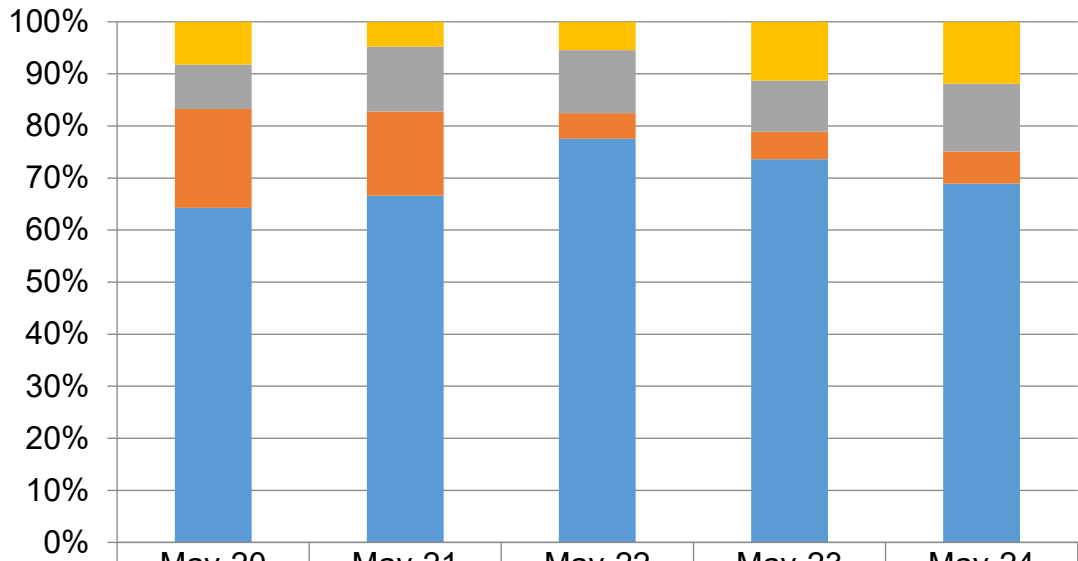


Outcomes by Percentage Cats - May



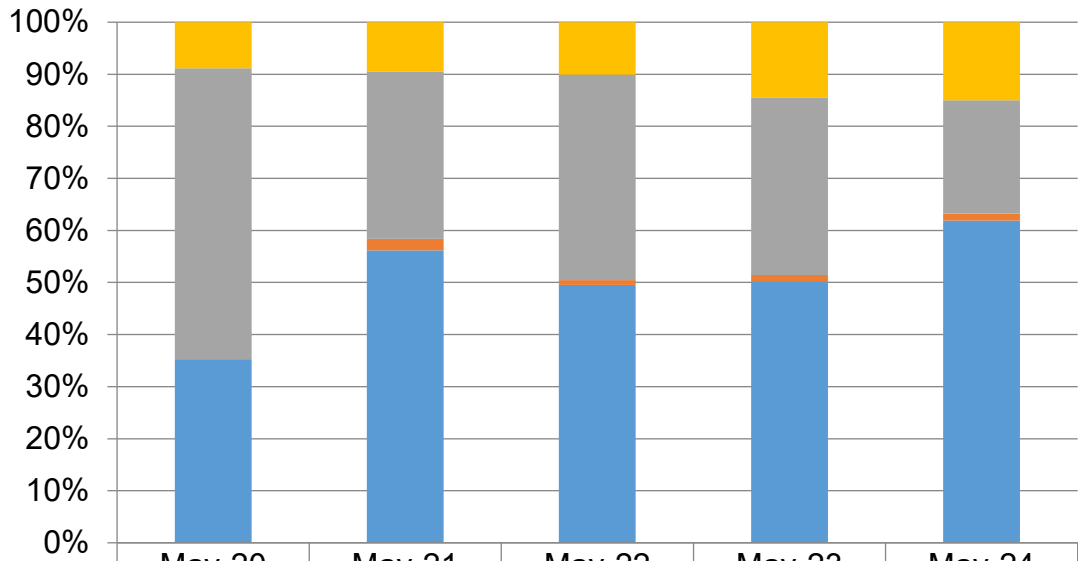
	May-20	May-21	May-22	May-23	May-24
■ Euthanasia	8.33%	4.17%	4.00%	13.33%	6.55%
■ Redemption	18.75%	15.63%	12.00%	7.78%	16.67%
■ Transfer	12.50%	14.58%	3.33%	7.22%	1.19%
■ Adoption	60.42%	65.63%	80.67%	71.67%	75.60%

