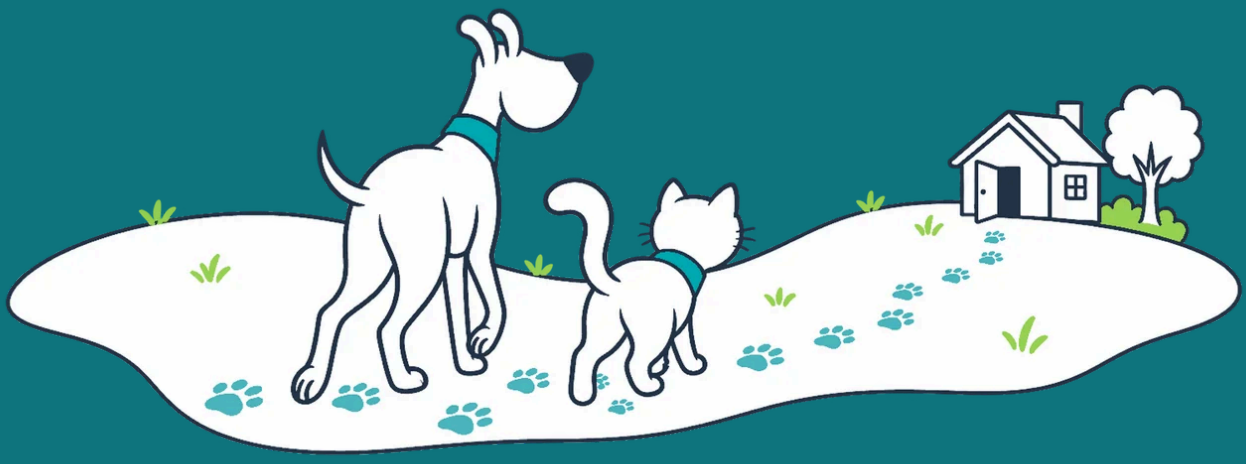
MIWUKI REPORT ON PET ADOPTION IN SPAIN

2019

Pet adoption on Miwuki, in data

Annual report produced in 2026 · 2019 data



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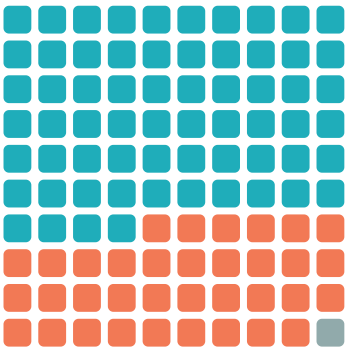
2019 in 60 seconds

14,709
listed cases

9,025
recorded adoptions

31 days
median: shelter dogs adopted within 180 days

34.8%
of cases are cats



Out of every 100 listed cases

- **64** dogs (63.7%)
- **35** cats (34.8%)
- **1** other species (1.5%)

Key findings

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Key findings

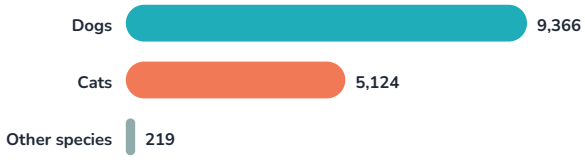
The year's main conclusions, each with its figure and its limitation.



FINDING H-2019-01 · Descriptive

Cases listed in 2019

In 2019, **14,709** animal cases were listed for adoption on Miwuki in Spain: **9,366** dogs, **5,124** cats and **219** of other species.



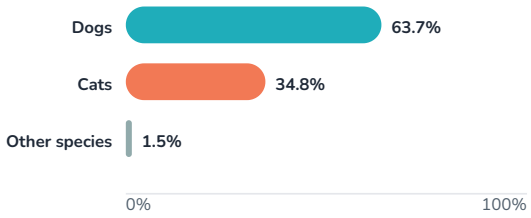
Indicator IND-01: Listed cases · Source: Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · data version 2026.10.22-r1 · data cut-off 22 October 2026

Limitation. It measures cases listed on Miwuki, not abandonment or shelter intakes across Spain.

FINDING H-2019-02 · Descriptive

Dogs and cats in 2019

In 2019, cats made up **34.8%** of the cases listed on Miwuki in Spain; dogs made up **63.7%**.



Base (cases): 14,709

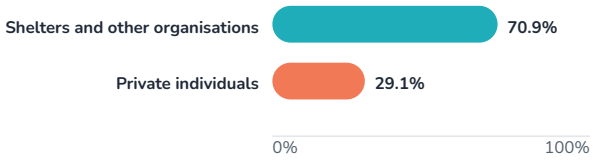
Indicator IND-02: Listed cases by species · Source: Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · data version 2026.10.22-r1 · data cut-off 22 October 2026

Limitation. It describes the make-up of the cases listed on Miwuki; it does not show how many dogs or cats are looking for a home across Spain.

FINDING H-2019-03 · Descriptive

Shelters and private individuals

In 2019, **29.1%** of the cases listed on Miwuki in Spain were listed by private individuals looking for a new home for their animal, and **70.9%** by shelters and other organisations.



Base (cases): 14,709

Indicator IND-03: Listed cases by type of publisher · Source: Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · data version 2026.10.22-r1 · data cut-off 22 October 2026

Limitation. Private individuals have been listing animals on Miwuki since December 2018. “Shelters and other organisations” includes shelters, associations, rescuers, feral cat colonies and public administrations.

FINDING H-2019-05 · Descriptive

Recorded adoptions

In 2019, **9,025** adoptions of animals listed in Spain were recorded on Miwuki, corresponding to **8,904** distinct cases.

