


SPCA of Tompkins County 2022 by the Numbers



Animal Highlights

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WHO CAME IN

In 2022, **1,398** animals came to the SPCA of Tompkins County. Most of those animals were cats or dogs, but we also cared for gerbils, guinea pigs, rats, mice, rabbits, a ferret, parrot, and a bearded dragon.

324 DOGS

40 OTHER

1,034 CATS





HOW LONG WERE THEY HERE

Number of Days


Average: 27.5
Max: 206

Average: 17.3
Max: 242



LIVE RELEASE RATE

An amazing 93.42% of the animals we cared for found new homes, reunited with their owners, or were transferred to other rescues!



93.42%

Data source: SPCA of Tompkins County
Asilomar Advanced Animal Statistics
for 2022



Animal Details

WHERE DID THEY COME FROM

The majority of the animals who came to us were surrendered by their owners, or were found as strays. Some of the animals came to us from other rescue organizations.



Owner-surrender, Stray

- 289 dogs
- 1,029 cats
- 34 other animals

Transfers

From other rescues, shelters

- 35 dogs
- 5 cats
- 6 other animals



WHERE DID THEY GO

The vast majority of the animals who come to us are adopted or reunited with their families. Sadly, some died while in our care (especially the very young or very old) or are humanely euthanized for severe health or behavioral problems.



	Dogs	Cats	Other
Adopted	159	824	30
Returned to Owner	132	88	14
Transferred	4	28	0
Euthanized or Died	17	82	3



Volunteers

In addition to the roles shown here, the SPCA relies on numerous volunteers who serve on the Board of Directors and committees.

58 in the Dog Wing

48 in the Cat Wing

5 Adoption Call Backs

4 Social Media

8 Medical SOS

3 Facilities

7 Photographers



FOSTER FAMILIES


We could not achieve our mission of being an open admission, adoption guarantee shelter without the work of our dedicated foster parents! This group totals **40** families caring for dogs, **124** families caring for cats & kittens, and **3** families fostering other animals.

66 Dogs & Puppies

422 Cats & Kittens

2 rabbits
1 snake







Helping our Community

LOW-COST SPAY & NEUTER

In 2022 we held **48** low-cost spay/neuter clinics for pet owners in Tompkins County and 17 surrounding counties where low-cost options are not available. A total of **1244** animals were "fixed".

263 DOGS

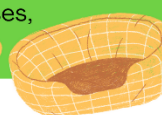

981 CATS



PET FOOD PANTRY

Food insecurity continues to be an issue for both humans and their pets in our community. With donations from individuals and businesses, we've been able to offer a weekly drive-up pet food pantry.

2022 brought fewer food pantry donations from our individual supporters, likely due to increased costs. Frequently we were only able to provide a small amount of food per household, even for folks with multiple pets or who are cat colony caretakers. To meet some of their other needs, we distributed other pet care items we did have available, such as cat litter, dog harnesses, crates, and bedding.




COMMUNITY ASSIST

We provide community assistance to people in Tompkins County who are in a difficult situation and need care for their pets temporarily. In 2022, we provided assistance to community members in 32 different cases, involving 45 animals.

