

Newfoundland Health Survey Results 2025 REV 2

No. of responses 526

No. of female dogs 508

No. of male dogs 436

Total no. of dogs 944

Age range 1 to 14 years old

Condition	No. dogs affected in survey	% of dogs in survey
Skin	325	34.43
Ear	289	30.61
Ortho	276	29.24
Eyes	193	20.44
Gastro	160	16.95
Reproductive	104	11.02
Heart	72	7.63
Other	58	6.14
Cancer	57	6.04
Neuro	51	5.40
Dental	41	4.34
Kidney	37	3.92
Endocrine	14	1.48
Liver	13	1.38
Immune	9	0.95
Respiratory	7	0.74

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Total Responses

526

General

Total no. dogs

944

Section 1

2025

How many newfoundlands do you currently own?

Number

%

1	309	58.86
2	131	24.95
3	39	7.43
4	23	4.38
5	9	1.71
6	5	0.95
7		0.00
8	2	0.38
9	3	0.57
10		0.00
More than 10	4	0.76

How many male newfoundland dogs do you currently own?

Number

0	195
1	253
2	56
3	17
4	2
5	1
6	0
7	1
8	0
9	0
10	0
More than 10	0

Total male dogs in survey

436

How many female newfoundland dogs do you currently own?	Number
0	217
1	198
2	66
3	23
4	10
5	5
6	2
7	2
8	0
9	2
10	0
More than 10	0
Total female dogs in survey	508

What age is/are your newfoundland dogs?	Number
Under 1 year old	44
1 year old	81
2 years old	99
3 years old	104
4 years old	116
5 years old	77
6 years old	73
7 years old	74
8 years old	59
9 years old	53
10 years old	34
11 years old	26
12 years old	13
13 years old	6
14 years old	3
15 years old	0

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Section 2 Cancer

2025

Have any of your newfoundlands been affected by cancer?	Number	% of responses
Yes	53	10.08
No	473	89.92

How many of your newfoundlands have been affected by cancer?	Number	
1	33	
2	13	
3	7	
4	4	
Total dogs affected	57	6.04 % of dogs in the survey

What type of cancer?	Number
Bone Cancer (eg Osteosarcoma)	21
Lymphoma	11
Mast Cell Tumour	8
Liver Cancer	5
Pancreatic Cancer	5
Lung Cancer	3
Testicular Cancer	3
Urinary/Bladder Cancer	3
Mouth/gum Cancer	3
Intestinal/bowel	3
Leukemia	2
Mammary Cancer	2
Unknown type/suspected	2
Blood Cancer (eg Hemangiosarcoma)	1
Melanoma	1
Spleen Cancer	1
Anal growths	1
Prostate Cancer	1
Adrenal Cancer	0
Pituitary Tumours	0

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Section 3 Dental Issues

2025

Have any of your newfoundlands been affected by dental issues?

Number % of responses

Yes	29	5.51
No	497	94.49

How many of your newfoundlands have been affected by dental issues?

Number

1	24
2	5
3	1
4	1

Total dogs affected 41 4.34 % of dogs in the survey

What type of dental issues?

Number

Overbite	8
Underbite	7
Dropped Teeth	5
Dropped Incisors	3
Missing Teeth	2
Abscess	2
Loose Teeth	1
Wry Mouth	1
Enamel Hypoplasia	1
Epulis	1
Slab Fracture	1
Chipped Canine	1
Gingival Hyperplasia (gum overgrowth)	1
Gum disease	1

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Section 4 Ear Issues

2025

Have any of your newfoundlands been affected by ear issues?	Number	% of responses
Yes	222	42.21
No	304	57.79

How many of your newfoundlands have been affected by ear issues?	Number	
1	182	
2	26	
3	9	
4	3	
5	2	
6	1	
Total dogs affected	289	30.61 % of dogs in the survey

What type of ear issues?	Number
Ear infection / yeast infection	207
Otitis	19
Deafness	7
Excessive wax	4
Haematoma	3
Polyps	1
Discomfort & shaking ears whilst swimming	1
Mites	1

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Section 5 Endocrine Issues

2025

Have any of your newfoundlands been affected by endocrine issues?

Number % of responses

Yes	13	2.47
No	513	97.53

How many of your newfoundlands have been affected by endocrine issues?

Number

1	10
2	2
3	
4	

Total dogs affected 14 1.48 % of dogs in the survey

What type of endocrine issues?

Number

Cushings	7
Diabetes Mellitus	2
Thyroid	1
Addisons	0

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Section 6 Eye Issues

2025

Have any of your newfoundlands been affected by eye issues?	Number	% of responses
Yes	169	32.13
No	357	67.87

How many of your newfoundlands have been affected by eye issues?	Number	
1	135	
2	26	
3	2	
4	0	
Total dogs affected	193	20.44 % of dogs in the survey

What type of eye issues?	Number
Entropion	84
Cherry Eye	49
Dry Eye	25
Ectropion	15
Cataracts (senile)	8
Deformity of the cartilage of the third eye lid	5
Ulcer	4
Conjunctivitis	4
Eyelid Agenesis	3
Cyst	2
Unspecified infection	2
Uveitis	1
Weeping eyes due to kidney issue	1
Fistula behind eye	1
Blocked tear duct	1
Fungal infection	1
Weeping eyes due to allergies	1
Cataracts (juvenile)	0
Glaucoma	0
Retinal Dysplasia	0
Progressive Retinal Atrophy	0
Corneal Dystrophy	0
Optic Nerve Hypoplasia	0

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Section 8 Heart Issues

2025

Have any of your newfoundlands been affected by heart issues?