9,025

adoptions recorded in 2019

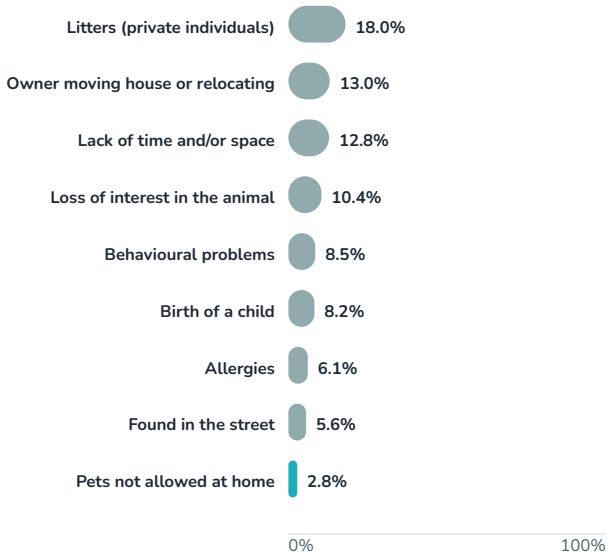
Indicator IND-05: Recorded adoptions · Source: Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · data version 2026.10.22-r1 · data cut-off 22 October 2026

Limitation. These are the adoptions that publishers record on the platform; some adoptions may not be recorded. A case may have more than one adoption if the animal is adopted more than once.

FINDING H-2019-25 · Descriptive

Housing: what is chosen from the list

In 2019, **2.8%** of the private individuals who listed on Miwuki chose “pets not allowed at home” as the reason for looking for a new home for their animal, and **13.0%** a change of address.



Base (cases): 4,281

Indicator IND-38: Reason chosen by private individuals · Source: Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · data version 2026.10.22-r1 · data cut-off 22 October 2026

Limitation. It is the reason stated by the publisher, with a single option per case.

More findings for this year

H-2019-07 · Descriptive

Hard-to-place animals

In 2019, **9.0%** of the cases listed by shelters on Miwuki in Spain carried the “hard to place” flag, which is set by the publisher. On Miwuki only shelters use it.

Limitation: The flag is optional and each publisher may use it differently.

H-2019-08 · Association, not causation

Age and adoption

Among the dogs listed by shelters on Miwuki in Spain in 2019, **85.2%** of puppies had an adoption recorded within 180 days of listing, compared with **51.0%** of adults (34.2 percentage points lower).

Limitation: Descriptive association in shelter cases: it does not show that age is the cause. It only counts adoptions recorded on Miwuki.

H-2019-09 · Association, not causation

Hard to place

In 2019, **36.1%** of the dogs listed by shelters on Miwuki in Spain with the “hard to place” flag were adopted within 180 days, compared with **70.4%** of the rest (34.3 percentage points lower).

Limitation: Each shelter sets the flag voluntarily. It is an association, not a cause, and it only counts adoptions recorded on Miwuki.

H-2019-11 · Association, not causation

PPP dogs

Among the dogs listed by shelters on Miwuki in Spain in 2019, **54.9%** of those with the PPP flag had an adoption recorded within 180 days, compared with **68.6%** of the rest (13.7 percentage points lower).

Limitation: Descriptive association: the PPP flag tends to go with size and age, and adopting a PPP dog requires a licence. It only counts adoptions recorded on Miwuki.

H-2019-12 · Association, not causation

Age in years

Among the shelter dogs listed on Miwuki in Spain in 2019, **82.3%** of those under one year old, **49.3%** of those aged three to five and **42.6%** of those aged nine or older were adopted within 180 days.

Limitation: Age is calculated from the date of birth in the profile, which is often estimated. Association, not causation.

H-2019-13 · Association, not causation

Dogs with leishmaniasis

In 2019, **30.1%** of the dogs listed by shelters on Miwuki in Spain with the leishmaniasis flag were adopted within 180 days, compared with **68.4%** of the rest (38.3 percentage points lower).

Limitation: The flag is set by the publisher. Association, not causation.

H-2019-15 · Descriptive

The reason private individuals choose

In 2019, **12.8%** of the private individuals who listed on Miwuki chose “lack of time or space” as the reason for looking for a new home for their animal, and **13.0%** a change of address.

Limitation: One option per case, from the platform list. Private individuals only.

H-2019-16 · Descriptive

Microchip when listed

In 2019, according to the profile, **26.6%** of the cats listed by private individuals on Miwuki in Spain had a microchip, compared with **78.1%** of shelter cats.

Limitation: Stated by the publisher when creating the profile.

H-2019-19 · Descriptive

Days to adoption

Among the shelter dogs listed on Miwuki in Spain in 2019 and adopted within 180 days, half were adopted in under **24** days if they were puppies and in under **47** days if they were adults (23 days more).

Limitation: It only counts cases adopted within that period and adoptions recorded on Miwuki.

H-2019-20 · Descriptive partial period

What people look for and what is available

In 2019, **63.7%** of those who filled in the “Perfect pet” form to adopt a dog ticked that they were looking for a small one (several sizes could be ticked); among the dogs listed on Miwuki in Spain that year, **24.0%** were small.

Limitation: Only people who fill in the form answer it and several sizes can be ticked; it does not represent everyone who adopts.

H-2019-23 · Descriptive

Christmas

At Christmas 2019 (from 15 December to 6 January), animal cases were listed on Miwuki in Spain at a rate 9.3% fewer per day than in the previous three weeks, and adoptions were recorded at a rate 0.4% fewer per day than in the previous three weeks.

Limitation: It describes the calendar, not its causes.

H-2019-26 · Association, not causation

Who waits longest

Among shelter dogs listed on Miwuki in Spain in 2019 and adopted within 180 days, half of those flagged as "hard to place" were adopted in under **62** days, compared with **24** days for puppies and **39** for PPP dogs.

