

Animal Advisory Commission Report Q2 2021

This report is intended to give a high level overview of Austin Pets Alive!'s lifesaving operations, with a focus on APA!'s impact on Travis county through our partnership with Austin Animal Center.

Summary: Austin Pets Alive! (APA) continues to be the city of Austin's largest partner in lifesaving and the largest subsidizer of the city's budget to serve Austin animals. APA takes animals that have medical and behavioral issues that require a higher cost per animal than the average healthy animal in care. APA focuses on these animals in an effort to have a measurable effect on the live release rate at AAC. In June alone, of all animals transferred from Austin Animal Center to partners, APA took 77% and over 200 times the number taken by the other brick and mortar shelter in Austin.

APA's cost to care for the animals pulled this past quarter was approximately \$500,000-\$750,000. These numbers are currently being validated through an external agency and will be reflected as accurately as possible in future reports. APA receives no funding from the City of Austin but does receive use of the TLAC property, which if on the rental market could reasonably expect to receive \$8 per square foot, per year in rent for the use, condition and location that it is in (ie \$100,000 per quarter). APA!, therefore, contributed between \$400,000-650,000 last quarter to subsidize the city's budget to serve Austin animals.

APA's mission is to eliminate the unnecessary killing of shelter animals. Over the last 10 years of the license agreement, the role of APA's support at AAC has shifted away from lifesaving and into serving as "overflow" for AAC, serving many animals that should *not* be at risk of euthanasia in the city's publicly-funded shelter. The Austin Animal Center has received an increase in budget of more than 10 million dollars since 2010 and many supports have been put in place over the years by Austin City Council. APA is 100% committed to continuing to serve as a safety net for animals that cannot be saved through tax payer dollars and is currently negotiating a license agreement that more accurately reflects the mission of APA and the responsible utilization of all funds put towards animals, whether they are donated or tax funded.

AAC Transfers in June 2021 (from AAC report):

256 animals were transferred to 24 AAC rescue partners:

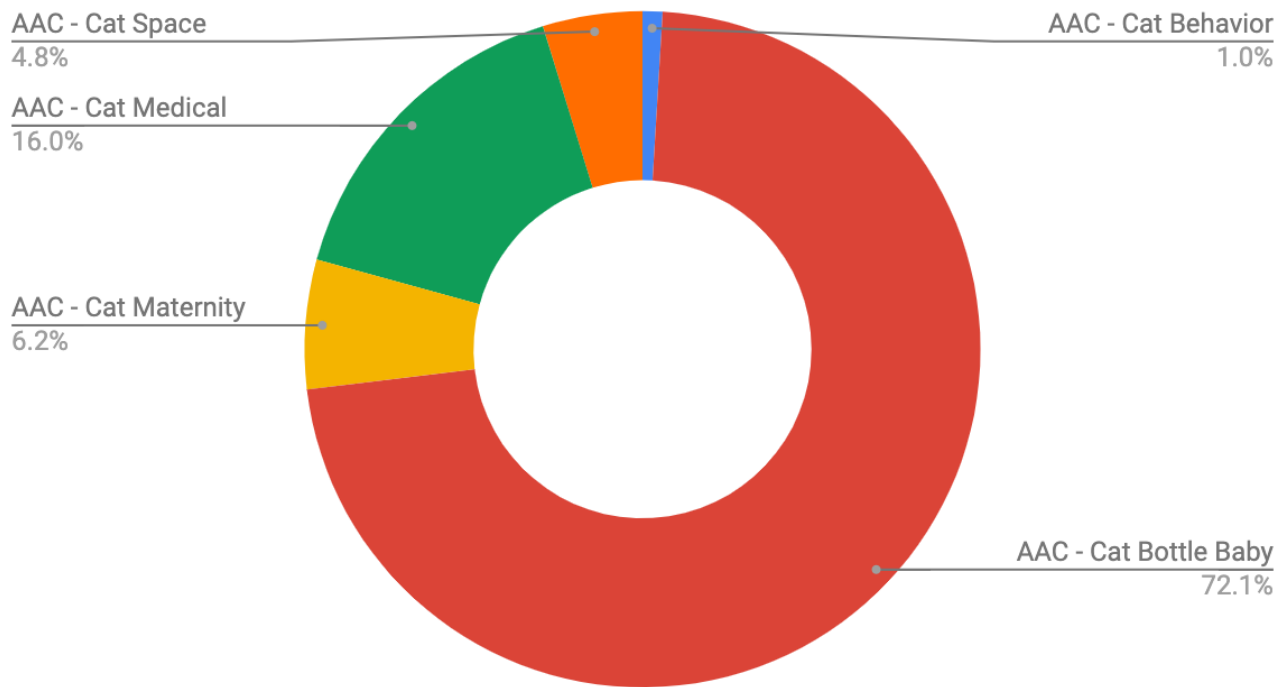
- 137 cats:
 - **0 to Austin Humane Society (AHS)**
 - **137 to Austin Pets Alive! (APA!)**
- 71 dogs:
 - **70 to APA!**

