

# Did You Know....



You can tell how old a horse is by his teeth.

The adult horse has 36 teeth: 12 incisors and 24 molars.

Horses spend 85 to 90 percent of their lives on their feet.



Horses have small stomachs for their size and need to eat little and often - if in a field, horses will graze for most of the day.



A 1,000-pound mare produces four gallons of milk daily for her foal.



A new born foal can stand up within an hour of being born and can keep up with the herd within 24 hours.

There is \$13 billion invested in barns, towing vehicles, trailers, and other related horse equipment, and about \$2.1 billion is spent annually maintaining horses.



There are almost 300,000 horse owners in Texas.

The North American Riding for the Handicapped Association (NARHA) serves a membership of 4,000 individuals and over 670 programs around the country. There are about 5,000 screened and trained horses involved in NARHA therapeutic riding programs.

Because horseback riding gently and rhythmically moves the rider's body in a manner similar to a human walk, riders with physical disabilities often show improvement in flexibility, balance and muscle strength.



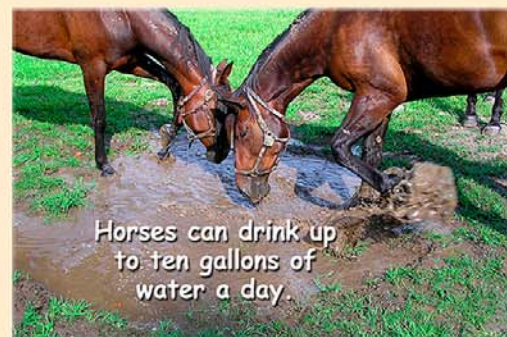
There are over 350 different breeds of horses and ponies around the world.

Annual cash receipts for horse sales in Texas tops \$354 million.

The world's horse population is estimated at 75,000,000.



Some horses can run 45 miles per hour.



Horses can drink up to ten gallons of water a day.

The quarter mile is the most popular distance for racing American Quarter Horses, usually taking 21 seconds or less.