



**THE KENNEL CLUB
DOG HEALTH**

Dachshund (Miniature Long-Haired)

Pedigree Breed Health Survey

Forms were received representing 168 living dogs & 29 deceased dogs.

Mortality results

A total of 29 deaths were reported, representing 0.52% of all deaths reported in the Pedigree Breed Health survey. The range of longevity for the Dachshund (Miniature Long-Haired) was 1 year to 18 years. Table 1 shows the causes of death for the breed.

Table 1 The most common causes of death/reasons for euthanasia (N = 29 deceased dogs).

Cause of death
Old Age
Cardiac heart Failure
Kidney Failure
Road Traffic Accident
Epilepsy
Intestinal tumour
Unknown
Cushing's Disease
Gastric tumour
Hepatic liver tumour
Mammary tumour
Parasitic infection
PRA
Pyometra
Seizure
Traumatic Injury
Viral infection - unspecified

Morbidity results

The 168 live Dachshunds (Miniature Long-Haired) represented 0.39% of total dogs in the survey. The median age of live dogs for the breed was 4 years (Table 2). Of the 168 Dachshunds (Miniature Long-Haired) which the survey covers, 109 had reported no conditions and 59 reported affected by at least one condition (min = 1 condition(s), max = 9 conditions), giving a total of 98 incidents of conditions.

The gender, neuter status and age of neutering summary statistics for Dachshunds (Miniature Long-Haired) are shown in Table 3. There were 134 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= 16 years, Figure 3). The ages for the most common conditions is displayed in Figure 4. Table 5 shows the frequency of occurrence of all reported disease conditions for the Dachshund (Miniature 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)
168	4.80	4	0	19

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	54	2.07	1	0	9
Female	Neutered	No	1	NA	NA	NA	NA
Female	Not neutered	No	38	NA	NA	NA	NA
Female	Unknown	No	1	NA	NA	NA	NA
Male	Neutered	Yes	33	1.42	0	0	11
Male	Neutered	No	3	NA	NA	NA	NA
Male	Not neutered	No	35	NA	NA	NA	NA
Male	Unknown	No	3	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	6	3.83	2	0	11
Normal	110	3.61	3	0	15
Somewhat overweight	15	5.27	5	0	13
Somewhat underweight	3	7.00	2	2	17