Limitation: It only counts shelter dogs adopted within 180 days, and the flag is set by the publisher. It is an association, not a cause.

H-2019-28 · Descriptive partial period

Budget and hours alone

In 2019, **54.1%** of the people who filled in the "Perfect pet" form to adopt a dog said they would spend "whatever is needed" each month, and **51.2%** that the dog would be alone for under four hours a day.

Limitation: It is what form respondents say, not what they do later, and only those who fill in the form answer.

H-2019-29 · Descriptive

Adopting in pairs

In 2019, **1.1%** of dogs and **3.1%** of cats listed on Miwuki in Spain had to be adopted together with another animal.

Limitation: The flag is set by the publisher. We do not know how many of these adoptions actually take place together.

H-2019-30 · Descriptive

Private owners rehome older animals

In 2019, **30.6%** of the dogs listed by private owners on Miwuki were under one year old, compared with **51.7%** of shelter dogs. Among cats, **43.3%** compared with **71.7%**.

Limitation: Age is calculated from the date of birth in the profile, which is often estimated.

H-2019-31 · Descriptive

More males among private owners' dogs

In 2019, **63.4%** of the dogs listed by private owners on Miwuki were male, compared with **53.3%** of shelter dogs.

Limitation: Stated by the publisher; we do not know why more males are rehomed.

H-2019-33 · Descriptive

Private owners' cases left open

Of the cases listed by private owners in 2019, **81.9%** were still "up for adoption" on the cut-off date and **13.3%** appeared as adopted; in shelters, **88.8%** appeared as adopted.

Limitation: Many private owners do not close the case: we do not know whether the animal was adopted outside Miwuki, stayed at home or was withdrawn, so their adoptions are not compared with those of shelters.

H-2019-34 · Descriptive partial period

First dog, more hours alone

In 2019, **43.1%** of the people about to have their first dog said in "Perfect pet" that it would be alone for under four hours a day, compared with **53.4%** of those who had had a dog before.

Limitation: Only people who fill in "Perfect pet" answer it, and it is what they expect, not what happens later.

H-2019-35 · Descriptive partial period

More space, bigger dogs

In 2019, **38.4%** of people living in a large home with a balcony, patio or terrace were looking for a large dog, compared with **17.4%** of those living in a small one without them.

Limitation: Only people who fill in "Perfect pet" answer it, and several sizes can be ticked.

H-2019-36 · Descriptive

Where shelter animals come from

In 2019, **14.1%** of the cases listed by shelters on Miwuki were recorded as "found in the street" and **56.4%** as "taken in by the shelter".

Limitation: Stated by the publisher, and the list mixes origin and reason.

H-2019-37 · **Descriptive**

Adopted within their first six months

Of the dogs listed by shelters on Miwuki in 2019, **67.5%** had an adoption recorded within 180 days of listing; of the cats, **60.9%**.

Limitation: It only counts the adoptions that shelters record on Miwuki, and how much they record changes over the years: years are not compared.

What changes compared with 2018?

14,709
listed cases

9,025
recorded adoptions

We compare 2019 with 2018. When a change on the platform or an incomplete year prevents a comparison, we say so. Proportions are compared in percentage points.

- Listed cases: not comparable with 2018: private individuals start listing in December 2018.
- Cases from shelters and other organisations: 3.8% fewer than in 2018.
- Cases from private individuals: not comparable with 2018: private individuals start listing in December 2018.
- Recorded adoptions: not comparable with 2018: private individuals start listing in December 2018.

These differences describe what happened on the platform. On their own, they do not explain their causes.

02
The animals

What was listed: species, publisher, age, size, breed, profile and origin.



How many dogs and cats?

9,366
dogs listed

5,124
cats listed

34.8%
of cases were cats

In 2019, **9,366** dogs and **5,124** cats were listed. Cats made up **34.8%** of cases, not comparable with 2018: private individuals start listing in December 2018.

Who lists them?



10,428
cases from shelters and other organisations

4,281
cases from private individuals

29.1%
of cases were listed by private individuals

In 2019, **70.9%** of cases were listed by shelters and other organisations, and **29.1%** by private individuals who cannot keep their animal.

These are two different situations: an organisation that takes in animals and a family looking for a new home for its own. That is why we show the two groups separately.

How old and how big are they?

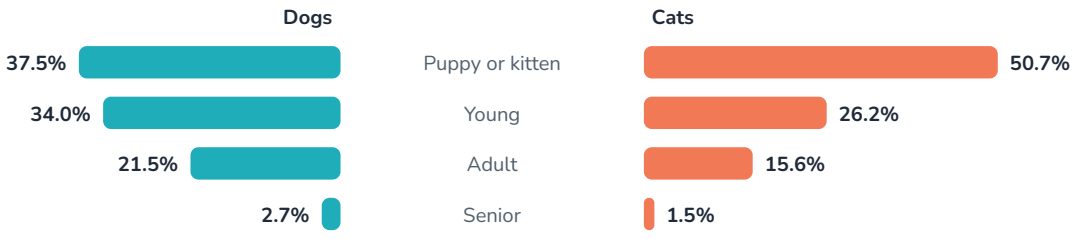
Among dogs listed in 2019, **2.7%** were seniors; among cats, **1.5%**. Puppies made up **37.5%** of dogs and kittens **50.7%** of cats.

From the date of birth in the profile, **45.1%** of dogs were under one year old when listed and **3.0%** were nine or older. Among cats, **65.2%** were under one year old.

By size, as stated by the publisher: **24.0%** of dogs were small, **51.5%** medium-sized and **21.3%** large. We do not analyse size for cats because, as recorded, it barely varies.