Outcomes by Percentage Cats - Year to Date



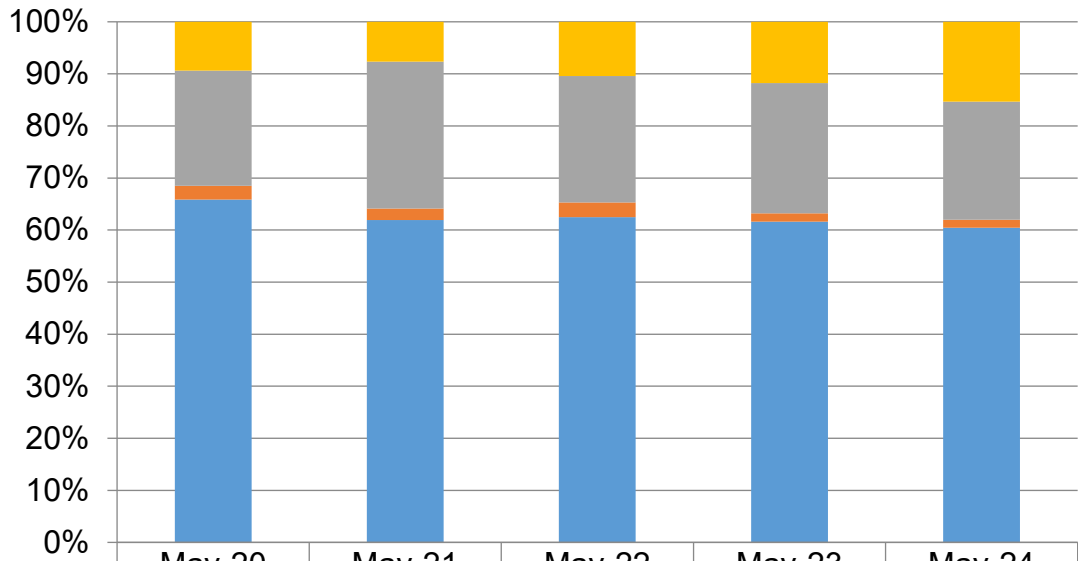
	May-20	May-21	May-22	May-23	May-24
■ Euthanasia	8.21%	4.74%	5.47%	11.29%	11.89%
■ Redemption	8.55%	12.50%	12.11%	9.86%	13.01%
■ Transfer	18.97%	16.16%	4.87%	5.29%	6.15%
■ Adoption	64.27%	66.59%	77.55%	73.57%	68.95%

Outcomes by Percentage Dogs - May



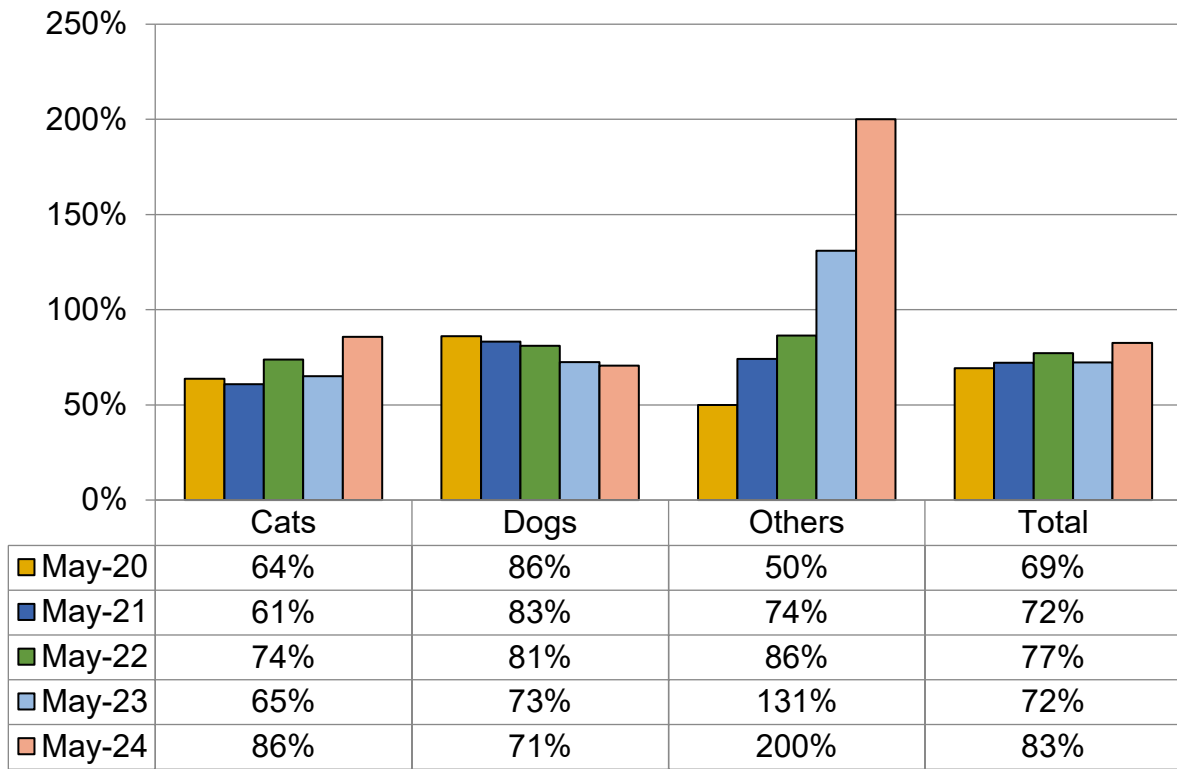
■ Euthanasia	8.82%	9.49%	10.09%	14.45%	14.97%
■ Redemption	55.88%	32.12%	39.45%	34.10%	21.77%
■ Transfer	0.00%	2.19%	0.92%	1.16%	1.36%
■ Adoption	35.29%	56.20%	49.54%	50.29%	61.90%

