

Annual report for the year 2023



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	2023	2022 31 th December	2021 31 th December	2020 31 th December	2019 31 th December	2018 31 th December	2017
Members	286	279	262	233	215	215	196
New members this year	7	17	29	18	0	8	15

Summary 2023

11 litters registered
48 puppies
27 male and 21 female puppies
Average litter size: 4,36
*Average inbreeding: 0,293% (5 generations)
8 puppies imported

In 2023, 11 litters with a total of 48 puppies were registered in Norway. The average litter size was 4,36. Compared with the 3,36 in 2021 this is a significant increase in average litter size.

*The average inbreeding percentage was only 0,293 %. Which is the lowest we've seen for several years.

Most of the breeders follow NIHK's breeding recommendations, and most of the puppies are sold before their parents have mated. It would be nice to see more of our dogs in breeding, the imported dogs as well. Some breeders work together with NIHK to increase the genetic diversity of our breed.

The breeding committee use the ISIC database and the database of the Norwegian kennel club to help breeders find suitable matches for their dogs.

The appendix contains a list with the litters registered in 2023 and the dogs imported in 2023.

Health

The Icelandic sheepdog in Norway is overall a healthy breed.
36 dogs were tested for HD and 61,11% had HD-status A (8) or B (14). For result C (10) its 27,78 % for D (4) its 11,11% and for E (0) it was 0%. That's an increase in the number of dogs with mild hip dysplasia, and a decrease in the number of dogs with severe hip dysplasia.

We continue to urge owners to health check their dogs to get a better view of the actual HD-status in Norway.

It is important NOT to exclude the dogs with HD C in breeding because of the genetic diversity of our breed.

21 dogs have had their eyes checked. 20 dogs had nothing proven on their eye exam. One dog got diagnosed with non-hereditary cataract.

We would like to see more dogs with eye examination and known HD-status.

10 dogs have done ED x-ray. All with the diagnosis 0. That's a huge increase in x-rayed dogs from previous years. We are pleased to see that every one of them is diagnosed with grade 0.

We know about four dogs with allergy.

Six dogs are known/reported to have patella luxation.

Litters

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Litters	11	10	11	9	9
Puppies registered	48	41	37	31	30
Average size of litters	4,36	4,1	3,36	3,44	3,75
Average inbreeding %	0,283%	0,293%	0,319%	0,759%	0,358%
Average inbreeding% Dogs Global				23,438%	
General Mean Kinship %				25,357%	

Imports

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Sweden	3	10	6	13	3
Denmark	4	3	0	0	0
Iceland	1	0	1	1	1
Netherland	0	1	2	1	0
Finland	0	0	0	0	0
Polen	0	0	0	0	1

Estimated number of Icelandic sheepdogs in your country

	2023

Further comments:

Out of the 11 litters in Norway in 2023 every mating was done naturally, and all births but one was normal. In other words, we have one registered c-section.

We have no way to estimate the number of living icelandics sheepdogs in our country.

Stud dogs

We have decided not to update stud dogs. It is very time consuming to find the stud dogs in the ISIC-database when the database has been down for a while. This would be much easier if we could make a search for dogs with 20 puppies/ 40 grandchildren in the ISIC-database. It has also been impossible to do so with the database down for upgrading.

These dogs have reached, or are close to, the ISIC breeding limit.

Numbers in front of the slash (/) is obtained from the Norwegian database Dogweb. Numbers in the middle are obtained from the ISIC database, and numbers behind the slash (/) are obtained from DogsGlobal.

Males with more than 20 puppies or more than 40 grandchildren, born in 2001 or later:

Males					
Reg nr.	Name of the dog	Year of birth	No. of Litters	No. of Puppies	No of grandchildren
IS07638/04	Töfra Dofri Brosi	2003	5/5/5	24/24/24	47/48/0
N16876/06	Ýmir	2006	4/4/4	20/20/20	29/28/28
08649/08	Hektorulven	2007	3/2/2	15/12/12	13/8/5
13688/05	Gjafar Heidumhære	2005	3/3/3	15/15/15	3/0/0
22792/06	Garpur av Alvedans	2006	3/2/2	17/13/12	11/11/11
NO48227/11	Lappevennens kelinn draumur	2011	4/3/3	15/12/12	0/0/0
NO60366/10	Odin	2010	3/3/2	15/16/7	7/21/32
10181/07	Losnabakken's Cola Teiturson	2006	2/4/4	9/15/15	4/22/26

Females with more than 15 puppies or more than 40 grandchildren, born in 2001 or later.