Age when listed: dogs and cats, 2019

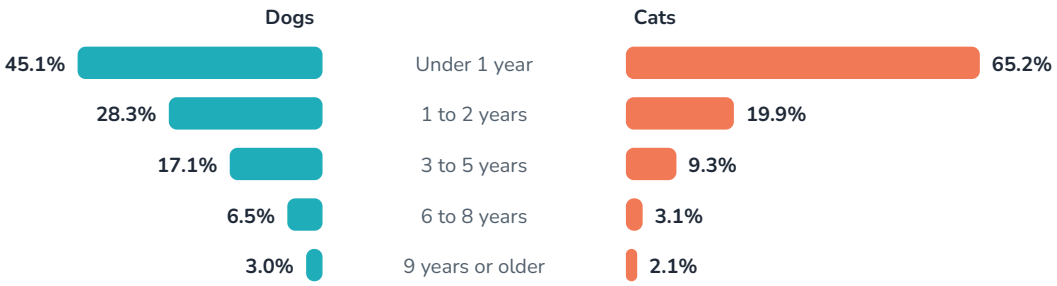
Percentage of dogs and of cats listed that year. Age estimated by whoever listed the animal.



Indicator IND-12: Age group when listed · Source: Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · data version 2026.10.22-r1 · data cut-off 22 October 2026

Age in years when listed: dogs and cats, 2019

From the date of birth in the profile.



Indicator IND-24: Age in years when listed · Source: Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · data version 2026.10.22-r1 · data cut-off 22 October 2026

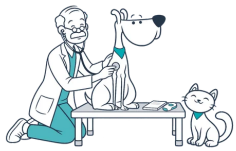
Which breeds are listed?

8.1% of listed dogs carried the potentially dangerous dog (PPP) flag, which requires the adopter to hold a licence.

Breed was not mandatory in the profile until June 2023, so we do not analyse it for 2019.

Health, temperament and identification





90.7%
of shelter dogs, microchipped

78.1%
of shelter cats, microchipped

55.8%
of shelter dogs, neutered

1.9%
of dogs flagged with leishmania

59.9%
of dogs get on well with children

Flags set by the publisher.

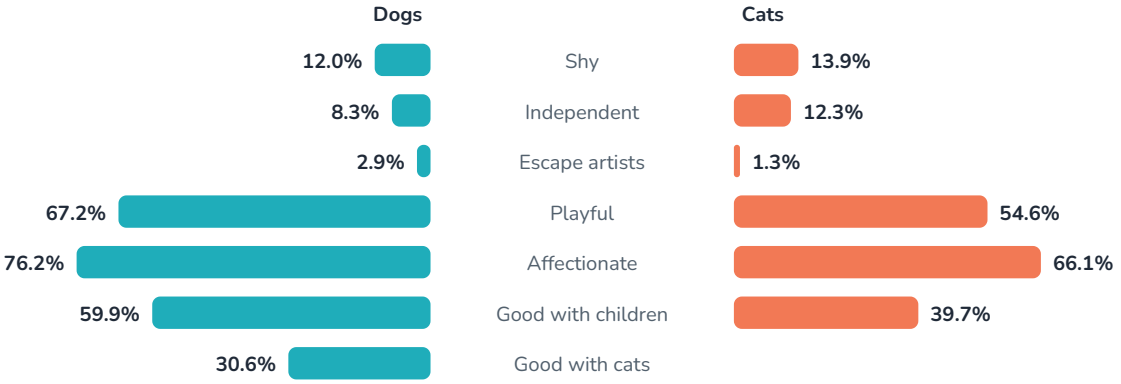
According to the profile, when listed, **90.7%** of shelter dogs and **78.1%** of shelter cats had a microchip; among those from private individuals, **77.5%** of dogs and **26.6%** of cats. **55.8%** of shelter dogs and **57.7%** of shelter cats were sterilised.

1.9% of dogs were flagged with leishmaniasis. Among cats, **1.9%** were flagged with feline immunodeficiency and **1.1%** with feline leukaemia.

According to publishers, **59.9%** of dogs get on with children, **30.6%** get on with cats and **12.0%** are shy. **1.1%** of dogs and **3.1%** of cats had to be adopted together with another animal.

Temperament and compatibility in the profile: dogs and cats, 2019

Percentage of dogs and of cats listed with each flag. Flags are set by the publisher.



Indicator IND-32: Temperament and compatibility in the profile · Source: Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · data version 2026.10.22-r1 · data cut-off 22 October 2026

These flags are set by the publisher.

Where do shelter animals come from?



56.4%
recorded as “taken in by the shelter”

14.1%
recorded as “found in the street”

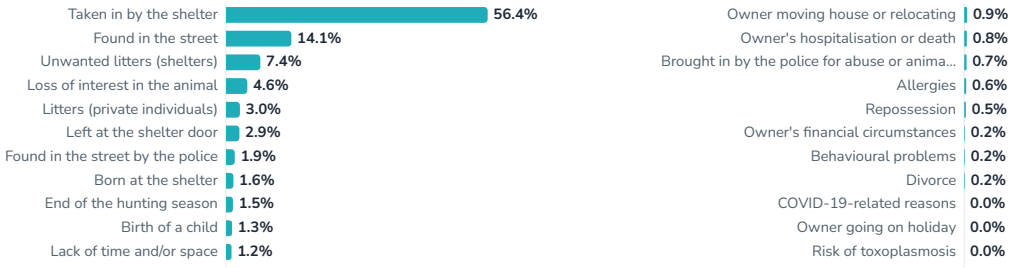
7.4%
recorded as an unwanted litter

Stated by the publisher; the list mixes origin and reason.

