

MOROCCO

VOICELESS ANIMAL CRUELTY INDEX 2017

Overall Rank 37

Morocco was a *poor* performer under the Voiceless Animal Cruelty Index (VACI) 2017 (on par with the Ukraine), due largely to its high level of animal production and inadequate animal protection laws.

Producing Cruelty

Rank 35

Morocco slaughters around 16 land-based animals per person / year, which is significantly higher than the global average of 9.7. The country's dependency on farmed animals is also high, with around 6.7 farmed animals per person (compared with a global average of around 4). Poultry production is typically based on small-scale farms, although large-scale intensive production is becoming increasingly common. As with other Muslim countries, pig meat production is low in Morocco.

Consuming Cruelty

Rank 15

The Moroccan diet contains a relatively low proportion of animal products, with around 22.5% of the average person's diet being made up of land-based animal protein (compared with a global average of 35.2%). This equates to each person consuming around 20.7g of land-based animal protein per day (compared with a global average of 26.7g).

Sanctioning Cruelty

Rank 44

Morocco was given an "F" under the Animal Protection Index (API) 2014, and was also a very poor performer under the Sanctioning Cruelty category. Morocco's animal welfare laws are largely inadequate in terms of the protections they provide and their narrow application to only specific classes of animals. The API notes that a general lack of concern for or awareness of animal protection presents a barrier to improvements in this area. Learn more about the quality of Morocco's legislative protections on the API here [http://api.worldanimalprotection.org/sites/default/files/api_morocco_report_0.pdf].



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