Outcomes by Percentage Dogs - Year to Date

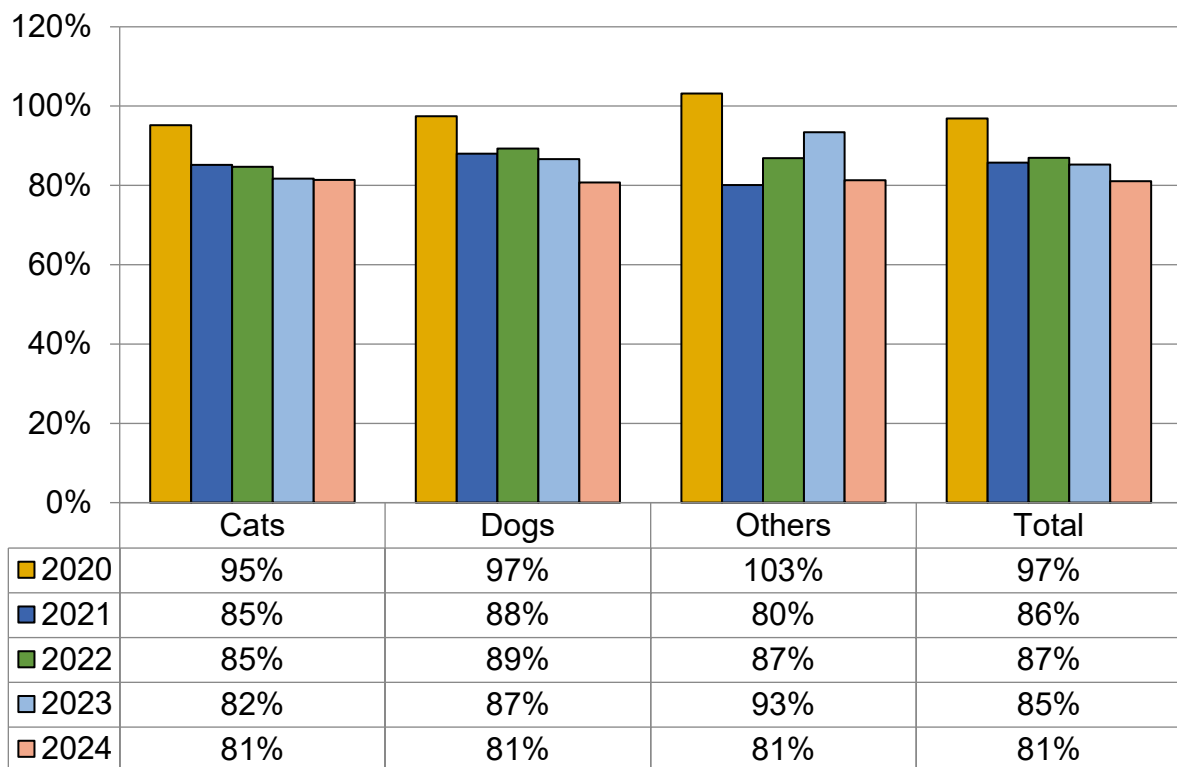


■ Euthanasia	9.35%	7.65%	10.42%	11.76%	15.34%
■ Redemption	22.12%	28.23%	24.31%	25.00%	22.69%
■ Transfer	2.70%	2.19%	2.78%	1.60%	1.52%
■ Adoption	65.83%	61.93%	62.50%	61.64%	60.46%

Save Rate May



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.