When listing, shelters state where the animal comes from. In 2019, **56.4%** of their cases were recorded as “taken in by the shelter”, **14.1%** as “found in the street” and **7.4%** as an unwanted litter. It is stated by the publisher and the list mixes origin and reason.

Origin of shelter animals, 2019

Percentage of cases listed by shelters and other organisations, by the origin they state when listing.



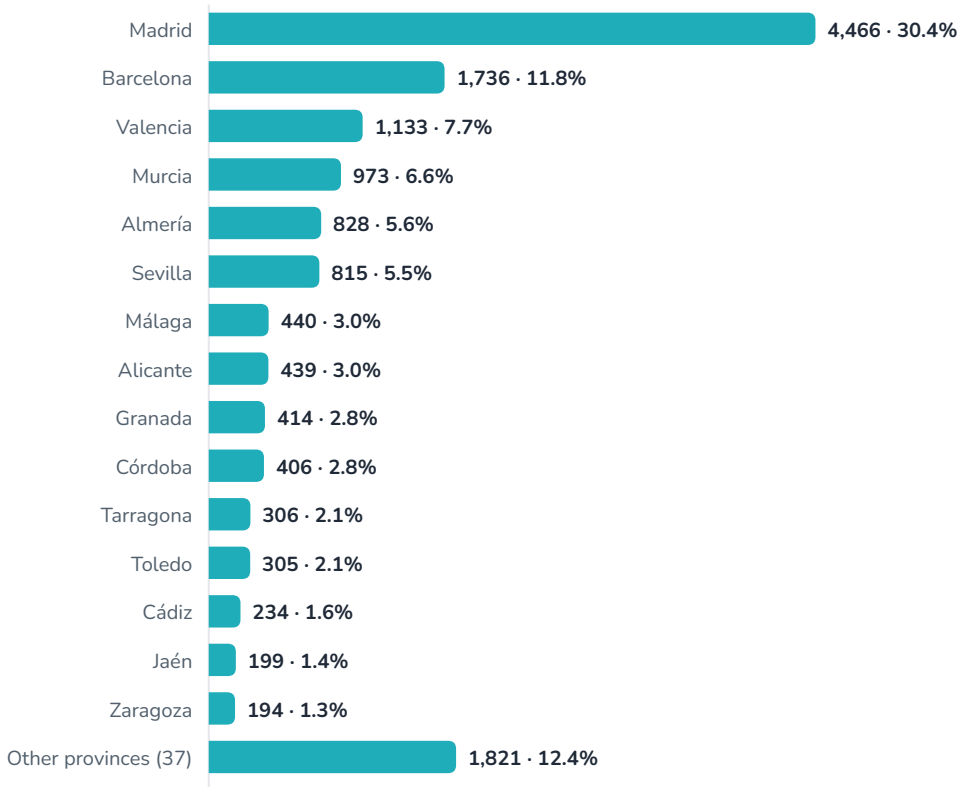
Indicator IND-14: Origin of shelter animals · Source: Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · data version 2026.10.22-r1 · data cut-off 22 October 2026

Where were cases listed?

Breakdown by province of the cases listed in 2019. It describes activity on Miwuki, not the incidence of abandonment. Provinces with few cases change a lot from one year to the next.

Listed cases by province, 2019

Activity on Miwuki, not the incidence of abandonment. The 15 provinces with the most cases and the rest together; the full list is on the website.



Indicator IND-16: Cases listed by province · Source: Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · data version 2026.10.22-r1 · data cut-off 22 October 2026

03

Why do they need a new home?

The reasons private individuals give and how much housing weighs.



What reasons do private individuals give?



12.8%
chose “lack of time or space”