Number % of responses

Yes	67	12.74
No	459	87.26

How many of your newfoundlands have been affected by heart issues?

Number

1	58
2	7
3	0
4	0

Total dogs affected 72 7.63 % of dogs in the survey

What type of heart issues?

Number

Dilated Cardiomyopathy (DCM)	19
Atrial Fibrillation/irregular heartbeat	11
Innocent Murmur	10
Cardiac Failure	9
Patent Ductus Arteriosus (PDA)	9
Subaortic Stenosis (SAS)	7
Aortic Valve	4
Arrhythmia (other)	3
Undiagnosed heart issue	2
Congenital Mitral Valve Defect	1
Mitral Valve Insufficiency	1
Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy (HCM)	1
Pulmonic Stenosis	1
Pulmonic Leakage	1
Heart Tumour	1
Fluid on heart	1
Aortic regurgitation	1
Pericardial	0
Congenital Tricuspid Valve Dysplasia	0

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Section 9 Immune System & Blood Issues

2025

Have any of your newfoundlands been affected by immune system & blood issues?

Number % of responses

Yes	8	1.52
No	518	98.48

How many of your newfoundlands have been affected by immune system & blood issues?

Number

1	7
2	1
3	0
4	0

Total dogs affected 9 0.95 % of dogs in the survey

What type of immune system & blood issues?

Number

Immune Mediated Thrombocytopenia (IMT / ITP)	2
Pemphigus (Bulbous Follicle)	2
Autoimmune Hemolytic Anemia (AHA)	1
Sepsis	1
Immune Mediated Hemolytic Anemia (IMHA)	0

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Section 10 Kidney Issues

2025

Have any of your newfoundlands been affected by kidney issues?

Number % of responses

Yes	34	6.46
No	492	93.54

How many of your newfoundlands have been affected by kidney issues?

Number

1	33
2	2
3	0
4	0

Total dogs affected 37 3.92 % of dogs in the survey

What type of kidney issues?

Number

Incontinence	16
Cystitis	7
Bladder & Kidney Stones	6
Chronic Urinary Infection	5
Cystinuria	3
Ectopic Ureters	3
Idiopathic Chronic Renal Disease	3
Urological	1
Single Kidney	1
Juvenile Renal Dysplasia	1
Deformed kidney	1
Unexplained acute infection after castration	1
Occlusal kidney	1
Protein Losing Nephropathy	0
Polycystic Kidney Disease	0

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Section 11 Liver Issues

2025

Have any of your newfoundlands been affected by liver issues?

Number % of responses

Yes	13	2.47
No	513	97.53

How many of your newfoundlands have been affected by liver issues?

Number

1	13
2	0
3	0
4	0

Total dogs affected 13 1.38 % of dogs in the survey

What type of liver issues?

Number

Hepatitis	2
End stage liver failure	1
Liver shunt	1
Degenerative liver disease	1
Struvites	1

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Section 12 Musculoskeletal / Orthopaedic Issues

2025

Have any of your newfoundlands been affected by musculoskeletal / orthopaedic issues?

Number % of responses

Yes	217	41.25
No	309	58.75

How many of your newfoundlands have been affected by musculoskeletal / orthopaedic issues?

Number

1	165
2	37
3	11
4	1

Total dogs affected 276 29.24 % of dogs in the survey

What type of musculoskeletal / orthopaedic issues?

Number

Cruciates / degenerative cruciate ligament disease	90
Arthritis	87
Elbows	78
Hips	55
Luxating Patella	16
Osteochondritis Dissecans (OCD)	11
Spondylosis (Lumbar / Thoracic)	11
Forelimb Anomaly	5
Vertebral Abnormalities	5
Fragmented Coronoid Process (FCP)	4
Slipped disc	3
Irregular tibula growth	2
Ununited Anconeal Process (UAP)	1
Accident acquired chronic injury	1
Spinal disc pressing on spine	1

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Section 13 Neurological Issues

2025

Have any of your newfoundlands been affected by neurological issues?

Number % of responses

Yes	32	6.08
No	494	93.92

How many of your newfoundlands have been affected by neurological issues?

Number

1	41
2	3
3	0
4	1

Total dogs affected 51 5.40 % of dogs in the survey

What type of neurological issues?

