Greyhound racing report documents hundreds of deaths

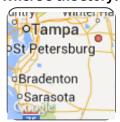
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SARASOTA Fla. -- The first comprehensive report on the greyhound racing industry is out and it documents thousands of greyhound injuries and hundreds of deaths.



Greyhound Racing

Where's the story?



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"It's shocking, it's appalling, I would love to see it stop hopefully very quickly," said animal advocate Deborah Bird, when asked what she thought of the report released by Grey2k USA, a Greyhound Protection organization. According to the report, more than 900 greyhounds died at tracks throughout the country in the last 7 years and more than 11,000 were injured during that same time period.

The report also stated that of the 21 greyhound racing facilities in the country, 13 of them are in the state of Florida, where a greyhound reportedly dies every 3 days.

"It's once again for the humans something to gamble on and make money, it's not really good for the animals at all," added Bird.

According to state documents, the Sarasota Kennel Club had 15 Greyhound deaths in 2014. While the cause of those deaths are unknown, people like Bird say it doesn't matter because the animals shouldn't be out there at all.

"They're beautiful animals and should not be racing around a track in Florida," she says.

Sarasota Kennel Club officials were unavailable for comment, but in the past they have told us they take extremely good care of their animals.