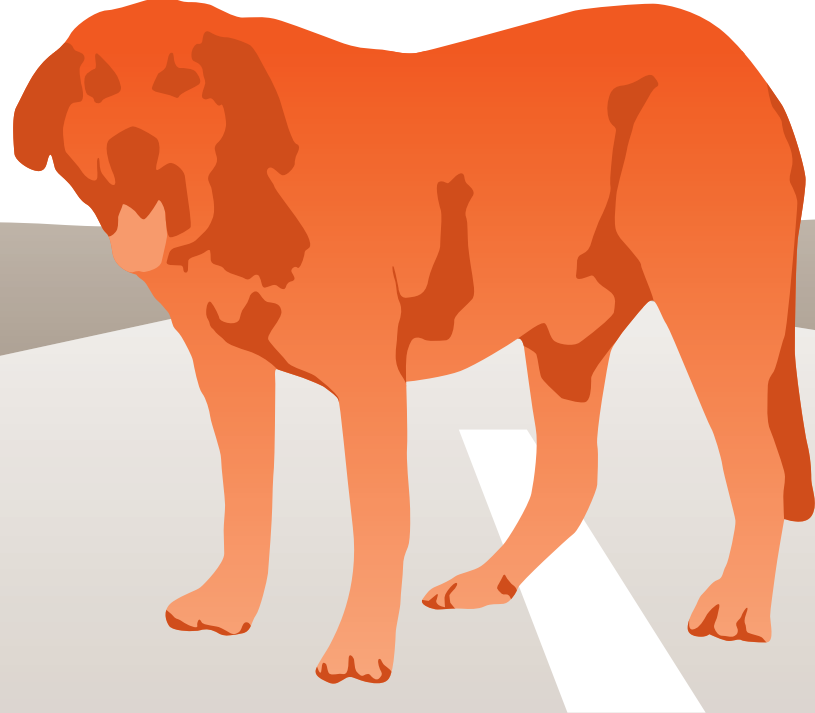




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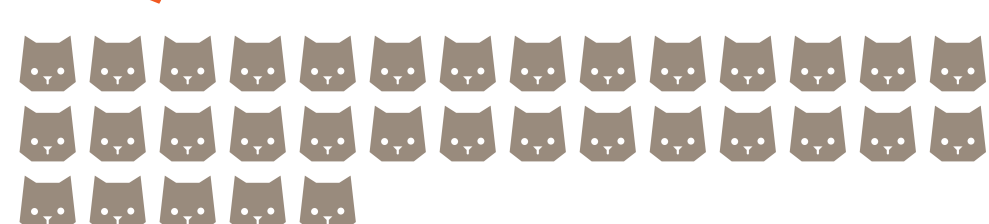
Study He would never do it

DOGS AND CATS ABANDONED, ADOPTED AND LOST IN SPAIN DURING 2017



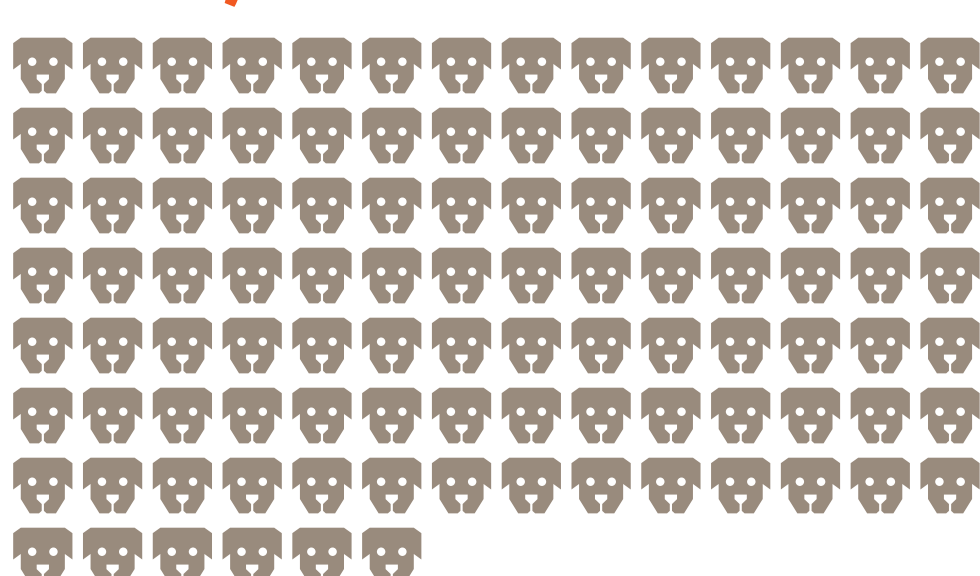
Over 138,000 dogs and cats were recovered in 2017

