

Republic of Macedonia Food and Veterinary Agency

### HOW TO PERFORM STRAY DOG SURVEY

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 Food and veterinary agency of the Republic of Macedonia with support of the RSPCA conducted a Stray dog survey projects in Skopje, Tetovo and Gostivar according to the WSPA methodology.



- The purpose of the survey is to estimate the size of stray dog population within the city limits and to estimate the animal welfare status of the animals as well
- Also, the survey of public opinion toward dogs is performed



- The survey was conducted according to the WSPA guidelines and it is consisted from two elements:
- Direct observation
- Research on public opinion



- Key elements of the survey:
- Trained and reliable volunteers
- Map of the city/4 color markers
- Printed maps of the wards
- Check lists
- Proper data analysis



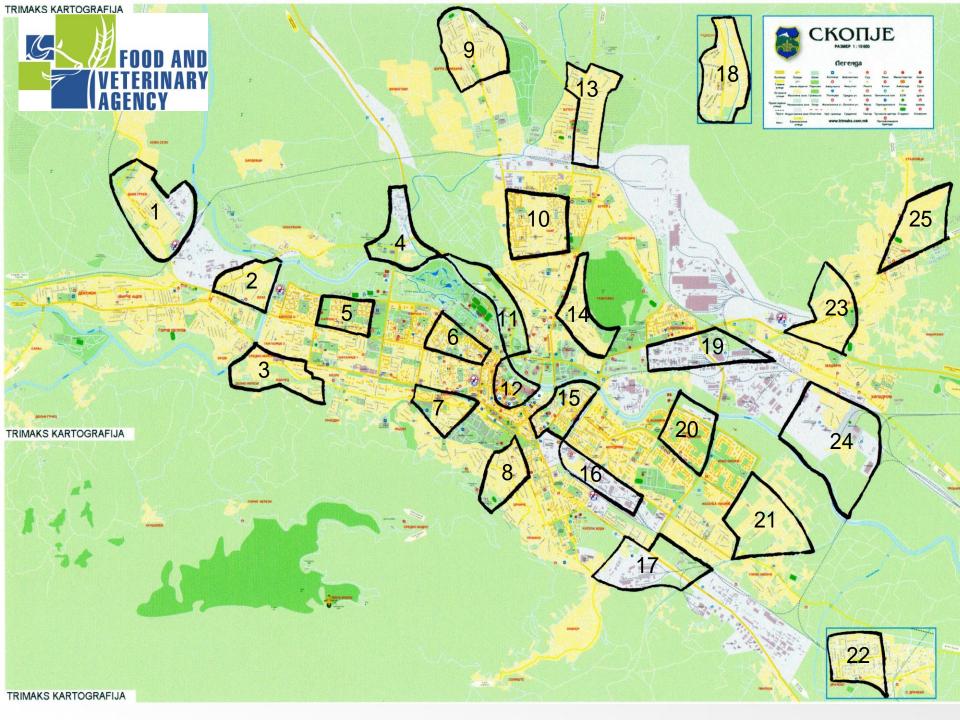
- The counting was performed in May 2010 and 2014 in Skopje, Tetovo in October 2013 and Gostivar in March 2014
- The direct observation is performed early morning between 05:00 and 09:00 when the dogs is most active.
- It must be continuous/according to the weather conditions (rain-that day no counting)



# Skopje

- Territory of the city divided in 100 wards
- Direct counting performed into 24 wards
- the direct counting was performed by 6 volunteers-Students from Veterinary faculty Skopje divided into 3 teams



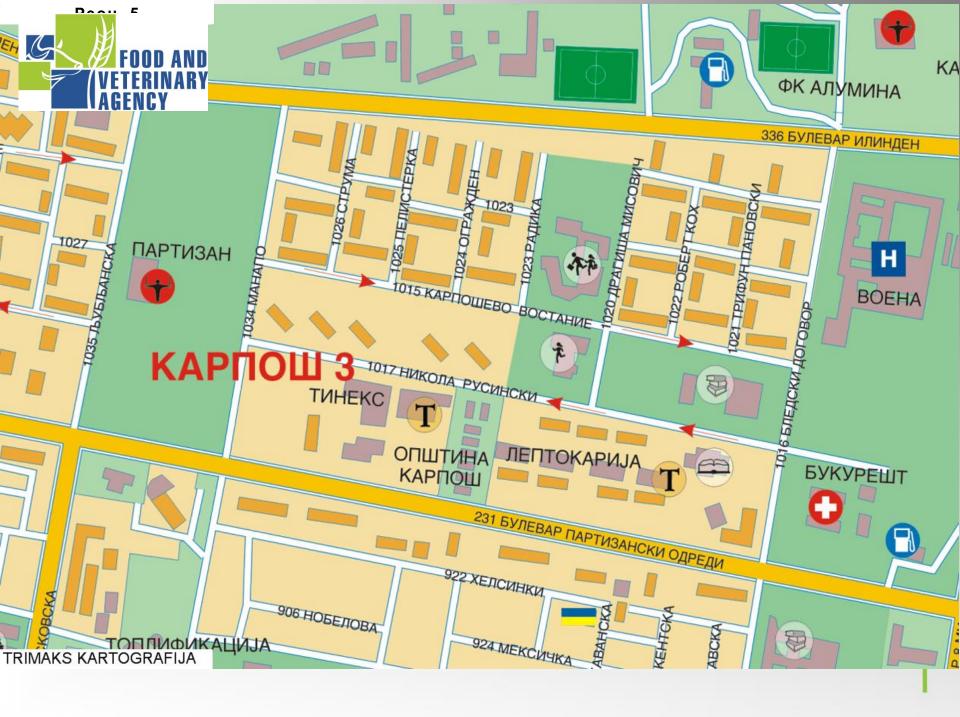




#### Maps of the wards









- Direct observation-The volunteers were provided with the map of the ward and with a relevant check list
- Public opinion research-interview questionnaire/if it is possible engage professional marketing research company (Skopje 2010)



# Check list for direct observation



- Following parameters were noticed during the direct observation:
- Sex (male, female, puppies)
- Does the dog have an ear tag or collar
- Body score condition
- Lameness
- Skin lesions