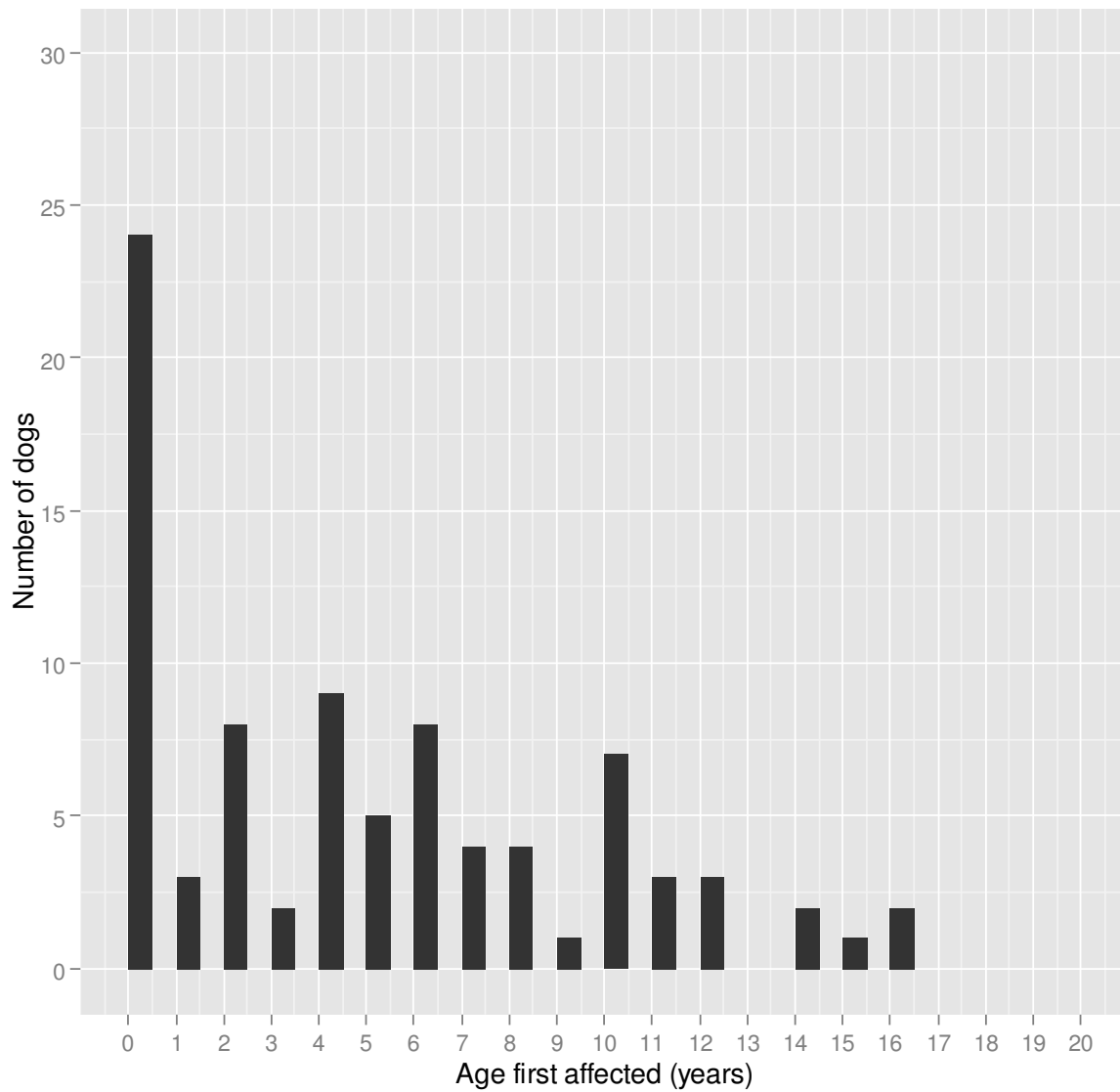


Figure 3: Histogram showing frequency of known age at diagnosis for the disease conditions reported