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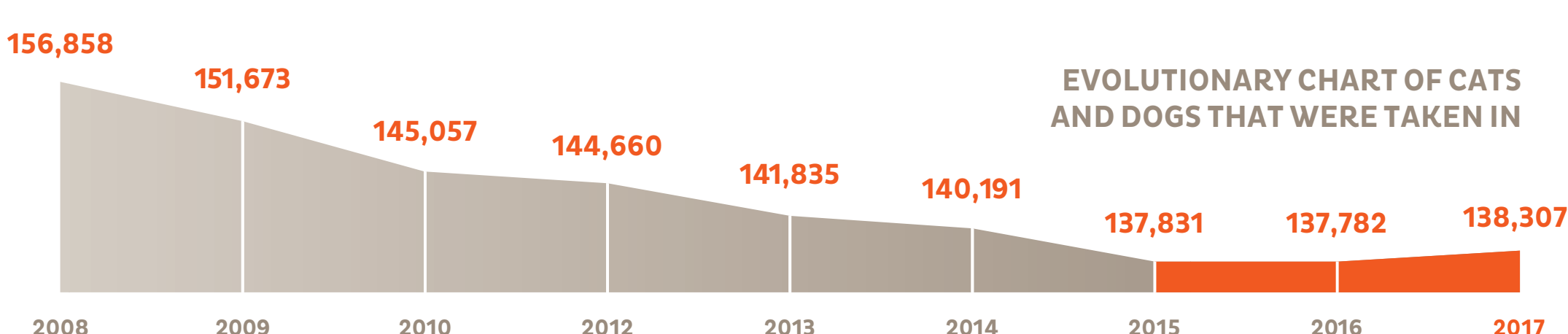


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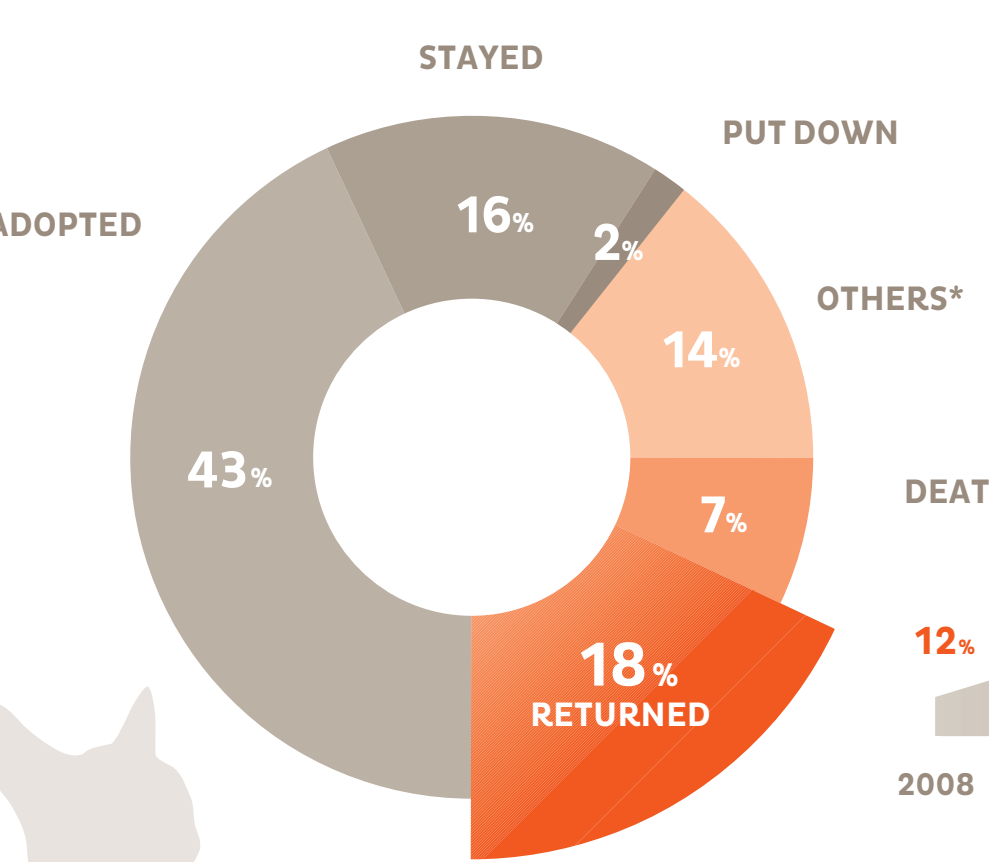
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DOGS