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	Ward:									-	
	Male	Female NOT lactating	Female Lactating	Adult sex unknown	Puppi e	Eartag	Collar (without owner)	Collar (with owner)	Body score condition	Lamen ess	Skin Iesions
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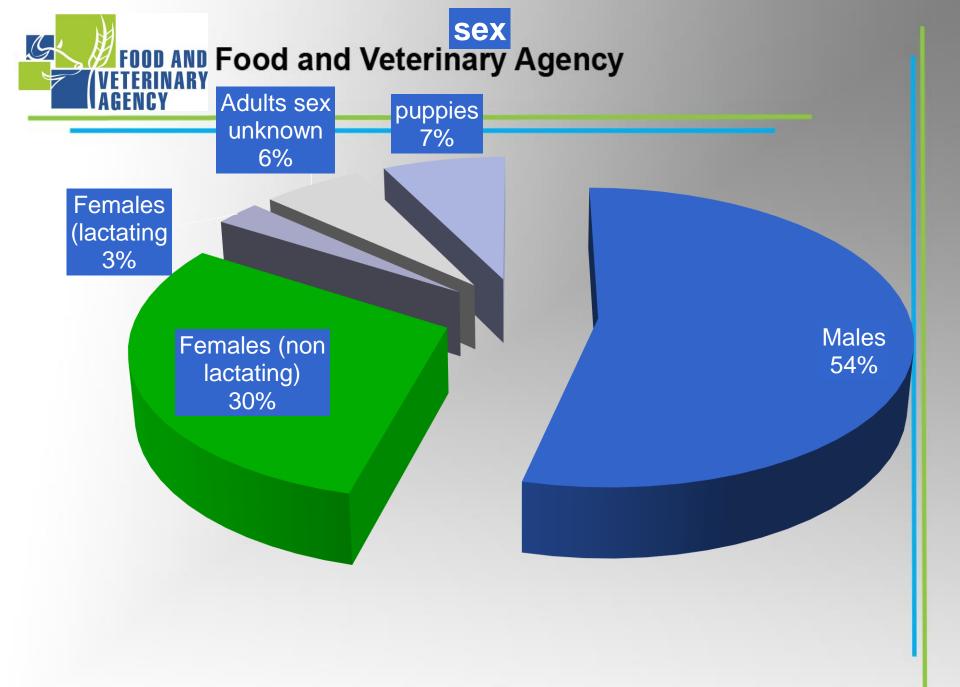
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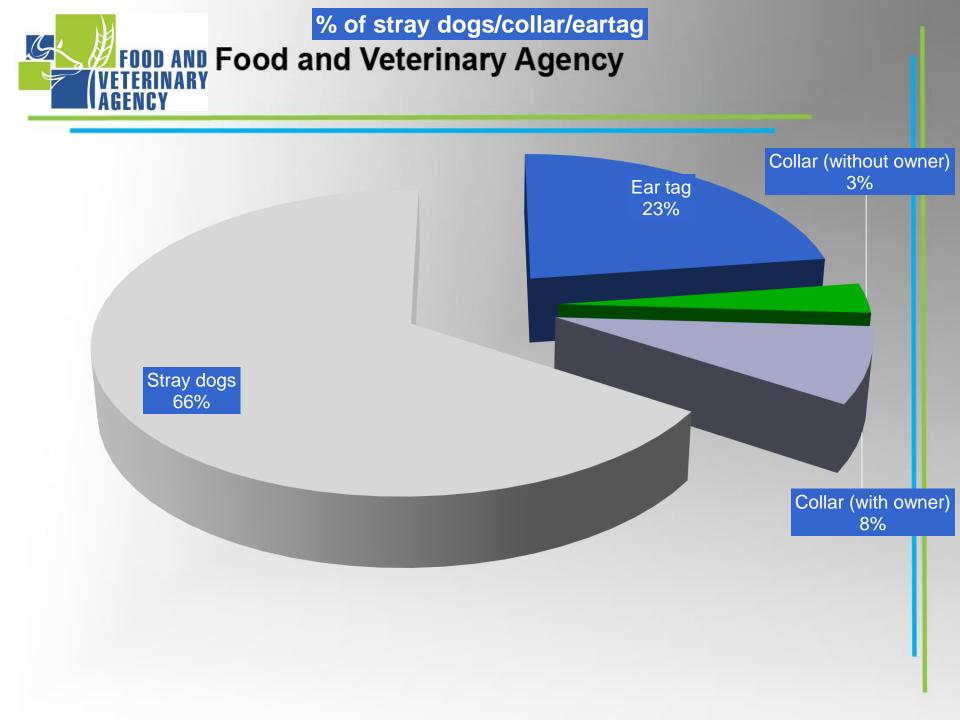


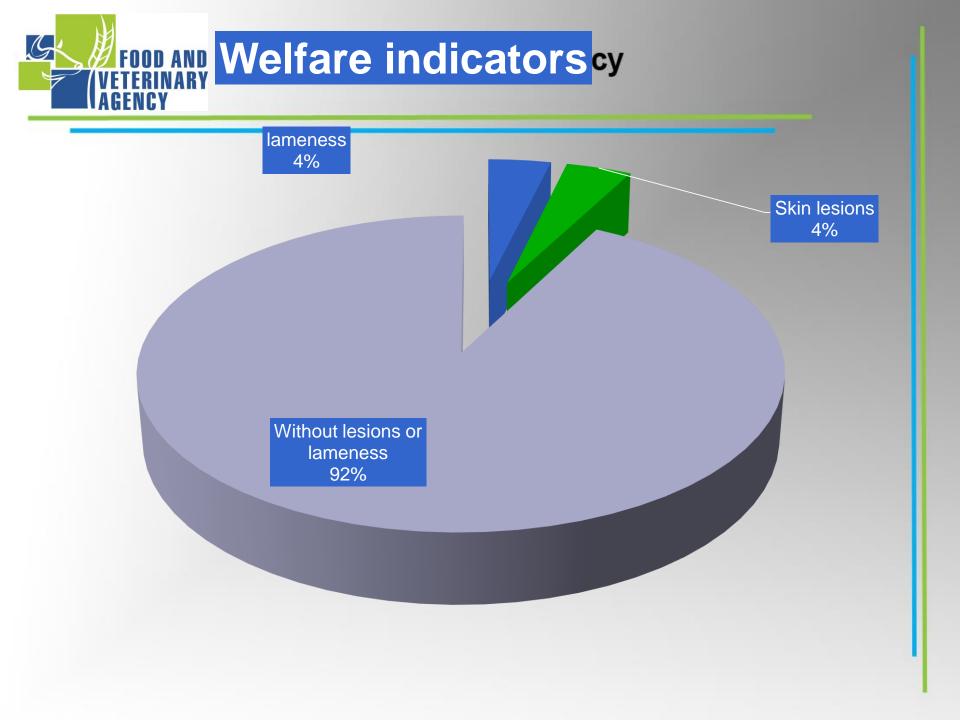
Data Analysis/calculation according to WSPA manual

