

# UKRAINE

## VOICELESS ANIMAL CRUELTY INDEX 2017

### Overall Rank 37

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

### Producing Cruelty

#### Rank 33

Ukraine slaughters around 15 land-based animals per person / year, which is higher than the global average of 9.7. The country's dependency on farmed animals is also high, with around 5.3 farmed animals per person (compared with a global average of around 4). Factory farming is prevalent in pig, mink and poultry production.

### Consuming Cruelty

#### Rank 24

The Ukrainian diet contains a relatively high proportion of animal products, with around 45.9% 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 38.5g of land-based animal protein per day (compared with a global average of 26.7g).

### Sanctioning Cruelty

#### Rank 37

Ukraine was given an "E" under the Animal Protection Index (API) 2014, and was also a poor performer under the Sanctioning Cruelty category. According to the API 2014, the Ukraine's animal protection laws are failing to both make animal welfare a mainstream concern in the country and to prevent and punish acts of cruelty. Learn more about the quality of Ukraine's legislative protections on the API here [<http://api.worldanimalprotection.org/country/ukraine>].



### Voiceless Animal Cruelty Index

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