- **1 to AHS**
- 57 animals to small partners

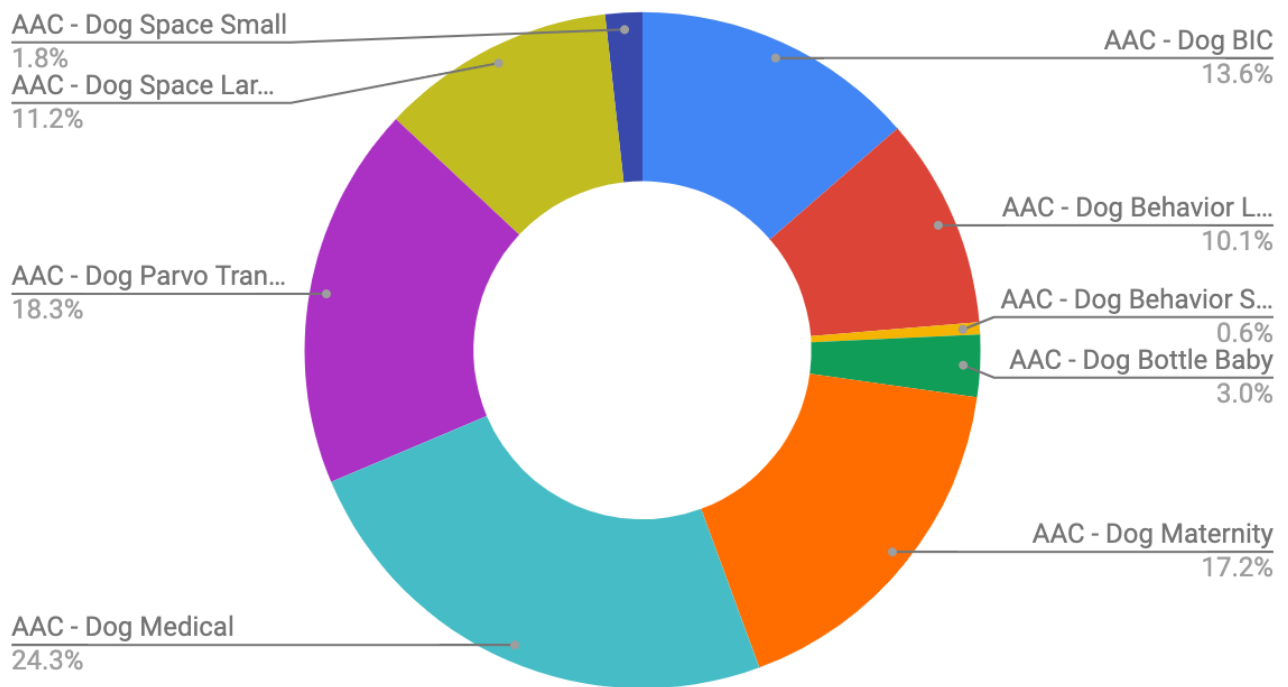
Intakes: Detailed Breakdown of APA Intakes transferred from AAC

	April 2021	May 2021	June 2021	Q2 2021
AAC - Cat Behavior	3	1	0	4
AAC - Cat Bottle Baby (Includes BIC)	96	121	86	303
AAC - Cat Maternity	6	16	4	26
AAC - Cat Medical	13	13	41	67
AAC - Cat Space	3	0	17	20
AAC - Dog BIC	0	5	18	23
AAC - Dog Behavior Large/Medium	6	4	7	17
AAC - Dog Behavior Small	1	0	0	1
AAC - Dog Bottle Baby	1	0	4	5
AAC - Dog Maternity	0	0	29	29
AAC - Dog Medical	7	16	18	41
AAC - Dog Parvo Transfer	4	15	12	31
AAC - Dog Space Large/Medium	19	0	0	19
AAC - Dog Space Small	3	0	0	3
Total AAC	162	191	236	589
Travis - PASS	31	34	40	105
Travis - Parvo OS/PASS	4	10	17	31
Total Travis	197	235	293	725