THE DECREASING TREND OBSERVED IN THE LAST YEARS ON THE NUMBER OF ANIMALS RECOVERED SEEMS TO FLATTEN OUT

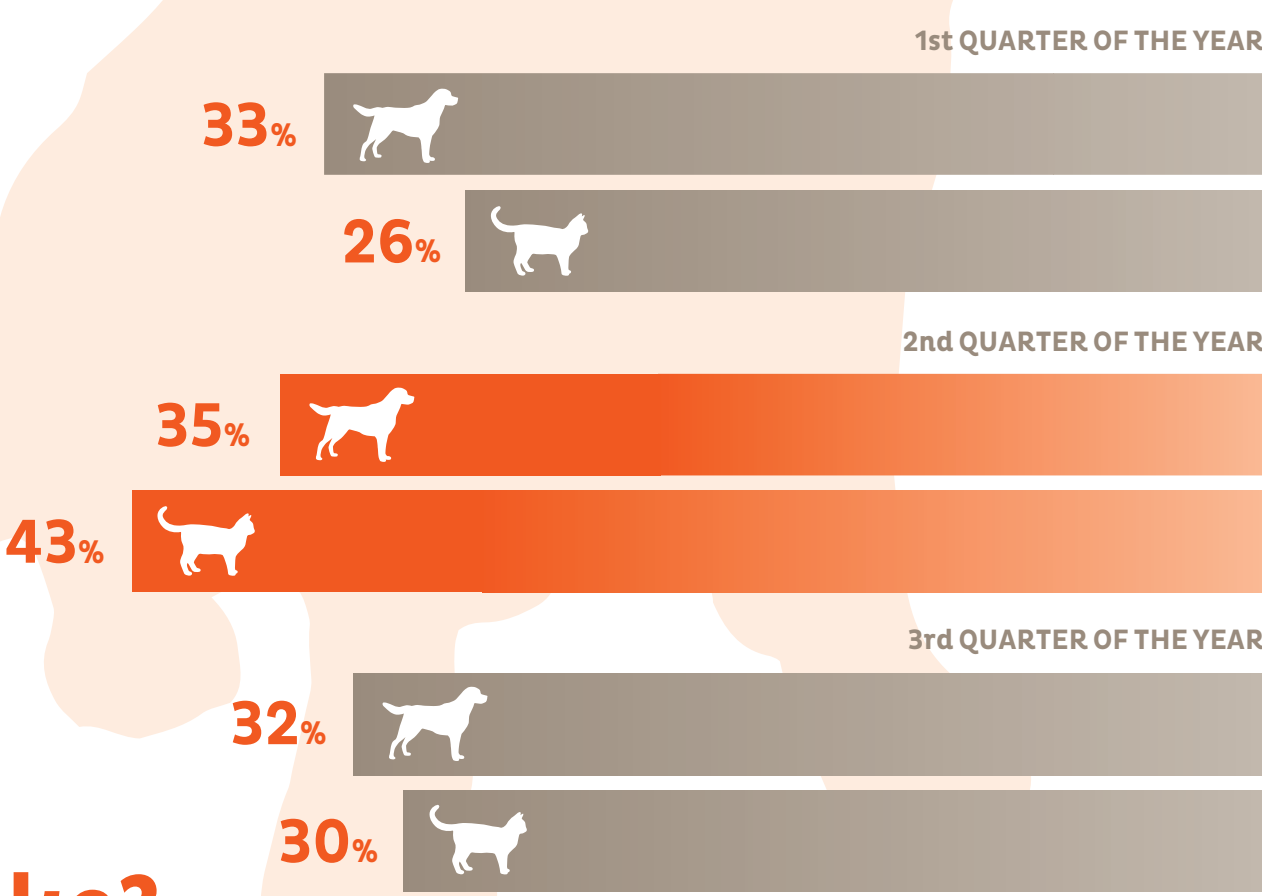


*Includes transfer to other organisations, shelters, relocated to colonies (cats).

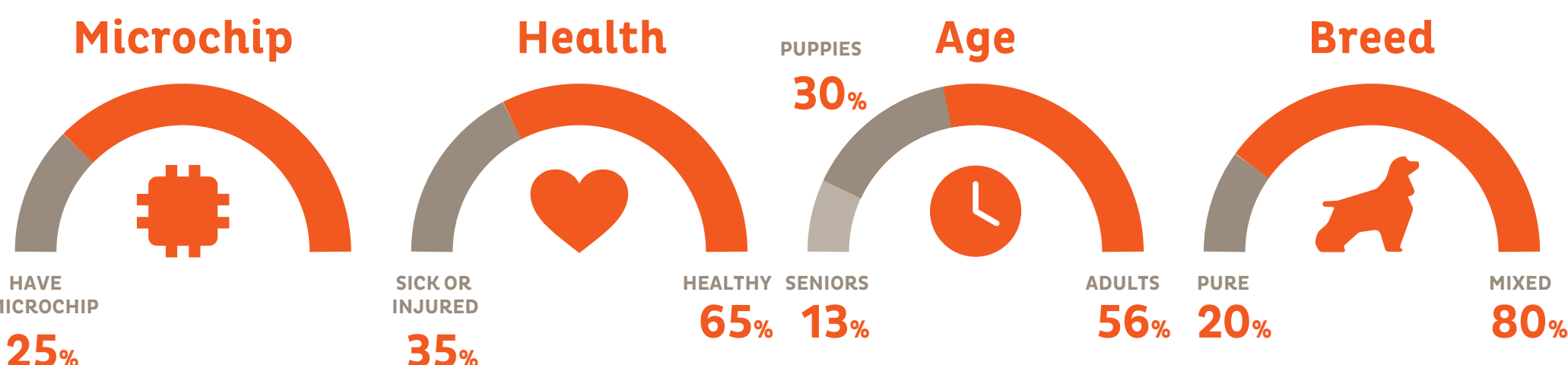
When are they recovered?

