

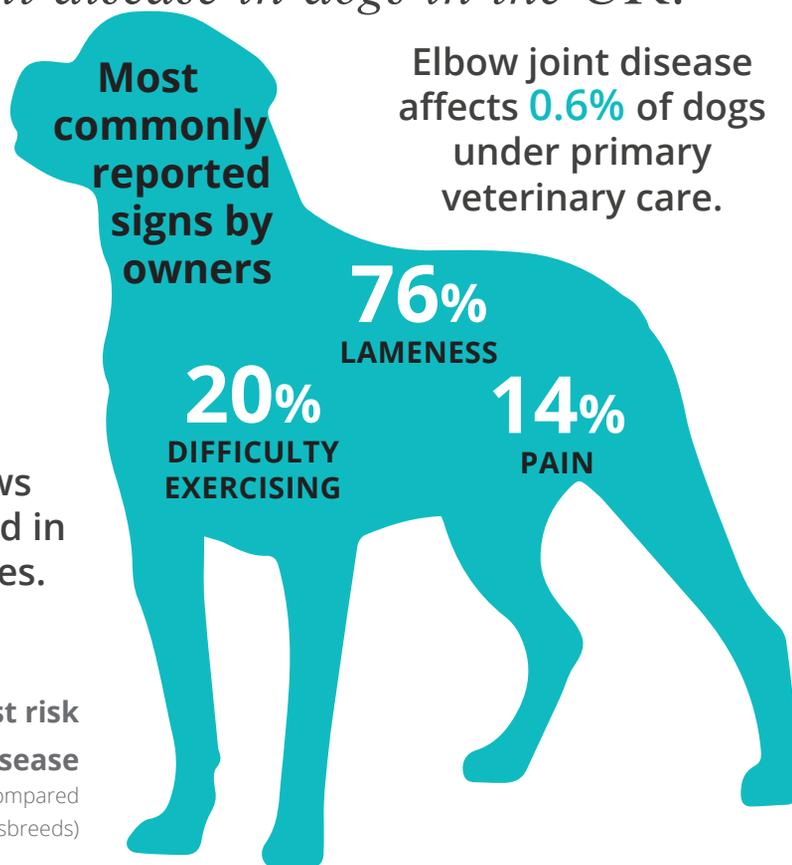
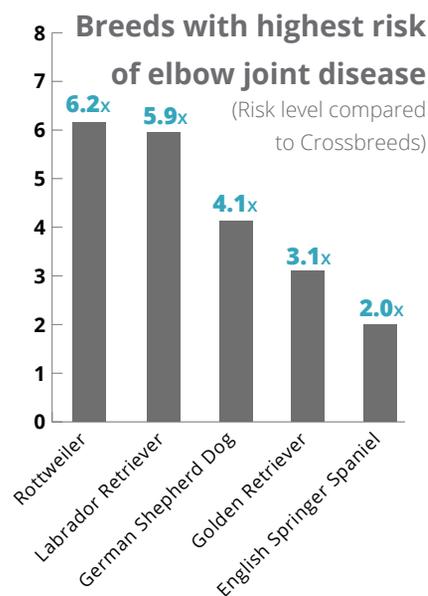
# Elbow disease in dogs

## A big problem for big dogs

*This study evaluated the frequency, predispositions and clinical management of elbow joint disease in dogs in the UK.*

Elbow disease contributed to the decision to euthanase in **41%** of dogs that died during the study.

Both elbows were affected in **61%** of cases.



### OTHER RISK FACTORS

Advancing age

Being neutered

Larger bodyweight

Being male

Being insured

### CONCLUSION

- Elbow joint disease severely impacts welfare of dogs.
- Larger breeds are most at risk.
- Owners should be alert to the early signs of elbow joint disease as their dogs age and seek veterinary advice if signs develop.

This study included 804 elbow disease cases from 455,069 dogs under primary veterinary care in the UK during 2013  
O'Neill, D.G. et al. (2020) "Epidemiology and clinical management of elbow joint disease in dogs under primary veterinary care in the UK"  
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