

**Table 5-13. WILD FREE-ROAMING HORSE AND BURRO REMOVAL AND ADOPTION BY OFFICE, FISCAL YEAR 2002**

Administrative Office /a/	Animals Adopted				Animals Removed	
	FY 1972 - FY 2001		FY 2002		FY 2002	
	Horses	Burros	Horses	Burros	Horses	Burros
Alaska	65	11	0	0	0	0
Arizona	2,814	1,325	312	131	0	656
California /b/	14,295	4,883	873	316	1,006	530
Colorado	5,931	754	311	54	373	0
Eastern States /b/	53,254	14,159	2,205	664	0	0
Idaho	6,098	356	102	49	90	0
Montana /b/	16,231	1,633	119	31	0	0
Nevada	3,997	566	42	4	6,321	21
New Mexico /b/	25,107	3,564	914	259	0	0
Oregon /b/	10,097	1,359	304	93	849	0
Utah	5,730	384	221	19	1,337	0
Wyoming /b/	10,218	1,156	305	60	846	0
Natl. Program Office	1,170	169	279	79	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>155,007</b>	<b>30,319</b>	<b>5,987</b>	<b>1,759</b>	<b>10,822</b>	<b>1,207</b>
<b>Total Adopted, Fiscal Years 1972 through 2001:</b>			<b>185,326</b>			
<b>Total Adopted, Fiscal Year 2002:</b>			<b>7,746</b>			
<b>Total Removed, Fiscal Year 2002:</b>			<b>12,029</b>			

Note: The table reflects reassignments, which occur when adopted animals are returned to the Federal government and then re-adopted. Mules are reported as burros.

/a/ Adoptions were previously reported by geographic state, including the District of Columbia. Beginning in 1996, consistent with removals of wild horses and burros, adoptions were reported by the administrative state conducting the adoption. Beginning in 1999, adoptions were also reported by administrative offices; i.e., adoptions conducted in the national centers in Palomino Valley, Nevada, and Elm Creek, Nebraska, are now reported under the National Program Office.

/b/ California administers the wild horse and burro program in Hawaii; Eastern States Office administers the program in the 31 States east of and bordering on the Mississippi River and the District of Columbia; Montana administers the program in North and South Dakota; New Mexico administers the program in Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas; Oregon administers the program in the State of Washington; and Wyoming administers the program in Nebraska.