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The vast majority of tail injuries in dogs seen in New Zealand in the last eight years have been due to freak accidents, vehicle injuries or shut in door injuries. Very few have been due to hunting or farming related injuries. 3% of injuries to tails have been caused by tail docking itself.

Crossbreeds and traditionally tailed dogs make up about half of the breeds of dogs commonly seen for tail injuries by veterinary clinics.

The vast majority of tail injuries in dogs can be treated by a single visit to a veterinarian and do not require amputation to resolve.

Just because an animal doesn't suffer at the time, that doesn't mean that it won't suffer later.

Amber Wells completed this study for her thesis: Tail docking in dogs: A retrospective study into the causes, treatments and risk factors of canine tail injuries in New Zealand.