13.0%
chose a change of address

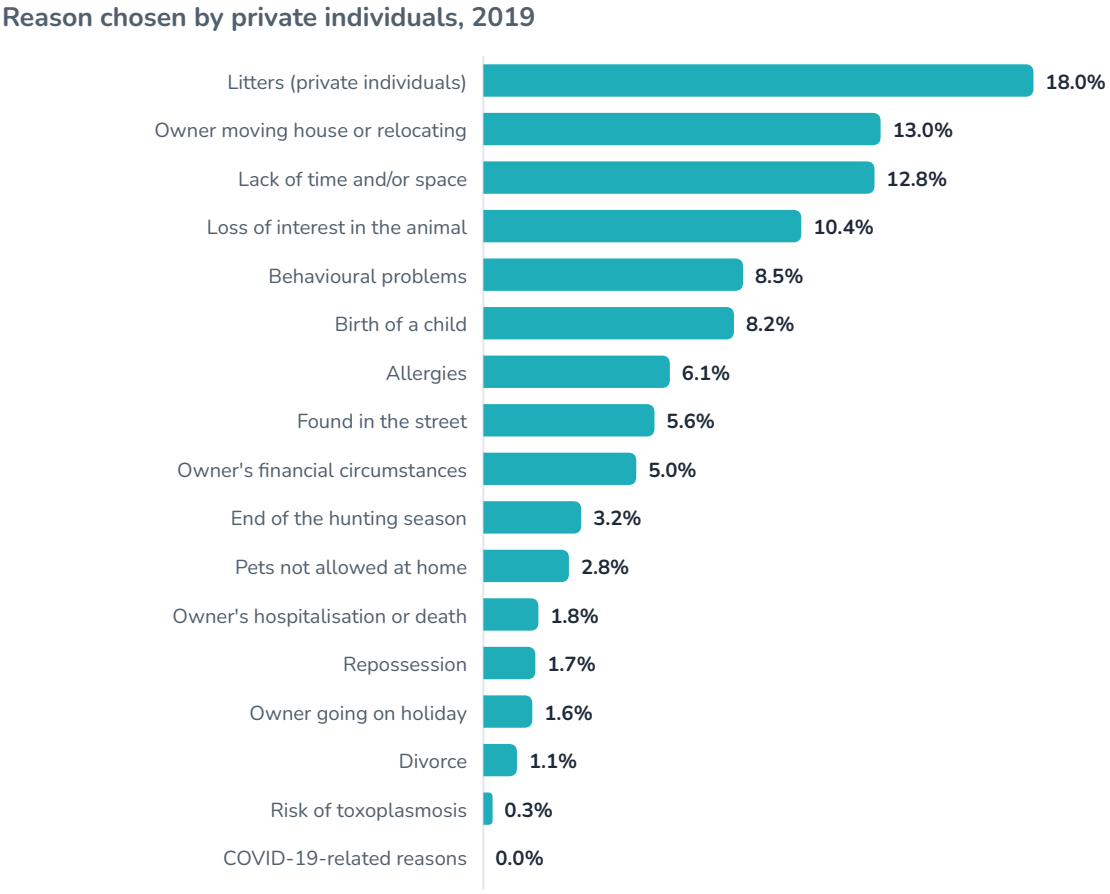
6.1%
chose allergies

Stated by the publisher.

When listing, the private individual chooses a reason from a list. In 2019, **12.8%** chose “lack of time or space”, **13.0%** a change of address, **6.1%** allergies, **18.0%** a litter and **8.2%** the birth of a child.

Reason chosen by private individuals, 2019

One option per case, from the platform list.



Indicator IND-38: Reason chosen by private individuals · Source: Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · data version 2026.10.22-r1 · data cut-off 22 October 2026

Housing and pets

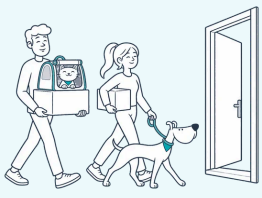


What private individuals say about their home

2.8% chose “pets not allowed” from the list

13.0%
chose a change of address from the list

It is the reason stated by the publisher.



From the platform list, **2.8%** chose “pets not allowed at home” and **13.0%** a change of address.

It is the reason stated by the publisher: it does not measure how many people give up adopting because of housing or how many animals are abandoned because of it.

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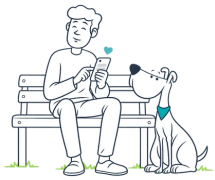
Who wants to adopt

Requests and what people who want to adopt are looking for.



How much interest do they attract?

In 2019 the platform did not yet record adoption requests with their date: they exist from June 2023.



What are people who want to adopt looking for?

38.5%

partial period
live in a large home with a balcony, patio or terrace

46.3%

partial period
already have another dog, a cat or another pet

23.7%

partial period
have young children at home

21.7%

partial period
are about to have their first dog

Only people who fill in "Perfect pet".

Among those who filled in the "Perfect pet" form in 2019 to adopt a dog (available from June), **38.5%** partial period lived in a large home with a balcony, patio or terrace and **16.2%** partial period in a small one without any of them. **46.3%** partial period already had another dog, a cat or another pet at home, **23.7%** partial period had young children and **11.2%** partial period had moved house in the last two years. For **21.7%** partial period it would be their first dog, and **51.2%** partial period said the animal would be alone for less than four hours a day.

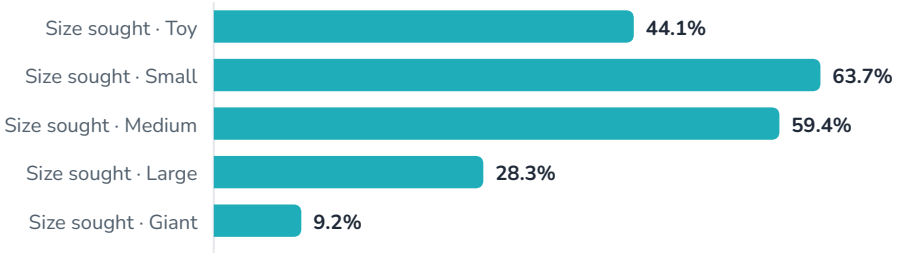
63.7% partial period ticked that they were looking for a small dog, **59.4%** partial period a medium-sized one and **28.3%** partial period a large one (several sizes can be ticked). **38.4%** partial period of those living in a large home with a balcony, patio or terrace were looking for a large one, compared with **17.4%** partial period of those living in a small one without them.

Among dogs listed that year, **24.0%** were small and **21.3%** large: what people look for and what is available do not always match.

Size sought by people who want to adopt a dog, 2019

"Perfect pet" form. Several sizes can be ticked.

Size sought by people who want to adopt a dog, 2019 · Dogs

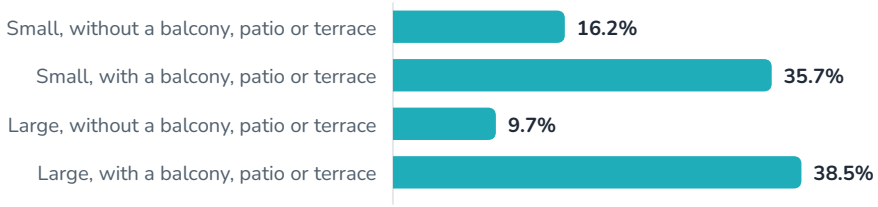


Indicator IND-33: What people who want to adopt are looking for · Source: Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · data version 2026.10.22-r1 · data cut-off 22 October 2026

Where people who want to adopt a dog live, 2019

"Perfect pet" form: percentage of forms to adopt a dog.

