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Comments for Public Posting: Multiple surveys in recent years conducted by international

animal advocacy organizations show strong support among Vietnamese citizens for a ban on the dog and cat meat trade. A 2023 Nielsen poll commissioned by Humane World for Animals revealed that 68% support banning the dog meat trade and 71% support a ban on selling and eating cat meat. A FOUR PAWS survey found that 95% of respondents believe eating dog and cat meat is not part of Vietnamese culture. Studies have also found the trade is coming under increased scrutiny, and poses a major health risk for spreading rabies, which is endemic in Vietnam.