Intakes from AAC - Cat Breakdown



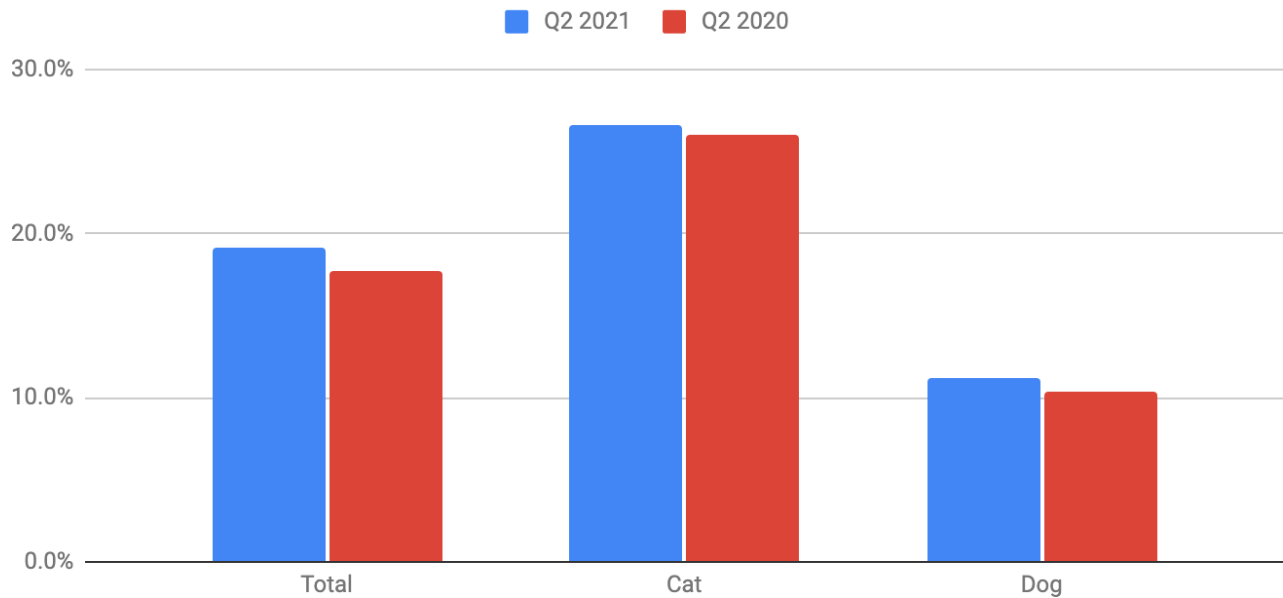
Intakes from AAC - Dog Breakdown



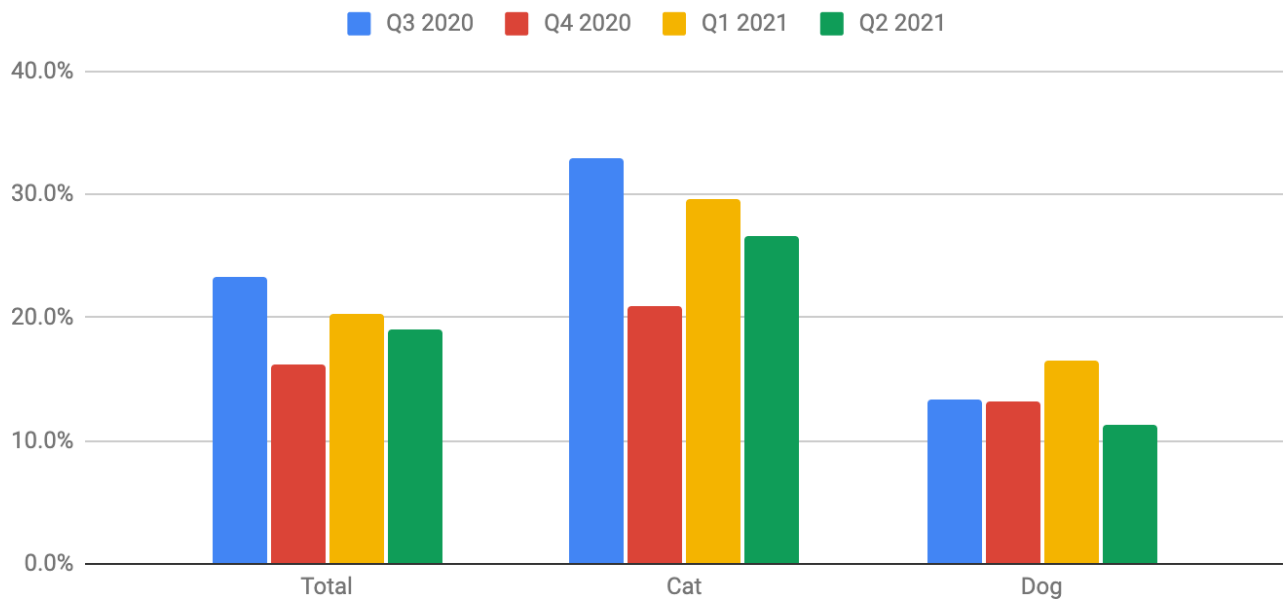
The first chart shows AAC to APA transfers as a percentage of total AAC Intakes for Q2 2021 compared to Q2 2020 as a way of gauging how APA is responding to AAC intakes.

