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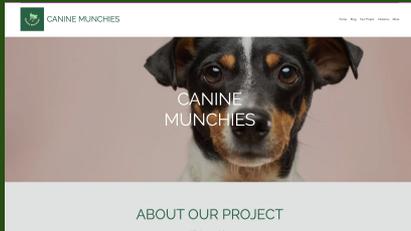
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Abstract :

Dogs are a man's best friend and health is a big factor in how long they live and their quality of life. Dogs are very delicate when it comes to the food selection. It is very necessary to be aware and take precautions of what goes inside your furry friend.



Intro:

Nutrition for dogs is essential to determine how long and healthy their life will be. Many owner have zero to little knowledge as to what the best diet for their dog should be.

Still to this day false advertisement is used to persuade pet owners to buy their version of "healthy" food.

Essentially, our goal is to inform dog owners specifically what the best options are for their pets.

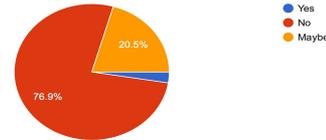
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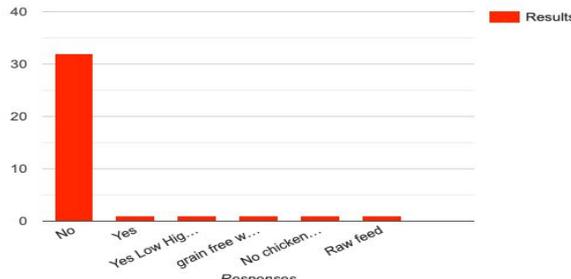
Methods and Results:

We presumed many pet owners are not aware of the contents in the food of their pets, so a survey was conducted, and completed by our peers, to increase our knowledge on what factors affect an owner's choice of food.

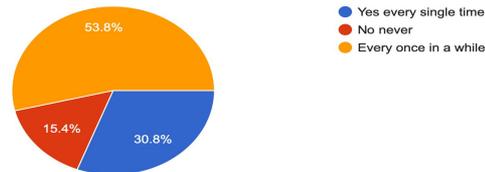
Do you know if the pet food you choose is WSAVA recommended or recommended by your veterinarian/ pet nutritionist?
39 responses



Do you have your pet on a special diet?



When purchasing your pet food do you look at the nutritional facts?
39 responses



Conclusion

Based on the results of our survey, from the many provided responses. It is clear that only 64% can say that the largest deciding factor is ingredients. Even though the more than 75% participants don't know about, nor feed their dogs WSAVA (World Small Animal Veterinary Association) or veterinarian recommended food. As well as only 30.8% actually look at the bag of their pets food for the nutritional facts and ingredients. It seems that while a majority of the participants wish to provide their pets with the healthiest food for them, only a small percentage actually know/provide consistently nourishing food backed by experts. Our goal is to help pet owners understand the choices of food and effects on the animal by creating a website that highlights the information we have found in our research. Our website will be updated with reliable information and be a place where you can ask questions. This website helps those that don't have the resources to get professional help.

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