



Japanese Chin

Pedigree Breed Health Survey

Forms were received representing 25 living dogs & 4 deceased dogs.

Mortality results

A total of 4 deaths were reported, representing 0.07% of all deaths reported in the Pedigree Breed Health survey. The range of longevity for Japanese Chin was 3 years to 10 years. Table 1 shows the causes of death for the breed.

Table 1 The causes of death/reasons for euthanasia (N = 4 deceased dogs).

Cause of death
Cardiac (heart) Failure
Gastric dilation-volvulus syndrome GDV Bloat
Mitral Valve Disease

Morbidity results

The 25 live Japanese Chins represented 0.06% of total dogs in the survey. The median age of live dogs for the breed was 3 years (Table 2). Of the 25 Japanese Chins which the survey covers, 14 had reported no conditions and 11 reported affected by at least one condition (min = 1 condition(s), max = 14 conditions), giving a total of 28 incidents of conditions.

The gender, neuter status and age of neutering summary statistics for Japanese Chins are shown in Table 3. There were 14 dogs with responses for Body Condition displayed in Table 4.

The median age the dogs were first affected by a condition was 2 years (min = 0 years, max= 10 years). Table 5 shows the reported disease conditions for the Japanese Chin.

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)
25	4.44	3	0	12

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	4	1.50	1	0	4
Female	Not neutered	No	3	NA	NA	NA	NA
Female	Unknown	No	1	NA	NA	NA	NA
Male	Neutered	Yes	4	0.50	0.5	0	1
Male	Not neutered	No	12	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	11	2.18	1	0	9
Somewhat underweight	2	3.00	3	0	6

Table 5: The most commonly reported disease conditions in descending order for the breed (N = 25 live dogs)

Condition
Patellar luxation/Slipping kneecap
Hip dysplasia
Cataract - age related
Chronic difficulty in breathing
Colitis
Conjunctivitis
Umbilical hernia
Chiari-like malformation
Cystic endometrial hyperplasia
Epilepsy
Glaucoma
Hypoglycaemia
Intervertebral disc disorder

Pancreatitis
Seizure/Fitting
Syringomyelia
Testicular cancer/tumour

Summary

From the dogs surveyed, most Japanese Chins were not affected by a disease condition (56%). The most commonly reported disease condition in live dogs was patellar luxation/slipping kneecap. The most commonly reported cause of death was cardiac (heart) failure.