

Overview of New York Statewide Public Opinion Survey Report on Horse Slaughter 1999

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Most voters are unfamiliar with horses being slaughtered for food perceiving it as illegal.

- 64% illegal
- 10% legal
- 26% don't know

Voters do not consider horses livestock animals.

- Recreational & Sporting Animal 57%
- Companion Animal 34%
- Livestock Animal 6%
- Don't Know 3%

Then asked if Companion vs Livestock.

- Companion 85%
- Livestock 12%
- Don't Know 4%

Position on Horse Slaughter

- Oppose - Cruel & Inhumane & should be Outlawed 57%
- Oppose - but Government shouldn't Intervene 24%
- Support - don't mind Export of Horses for Food 10%
- Don't Care - 6%
- Don't Know - 2%

Top Reasons to Ban

- Horse slaughter is cruel and inhumane 73%
- Horses should be humanely put to sleep 67%
- Dogs & cats are protected so should horses 59%

