## AWLQ STATISTICS 2015/16

The following statistics are divided into three sections:

## SECTION 1

Total animals cared for (almost 19,000 animals, including all strays and most surrenders from Gold Coast City, Ipswich and Brisbane, plus some unclaimed strays and surrenders from other surrounding South East Queensland and Northern New South Wales areas).

## SECTION 2

Gold Coast City Council residents' animals only (i.e. approximately 5,500 stray and surrendered dogs and cats plus approximately 500 other animals such as birds, guinea pigs, cattle, horses and pigs, in a human population of approximately 520,000 ).

Gold Coast City data is particularly useful, for the following reasons:
(i) The Gold Coast is one of the few large cities where the data represents the whole city (in this case, a growing city of more than 500,000 people with an estimated 13,000 to 16,000 new residents coming to the city each year). AWLQ has been managing the pound animals for the Gold Coast City Council for more than 25 years. We accept all unclaimed strays at the end of their holding period; and have the only two shelters on the Gold Coast for animals surrendered by their owners. This data therefore provides a consistent, unique source of information for governments and shelter organisations to identify the issues and develop solutions to the oversupply of abandoned animals in a whole community.
(ii) Gold Coast statistics illustrate the success of the range of strategies that AWLQ has put in place to reduce the numbers of abandoned and euthanised animals i.e. the Getting to Zero Model www.g2z.org.au.

AWLQ reached its goal of zero killing of healthy sociable dogs (since June 2008) and cats (since May 2009) in Gold Coast City, and is one of the few cities in Australia also saving most of the treatable dogs and cats.

In 2015/16 AWLQ maintained its lifesaving achievements with $90 \%$ of stray and surrendered Gold Coast dogs and $84 \%$ of stray and surrendered Gold Coast cats reclaimed or rehomed - an $88 \%$ save rate of all incoming stray and surrendered animals for the whole city. Because a substantial number of animals are also being brought into the Gold Coast Rehoming Centre from other communities (e.g. 55\% of Ipswich animals were transferred to the Gold Coast) this adds to the complexity of achieving zero euthanasia in the whole City of Gold Coast. Once other communities can reduce their oversupply and rehome their own animals, it will be possible to save all of the treatable animals as well.

We work to rehabilitate many animals with pre-existing behaviour issues or stress-related illness, particularly flu in cats. We strongly work on prevention through desexing, particularly unwanted cats, and education programs (particularly animal owners, secondary students and teachers) and have worked with local government to develop a model breeder permit system, which requires inspections for meeting standards of care, socialisation and rehoming of dogs and cats. We are constantly seeking new ways to reduce euthanasia rates and hope to reduce this rate even further.

## SECTION 3

Ipswich City Council residents' animals only (i.e. more than 6,200 stray and surrendered dogs and cats in 2015/16 plus approximately 150 other animals such as birds, guinea pigs, cattle, horses and pigs,) in a population of approximately 190,000 people. AWLQ has cared for the pound animals for Ipswich City Council since October 2011, accepting all the unclaimed stray and surrendered animals from the public at the Rehoming Centre.

In 2009/10 prior to the contract, only 20 dogs ( $2 \%$ of unclaimed stray and surrendered dogs) and 4 cats ( $0 \%$ of cats) were rehomed by Ipswich City Council with a further 267 dogs (24\%) and 85 cats ( $8 \%$ ) transferred to other groups (mainly AWLQ) to rehome. In 2015/16, the final year of the contract, AWLQ rehomed 1,344 dogs ( $71 \%$ ) and 1,732 cats ( $71 \%$ ) with a further $4 \%$ of both dogs and cats transferred to rescue groups for rehoming.

In the same period, euthanasia rates of unclaimed stray and surrendered animals were reduced from 72\% to $24 \%$ of dogs and from $92 \%$ to $21 \%$ of cats.

SECTION 1 AWLQ ALL AREAS
AWLQ Outcomes - All animals 2015/16

| Animal Type | Reclaimed | Adopted | $\begin{aligned} & \text { In } \\ & \text { process } \end{aligned}$ | Transfer to Rescue | Escaped/ Stolen | Euthanised | Died | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Puppy | 76 | 1108 | 8 | 37 | 0 | 44 | 12 | 1285 |
| Dog | 6142 | 2332 | 59 | 280 | 3 | 1078 | 10 | 9904 |
| Canine | 6218 | 3440 | 67 | 317 | 3 | 1122 | 22 | 11189 |
| \% Canine | 56 | 31 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 100 |
| Kitten | 15 | 2695 | 54 | 126 | 5 | 255 | 117 | 3267 |
| Cat | 500 | 1930 | 25 | 107 | 12 | 835 | 2 | 3411 |
| Feline | 515 | 4625 | 79 | 233 | 17 | 1090 | 119 | 6678 |
| \% Feline | 8 | 69 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 16 | 2 | 100 |
| Bird | 82 | 87 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 176 |
| Cattle | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
| Fowl | 3 | 164 | 1 | 48 | 1 | 35 | 7 | 259 |
| Goat | 10 | 28 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 45 |
| Guinea Pig | 6 | 217 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 3 | 233 |
| Horse | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| Pig | 2 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| Rabbit | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 8 |
| Rodent | 0 | 36 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 45 |
| Sheep | 7 | 17 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26 |
| Other Subtotal | 128 | 557 | 5 | 60 | 3 | 54 | 16 | 823 |
| \%TotOth | 16\% | 68\% | 1\% | 7\% | 0\% | 7\% | 2\% | 100\% |
| Grand Total: | 6861 | 8622 | 151 | 610 | 23 | 2266 | 157 | 18690 |
| \% All <br> Animals | 37\% | 46\% | 1\% | 3\% | 0\% | 12\% | 1\% | 100\% |