*The number of cats that arrive is higher during the second quarter of the year due to the effect of unwanted litters.

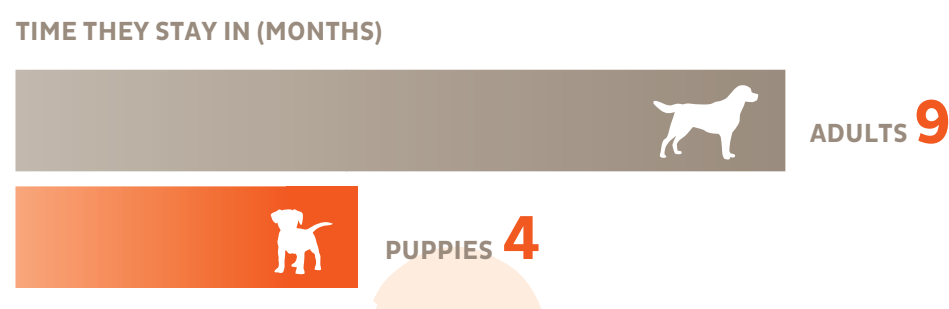
IN 2017 THE NUMBER OF LOST ANIMALS RETURNED TO THEIR FAMILIES HAS RECOVERED AGAIN REACHING THE NUMBER OBSERVED IN 2014



What are they like?