Where people who want to adopt a dog live, 2019



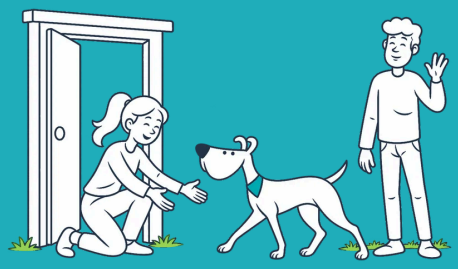
Indicator IND-33: What people who want to adopt are looking for · Source: Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · data version 2026.10.22-r1 · data cut-off 22 October 2026

Only people who fill in the form answer it, so it does not represent everyone who adopts.

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Outcomes

Recorded adoptions and returns, waiting times and the profiles that find it hardest.



How many adoptions and returns were recorded?

9,025
recorded adoptions

8,904
different cases adopted

66.8%
of 2019 cases, adopted at the cut-off date

Only adoptions recorded on Miwuki.

In 2019, **9,025** adoptions of animals listed in Spain were recorded, corresponding to **8,904** distinct cases. These are the adoptions that publishers record on Miwuki; some adoptions may not be recorded.

Of the cases listed in 2019, **66.8%** were marked as adopted on the cut-off date. These cases have had several years to find a family, so the percentage is not compared with other years.

Returns have been recorded regularly since June 2023, so we do not analyse them for 2019.

How long does it take to find a home?

62
days to adoption: hard-to-place dogs

24
days to adoption: puppies

47
median days until an adult dog is adopted

Platform data: they describe what happens, not its causes.

An adoption platform sees a part of the journey that other studies do not: how long each animal takes to find a family.

- **The wait.** Among shelter dogs listed in 2019 and adopted within 180 days, half of the puppies found a family in under **24** days and half of the adults in under **47**; half of the hard-to-place dogs, in under **62**.

They describe what happens on the platform, not its causes.

Which profiles find it hardest?

Who finds a home sooner?

85.2% of puppies adopted within 180 days

51.0%
of adult dogs

48.7%
of senior dogs

36.1%
of hard-to-place dogs



Association, not causation: adoptions recorded by shelters.

Among dogs listed by shelters in 2019, **85.2%** of puppies had a recorded adoption 180 days after listing, compared with **51.0%** of adults and **48.7%** of seniors. Among cats, **72.6%** of kittens compared with **43.7%** of adults.

By age in years, **49.3%** of dogs aged three to five and **42.6%** of those aged nine or older were adopted within 180 days. Among those adopted within that period, half of the dogs were adopted in under **31** days (puppies: **24**; adults: **47**).

With the “hard to place” flag, **36.1%** of dogs were adopted within 180 days, compared with **70.4%** of the rest. With the PPP flag, **54.9%**, compared with **68.6%**. With leishmaniasis, **30.1%**, compared with **68.4%**.

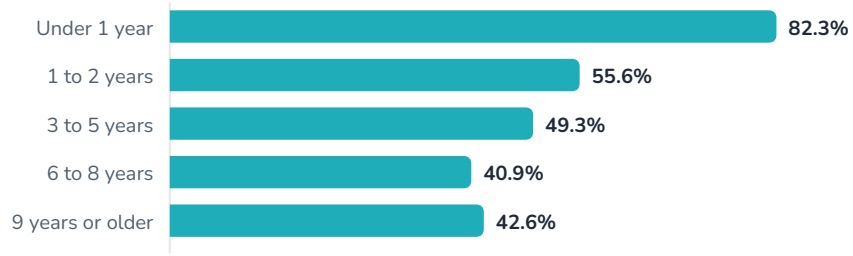
Among dogs that had to be adopted together with another animal, **40.7%** small base; among those described as independent, **48.2%**; and among those that get on with cats, **76.1%**. Among cats, independent ones: **36.3%**, compared with **62.3%** of the rest.

These are associations, not causes: the profile alone does not explain the difference, and we only count the adoptions that shelters record on Miwuki. We compare profiles within 2019, not 2019 with other years, because how much shelters record changes over time.

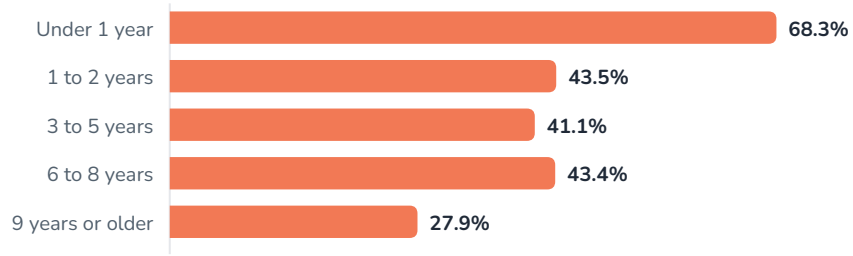
Adopted within 180 days by age in years (shelters, 2019)

Cases listed by shelters in 2019 with an adoption recorded within the following 180 days.

Adopted within 180 days by age in years (shelters, 2019) · Dogs



Adopted within 180 days by age in years (shelters, 2019) · Cats

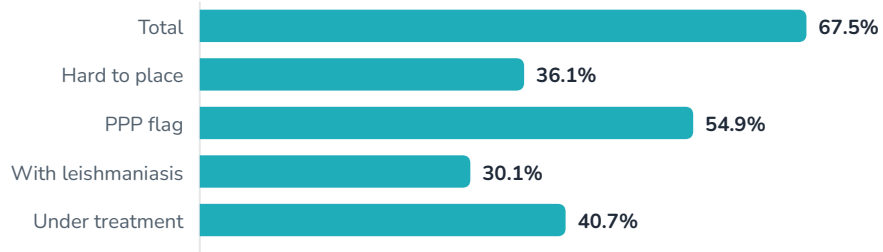


Indicator IND-21: Adoption within the first days after listing · Source: Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · data version 2026.10.22-r1 · data cut-off 22 October 2026

Adopted within 180 days: all dogs and some profiles (shelters, 2019)

Associations, not causes. Percentages based on fewer than thirty cases carry a “small base” warning.

