



A Forensic View of Puppy Breeding in Australia

2017



What is the Dog Population of Australia ?

In 2010 research by BIS Shrapnel for the Australian Companion Animal Council Publication **“The Contribution of the Pet Care Industry to the Australian Economy”** estimated that the dog population was 3.6 million.

In 2013 a survey by Galaxy Research for the Animal Health Alliance Publication **“Pet Ownership in Australia Summary”** estimated that the dog population was 4.2 million.

In 2016 a Report by Newgate Research on behalf of Animal Medicines Australia , **“Pet Ownership Australia in 2016”** * estimated that the dog population was 4.8 million.

*This report outlines key findings from a quantitative study of Australian households and the state of pet ownership in 2016. It also draws on information from other sources locally and internationally to provide a comprehensive view of changes in pet ownership in Australia since 2013.

Lets do the Math !

Estimated Australian Dog Population 4.8 million

A conservative estimate is that due to mortality 10% need to be replaced annually which indicates a demand for 480,000 puppies per year

In 2016 ANKC Ltd Breeders registered 71,361 puppies, so to achieve the estimated number required, approximately 408,639 were bred by people outside the ANKC who have no accountability for health or welfare.

ANKC Ltd Registered Breeders	71,361 Puppies*
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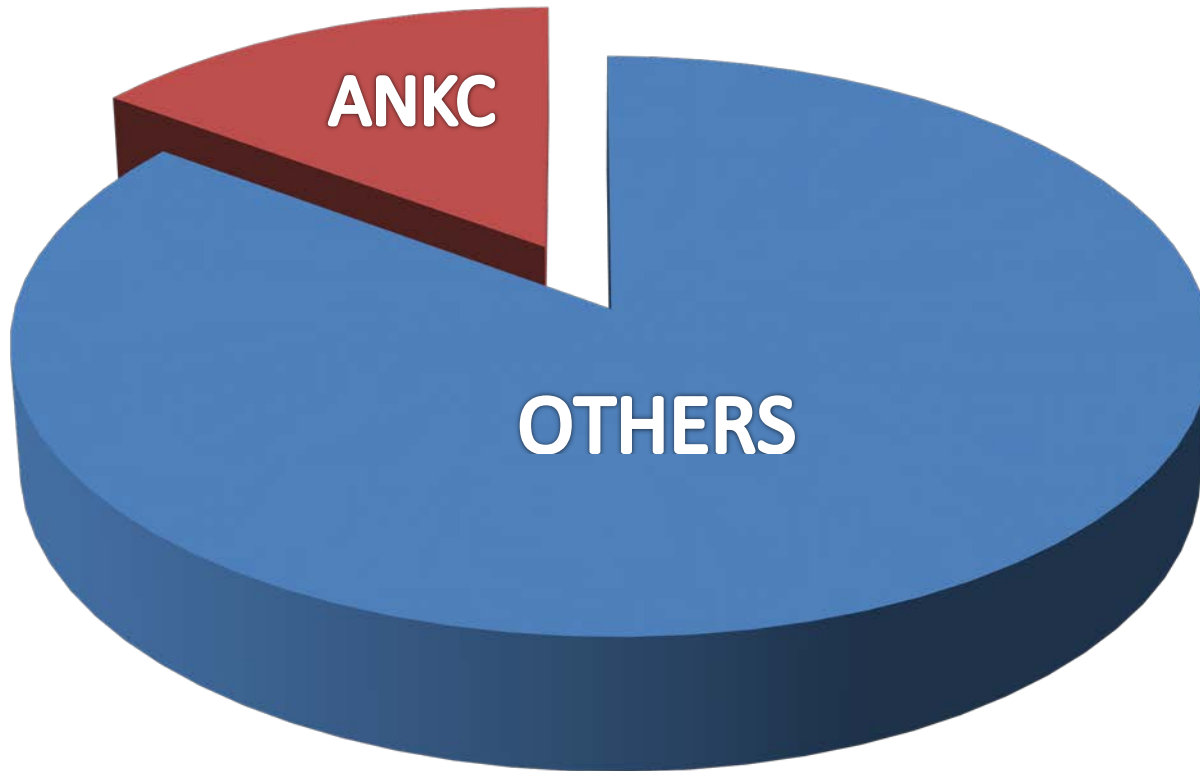
Unregistered Breeders	408,639 Puppies
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* Source- ANKC Ltd Database