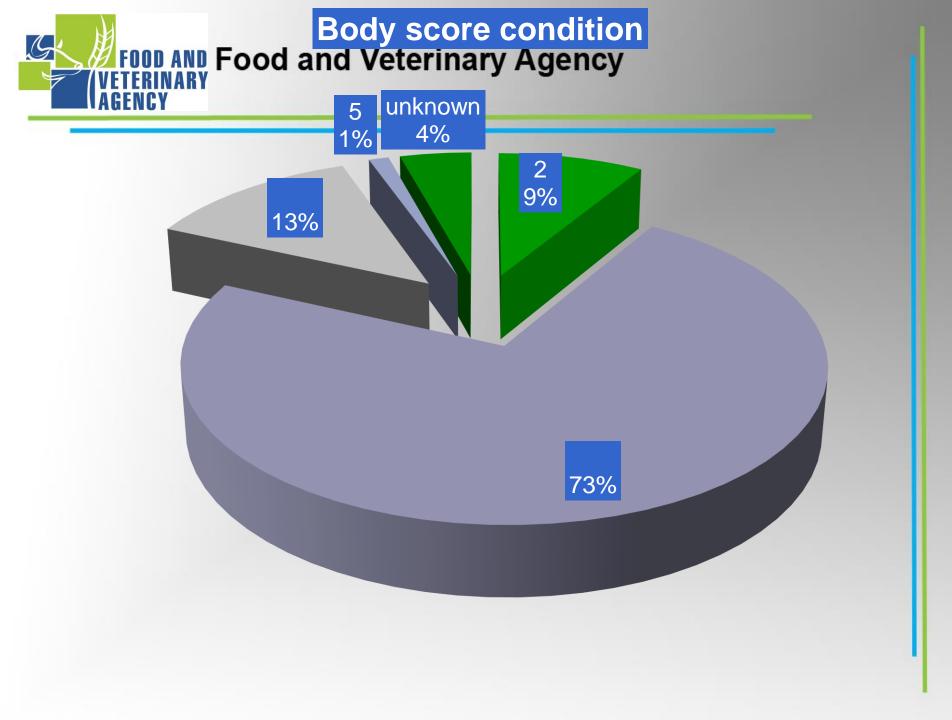


### 2010 estimation in figures:





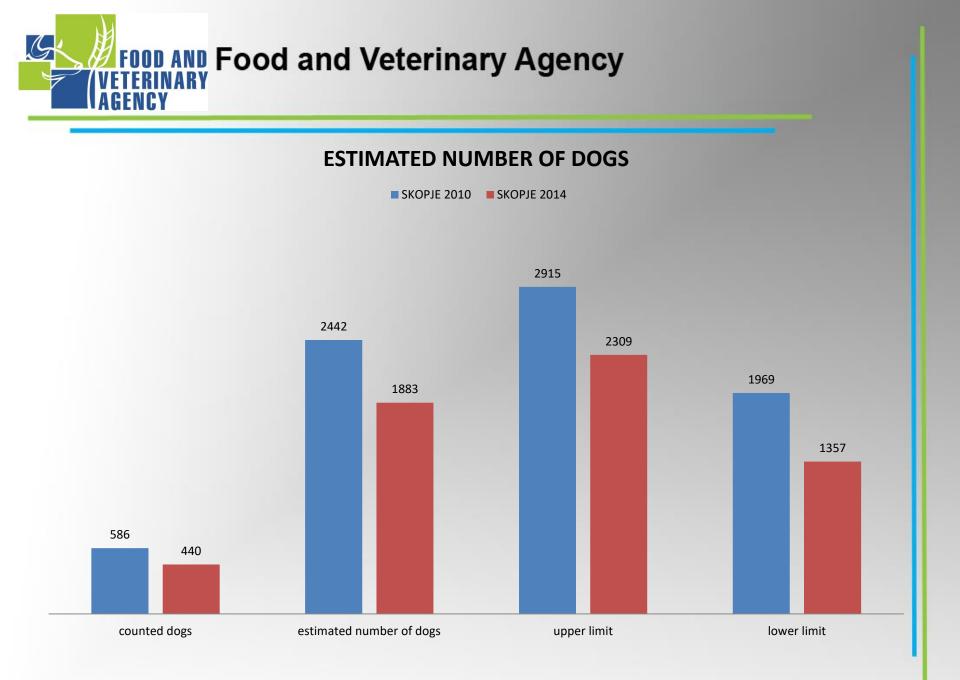






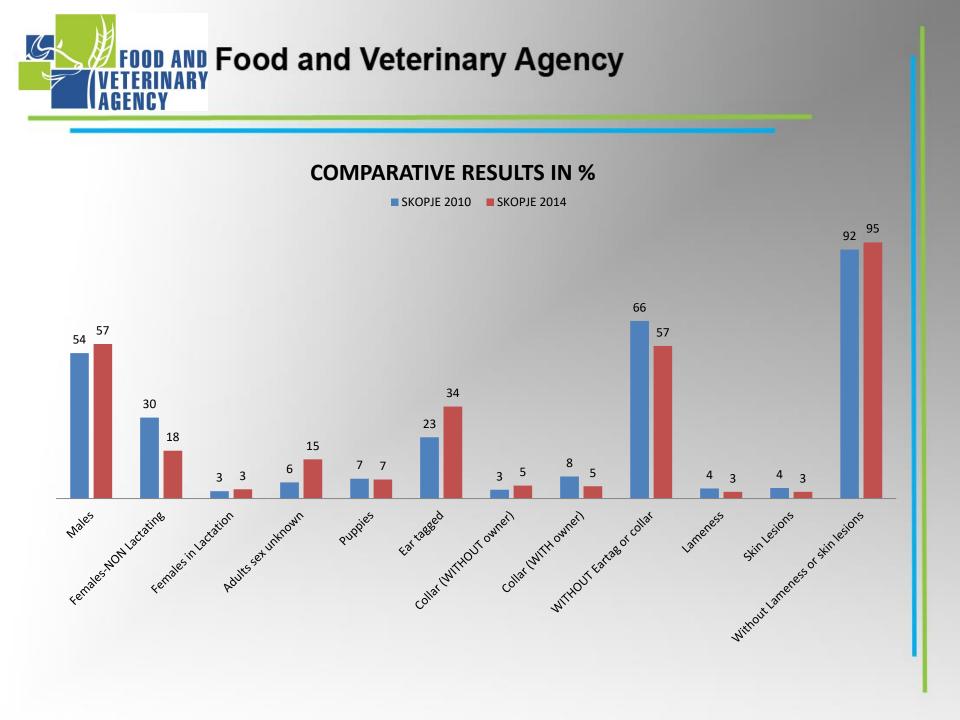
#### Monitoring/Control survey

 In 2014 exact same survey was performed and the results of the comparative analysis is following:





 According to the counted dogs, 586 in 2010 and 440 in 2014, there is 25 % decrease of the number of dogs in city of Skopje





#### According to the counted dogs which is neutered, vaccinated and released there is 17 % increase of CNVR dogs in city of Skopje in 2014 compared to 2010.

