

**Animals Deaths at the Calgary Stampede Rodeo
& Chuckwagon Races.**

Definition of “stampede” from Webster’s dictionary;
A sudden flight or rush of a number of frightened animals.

These statistics are from the Calgary Humane Society and/or the local media regarding the animals killed in these venues.

1986	12 (twelve) chuckwagon horses
1987	1 steer (broken leg) euthanized 1 calf broken leg) euthanized 1 chuckwagon horse - collapsed and died 1 chuckwagon horse, broken leg, euthanized)
1988	1 chuckwagon horse -broken leg euthanized
1989	2 calves - broken legs euthanized
1990	3 calves - broken legs euthanized 1 steer - broken leg euthanized 1 bucking horse euthanized 1 chuckwagon horse -broken leg euthanized
1991	no fatalities reported
1992	1 chuckwagon horse died
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1994	1 horse (novice bronc) broken hind leg euthanized
1995	1 chuckwagon horse -broken leg euthanized 1 horse (novice saddle bronc) head injury, euthanized 1 horse (novice bronc) front leg, euthanized
1996	4 chuckwagon horses killed, 1 down with a heart attack, 2 euthanized, 1 with broken neck and leg
1997	1 chuckwagon horse died 1 bull euthanized after breaking his leg
1998	no fatalities reported
1999	2 chuckwagon horses euthanized
2000	2 chuckwagon horses - 1 horse died of pulmonary aneurism; 1horse > euthanized (fractured front leg)
2001	1 calf euthanized (broke right hind leg) in the calf roping event on July 8 th 1 chuckwagon outrider horse euthanized July 15 th (collapsed and broke right shoulder)
2002	1 chuckwagon outrider horse died of a heart attack on July 5 after running in heat 1 5 chuckwagon horses killed 1 calf euthanized (broken leg) in the calf roping event
2003	no fatalities reported
2004	1 horse (broken leg in wild ride event)
2005	9 horses killed in stampede on Bonnybrooke Bridge July 3 1 show horse, heart attack, July 8 1 calf, injured on July 8 1 chuckwagon horse, heart attack, July 15 2 chuckwagon horses (behind the scenes)
2006	2 chuckwagon horses (July 7) heart attack, broken leg 1 chuckwagon horse (July 13) broke two bones in its lower left front leg on Gary Gorst’s team
2007	1 chuckwagon horse (Darcy Flad) euthanized 3 chuckwagon horses (Gary Gorst-July 14)
2008	1 chuckwagon horse (Reg Johnstone) euthanized (July 10)
2009	1 chuckwagon horse (Reg Johnstone) heart attack (July 5) 1 chuckwagon horse (Barry Hodgson) euthanized (July 7) 1 steer euthanized (July 9) 1 chuckwagon horse (Ray Mitsuing) heart attack (July 11)
2010	6 chuckwagon horses
2011	2 chuckwagon horses
2012	3 chuckwagon horses dead, 1 injured (lead dropped, others followed- outrider horse crashed into wagon at high speed)
2013	1 chuckwagon outrider horse – from lung haemorrhage 1 steer – broken neck in steer-wrestling
2014	1 steer – broken neck in steer-wrestling

1 chuckwagon horse – aneurysim in practice run.
2015 4 chuckwagon horses – (2 with broken legs from
contact with wagons, two with ligament injuries)
2016 No fatalities reported
2017 1 chuckwagon horse died (broken leg)
2018 1 chuckwagon outrider horse died (broken leg)

There have also been 2 human fatalities at the
Chuckwagon races in this time frame:
- Outrider Eugene Jackson died on July 20, 1996 from
head
injuries suffered from a spill on July 11, 1996.
- Wagon driver, Bill McEwen died July 11, 1999 of head
injuries received from a wagon crash on July 9, 1999.
****NOTE** There are many more animals used behind
the scenes to perfect the “cowboys” rodeo skills.
These figures do NOT include animals that were
injured and/or killed for these practices.**