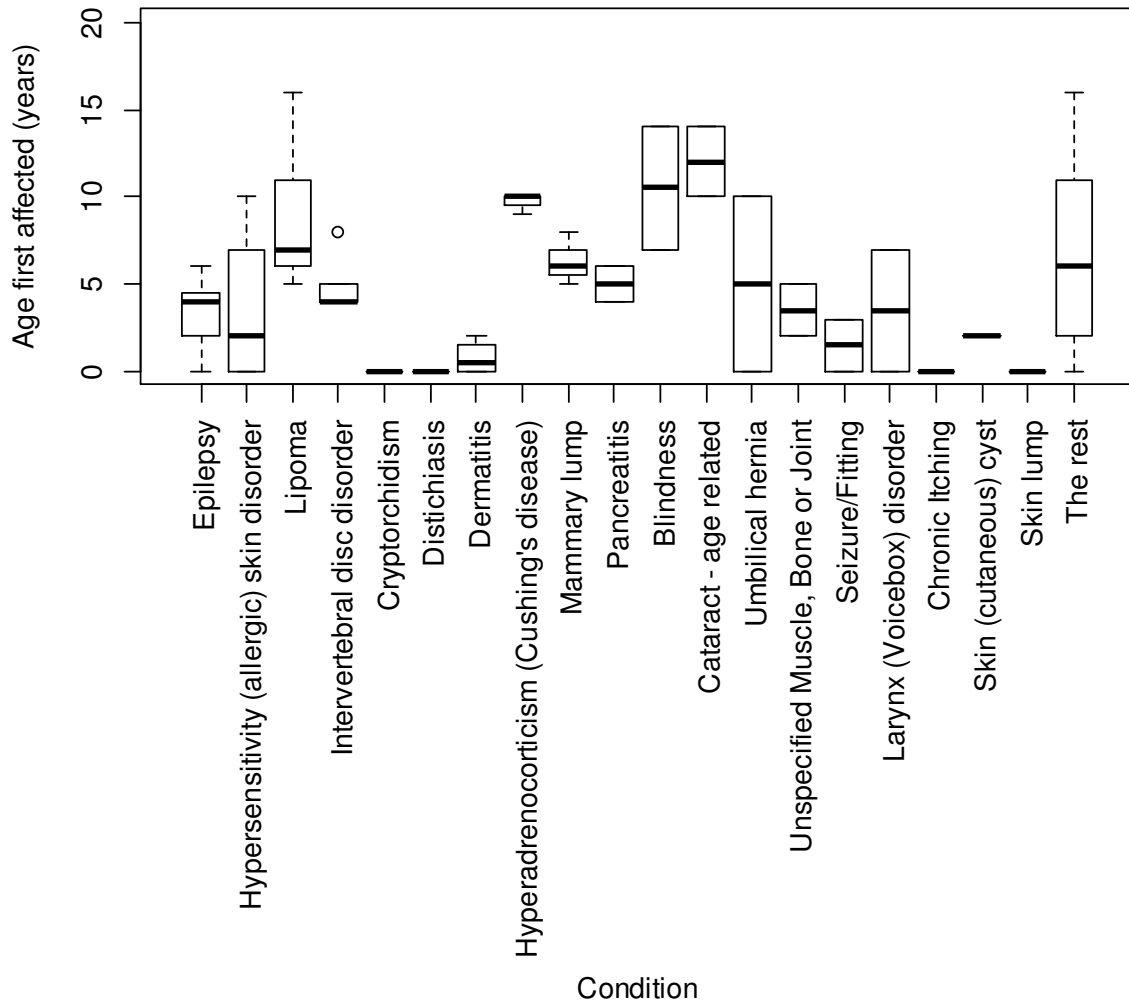


Figure 4: Box and whisker plot of age at diagnosis in years for the most common disease conditions in descending order. The solid line within each box represents the median age at diagnosis from the condition. The box represents 50% of the dogs and the whiskers represent 95% of the dogs for each condition. The circles (o) represent possible outliers

Table 5: The most commonly reported disease conditions in descending order for the breed (N = 168 live dogs)

Condition	Number of cases of disease	Proportion (%)	Prevalence (%)
Epilepsy	8	8.16	4.76
Hypersensitivity (allergic) skin disorder	7	7.14	4.17
Lipoma	6	6.12	3.57
Cryptorchidism	5	5.10	2.98
Intervertebral disc disorder	5	5.10	2.98
Dermatitis	4	4.08	2.38
Distichiasis	4	4.08	2.38
Hyperadrenocorticism (Cushing's disease)	3	3.06	1.79
Mammary lump	3	3.06	1.79
Blindness	2	2.04	1.19
Cataract - age related	2	2.04	1.19
Chronic Itching	2	2.04	1.19
Kennel Cough	2	2.04	1.19
Larynx (Voicebox) disorder	2	2.04	1.19
Pancreatitis	2	2.04	1.19
Seizure/Fitting	2	2.04	1.19
Skin (cutaneous) cyst	2	2.04	1.19
Skin lump	2	2.04	1.19
Umbilical hernia	2	2.04	1.19
Unspecified Muscle, Bone or Joint	2	2.04	1.19

Proportion of morbidity as %= N/98 disease conditions, prevalence %= N/168 live dogs

Summary

From the dogs surveyed, most Dachshund (Miniature Long-Haired)s were not affected by a disease condition (64.88%). The most commonly reported disease condition in live dogs was epilepsy. The most commonly reported cause of death was old age.