

Table 5-13.

**WILD FREE-ROAMING HORSE AND BURRO REMOVAL  
AND ADOPTION BY OFFICE, FISCAL YEAR 2007**

Administrative State <i>/a/</i>	Animals Adopted				Animals Removed	
	FY 1971–FY 2006		FY 2007		FY 2007	
	<i>Horses</i>	<i>Burros</i>	<i>Horses</i>	<i>Burros</i>	<i>Horses</i>	<i>Burros</i>
Arizona	3,259	2,900	139	91	33	79
California <i>/b/</i>	17,696	6,292	571	217	542	203
Colorado	6,568	799	221	24	168	0
Eastern States <i>/b/</i>	57,044	14,401	1,114	304	0	0
Idaho	4,050	293	148	0	301	0
Montana <i>/b/</i>	9,867	1,280	49	18	0	0
Nevada	3,937	288	113	4	3,362	818
New Mexico <i>/b/</i>	19,866	3,951	717	107	5	0
Oregon <i>/b/</i>	13,349	1,328	156	1	358	0
Utah	5,550	444	246	34	312	0
Wyoming <i>/b/</i>	16,241	1,137	214	7	1,545	0
National Program Office <i>/c/</i>	21,158	1,201	206	71	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>178,585</b>	<b>34,314</b>	<b>3,894</b>	<b>878</b>	<b>6,626</b>	<b>1,100</b>
<b>Total Adopted, Fiscal Years 1971 through 2006:</b>			<b>212,899</b>			
<b>Total Adopted, Fiscal Year 2007:</b>			<b>4,772</b>			
<b>Total Removed, Fiscal Year 2007:</b>			<b>7,726</b>			

Note: The table reflects reassignments, which occur when adopted animals are returned to the Federal government and then readopted. In 2004, historical adoption numbers were adjusted to avoid double counting in the case of reassignments (approximately 300 plus per year). Numbers will not add up when comparing previous years' data because of returns and reassignments. Mules are reported as burros.

*/a/* Before 1996, adoptions were reported by geographic state, including the District of Columbia. Beginning in 1996, adoptions have been reported by the BLM administrative State where the adopted animals are maintained. Since 1999, adoptions conducted at the two national centers—Elm Creek, Nebraska, and Palomino Valley, Nevada—have been 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.

*/c/* These numbers include 737 animals removed from USDA Forest Service lands; 163 in California; 5 in New Mexico; 526 in Nevada; 4 in Oregon; and 39 in Utah.