

2024 Hokkaido Autumn Sale Review

The 2024 Hokkaido Autumn Sale catalogued 383 yearlings and it was the smallest ever in the entire Hokkaido Autumn Sale history. The two-day sale kicked off on Tuesday, October 15th at the Hokkaido Sales Complex.

Overall, 281 yearlings grossed a total of ¥ 1,124,310,000 (US\$ 7,495,400) with an average of ¥ 4,001,103 (US\$ 26,674) and a median of ¥ 3,520,000 (US\$ 23,467). The average price was slightly up 0.6% and the median was up 12.28% from a year ago. The clearance rate for the sale was 82.89%, it was up 7.03 points from the last year and the highest recorded in the Hokkaido Autumn Sale's history.

The highest price of the sale was Lot 229, a Moanin (USA) colt out of Superior Dancer (JPN), sold by No. 9 Horse Training Method for ¥ 20,350,000 (US\$ 135,667). His dam has produced five runners, and all winners. No. 9 Horse Training Method successfully sold four yearlings for an average of ¥ 8,552,500 (US\$ 57,017) as a consignor.

Craic Stable sold 22 yearlings for a total of ¥ 94,270,000 (US\$ 628,467) and claimed the leading consignor title of the sale by gross.

Hokko Tarumae (JPN) became the leading sire of the sale after his five yearlings sold for a total of ¥ 44,220,000 (US\$ 294,800). He sold Lot 227, a colt out of Deep Impact (JPN) mare, Spring Soiree (JPN) for ¥ 13,750,000 (US\$ 91,667). The first foal of Spring Soiree (JPN) marked the third highest price of the sale.

The current leading first season 2yo sire, Nadal (USA) had only one yearling offered in the sale. Lot 52, a filly out of a Group 2 winner, Peace Burg (FR) made ¥ 15,400,000 (US\$ 102,667) and she was the top price filly of the Hokkaido Autumn Sale.

Masakazu Oishi purchased five yearlings including the highest price of the sale, Lot 229. He spent a total of ¥ 50,050,000 (US\$ 333,667) and claimed the leading buyer title of the sale.

The final yearling sale of the 2024 in Japan has concluded. The sale's average and median price was increased. As it is a low tier of the market, the clearance rate is the most important metrics, and it was a record breaking 82.89%. The first time ever it was over 80% and it is simply amazing that the clearance rate was 62% ten years ago when they were offering nearly double 703 yearlings.

US\$1 = JP¥150



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