

Zoos move out of cities

[Clip from BBC ONE Inside Out North West]

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In those days they had a lot of these small square cages with bars in and the animals had no room to run or do anything. I think a lot of them would have done it if they'd been able to, but it takes courage to put chimps on an island with just water around them and a lot of people wouldn't take that chance. Whereas Dad took the chance of having the animals behind water or putting mesh where the lion enclosures...I can remember the directors coming and saying 'You can't keep lions behind link mesh wire' but they're still there aren't they?