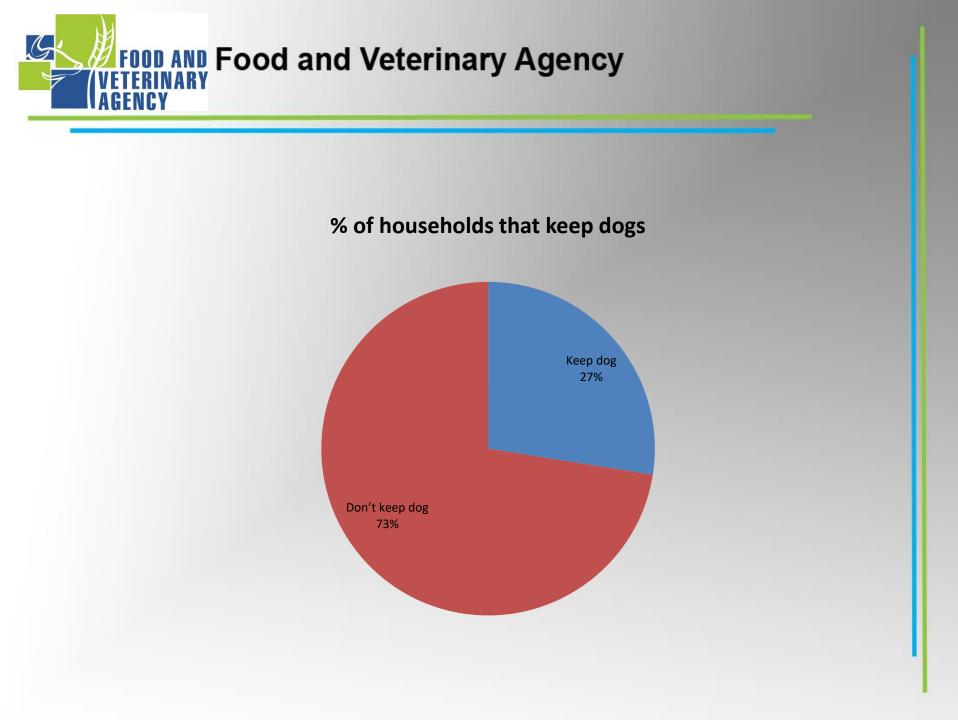


## Case study Gostivar

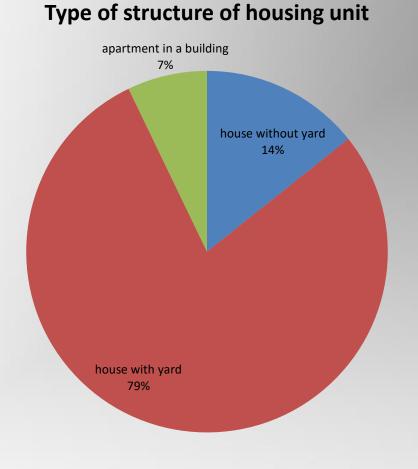
# Public opinion survey



- 51 interviews performed
- Volunteers/research company supplied with the questionnaire
- Data analysis/results