Females					
Reg nr.	Name of the dog	Year of birth	No. of Litters	No. of Puppies	No of grandchildren
03570/05	Tuva Av Ylveli	2005	4/4/4	20/20/20	6/6/6
10185/07	Losnabakken's Nikita	2006	3/3/3	19/18/18	21/47/58
00227/03	Embla Av Isheim	2002	3/3/3	17/17/17	34/50/31
22817/03	Sigga Av Isheim	2003	3/3/3	15/15/15	15/31/27
S41463/2002	Ullálvas Syrtla Karin	2002	3/3/3	15/14/14	1/1/5
00868/08	Lappevennen Tindra	2007	3/3/4	19/19/14	24/36/23
N04837/01	Skreppeng's Aylin	2001	2/2/2	12/12/12	47/58/61
NO42702/11	Saga av Brattalid	2011	4/4/4	20/20/20	10/11/3
SE21433/2015	Freyja	2015	4/2/0	15/9/0	0/0/0

Hip Dysplasia (HD)

Total number of x-rayed dogs	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
A	8	6	1	9	7
B	14	10	9	13	11
A+B	22	16	10	22	18
C	10	10	3	5	11
D	4	2	4	5	2
E	0	1	0	0	1
C+D+E	14	13	7	0	14
In total	36	29	17	32	32

Further comments:

Method – FCI's rules for x-ray.

Icelandic sheepdog is one of the breeds who have a registration restriction in Norway. The kennel club will only give puppies a pedigree if both parents have known HD-status. If a dog with E-hips is used in breeding, the puppies will get their pedigree, but they cannot be used in breeding.

NIHK recommend that only dogs with A, B or C hips are used in breeding. We recommend that a dog with C-hips should be mated with one who has A or B-hips.

Elbow dysplasia (ED)

Total number of x-rayed dogs	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Level 0	10	2	4	4	4
Level 1					
Level 2					
Level 3				1	
In total	10	2	4	5	4

Further comments: It's still not very common to x-ray the elbows on Icelandic sheepdogs in Norway, but we are happy to see the good results on the dogs that do get their ED-diagnosis.

Patella luxation:

Total number of x-rayed dogs	2023	2022	2020	2019	2018
Level 0		1			
Level 1		1			
Level 2					
Level 3					
In total		2			

Statistics overview and comments, shows, descriptions and events

Further comments: Results from this examination have not been official in Norway. NKK (Norwegian Kennel Club) did start to write patella luxation results in Dogweb, the Norwegian database, in 2013. If Icelandic sheepdogs are tested for patella luxation, we will be able to see the results in the database. There is not any statistic for patella luxation, which means that we are dependent on the owners reporting to us about the dog being evaluated. Not every veterinarian is allowed to write this document, they need to be approved of NKK.

In 2023 we have no records of Icelandic sheepdogs being tested for patella luxation.

Eye examinations

Total number of examined dogs	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Unaffected signifies (free)	20	17	19	13	18
Cataract					
Cornea Distrophe		1			
Distichiatis					
Others (see below)	1		1		
In total		18	20	13	18

Other hereditary eye diseases:

NO49829/17	Tífill	2023	Cataract (not congenital)
NHSB3219317	Làki Frà Fridarstöðum	11.05.2022	Corneal dystrophy
NO39116/19	Agdesiden's Mímír Erosson	15.03.2021	Multifocal retinal dysplasia
NO35594/16	Ayak Av Brattalid	19.11.2017	Distichiasis/ Ektopisk Ciller mild level
S42340/2008	Elom	23.05.2016	Cataract (not congenital)
NO55479/14	Snorre Av Brattalid	28.06.2016	Cataract (not congenital)
14509/05	Bajas	05.09.2016	PRA
NHSB2876894	Cava V Rogici	23.01.2014	Distichiasis/ Ektopisk Ciller
NO 418443/12	Glorá av Ylveli	06.05.2014	Distichiasis/ Ektopisk Ciller mild level
DK16700/2012	Jasils Grana	17.08.2014	Distichiasis/ Ektopisk Ciller mild level
N07093/97	Mira	10.11.2014	Distichiasis/ Ektopisk Ciller mild level
N03110/05	Tora	2010	Retinal dysplasi (RD)
N01685/07	Tigla	2011	PPM Tigla had a new eye examination 03.04.2013 and got "no remark".
NO41072/10	Trulte	2011	PPM
N02992/03	Balder		Cataract
N08311/05	Chiwaz		Cataract
DK03039/2008	Surtsey's D-Draumur		Cataract
S57089/2008	Meester Ridge Geysa		Cataract

Statistics overview and comments, shows, descriptions and events

Further comments:

We're happy to see that most of the dogs that get their eye exam gets the diagnosis "no remark".

