

**Table 5-13.**

**WILD FREE-ROAMING HORSE AND BURRO REMOVAL AND ADOPTION BY OFFICE, FISCAL YEAR 2009**

<b>Administrative State /b/</b>	<b>Animals Adopted</b>				<b>Animals Removed/c/</b>	
	<b>FY 1971 - FY 2008/a/</b>		<b>FY 2009</b>		<b>FY 2009</b>	
	<i>Horses</i>	<i>Burros</i>	<i>Horses</i>	<i>Burros</i>	<i>Horses</i>	<i>Burros</i>
Arizona	3,459	3,019	55	28	0	78
California /b/	18,462	6,601	226	90	392	372
Colorado	6,883	844	132	12	263	0
Eastern States /b/	59,069	14,855	1,254	82	0	0
Idaho	4,201	293	75	0	205	0
Montana /b/	9,947	1,314	61	1	57	0
Nevada	4,131	307	94	5	2,158	2
New Mexico /b/	21,432	4,129	741	32	0	0
Oregon /b/	13,701	1,332	163	0	874	0
Utah	5,899	509	167	11	1,223	0
Wyoming /b/	16,544	1,150	125	7	789	0
Natl. Program Office/b/	21,454	1,300	104	9	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>185,182</b>	<b>35,653</b>	<b>3,197</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>5,961</b>	<b>452</b>
<b>Total Adopted, Fiscal Years 1971 through 2008/a/:</b>			<b>220,835</b>			
<b>Total Adopted, Fiscal Year 2009:</b>			<b>3,474</b>			
<b>Total Removed, Fiscal Year 2009/c/:</b>			<b>6,413</b>			

Note: Mules are reported as burros.

/a/ The adoption numbers have been adjusted downward to account for animals that have been returned to BLM and have been re-adopted. These adjustments have been made since 2004 to account for the 300 to 500 adopted animals that are returned to BLM annually.

/b/ Prior to 1996, adoptions were reported by geographic state, including the District of Columbia. Beginning in 1996, adoptions were reported by the BLM Administrative State. Beginning in 1999, adoptions conducted in the national centers, Elm Creek, Nebraska, and Palomino Valley, Nevada, are reported under the National Program Office. 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/ Removal numbers include 90 animals removed from Forest Service territories; 20 in California; 5 in Montana; 1 in Nevada; and 62 in Oregon.