

FAST FUR FACTS

- FUR FACT 1. **Twice as many animals in the US are put to sleep by shelters and pounds as are used by the fur industry in a year**
- FUR FACT 2. People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) is opposed to keeping animals in the zoo or in the circus and consider pet ownership slavery.
- FUR FACT 3. "Without the fur industry and trapping, the suffering in wildlife would be far greater than it is now." Walter Bickford, former Commissioner of the Massachusetts Department of Fisheries and Wildlife.
- FUR FACT 4. One in five women in the US owns a fur coat, and more than 90% of women support freedom of choice when it comes to buying and wearing fur.
- FUR FACT 5. **In the last three years, there have been no reports of furs being spray-painted in New York, Chicago or Boston, according to police and insurance company or fur cleaning records.**
- FUR FACT 6. There are more furbearing animals in New England today than at any time since the Pilgrims.
- FUR FACT 7. **Furbearing animals in the wild do not die of old age. They die from disease, predator kill or starvation.**
- FUR FACT 8. "The international fur trade has done more for animal conservation than the conservationists." Eugene Lapoint, former General Secretary of the Convention in Trade on Endangered Species. The US fur industry does not use any endangered species.
- FUR FACT 9. People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) is opposed to wearing wool and silk, eating meat and drinking milk. They are also against using rats to test possible cures for heart disease, cancer and AIDS. Their answer according to Dan Mathews, international director of PETA, is "don't get (diseases) in the first place, schmo."
- FUR FACT 10. **Mink meat is a major source of protein in dog food. The mink and fox raised on farms in the US consumes a billion pounds of animal by-products unfit for human consumption that would otherwise fill our landfills.**
- FUR FACT 11. "Animal worship has become a clear and present danger to the US health and welfare. So called animal rights groups have launched a campaign of disinformation and political harassment against animal husbandry." *Barron's* editorial

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