



The Basset Hound Health Group 2014 Health Survey Report

ONLINE FORMS: Total received 865: 44 were excluded as they contained duplicate information. A further 27 forms contained no data, so were also excluded, leaving a total of 794 usable forms.

HARD COPIES: 325 paper copies were made available and circulated. 120 completed forms were returned. All of the forms returned were usable and have been included in the survey.

We therefore had a usable total of 914 forms with which to work.

A breakdown of the 914 showed 410 (45%) dogs and 504 (55%) bitches. The youngest was four months, the oldest 17 years and 4 months. The final figure of 914 also includes 55 deceased hounds.

The questions asked, in the survey, were on those conditions which are considered to be breed specific

AGES:

Age	No of dogs	Percentage
Under 6 months	13	1.42%
6-12 months:	40	4.38%
1-2 years:	187	20.46%
3-4 years:	202	22.10%
5-6 years:	165	18.04%
7-8 years:	107	11.71%
9-10 years:	91	9.96%
<u>11 years+:</u>	<u>109</u>	<u>11.93%</u>
Total	914	100.00%

CANCER:

A total of 35 forms recorded problems (3.83% of the 914 usable forms). 10 forms recorded lumps which were non-cancerous, therefore these were **not** included. The breakdown of cancers, as asked for, is as follows:

Condition	Percentage
Lymphoma	0.76%
Mammary tumour	0.76%
Mass cell tumour	0.66%
Hemangiosarcoma	0.55%
Melanoma	0.44%
Bone tumour	0.22%
Seminoma	0.11%
Bowel	0.11%
Pancreatic	0.11%
<u>Synovial Cell sarcoma</u>	<u>0.11%</u>
Total	3.83%



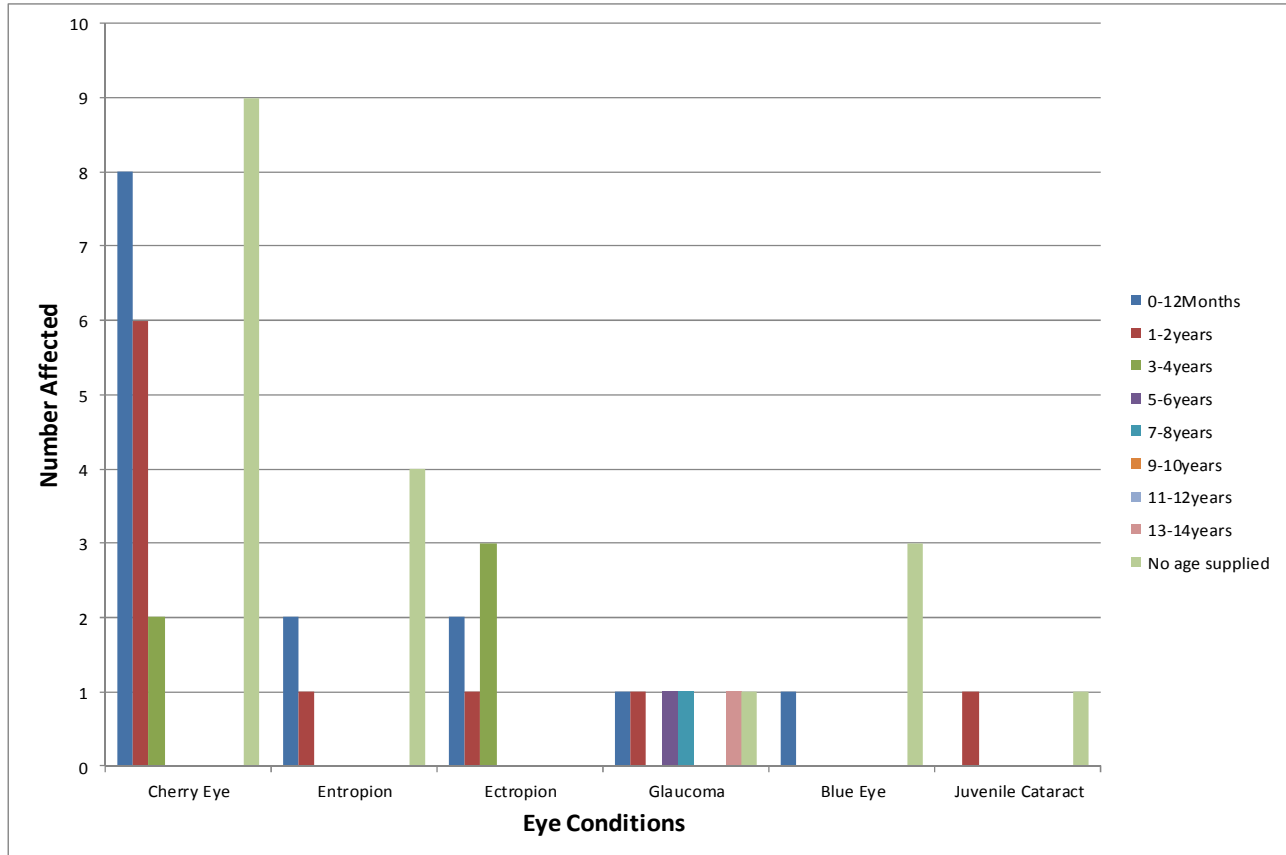
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EYES:

A total of 53 forms recorded eye problems (5.80% of the usable 914 forms) over 9 age groups. As 7 forms recorded more than one condition, each was logged as an individual problem therefore a total of 60 problems across 53 dogs were used in our calculation. The breakdown of eye conditions, as asked for, is as follows:

