

ADOPTION RATE

The **ADOPTION RATE** of cats and dogs was drafted in August 2003. This formula will be used to determine the percentage of healthy and treatable dogs and cats that are successfully adopted; any unhealthy/untreatable animals that may have been adopted are also included in the calculation. Agencies may report their **ADOPTION RATE IN ADDITION TO** their LIVE RELEASE RATE by using the following method of calculation.

Animals in care – beginning count		_____
Plus		
Number of dogs and cats received	+	_____
(dead or alive; includes incoming transfers)		
Minus		
Outgoing transfers	-	_____
Euthanasia requests	-	_____
Dead on arrival	-	_____
Other (Missing in action (MIA), died, stolen, feral cat release)	-	_____
Animals in care – ending count	-	_____
Subtotal (Live animals w/ final disposition)	-	_____
Minus		
Return to Owners (RTO)	-	_____
Unhealthy/Untreatable	-	_____
* includes _____ animals requalified to unhealthy/untreatable		
Total – Animals categorized as healthy and treatable	(A)	_____
Healthy Animals adopted	(B)	_____
Treatable/Rehabilitatable Animals adopted	(C)	_____
Treatable/Manageable Animals adopted	(D)	_____
Unhealthy/Untreatable animals adopted	(E)	_____
(B + C + D + E) / (A + E) = % Adoption Rate		_____