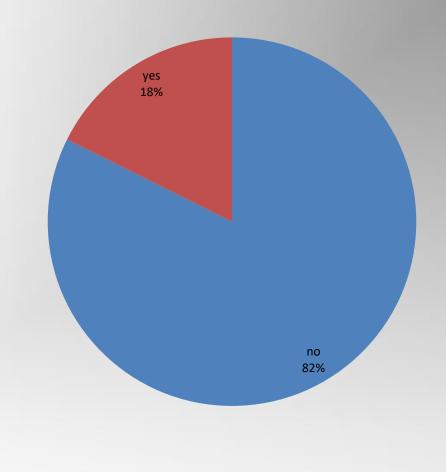


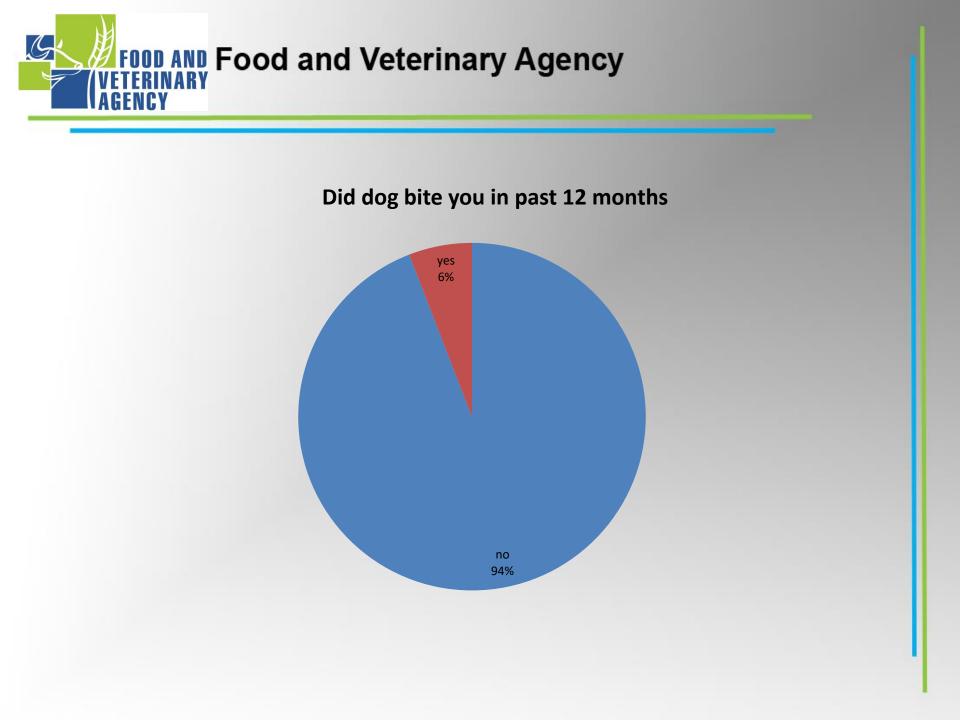


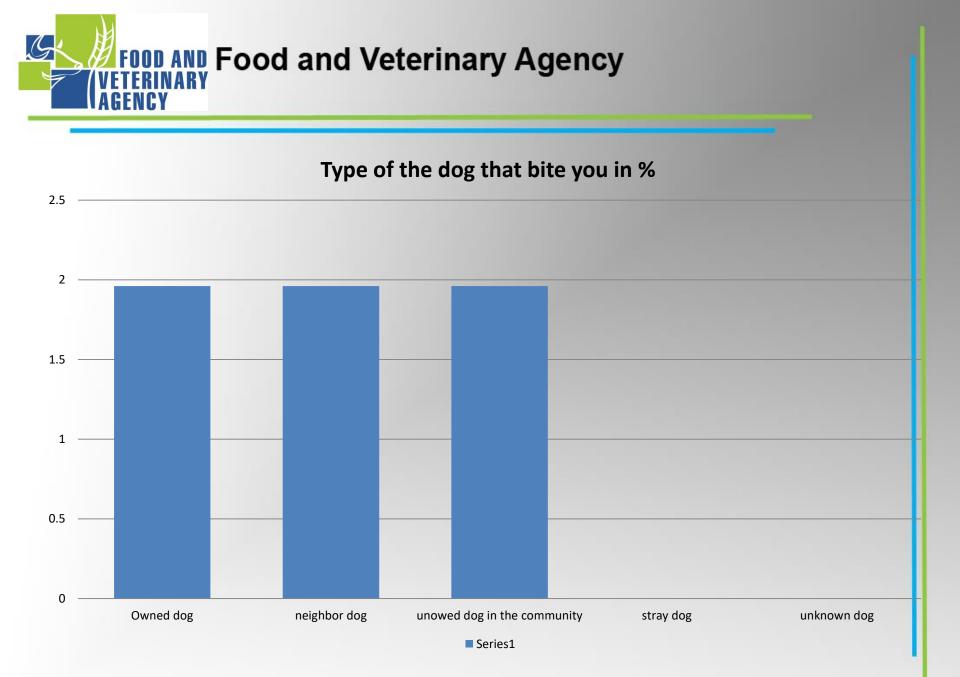




Did citizens of Gostivar feed the stray dogs

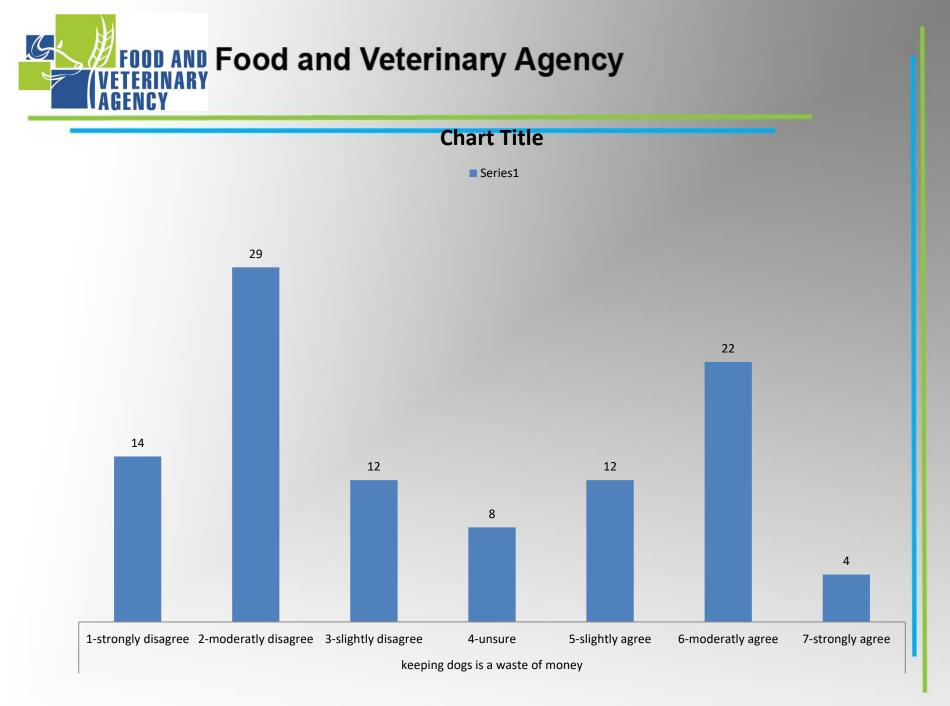