22 DOGS

23 CATS

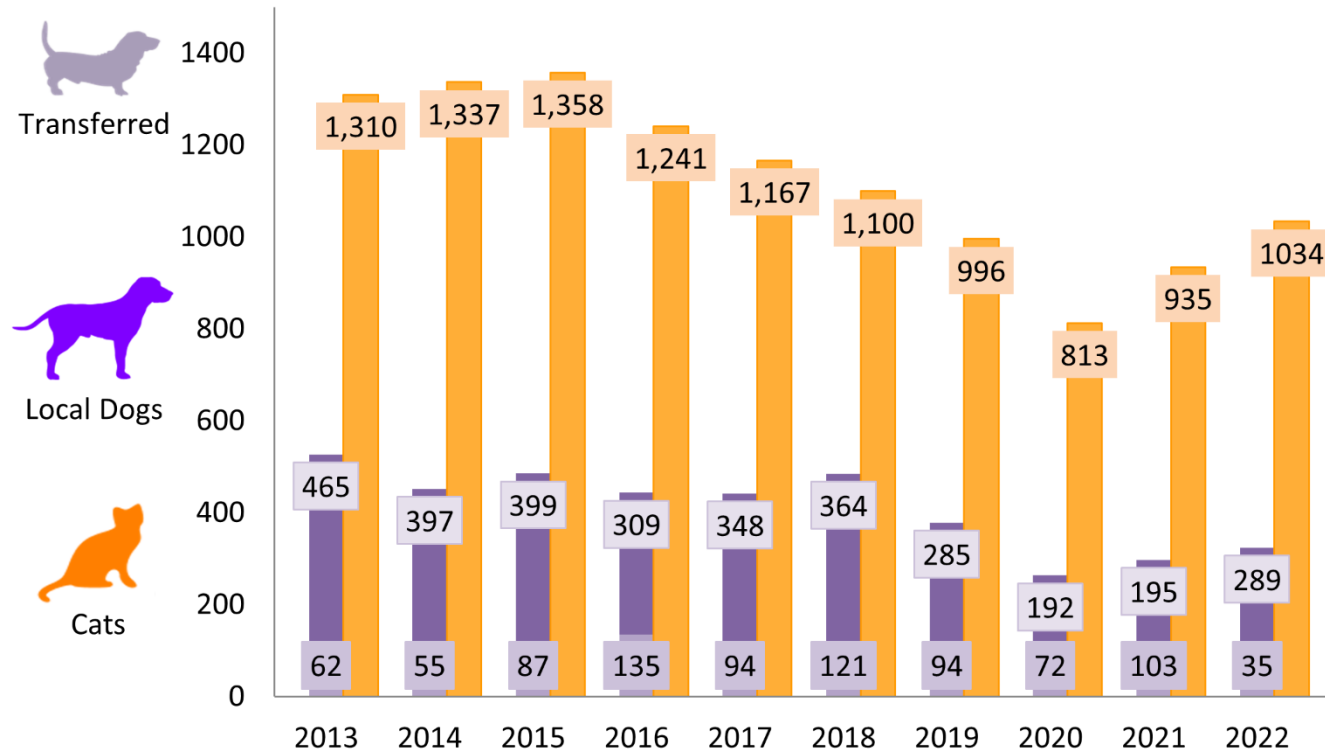




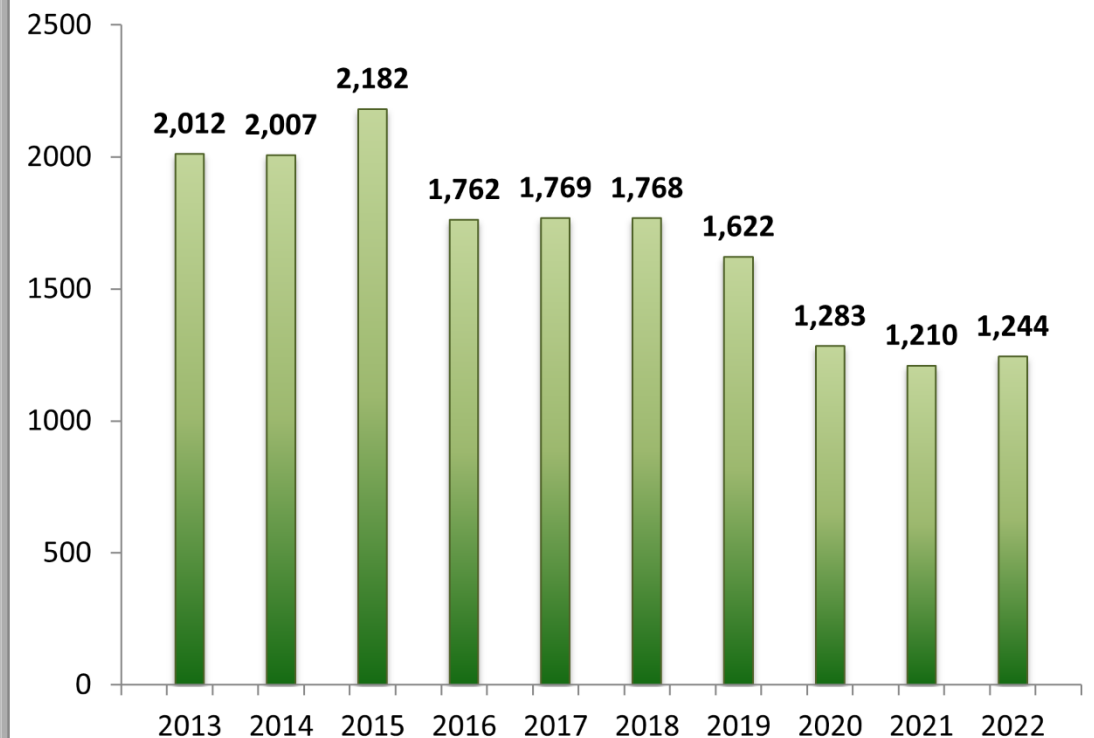
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For many years, the number of local cats and dogs who have come to the SPCA needing our help has steadily declined. We credit that reduction, in part, to our efforts to provide low-cost spay/neuter clinics. When more owned cats and dogs in the area are spayed or neutered, the number of unexpected litters decreases. The disruption in the scheduling of the low-cost spay/neuter clinics caused by the pandemic may explain the small increase in local animals coming into our care in 2021 and 2022.

SPCA Animal Intake 2013-2022



Spay/Neuter Statistics 2013-2022



In 2022, 205 feral cats were trap/neuter/return (TNR) through our spay/neuter clinics and shelter surgery days. Between 2015 and 2022, a total of 2,366 feral cats were spayed or neutered. To manage feral cat or large unowned cat colonies, and to prevent unwanted litters, TNR is an incredibly effective solution in managing over-population. Cats are trapped, brought to the SPCA for spay/neuter surgery, given rabies and distemper vaccinations, ear tipped, and tattooed at the surgical site.