



Dachshund (Long-Haired)

Pedigree Breed Health Survey

Forms were received representing 39 living dogs & 6 deceased dogs.

Mortality results

A total of 6 deaths were reported, representing 0.11% of all deaths reported in the Pedigree Breed Health survey. The range of longevity for the Dachshund (Long-Haired) was 1 year to 15 years. Table 1 shows the causes of death for the breed.

Table 1 The most common causes of death/reasons for euthanasia (N = 6 deceased dogs).

Cause of death
Aortic valve stenosis Narrowing of the aortic valve
Cancer - unspecified
Cardiac heart Failure
Cardiomyopathy
Stroke
Surgical complications

Morbidity results

The 39 live Dachshunds (Long-Haired) represented 0.09% of total dogs in the survey. The median age of live dogs for the breed was 5 years (Table 2). Of the 39 Dachshunds (Long-Haired) which the survey covers, 26 had reported no conditions and 13 reported affected by at least one condition (min = 1 condition(s), max = 5 conditions), giving a total of 22 incidents of conditions.

The gender, neuter status and age of neutering summary statistics for Dachshunds (Long-Haired) are shown in Table 3. There were 28 dogs with responses for Body Condition displayed in Table 4.

The median age the dogs were first affected by a condition was 4 years (min = 0 years, max= 8 years). Table 5 shows the reported disease conditions for the Dachshund (Long-Haired).

Table 2: The summary statistics for the dogs' current age when survey was completed

Number of Dogs	Mean age (years)	Median age (years)	Min age (years)	Max age (years)
39	4.74	5	0	10

Table 3: Gender, neuter status and age summary statistics for dogs where gender and neuter status was reported

Sex	Neuter status	Age known	Count	Mean age neutered (years)	Median age neutered (years)	Min age neutered (years)	Max age neutered (years)
Female	Neutered	Yes	11	1.73	0	0	9
Female	Not neutered	No	8	NA	NA	NA	NA
Female	Unknown	No	4	NA	NA	NA	NA
Male	Neutered	Yes	4	2.00	2	0	4
Male	Not neutered	No	11	NA	NA	NA	NA
Male	Unknown	No	1	NA	NA	NA	NA

Table 4: The body condition comment and the age of the dog when this comment was made

Body condition	Count	Mean age (years)	Median age (years)	Min age (years)	Max age (years)
No comment was made by vet	1	0.00	0	0	0
Normal	22	3.59	3	0	10
Somewhat overweight	4	5.25	5.5	3	7
very overweight	1	4.00	4	4	4

Table 5: The most commonly reported disease conditions in descending order for the breed (N = 39 live dogs)

Condition
Chronic Itching
Skin (cutaneous) cyst
Umbilical hernia
Arthritis
Blindness
Blocked tear ducts
Cataract - age related
Colitis
Enlarged heart
Entropion
Gastric dilation-volvulus syndrome (GDV) / Bloat
Heart (cardiac) failure
Heart (cardiac) murmur
Hypersensitivity (allergic) skin disorder
Mammary lump
Nail/Claw injury
Persistent vomiting & diahorrea
Progressive Retinal Atrophy (PRA)
Whelping/birthing difficulties

Summary

From the dogs surveyed, most Dachshunds (Long-Haired) were not affected by a disease condition (66.67%). There were three most commonly reported disease conditions representing an equal proportion of live dogs; these were chronic itching, skin (cutaneous) cysts and umbilical hernia. All reported causes of death represented an equal proportion of the reported deaths.