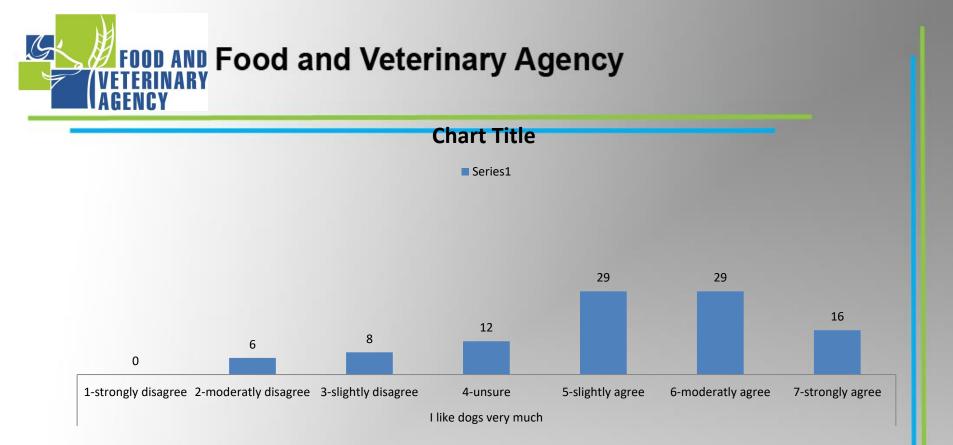


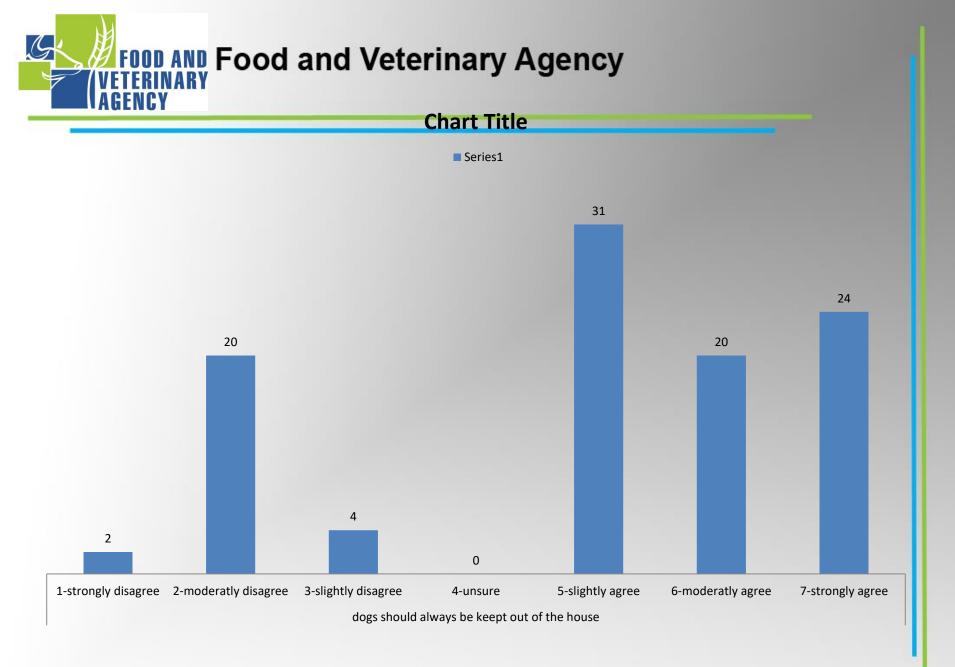


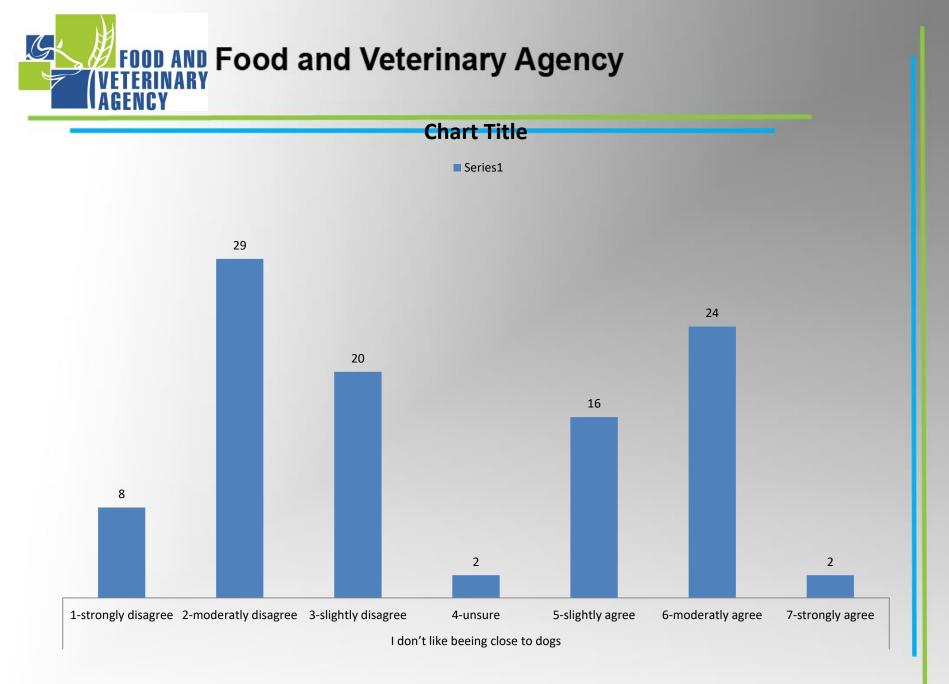


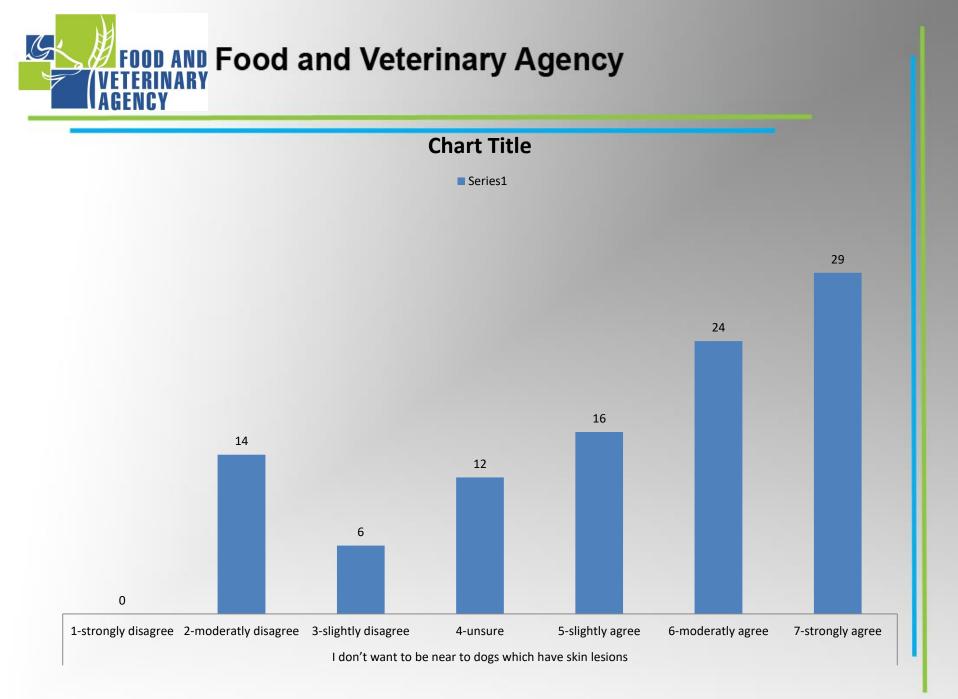
## Attitudes of the citizens of Gostivar