Health, optional testing

	2023	2022	2020	2019	2018
BEAR (Hearingdiseases)					
Heart diseases					
Kidney diseases					

Further comments: One dog was in 2015 diagnosed with a low degree Aortic Stenosis (narrowing of the aortic valve, which controls the blood flow from the left ventricle). There have not been reported to be anyone else having the same problem since then.

Mentality descriptions

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Descripted dogs					
In total					

Further comments:

Many Icelandic sheepdog owners are interested in MH. But in Norway it is still not common to have any mentality description on dogs, besides for working dogs like German Shepherd and Rottweiler.

Working abilities (herding) descriptions

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Described dogs					
In total					

Further comments:

We don't have any test in Norway to check the dogs' herding abilities.

Shows

	2023	2022	2020	2020	2019	2018
Number of shows	54	40	24	20	47	49
Number of dogs	218	141	95	101	252	238
In total (dogs)	218	141	95	101	252	238

Further comments:

In 2023 there have been shown Icelandic sheepdogs in 54 dog shows, and 218 dogs have gotten their critiques. It is in all probability, the same dogs that have been shown in a lot of the same shows, just as it has previous years. We do not know how many individual dogs that have been to shows.

We arranged our special show at Frya on the 28th of May 2023 with 35 dogs. Judge: Hallmarsdottir, Herdis.

Events

Annual meeting and special show

Annual Meeting at Tretten, 26th - 28th of May 2023

This year, 43 participants and 37 dogs gathered for another memorable weekend at Frya. On Friday, the grills were fired up at 18:00, and we enjoyed a cozy evening together.

Saturday kicked off at 10:00 in the dining hall, where the day's activities were introduced. We had a variety of exciting events:

Rally obedience with Mia Sofie

Ring training led by Jørgen

A photography course also conducted by Jørgen

Later, we all came together for a shared barbecue, enjoying delicious food and great company.

On Sunday, we held the dog show, featuring 35 adult dogs and 3 puppies. The show was judged by Herdis Hallmarsdottir, with Linn Langset serving as the apprentice judge. We also hosted the traditional "Child and Dog" event, where our young handlers, judged by Linn Langset, showed off their skills. As always, this part of the event focused on fun and learning, with all participants receiving rosettes and prizes.

It was a fantastic weekend filled with activities, laughter, and, of course, many dogs

Winners Special Show 2023:

BOB:	Stefsstellis Tivar
BOS:	Naskur Fjalladís Vina Öskjudóttir
BOB Puppy:	Surtsey's Snæfellsnes Sigga
BOB Junior:	Dyggur's Gyöju Freyja
BOS Junior:	Villandas Dropi
BOB Veteran:	Diljas Runa Kongurdottir
BOS Veteran:	Ástvinur Kátur Silfurgeisli
BIS 1 Breeding Group:	Losnabakken Kennel

Appendix

Litters

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Litters	13	12	9	8	8	3	8	6	9	5	8	9	11	10	11
Puppies	63	53	36	38	31	16	35	22	34	25	30	31	37	41	48
Average size of litters	4,85	4,42	4	4,75	3,87	5,33	4,37	4,16	3,78	5	3,75	3,44	3,36	4,1	4,36
Average inbreeding % 5 generations	2,23	1,84	1,5	1,56	0,83	1,924	1,125	1,985	0,458	0,345	0,358	0,759	0,319	0,293	0,283
Average inbreeding % Dogs Global												23,438			
General Mean Kinship %												25,357			

Appendix

Imports

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Sweden	4	3	4	2	3	3		4	3	4	3	13	6	10	3
Denmark	3	4	1		2	4	1		2	1				3	4
Iceland				2	1		1	1	1		1	1	1		1
Netherland					1		1	1				1	2	1	
Finland						1			1			0			
Polen									1		1	0			

Hip Dysplasia (HD)

Total number of x-rayed dogs	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
A	8	8	9	11	15	13	8	3	4	3	7	9	1	6	8
B	6	7	8	10	3	8	6	8	6	7	11	13	9	10	14
A+B	14	15	17	21	18	21	14	10	15	9	18	22	10	16	22
C	5	6	6	2	2	3	3	6	4	7	11	5	3	10	10
D	2	1	3	3	6	1	2	6	3	2	2	5	4	2	4
E	1	1		1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1			1	0
C+D+E	7	8	10	5	6	5	6	12	7	9	14	10	7	13	14
	21	23	27	26	26	26	20	22	22	18	32	32	17		