Number

Geriatric Onset Laryngeal Paralysis & Polyneuropathy (GOLPP / LP)	20
Neck Pain	12
Wobblers Syndrome (Cervical Vertebral Instability)	9
Epilepsy	8
Intervertebral Disc Disease (IVD)	2
Degenerative Myelopathy	2
Pharyngeal Paralysis	1
Fits caused by brain tumour	1
Cerebral Vascular	0
Myasthenia Gravis	0

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Section 14 Reproductive Issues

2025

Have any of your newfoundlands been affected by reproductive issues?

Number % of responses

Yes	83	15.78
No	443	84.22

How many of your newfoundlands have been affected by reproductive issues?

Number

1	56
2	21
3	2
4	

Total dogs affected 104 11.02 % of dogs in the survey

What type of reproductive issues?

Number

Pyometra	37
Irregular heat cycle	20
Failure to conceive	18
False pregnancy	15
Cryptorchid / Monorchid	9
Litter resorption	7
Mastitis	6
Testicular Atrophy	3
Polycystic Ovaries	3
Sterility	2
Abnormal sperm	2
Senior irregular heat cycle	1
Uterine Inertia	1
Genital Infection	1
Benign Prostatic Hypertrophy (Enlarge Prostate)	0

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Section 15 Respiratory Issues

2025

Have any of your newfoundlands been affected by respiratory issues?

Number % of responses

Yes	23	4.37
No	503	95.63

How many of your newfoundlands have been affected by respiratory issues?

Number

1	5
2	1
3	0
4	0

Total dogs affected 7 0.74 % of dogs in the survey

What type of respiratory issues?

Number

Elongated Soft Palate	2
Pulmonary Bullae	1
COPD	1
Eosinophilic Pulmonary Bronchoneumopathy	1
Pneumonia	1
Asthma	1

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Section 16 Skin Issues

2025

Have any of your newfoundlands been affected by skin issues?

Number % of responses

Yes	264	50.19
No	262	49.81

How many of your newfoundlands have been affected by skin issues?

Number

1	178
2	43
3	12
4	5
5	1

Total dogs affected 325 34.43 % of dogs in the survey

What type of skin issues?

Number

Pyoderma / Hot Spots	201
Allergies / Atopy	113
Staph Infection	12
Medicine Allergies	4
Yeast infection	3
Demodectic Mange	3
Pemphigus Complex	1
Calcinosis Cutis	1
Puppy acne	1
Under Investigation	1
Scrotal dermatitis	1
Discoid Lupus	0

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Section 17 Other Issues

2025

Have any of your newfoundlands been affected by other issues?

Number % of responses

Yes	69	13.12
No	457	86.88

How many of your newfoundlands have been affected by other issues?

Number

1	50
2	4
3	
4	

Total dogs affected 58 6.14 % of dogs in the survey

What type of other issues?

Number

Behaviour Issues	26
Temperament Issues	13
Reactions to vaccines	6
Septicemia	3
Anxiety	2
Sepsis	1
Calcium Levels	1
Ruptured spleen	1
Food aggressive	1
Reactions to medications	1
Interdigital cysts	1
Vitiligo	1
Tendonitis	1
Aggression following steroids	1
Tetanus infection	1
Tan coat pigmentation	1
Fungal infection in the nose that ate the skull	1

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Section 18 Treatment for Conditions

2025

How do you treat the conditions your newfoundlands have?

Veterinary prescribed medication	405
Control using diet &/or supplements	193
Over the counter medication	135
Alternative or holistic treatments	112
Surgery	8
medicated shampoo / creams	3
Regular vet checks	2
Meticulous grooming	1
Complimentary Therapies eg chiropractor	2
Preventative supplements	1
Manage daily routine	1
Hydrotherapy / physiotherapy	1
Training	1

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Section 19 Weight

2025

How many of your dogs are underweight?

Number

0	505
1	20
2	0
3	0
4	0

How many of your dogs are an ideal weight?

Number

0	32
1	302
2	113
3	38
4	22
5	5
6	2
7	1
8	1
9	1
10	0
11	0
12	1
13	1
All	4

How many of your dogs are overweight?

Number

0	442
1	78
2	4
3	1
4	
Unsure	2

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Section 20 Diet & Exercise

2025

What type of food do you feed your Newfoundlands?	Number
Kibble	462
Wet Food	152
Cooked Fresh Food	124
Raw Fresh Food	117
Homemade Food	56
Added Toppers/mixers	15
Cold pressed	2
Prefer not to say	1
Freeze dried	1
Dehydrated	1
Prescription diets	1

Do your Newfoundlands get exercised every day?	Number
Yes	487
No	39

How much exercise do your Newfoundlands normally get in a day?	Number
Less than 15 mins due to age	1
15-30 minutes	114
30-60 minutes	269
1-2 hours	114
2- 3 hours	2
3-4 hours at weekends	1
Large garden/land free play/run	7

Besides daily walks, what other exercise do you regularly do with your Newfoundlands?	Number
Swimming	244
Obedience	151
Draught Work	66
Scent Training / Nose Work	43
Play	25
Agility	20
Showing / ringcraft	8
Hoopers & activity training	3
Parkour & canine conditioning	2
Hiking	1
None of the above	192