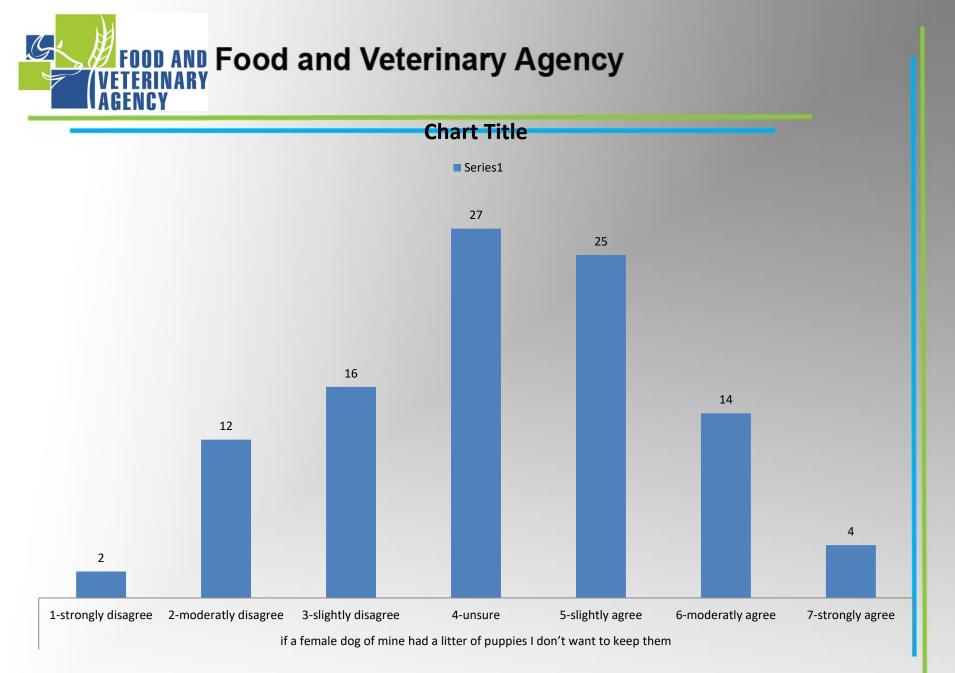


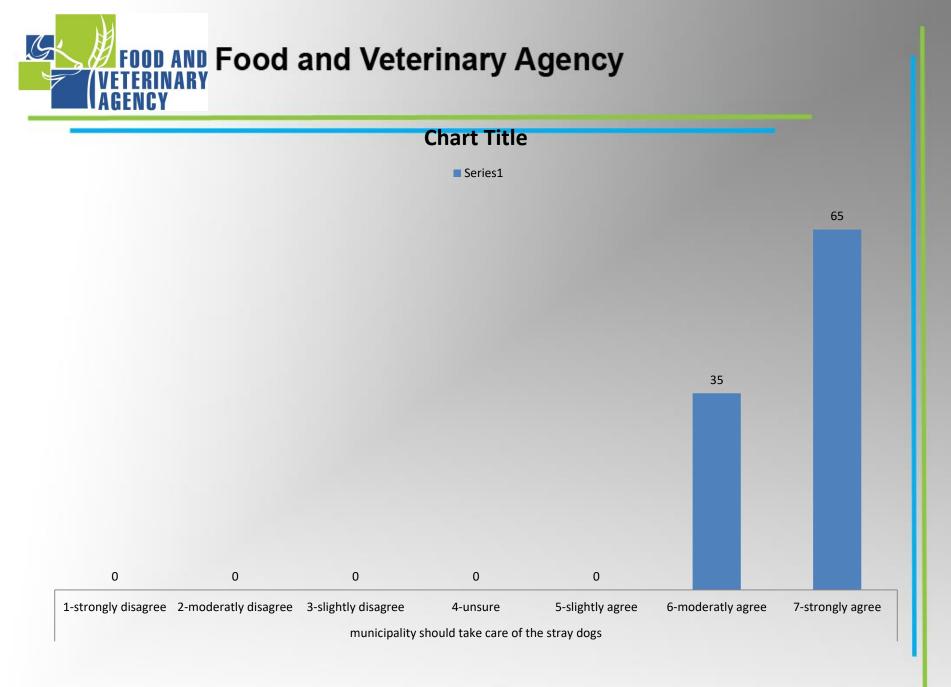


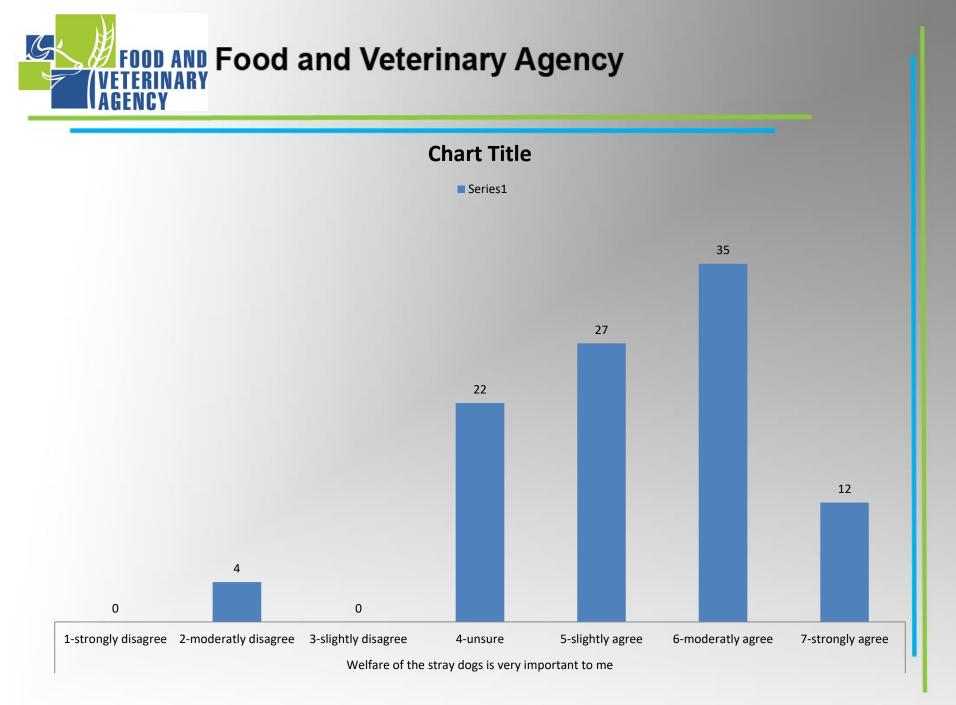


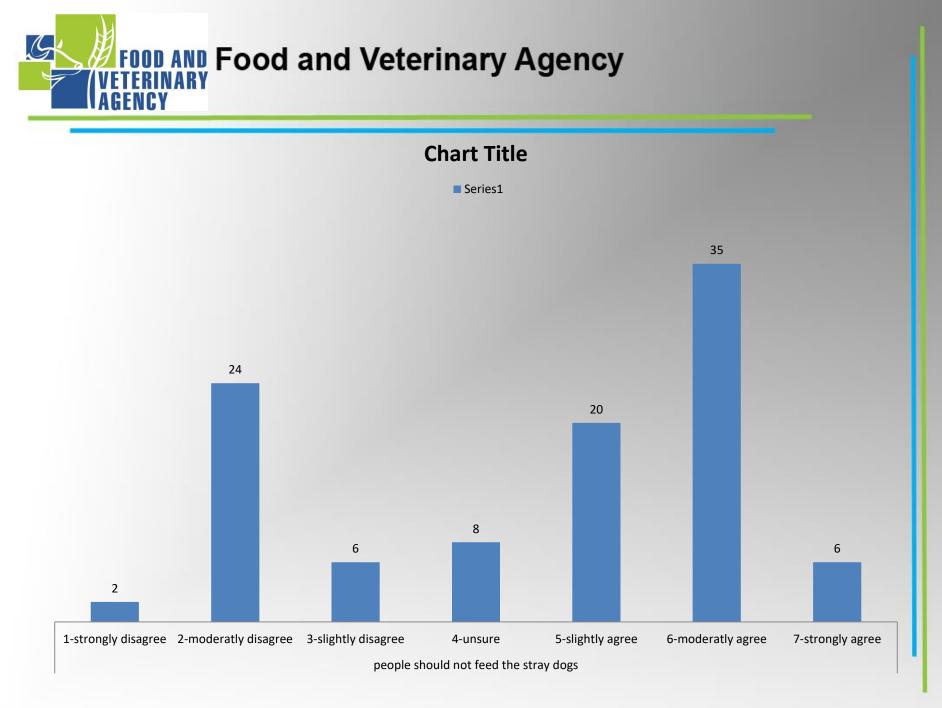


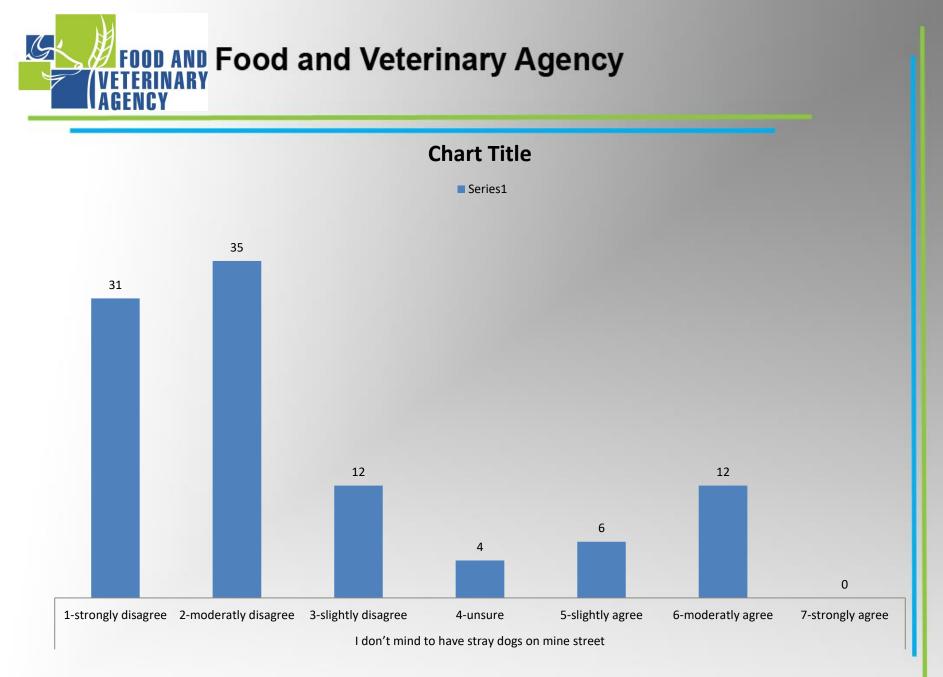


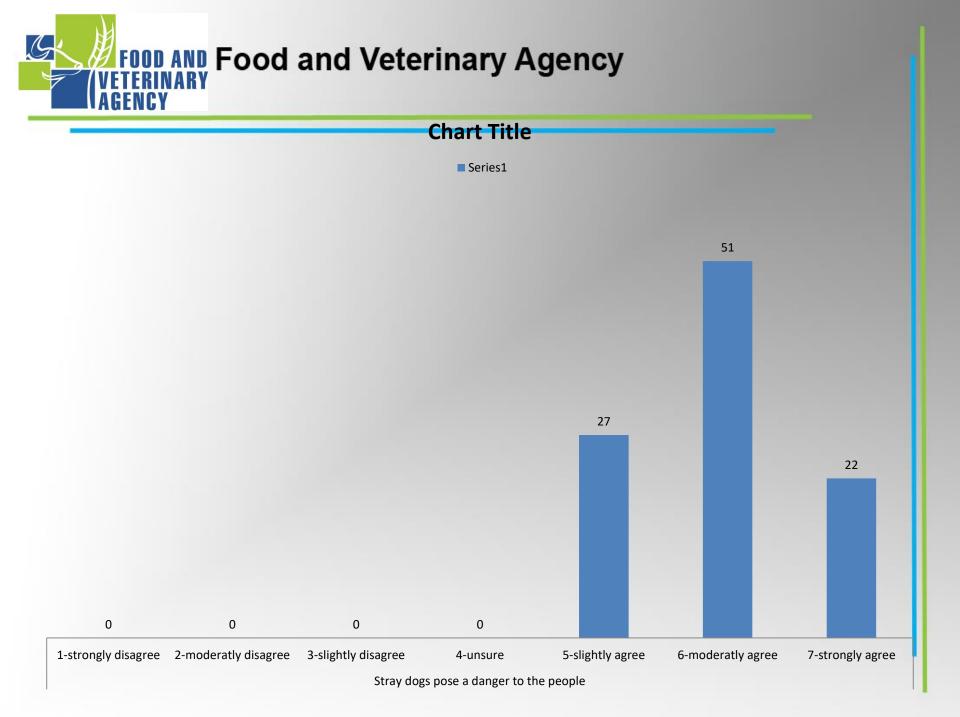


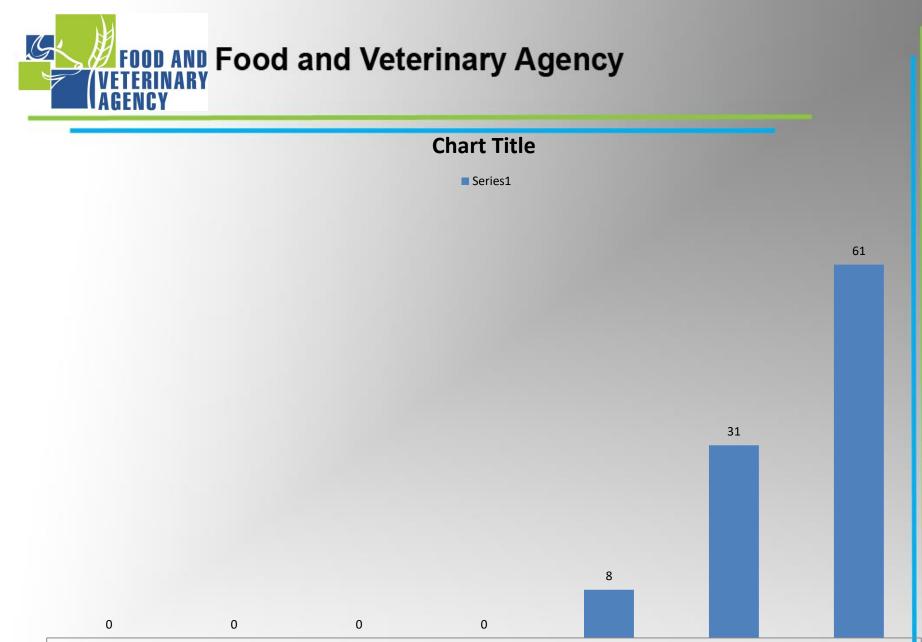