IN THE CASE OF CATS, ONLY 4% THAT ARRIVE ARE IDENTIFIED



PUPPIES AND KITTENS STAY IN THE SHELTER A HALF OF THE TIME THAT OLDER DOGS AND CATS DO

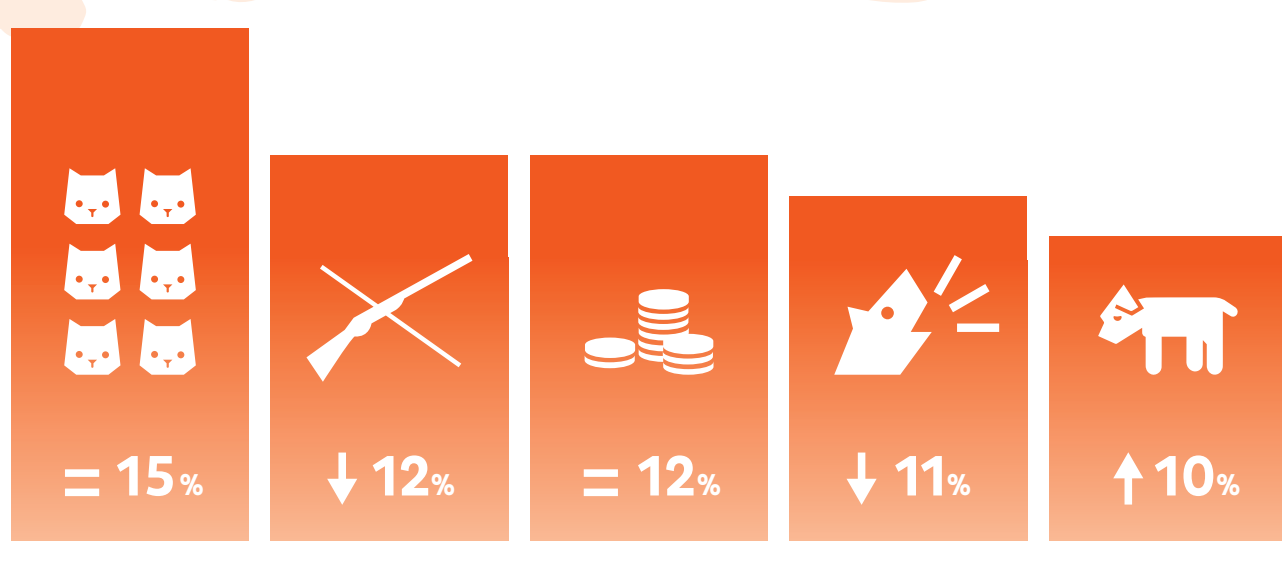
How do they arrive at the animal welfare centre?

MOST HAVE BEEN FOUND BY THE ORGANISATION ITSELF, BY THE POLICE OR BY A PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL.



Reasons for abandonment

RANKING OF THE MAIN REASONS FOR ABANDONMENT



AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS, UNWANTED LITTERS ARE STILL THE MAIN REASON FOR ABANDONMENT. STERILISATION IS KEY TO REDUCING ABANDONMENT

Some keys to avoid abandonment



MOST ANIMALS ENTERING SHELTERS HAVE BEEN FOUND OR RECOVERED FROM THE STREET, THEREFORE WE DO NOT KNOW THE SPECIFIC REASONS OF MANY OF THE ABANDONMENTS OCCURRING IN OUR COUNTRY.

- Think carefully before acquiring a pet
- Sterilise to avoid litters you can't support
- Identify to recover if lost
- Train to improve behaviour
- Adopt to give them a home and make room for other animals



Data taken from the Affinity Foundation Study on Abandonment and Adoption 2017. www.fundacion-affinity.org/en/abandonment-and-adoption-studies