## AWLQ Outcomes All Areas 2015/16 Dogs




## SECTION 2 City of Gold Coast 2015/16

Gold Coast All Stray and Surrendered Animals Outcomes 2015/16

| Type | Reclaimed | Adopted | In process | Trans to Rescue | Escaped/ Stolen | Euthanised | Died | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Puppy | 1 | 270 | 1 | 11 | 0 | 9 | 10 | 302 |
| Dog | 1979 | 744 | 11 | 69 | 0 | 313 | 1 | 3117 |
| Canine | 1980 | 1014 | 12 | 80 | 0 | 322 | 11 | 3419 |
| \%TotDog | 57.9 | 29.7 | 0.4 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 9.4 | 0.3 | 100.0 |
| Kitten | 5 | 733 | 8 | 4 | 1 | 77 | 44 | 872 |
| Cat | 197 | 760 | 10 | 7 | 1 | 241 | 1 | 1217 |
| Feline | 202 | 1493 | 18 | 11 | 2 | 318 | 45 | 2089 |
| \% TotCat | 9.7 | 71.5 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 15.2 | 2.2 | 100.0 |
| Dog+Cat | 2182 | 2507 | 30 | 91 | 2 | 640 | 56 | 5508 |
| \%TotD/C | 40 | 46 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 12 | 1 | 100 |
| Bird | 1 | 77 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 84 |
| Fowl | 0 | 106 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 33 | 3 | 150 |
| Goat | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 15 |
| Guinea Pig | 0 | 145 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 3 | 155 |
| Horse | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Pig | 0 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Rodent | 0 | 22 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 30 |
| Livestock | 29 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 29 |
| Other total | 30 | 368 | 6 | 13 | 1 | 44 | 8 | 470 |
| \%TotOth | 6 | 78 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 9 | 2 | 100 |
| Total Animals | 2212 | 2875 | 36 | 104 | 3 | 684 | 64 | 5978 |
| \% All <br> Animals | 37.0 | 48.1 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 0.1 | 11.4 | 1.1 | 100.0 |






Gold Coast Cats (Number)
Number incoming, reclaimed, rehomed, euthanised 2001/2-2015/16
*2004/5 \& 2011/12 - possible overlap of data due to change of database systems



SECTION 3 Ipswich City Stray and Surrendered Animals 2015/16
Ipswich City All Stray and Surrendered Animals - Outcomes 2015/16

| Type | Reclaim | Adopt | In process | Transf. to Rescue | Escaped/ Stolen | Euth | Died | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Puppy | 2 | 468 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 27 | 2 | 509 |
| Dog | 1728 | 876 | 15 | 63 | 0 | 430 | 0 | 3112 |
| Canine | 1730 | 1344 | 17 | 71 | 0 | 457 | 2 | 3621 |
| \% Tot Dog | 47.8 | 37.1 | 0.5 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 12.6 | 0.1 | 100.0 |
| Kitten | 1 | 1123 | 54 | 51 | 3 | 122 | 46 | 1400 |
| Cat | 170 | 609 | 11 | 34 | 3 | 393 | 0 | 1220 |
| Feline | 171 | 1732 | 65 | 85 | 6 | 515 | 46 | 2620 |
| \% Tot Cat | 6.5 | 66.1 | 2.5 | 3.2 | 0.2 | 19.7 | 1.8 | 100.0 |
| Bird | 81 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 82 |
| Cattle | 13 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fowl |  | 1 |  | 8 |  |  |  | 9 |
| Goat | 10 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  | 12 |
| Guinea Pig |  | 34 | 1 |  |  |  |  | 35 |
| Horse | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4 |
| Pig | 6 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  | 9 |
| Rabbit |  |  | 1 |  |  | 2 |  | 3 |
| Rodents |  | 12 | 1 |  |  |  |  | 13 |
| Other | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| Tot Other | 116 | 53 | 3 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 169 |
| \%TotOther | 68.6 | 31.4 | 1.8 | 4.7 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 100 |
| Total animals | 2017 | 3129 | 85 | 164 | 6 | 974 | 48 | 6410 |
| \% All Animals | 31 | 49 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 15 | 1 | 100 |






## Ipswich Dog Outcomes (\%)

2007/8-2015/16
Note: 2011/12 \& 2013/14 not included - incomplete data




