

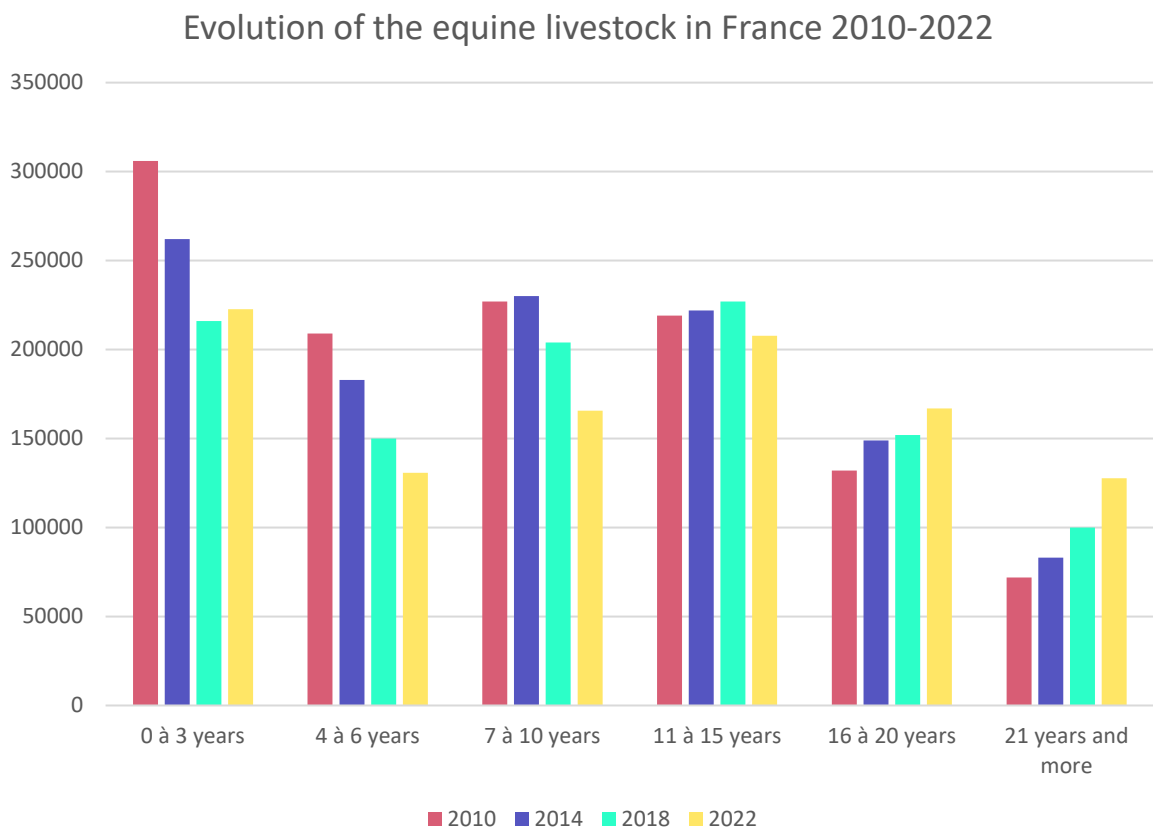
THE END OF LIFE OF EQUIDAE IN FRANCE

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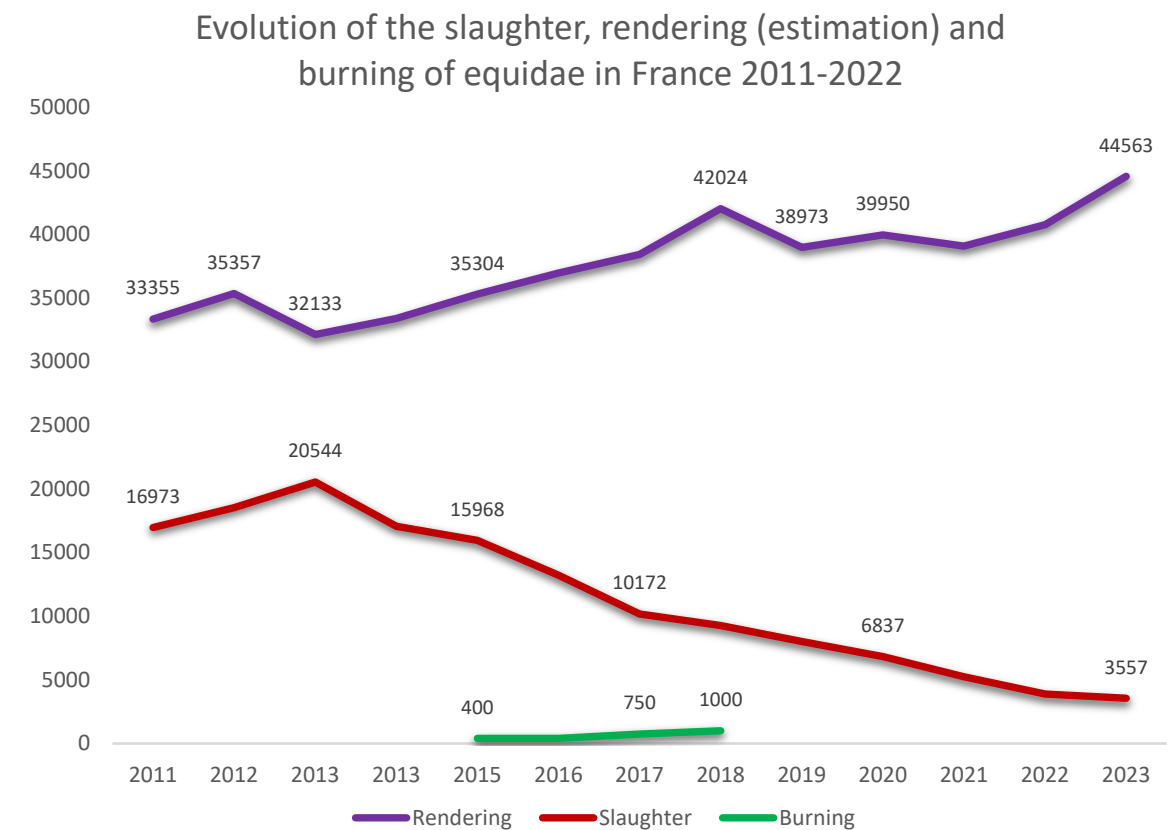
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1. Context and methodology

