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consider in advance. Owners should avoid purchasing these puppies on impulse or as accessories.

- Owners should be prepared for the costs of surgery for common problems in Chihuahuas such as dental disease, retained baby teeth, sliding kneecap and undescended testicle.
- Dental disease and obesity are particularly common problems in Chihuahuas, which owners can take measures to help prevent.

The study included 11,647 Chihuahuas from 336,365 dogs across the UK. O'Neill et al. (2020)