

Table 5-13.

**WILD FREE-ROAMING HORSE AND BURRO REMOVAL
AND ADOPTION BY OFFICE, FISCAL YEAR 2006**

Administrative Office /a/	Animals Adopted				Animals Removed	
	FY 1971 - FY 2005		FY 2006		FY 2006	
	<i>Horses</i>	<i>Burros</i>	<i>Horses</i>	<i>Burros</i>	<i>Horses</i>	<i>Burros</i>
Arizona	3,074	2,822	198	79	0	192
California	17,144	6,109	617	191	1,355	72
Colorado	6,381	779	202	20	278	0
Eastern States	55,734	14,227	1,420	178	0	0
Idaho	4,043	293	12	0	1	0
Montana	9,813	1,274	57	6	19	0
Nevada	3,864	283	71	4	3,876	873
New Mexico	18,968	3,861	930	90	5	0
Oregon	13,076	1,324	294	0	1,006	0
Utah	5,395	390	175	54	628	0
Wyoming	16,055	1,124	217	14	1,621	0
National Program Office /b/	20,958	1,071	211	132	0	0
Total	174,505	33,557	4,404	768	8,789	1,137
Total Adopted, Fiscal Years 1971 through 2005:			208,062			
Total Adopted, Fiscal Year 2006:			5,172			
Total Removed, Fiscal Year 2006:					9,926	

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

Prior to 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.

/a/ 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.

/b/ These numbers include 245 animals removed from USDA Forest Service lands: 86 in California; 6 in Montana; 3 in New Mexico; 136 in Nevada; 12 in Oregon; and 2 in Utah.