

# THAILAND

## VOICELESS ANIMAL CRUELTY INDEX 2017

### Overall Rank 34

Despite a relatively low level of meat consumption, Thailand was a *poor* performer under the Voiceless Animal Cruelty Index (VACI) 2017 (on par with Spain).

### Producing Cruelty

#### Rank 38

Thailand slaughters around 19.9 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 slightly higher than average, with around 4.4 farmed animals per person (compared with a global average of around 4). Factory farming is prevalent in poultry and pig farming and there are signs [<http://www.worldwatch.org/node/534>] that Thailand will be the target of big agribusiness investment in factory farms.

### Consuming Cruelty

#### Rank 15

The Thai diet contains a relatively low proportion of animal products, with around 31.2% 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 16.4g of land-based animal protein per day (compared with a global average of 26.7g).

### Sanctioning Cruelty

#### Rank 35

Thailand was given an "E" under the Animal Protection Index (API) 2014, and was also a poor performer under the Sanctioning Cruelty category. Learn more about the quality of Thailand's legislative protections on the API here [<http://api.worldanimalprotection.org/country/thailand>].



### Voiceless Animal Cruelty Index

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