



# Lifesaving Statistics

## Intake and Outcomes: January - December 2025

	Canines	Felines	Total Canines & Felines	Other Species	Totals
<b>Intake</b>	3,539	8,821	12,360	115	12,475
<b>Live Outcomes</b>	2,992	7,747	10,739	105	10,844
<b>Euthanasia Outcomes</b>	468	745	1,213	13	1,226
<b>Other Outcomes</b>	28	183	211	1	212

Live release rates, save rates, and euthanasia rates provide a narrow view of shelter performance and do not consider other important welfare indicators, such as the length of stay for animals, the provision of veterinary care, behavioral enrichment programs, and efforts to reunite lost animals with their owners. These factors along with the definitions of the Asilomar Accords are crucial in assessing the overall welfare of animals in shelters. Although these rates are often used as a metric in animal shelters, they are all arbitrary and may not fully capture the complexities of lifesaving efforts.

Instead of using a specific number to determine what makes a No Kill Community, Charleston Animal Society uses the Asilomar Accords definitions for “Healthy and Treatable” to guide the outcome decisions for shelter animals.

## Canine and Feline Live Release/Save Rates: January 2025 - December 2025

<b>No Kill South Carolina<sup>SM</sup> Lifesaving Rate</b>	90%
1 minus (Euthanasia [1,213] divide by Live Intakes [12,360])	

<b>Asilomar Live Release Rate</b>	88%
Live Outcomes [10,739] divided by (All Outcomes [12,163] minus unhealthy/untreatable owner requested euthanasia [0])	

<b>ASPCA<sup>®</sup> Live Release Rate</b>	87%
Live Outcomes [10,739] divided by Live Intake [12,360]	

<b>Best Friends<sup>®</sup> Save Rate</b>	88%
(Live Intake [12,360] minus Euthanasia, Died, Lost in Care Outcomes [1,424]) divided by Live Intake [12,360]	