

THE LOST HORSES

The Stats

17,003 American horses were exported to Mexico for slaughter in 2024.

Source: Animal Welfare Institute, "Horse Slaughter Statistics" (2025)

2,912 American horses were exported to Canada for slaughter in 2024.

Source: Animals' Angels, "State of the Horse Slaughter Industry – Annual Update 2025"

Total U.S. horse exports for slaughter in 2024: 19,195.

Source: Animal Welfare Institute, "Horse Slaughter Statistics" (2025)

From January to mid-July 2025, 12,068 horses were exported to Mexico.

Source: USDA Agricultural Marketing Service, "U.S.–Mexico Weekly Livestock Export Summary"

During the same period in 2024 (Jan–mid-July), 9,749 horses were exported to Mexico.

Source: USDA Agricultural Marketing Service, "U.S.–Mexico Weekly Livestock Export Summary"

The number of American horses exported to Canada rose by 539 between 2023 and 2024.

Source: Animals' Angels, "State of the Horse Slaughter Industry – Annual Update 2025"

Over the past decade, there has been an 86% decline in the number of American horses sold for slaughter.

Source: Animals' Angels, "State of the Horse Slaughter Industry – Annual Update 2025"

83% of Americans oppose horse slaughter for human consumption.

Source: ASPCA Policy & Legislative Affairs, Horse Slaughter Public Opinion Data — [aspcanet.org](https://www.aspcanet.org/policy/legislative-affairs/horse-slaughter-public-opinion-data)