

Integrity Unit

Greyhound Breeding, Racing Injury and Retirement

Quarterly Report

July to September 2025



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1. Overview

The data are derived from the *OzChase* system, on-track veterinarian and race-day stewards' reports. Information is the property of Tasracing and the Tasracing Integrity Unit (TIU) and is relevant to Tasmanian greyhound racing activities.

The following information is provided as a routine disclosure:

- I.1 Statistics on greyhound pups whelped and named as reported by owners and recorded by the TIU.
- I.2 Statistics on injuries occurring to racing greyhounds at race meetings held in Tasmania during the reporting period. The race-related injury data are sourced from on-track veterinarians' and stewards' reports, and OzChase system reports.
- I.3 Statistics on death/euthanasia of racing greyhounds because of injuries received at race meetings held in Tasmania during the reporting period. This includes greyhounds injured in races, who received off-site treatment and assessment but were subsequently euthanised within a 14-day period from the date of injury. The data is sourced from on-track veterinarians' and stewards' reports, and OzChase system reports.
- I.4 Greyhound retirement notifications (including deaths) as reported by greyhound owners to the TIU and held in OzChase as at reporting date.

2. Greyhound pups born (whelped) and named from July to September 2025

During the period July to September 2025, there were 17 greyhound pups born (whelped) (Table 1) and 48 greyhounds named (Table 2) in Tasmania. Greyhounds are generally named for racing between 12 and 18 months of age, creating a delay between whelping and naming.

Table 1. Greyhound pups born (whelped) July to September 2025.

Greyhounds Whelped	
Month	Number
Jul-25	0
Aug-25	7
Sep-25	10
Quarter Total	17

Table 2. Greyhounds Named July to September 2025

Greyhounds Named	
Month	Number
Jul-25	15
Aug-25	19
Sep-25	14
Quarter Total	48

3. Injury Categories

3.1 Injury Severity Classification

Greyhounds injured or involved in incidents at Tasmanian race meetings are examined by on-track veterinarians. These incidents and actions are reported to the TIU and included in the stewards' reports for each race meeting.

Injuries vary from very minor incidents with no treatment or incapacitation (stand down) period required to severe injuries that result in the death or required euthanasia of a greyhound. Mandatory stand down periods allow for injury recovery before a greyhound is permitted to race again.

4. Total reported injuries to racing greyhounds from July to September 2025

Injury rates are standardised as injuries per 1,000 starts. Every greyhound is counted each time it races in the reporting period to standardise injuries per 1,000 starts. During the period July to September 2025, there were 40 greyhound race meetings held at Tasmanian venues. At these race meetings, there were a total of 3028 starters.

Table 3. Total greyhound racing injuries as reported at Tasmanian race meetings from July to September 2025

Total Greyhound Injuries at Tasmanian Race Meetings July to September 2025			
Injury Category	Incapacitation Period	Number of Incidents	Incidents per 1,000 Starters (3028 for period)
Category A (G)	Nil	13	4.29
Category B (G)	1 to 10 days	40	13.21
Category C (G)	11 to 21 days	12	3.96
Category D (G)	22 to 28 days	6	1.98
Category D (F)	29 days & over	8	2.64
Category E (F)	Deceased or Euthanised	0	0.00
Total Injuries		79	26.09

5. Reported greyhound racing-related deaths from July to September 2025

Racing fatalities are defined as deaths that occur because of injuries and/or incidents during or immediately following a race (on track). These include injuries that resulted in the euthanasia of greyhounds at a race meeting. The data does not include euthanasia that occur subsequent to race meetings when further diagnostic advice or treatment is sought.

Table 4. Greyhound euthanised at Tasmanian racetracks from July to September 2025.

Injuries are as described in the on-track veterinarians' and/or stewards' reports.

Greyhound Euthanised at Tasmania Racetracks July to September 2025	
Injury	Count
NIL	0

6. Reported injuries by racetrack.

Table 5. Number of greyhound race starts and all injuries at Tasmanian tracks from July to September 2025

Track	Track Surface	Starters	Total Injury Incidents	Total Injury Incidents per 1,000 Starters	Deceased / Euthanised	Deceased / Euthanised per 1,000 Starters
Launceston	Sand	948	23	24.26	0	0.00
Hobart	Sand	1021	23	22.53	0	0.00
NW @ Launceston	Sand	687	17	24.75	0	0.00
NW @ Hobart	Sand	372	10	26.88	0	0.00
Total – All Tracks		3028	73	24.11	0	0.00

7. Greyhounds reported as retired, deceased, or euthanised during July to September 2025

Greyhounds that are retired from racing, rehomed, or euthanised are recorded in the OzChase database. These notifications are self-reported by owners to the TIU. The last registered owner of the greyhound must submit a notification of retirement, death or euthanasia as specified by Greyhounds Australasia Rule 22.

Caveats

- Reports of retirements from OzChase August vary over time for the same data set due to late lodgment of retirement notifications.
- Data for greyhounds retired to adoption programs other than the GAP are currently not available unless provided by owners in the greyhound's retirement notification.

Table 6. Greyhound mortality notifications from July to September 2025 including data contained in Table 5, as reported to the TIU by owners. The data in this section is categorised based on the information provided to the TIU by participants.

Category	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	Total	%
Deceased accidental causes	1	0	2	3	18%
Deceased illness or age	0	0	1	1	6%
Deceased natural causes	0	0	2	2	12%
Deceased – track injury *	2	0	1	3	18%
Deceased within 14 days after track injury	0	0	0	0	0%
Euthanised at track due to injury	0	0	0	0	0%
Euthanised due to illness or age	2	0	1	3	18%
Euthanised due to injury**	0	0	0	0	0%
Euthanised due to not suitable for racing	0	0	0	0	0%
Euthanised due to not suitable for rehoming	0	2	3	5	29%
Total deceased or euthanized	5	2	10	17	100%

** One (1) greyhound(s) was euthanised (or died) within seven (7) days of sustaining an injury in a Tasmanian race.

Table 7. Greyhound retirement notifications from July to September 2025 as reported to the TIU by owners.

Category	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	Total	%
Retired for breeding	0	0	0	0	0%
Retired to owner	15	7	1	23	32%
Retired to trainer	0	0	0	0	0%
Retired as a pet to a third party	5	9	6	20	28%
Retired to Tasracing GAP	11	7	7	25	35%
Retired to other adoption program	1	0	1	2	3%
Surrendered to other agency	0	0	0	0	0%
Other	0	1	0	1	1%
Total	32	24	15	71	100