Condition	Percentage
Cherry Eye:	2.73%
Entropion:	1.42%
Ectropion:	0.33%
Glaucoma:	0.66%
Blue Eyes:	0.44%
Juvenile Cataract:	0.22%
Total	5.80%

Please also see the following graph for the above eye conditions broken down across the 9 age groups reported



Other information volunteered which is not included in the above statistics:

Condition	Percentage	Condition	Percentage
Conjunctivitis	0.33%	Dermoid cyst	0.22%
Eye Infection	0.44%	Blocked Tear ducts	0.22%
Watery eye	0.44%	Endothial Corneal Dystrophy	0.11%
Red Itchy eye	0.33%	Retinal Atrophy	0.11%
Cloudy eye	0.33%	Corneal Oedema	0.11%
Cataract	0.22%	Corneal Ulcers	0.11%
Dry eye	0.22%	Total:	3.19%



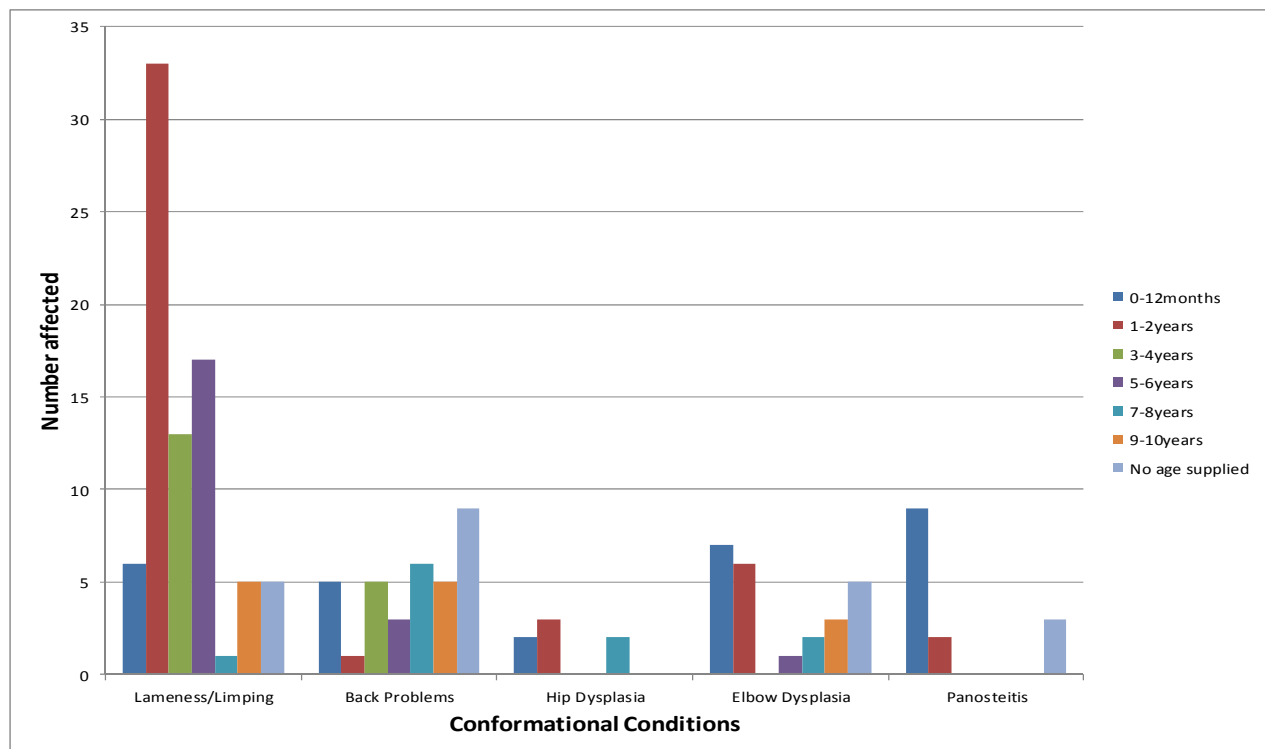
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CONFORMATION:

A total of 157 forms recorded conformational problems (17.18% of the 914 usable forms) over 7 age groups. As 13 forms recorded more than one condition, each was logged as an individual problem therefore a total of 170 problems across 157 dogs were used in our calculation. The breakdown of conformational conditions, as asked for, is as follows:

Condition	Percentage
Lameness/Limping:	8.21%
Back problems:	3.72%
Hip Dysplasia (HD):	0.98%
Elbow Dysplasia (ED):	2.63%
Panosteitis:	1.64%
Total	17.18%

Please also see the following graph for the above eye conditions broken down across the 7 age groups reported



Other information volunteered which is not included in the above statistics:

Condition	Percentage	Condition	Percentage
Luxating Patella:	0.22%	Pulled muscle:	0.11%
Wobblers Syndrome:	0.22%	Front limbs turn out excessively:	0.11%
Weak in front paws:	0.11%	<u>Minor kink in tail</u>	<u>0.11%</u>
Trips over feet :	0.11%	Total	0.99%

Note: Of the above, Lameness/Limping/HD/ED/Panosteitis were mostly diagnosed within the first 24 months (for clarification purposes 24 months is the approximate/estimated age when the joints and bones reach full maturity in the Basset Hound and the conditions stated may easily be misidentified). The majority of owners chose to rest and restrict their hounds and found that the problem resolved itself completely, without medical intervention. In the graph above approximately half of the lameness and limping reported in the age groups 3-4 and 5-6 are attributable to diagnosed back, HD or ED issues and are therefore declared in ALL.