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Are there any accurate stats on what percentage of NGA greys are placed into homes after they are done racing these days? Why has the industry not achieved 100% adoption yet? Are most of the dogs that are euthanized ones that are sick/injured, or are there still a significant number of healthy dogs that are put down after they are no longer competitive? Hope these questions are ok to discuss here. I'm not trying to cause trouble, just trying to gather information so I have accurate facts when I talk to people misinformed about the racing industry.

Saturday at 9:22pm



John Parker Jennifer, unfortunately there is no central clearinghouse of statistics on the numbers of Greyhounds adopted and euthanized. Any "percentage adopted" or "numbers put down" you see is just an estimate, often agenda-driven (even the NGA's). My own sense of it is that the number of healthy, adoptable Greyhounds that are euthanized is in rapid decline, but I wouldn't venture a guess. Since putting down healthy Greyhounds at the end of their professional careers is so widely discouraged and even condemned nowadays, it's no doubt a practice that's carried on in a very low-key if not secretive way. I think the only way we'll know for sure when the 100% mark is reached is when approved adoption applicants have to get on a waiting list.

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