Adopted within 180 days: all dogs and some profiles (shelters, 2019) · Dogs



Indicator IND-21: Adoption within the first days after listing · Source: Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · data version 2026.10.22-r1 · data cut-off 22 October 2026

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Through the year and what to do

The year month by month and our recommendations.



Month by month

To compare months of different lengths, we show the daily average of each month.

- **Summer** (July and August): listed cases, 2.0% fewer per day than the rest of the year; recorded adoptions, 16.3% fewer per day than the rest of the year.
- **Christmas** (from 15 December 2019 to the following 6 January): listed cases, 9.3% fewer per day than in the previous three weeks; recorded adoptions, 0.4% fewer per day than in the previous three weeks.

Listed cases per day, by month

Daily average of each month.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2018	28.0	34.2	26.1	26.9	36.9	37.2	31.8	27.6	29.0	30.0	31.9	21.5
2019	37.4	40.0	34.6	45.9	46.2	48.3	37.6	41.6	44.3	40.0	36.1	32.0

▼ Data table

Period	Value
2018	Jan 28.0 · Feb 34.2 · Mar 26.1 · Apr 26.9 · May 36.9 · Jun 37.2 · Jul 31.8 · Aug 27.6 · Sep 29.0 · Oct 30.0 · Nov 31.9 · Dec 21.5
2019	Jan 37.4 · Feb 40.0 · Mar 34.6 · Apr 45.9 · May 46.2 · Jun 48.3 · Jul 37.6 · Aug 41.6 · Sep 44.3 · Oct 40.0 · Nov 36.1 · Dec 32.0

Indicator IND-01: Listed cases · Source: Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · data version 2026.10.22-r1 · data cut-off 22 October 2026

Recorded adoptions per day, by month

Daily average of each month, by adoption date.

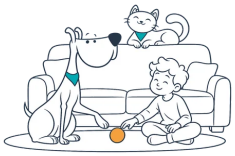
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2018	15.9	15.6	17.6	19.2	18.0	18.8	18.9	20.8	24.1	21.2	23.5	20.9
2019	32.5	26.0	23.9	24.1	23.8	25.1	22.3	20.3	28.1	24.2	21.7	24.7

▼ Data table

Period	Value
2018	Jan 15.9 · Feb 15.6 · Mar 17.6 · Apr 19.2 · May 18.0 · Jun 18.8 · Jul 18.9 · Aug 20.8 · Sep 24.1 · Oct 21.2 · Nov 23.5 · Dec 20.9
2019	Jan 32.5 · Feb 26.0 · Mar 23.9 · Apr 24.1 · May 23.8 · Jun 25.1 · Jul 22.3 · Aug 20.3 · Sep 28.1 · Oct 24.2 · Nov 21.7 · Dec 24.7

Indicator IND-05: Recorded adoptions · Source: Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · data version 2026.10.22-r1 · data cut-off 22 October 2026

Recommendations



- **For families:** give adults, seniors and animals flagged as hard to place a chance. Their temperament is already known and they are looking for a home too.
- **For publishers:** complete the profile and record adoptions and returns on Miwuki, including the reason. A complete profile is good practice; this report does not measure its effect.
- **For Miwuki:** document every change in the way data are recorded and keep this report's definitions so that years can be compared.

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About these data

Technical summary, available data, what they do not allow us to conclude, citation and downloads.

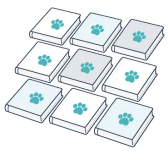


Technical summary

Miwuki Report on Pet Adoption in Spain · 2019 data · produced in 2026 with data as of 22 October 2026 · publication date: 24 October 2026.

It reconstructs what happened on Miwuki in Spain in 2019 with the report's current definitions and the data available at the cut-off date. It only includes what the platform recorded that year: when a data item did not exist yet, we say so.

What data exist for 2019 and what changed



- **First complete year with private individuals.** This is why 2019 totals are not compared with 2018.
- **First complete year with the fuller profile.** Temperament, compatibility, vaccination and the reason chosen by private individuals appear for the first time.
- **"Perfect pet".** In June 2019 the form in which people who want to adopt describe what they are looking for begins.

What can we not conclude yet?

These data describe what happens on Miwuki, but they do not answer everything.

What these data do not allow us to conclude

- **How many animals are abandoned in Spain.** Listing a case on Miwuki is not the same as an abandonment, and many organisations and families do not use the platform.
- **Why the figures change.** Fewer cases or fewer requests may be due to many factors, such as how many organisations use Miwuki or changes to the platform itself. We describe what happens, not its causes.

- **What share of requests ends in an adoption.** Requests and adoptions are counted separately and do not form a funnel.
- **Why some profiles are adopted sooner than others.** We show differences by age, size or the hard-to-place flag, but not their causes: photos, description, the organisation or the area also play a part.
- **Whether COVID-19 increased adoptions.** This is a hypothesis we are studying with controls; for now it is not a conclusion.
- **Who adopts.** Most recorded adoptions do not include data about the adopter.
- **Whether private owners' animals find a home sooner or later than shelter animals.** Most private owners do not record their animal's adoption on Miwuki, so their figure is a minimum.
- **Where there is more abandonment.** The breakdown by province reflects where Miwuki is used, not the incidence of abandonment, and the origin stated by shelters describes their cases, not the whole of Spain.
- **The size of dogs compared with years before June 2023,** because the way it is recorded changed.

Methodological annex

Definitions, coverage, recording changes and data protection: see the methodology page.

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