More attention given to older equidae

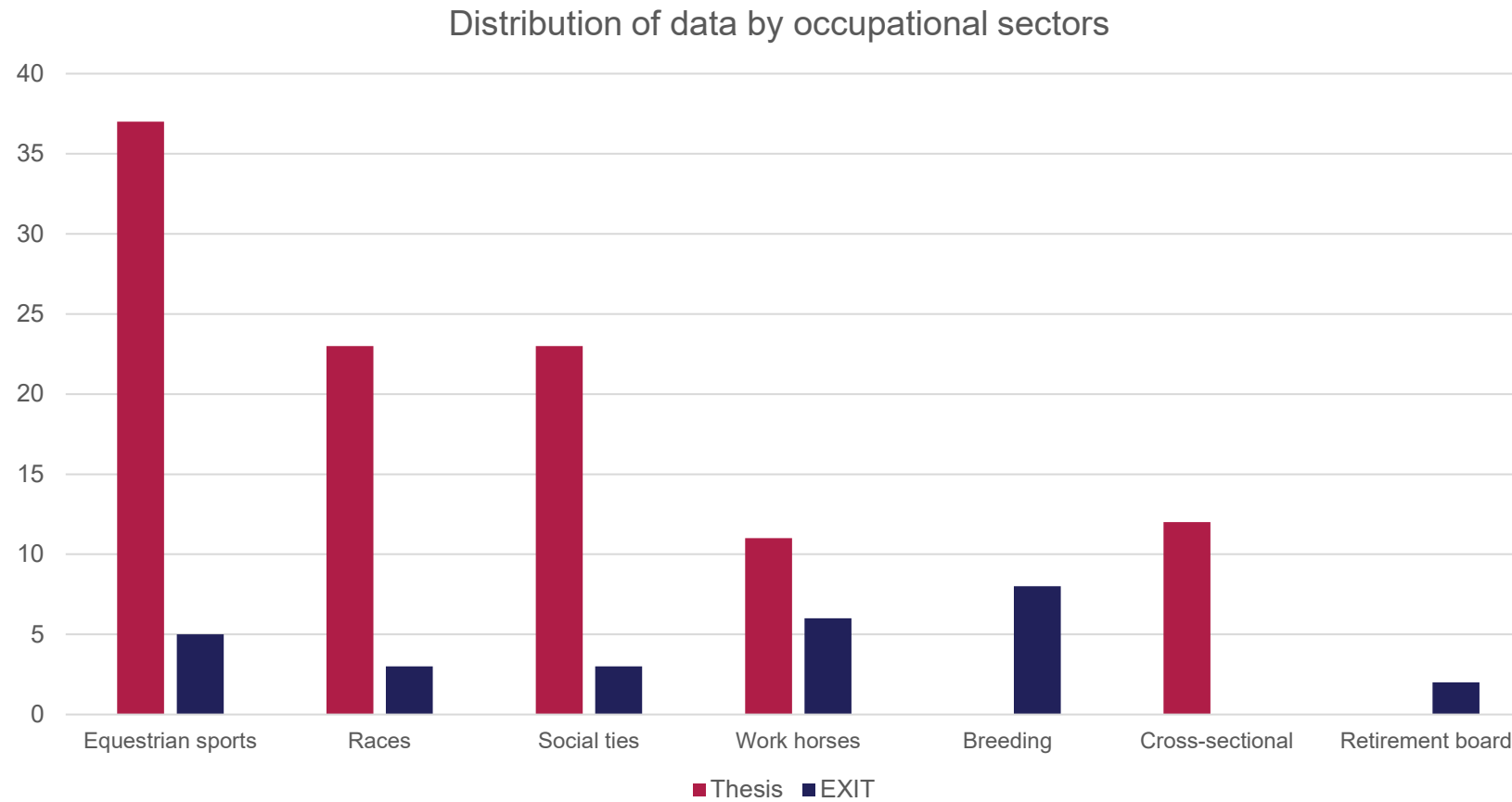


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Two exploratory studies on the topic



2. Results



Working with horses : a moral commitment

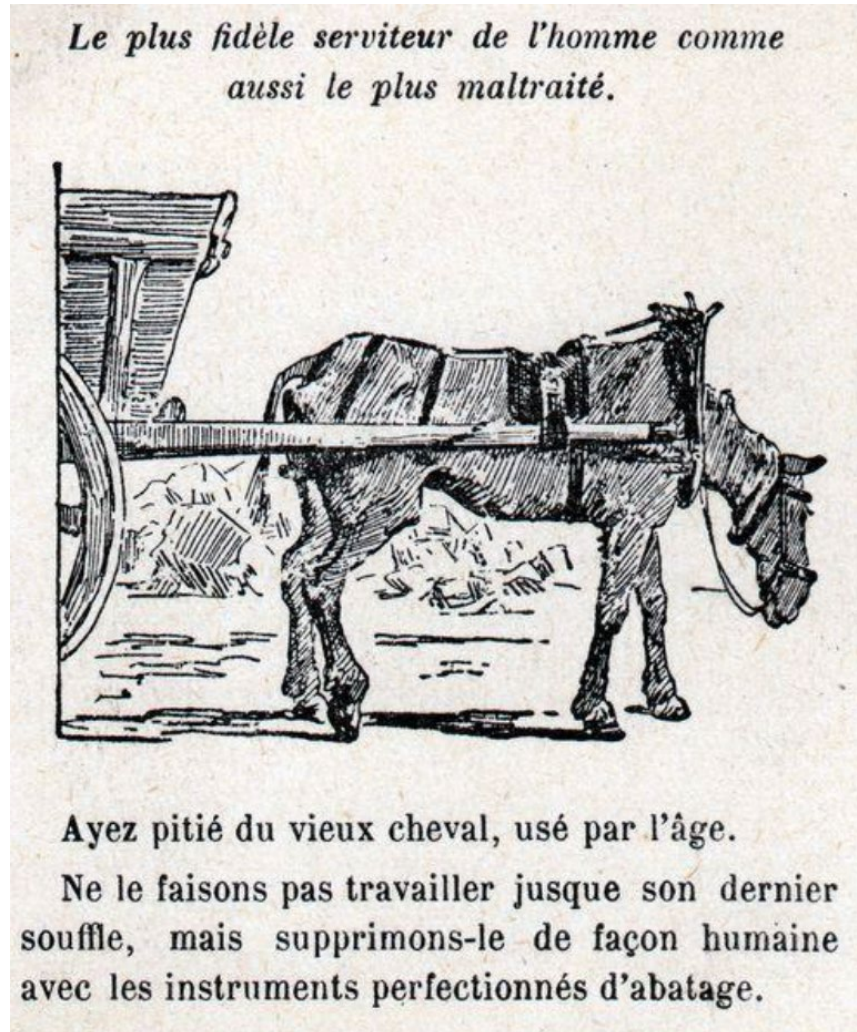
The framework of animal work sociology

Marcel Mauss' gift theory based on the triptych : giving, receiving and giving back

“This constitutes a moral duty towards oneself, i.e. a code of ethics for the profession and a commitment to the animal”

J. Porcher

The construction of a new intolerable



SPA campaign in favour of the slaughter of old horses in 1848

The most faithful servant as well as the most mistreated.

Have pity on the old horse worn down by age. Do not make him work until his last breath, but kill him in human way with the perfected instruments of slaughter.



Poster campaign on Paris buses against hippophagy
Brigitte Bardot Fondation in 2012

Don't eat horse!

Every year in France, like Caramel, many riding school horses are sent to slaughterhouse

Ensuring a dignified end of life

Professionals and equines with the same perspective on the end of life

Beautiful death

Good death and euthanasia



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The issue of rendering

To conclude

Ensuring a dignified end of life for equidae constitutes a moral duty for equine sector professionals.

The beautiful death

The good death

The logic of lesser evil

The management of equine retirement and end-of-life highlight all the moral tensions in the equine professions.

Every professional is on a tightrope between wanting and being able.



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