The second chart shows AAC to APA transfers as a percentage of total AAC Intakes for the last four quarters.

AAC Transfers to APA as % of Total AAC Intakes [Q2 2021 vs Q2 2020]



AAC Transfers to APA as a % of total AAC Intakes



Outcomes in the Quarter of Animals Ever Transferred from AAC to APA

	April 2021			May 2021			June 2021			Q2 2021		
	Cat	Dog	Total	Cat	Dog	Total	Cat	Dog	Total	Cat	Dog	Total
Adoptions	39	67	106	49	58	107	77	43	120	165	168	333
Euthanasia	2	2	4	1	6	7	8	6	14	11	14	25
Lost/Stolen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feral/Wildlife	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	2
Return to Owner	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
UDIC *	10	0	10	25	7	32	21	2	23	56	9	65
Transfer Out	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	2
Total Outcomes	51	70	121	77	71	148	106	52	158	234	193	427

* UDIC = Unassisted Death in Custody consists of animals pulled with severe medical concerns or neonates who died while receiving appropriate care for their life-threatening condition.

- 17 behavior dogs pulled in Q2; of those, 4 have been adopted, 3 are available in foster, 9 are available in shelter, and 1 is currently unavailable in shelter. Notable behavior cases include:
 - 4 dogs from one case who were involved in an altercation with a small dog and bit the owner when she tried to break it up; all dogs came to us severely undersocialized and fearful, minimally handled at AAC
 - 5 dogs from one case who were also severely undersocialized, minimally handled at AAC
 - Bluebelle, an owner surrender with a provoked bite history who demonstrated barrier reactivity at AAC and so moved on a catchpole instead of handled. Nobody took her out of her kennel for two weeks
 - Blaze, a dog who was originally pled as a medical urgent dog for severe injuries to his chest, and was later (after transfer) found to have a bite history towards children that was not disclosed to APA before transfer
- Of the 100+ non-parvo medical cases transferred, over half were urgent, which typically means there is a two-hour deadline to pull (opposed to 48 hours for non-urgent). Most neonatal kittens are also transferred same-day. APA! is typically responsible for pick up & transport for these animals (though AAC helps to transport behavior dogs). Notable medical cases include:
 - An underage kitten who came in paralyzed/incontinent and requires manual bladder expression; currently available in a foster home
 - Kellog, a nursing mom dog with severe injuries to her chest and foot, with bone exposure; currently being treated in-shelter while nursing 6 puppies
 - Jimmy Neuron, a dog who was found laying in the street by owners, surrendered to emergency clinic, and later found to have a bullet lodged in his skull; noticeable neurological issues and HW positive; currently in adoptive home

Live Release Rate Calculations

Live Release Rate is calculated as AACs total live outcomes, which is all outcomes less Died, Euthanasia, Disposed, and Missing divided by total outcomes for the period.

	Apr - 2021	May - 2021	Jun - 2021	Q2 - 2021
AAC Live Outcomes	631	845	1,078	2554
AAC Total Outcomes	654	887	1,134	2675
AAC Live Release Rate	96%	95%	95%	95%

AAC Live Release Rate without APA attempts to show what AAC might look like without transfers to APA. While there is no perfect way to calculate this metric since it is impossible to know what would have happened were these animals not pulled by APA, this is one way to illustrate APA's effect on AAC live outcomes.

AAC Live Release Rate w/out APA Transfers				
<i>([AAC Live Outcomes] - [AAC to APA Transfers]) / [AAC Total Outcomes]</i>				
	Apr - 2021	May - 2021	Jun - 2021	Q2 - 2021
AAC Live Outcomes	631	845	1,078	2554
AAC to APA Transfers	162	191	236	589
AAC Total Outcomes	654	887	1,134	2,675
AAC Live Release Rate w/out APA	71.7%	73.7%	74.3%	73.5%

The AAC + APA Community Live Release rates combine AAC and APA live outcomes for the period (again total outcomes less Euth, Died, and Disposal) and divide that by the total outcomes for the period.

AAC + APA Community Live Release Rate				
<i>([AAC Live Outcomes]+[Live Outcomes of AAC to APA Transfers]) / ([AAC Total Outcomes]+[Total Outcomes of AAC to APA Transfers])</i>				
	Apr - 2021	May - 2021	Jun - 2021	Q2 - 2021
AAC Live Outcomes	631	845	1,078	2554
Live Outcomes of AAC to APA Transfers	107	109	121	337
AAC Total Outcomes	654	887	1,134	2,675
Total Outcomes of AAC to APA Transfers	121	148	158	427
AAC + APA Community Live Release Rate	95%	92%	93%	93%