

Where do paralysis ticks prefer to hide?

What Australian pet owners need to know

KEY MESSAGE



An Australian study¹ has revealed where paralysis ticks are most likely to attach on dogs and cats. This provides valuable information on where to focus first when searching for ticks.

As well as using an effective tick control product such as NexGard SPECTRA®, daily searching and removal of ticks is recommended. Importantly, for pets suffering from tick paralysis, finding and removing the tick as quickly as possible can be life-saving.

STUDY SNAPSHOT



>10,000
tick paralysis
cases analysed

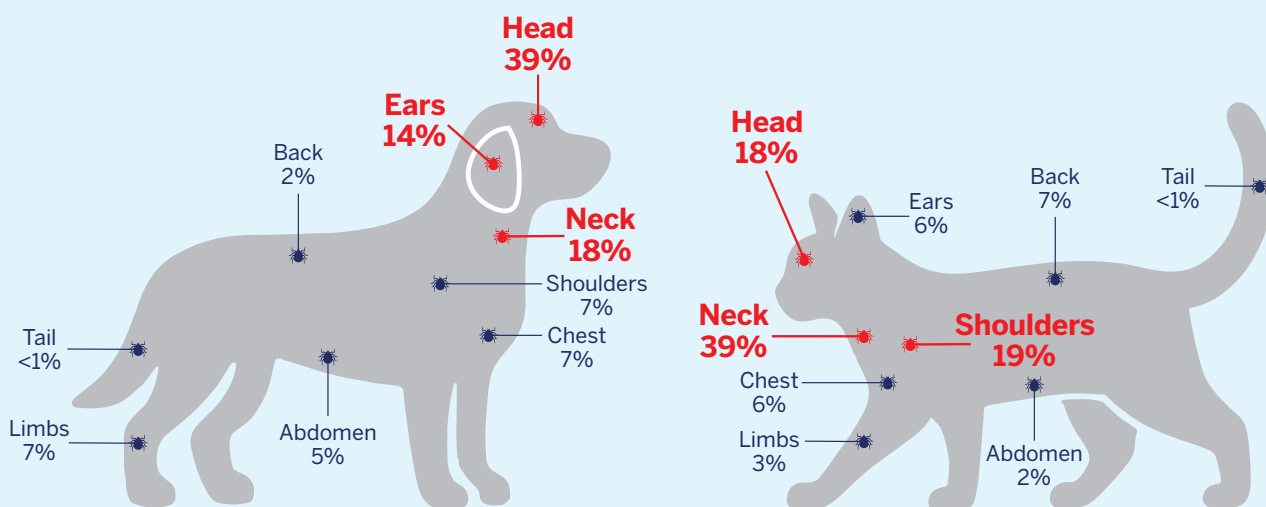


Cases from Brisbane, the Gold Coast, the Sunshine Coast and Sydney's northern beaches



Largest study
of its kind

Paralysis tick attachment sites¹



When searching, focus on the head and front of the body first – paralysis ticks were found on the head, neck or ears in 73% of dogs and 63% of cats.



The study also found some unusual attachment sites.



Ear canal



Inside the mouth



Nostrils



Under tail or genital areas



Learn more about
how to perform a
tick search.

See product labels for full claim details and directions for use.

1. Teo, E.J.M., et al (2025) Attachment-site preferences of *Ixodes holocyclus*, the eastern paralysis tick of Australia: insights from 10,311 cases of tick infestations in dogs and cats. *Aust Vet J*. 103:731-734.

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