

2004 PRCA INJURY SURVEY

The PRCA has continuously overseen surveys conducted by on-site, independent veterinarians at PRCA-sanctioned events. The purpose of the surveys is to determine the rate of injury to rodeo livestock. Over the years, the results have continued to show a rate of injury that is very, very low. The latest ongoing survey, conducted at 198 rodeo performances held during the 2004 PRCA rodeo season. As in the past, the rate of injury is



proving to be very low, a rate of injury of four hundredths of one percent, or .0004.



Following are the results of the 2004 survey:

TOTAL ANIMAL EXPOSURES: 60,971
NUMBER OF RODEO PERFORMANCES: 198
SECTIONS OF SLACK: 73
NUMBER OF INJURIES: 27
INJURY RATE: .0004

COMMENTS FROM VETERINARIANS ON-SITE AT PRCA RODEOS

Tucson, AZ Rodeo Veterinarian

"Condition of livestock upon arrival:

Vigorous, fresh, good weight, not signs of illness nor injuries."

Killeen, TX Rodeo Veterinarian

"Well taken care of. No problems seen. I see animal rights individuals that rescue animals take worse care of their animals."

Sisters, OR Rodeo Veterinarian

"Excellent – absolutely the best cared for rodeo stock I have seen."

Granite Falls, MN Rodeo Veterinarian

"Well fed, happy."

Lancaster, CA Rodeo Veterinarian

"Condition very good. Animals maintained in comfortable, minimally stressful manner. Very professional livestock handlers. Animals moved with minimum of stress."

Polson, MT Rodeo Veterinarian

"Good Condition, stock was carefully and professionally handled."

Tonasket, WA Rodeo Veterinarian

"Stock in good shape, very well managed."

Modesto, CA Rodeo Veterinarian

"All stock was loaded out and returned to Marysville, CA after the last perf - all stock left the rodeo healthy."

Yuma, CO Rodeo Veterinarian

"Very good - nutrition and health excellent."

Pretty Prairie, KS Rodeo Veterinarian

"Very good to excellent."

Tiffin, OH Rodeo Veterinarian

"Nothing but good."

Evanston, WY Rodeo Veterinarian

"The animals arrived several days early and were well fed and rested."

Colorado Springs, CO Rodeo Veterinarian

"Excellent. Healthy & well fed."

Omaha, NE Rodeo Veterinarian

"All stock was handled and cared for in very appropriate and professional manner. Great Condition!"

Ft. Madison, IA Rodeo Veterinarian

"Excellent. Cattle and horses all had good body score. All animals were alert, and active upon arrival. Animals were well taken care of while on the rodeo grounds."