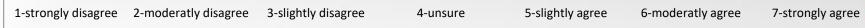




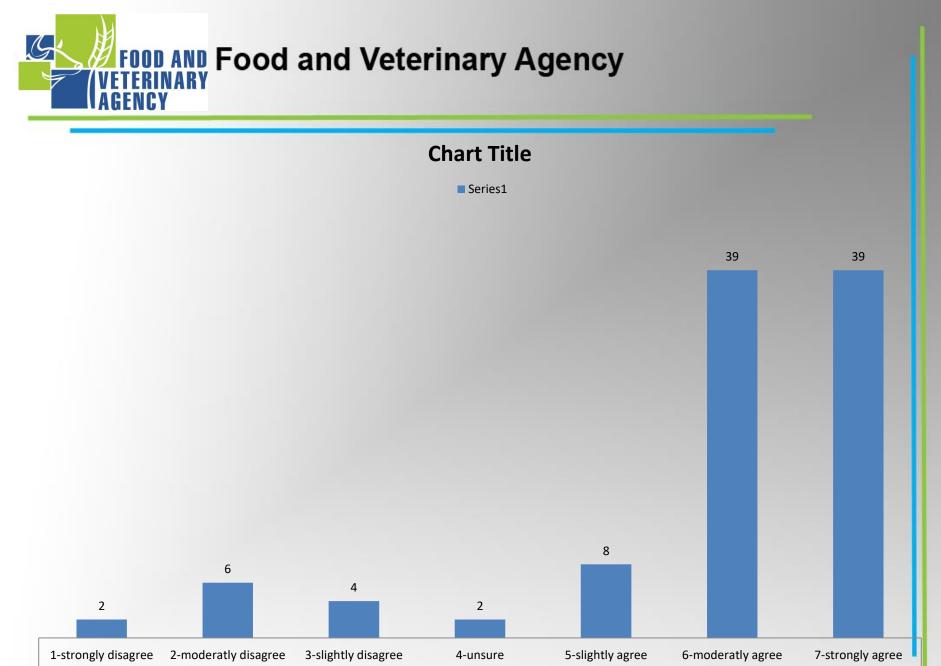








stray dogs should not be allowed to breed



it is not acceptable to kill stray dogs



## Thank You for Your attention!

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