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In total																29	36
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Elbow dysplasia (ED)

Total number of x-rayed dogs	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Level 0	1	3	3	6	2	2	4	5	1	1	4	4	4	2	4
Level 1															
Level 2															
Level 3												1			
In total	1	3	3	6	2	2	4	5	1	1	4	5	4	2	4

Patella luxation:

Total number of x-rayed dogs	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Level 0														1	
Level 1														1	
Level 2															
Level 3															
In total														2	

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Eye examinations

Total number of x-rayed dogs	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Unaffected signifies (free)	9	29	24	23	30	21	22	14	17	24	18	13	19	17	20
Hereditary Cataract	2	1			2										
Cornea Distrophe														1	
Distichiatis															
Others		1	2			4		3					1		1
In total	11	31	26	23	32	25	22	17	17	24	18	13	20	18	21

Appendix

Imported dogs 2023

Date of Birth	Name	Reg.no.	Sire	Sire's reg.no	Dam	Dam's reg.no
11.03.2021	Flikkagårdens Tyr-Birkson	SE23608/2021	Keilafells Birk Arnsteinson	SE55105/2017	Vestanvindur Flicka Eimsdóttir	SE18054/2017
28.02.2022	V.D. Horsteberghe Norwin	SE17747/2022	Brytarspetzens Eros	SE15957/2015	Gersemi of Sheila's Farm	SE15125/2019
12.04.2022	Dyggur's Gyöju Freyja	DK08320/2022	Carlshundur's Fylkir	DK00305/2014	Sagahundens Gyöja Saga Offilia	DK12712/2014
14.06.2022	Gerplu Grása Aska	IS34293/22	Álfur	IS31242/21	Gerplu Tekla	IS25964/19
07.10.2022	Heimdallurs Freyja Fagra Disa	DK20502/2022	SiggiDisabróðir	DK16452/2018	Summardáin Esja Fönn	DK20055/2016
07.10.2022	Heimdallurs Vidförla Doppa Disa	DK20499/2022	SiggiDisabróðir	DK16452/2018	Summardáin Esja Fönn	DK20055/2016
28.01.2023	Surtsey's Snæfellsnes Sigga	DK01387/2023	Losnabakken's T-E Stilir Einsson	NO30517/20	Surtsey's Y-Ysja	DK03308/2017
20.06.2023	Jack Pine's Islenska Ilmur	SE37558/2023	Digur Kopieccy Poland	SE35224/2017	Jack Pine's Islenska Edda	SE19728/2020

Litters registered in 2023

Date of birth	Sire	Sire's reg.no.	Dam	Dam's reg.no	M	F	INB %	MK %
22.02.2023	Skogarkot's Ísjaki Hvekkurson	NO52092/19	Vestanvindur Katla Myrkvadóttir	SE20201/2020	2	3	0.195%	
08.03.2023	Tryggur	NO59581/20	Reykjavalla Sol	IS25511/19	0	2	0.000%	
08.04.2023	Skogarkot's Glenur Erpurson	NO55839/15	Freyja	NO35720/20	3	2	0.586%	
10.04.2023	Losnabakken's R-K Glirnir Kátsson	NO30358/20	Losnabakken's T-E Eylín Eifsdóttir	NO41579/18	3	1	0.000%	
18.04.2023	Agdesiden's Óðinn	NO46433/17	Tibrá V. Rogici	NHSB3224863	3	2	0.000%	
24.04.2023	Skogarkot's Leifur heppni Snorrason	NO37231/17	Dirfa	SE54758/2019	2	3	0.000%	
06.05.2023	Lykleherads Hraunbjörn	NO50034/21	Fjölskyldu Ljósadís Kátsdóttir	NO39014/20	4	2	0.000%	
09.05.2023	Hektorulven	08649/08	Isterdalurs KM Sunna	NO56241/19	2	2	0.000%	
21.05.2023	V.D. Horsteberghe Norwin	SE17747/2022	Vestanvindur Eira Viljadottir	SE33993/2015	3	0	0.000%	
09.09.2023	Flóki-Verndari	SE29028/2020	Naskur Fjalladís Vina Öskjudóttir	DK12550/2021	3	3	2.148%	
30.09.2023	Losnabakken's E-B Frosti Bríson	NO48086/21	Rydland-Svala	NO30484/19	2	1	0.195%	