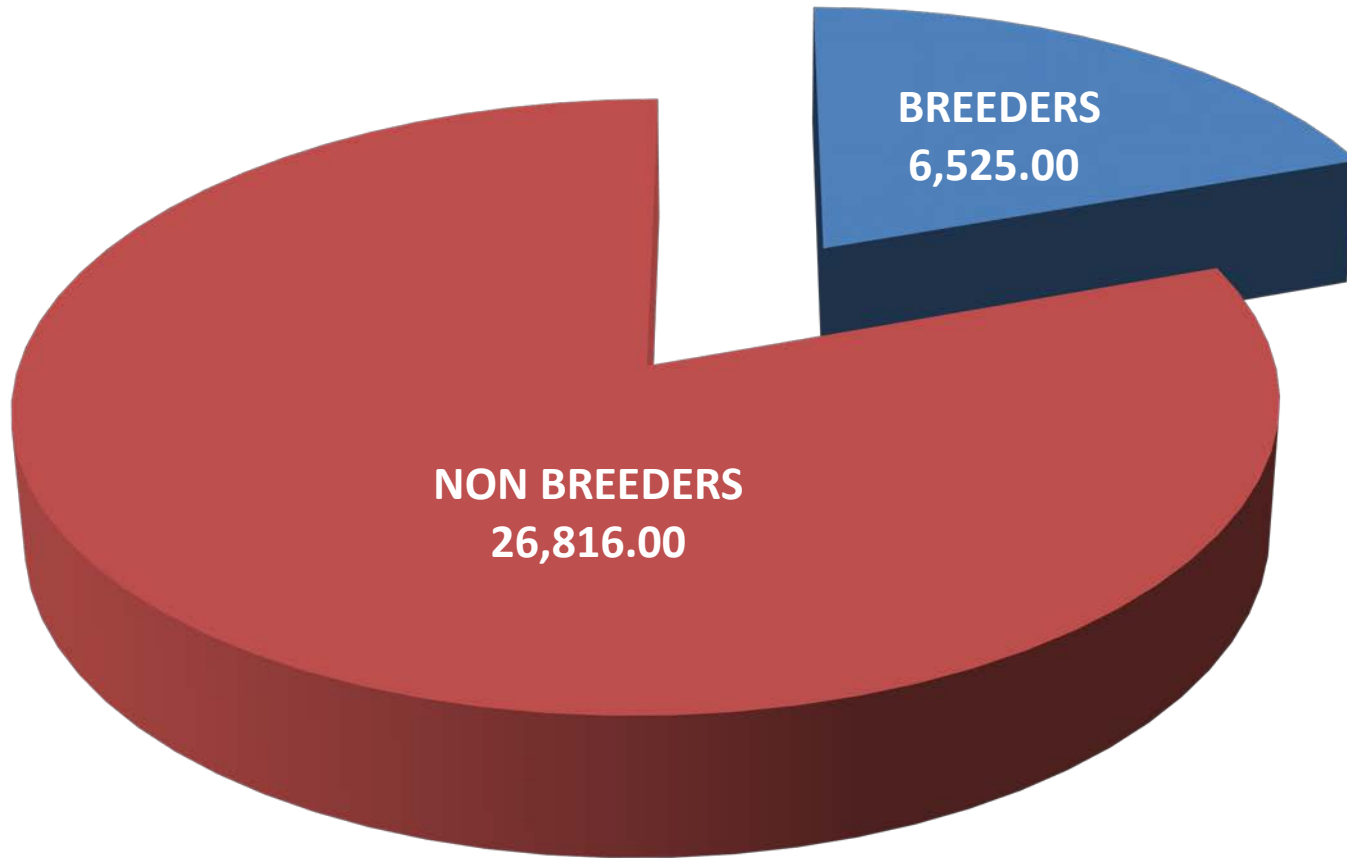
ANKC Ltd Breeders 15%

Other Breeders 85%

In 2016 – 408,369.00 Puppies were bred with no accountability for health or welfare



2016 ANKC Ltd Membership 33,341.00



Only 20% of ANKC Ltd Members were Active Breeders in 2016

Lets do the Math Again !

In 2016 – 6,525 ANKC Ltd Breeders produced 14,091 Litters

3,583 Breeders (55%) Only had 1 Litter

1,406 Breeders (21%) had 2 Litters

659 Breeders (10%) had 3 Litters

338 Breeders (5%) had 4 Litters

539 Breeders (8%) had 5 to 10 Litters

Only 86 Breeders (1.3%) had more than 10 Litters

* Source- ANKC Ltd Database

54% of ANKC Ltd Breeders only produced 1 Litter in 2016

