

CHAPTER 33: THE INSTRUMENTALIZATION OF ANIMALS: A MORAL ABERRATION

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- around the age of six, and pigs at six months of age. The life expectancy for a chicken is seven years in normal conditions, but it is killed at six weeks. This concerns 1 billion animals in France.
6. That is especially the case for animals in the fur trade in Chinese breeding industries, for instance, and it also occurs in slaughterhouses when animals have survived what was supposed to kill them, and are then skinned alive.
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