

Table S4.2 Comparison of tail lengths of female and male Little Owls per subspecies

Subspecies	Region	Origin	Males						Females						Author
			Mean	+/-	s	Min	Max	n	Mean	+/-	s	Min	Max	n	
<i>A. n. noctua</i>	The Netherlands	adults / stuffed	75.9		2	74	79	11	79.6		2.1	77	83	9	Cramp et al (1985)
<i>A. n. noctua</i>	The Netherlands	juveniles stuffed	73.1		2.9	69	78	29	74.1		2.7	71	80	27	Cramp et al (1985)
<i>A. n. noctua</i>	Nordrhein-Westfalen	stuffed	75.1		3.4	70	82	12	75.1		2.2	70	78	10	Glutz & Bauer (1980)
<i>A. n. noctua</i>	Unterer Niederrhein	adults / stuffed	75.3		3.2	69	82	18	75.8		3.1	69	84	35	K.M. Exo (in Schönn et al 1991)
<i>A. n. noctua</i>	southeastern Germany	living birds	77.9		3.6			22	79		3.7			27	Mlikovsky & Piechocki (1983)
<i>A. n. noctua</i>	NW Austria	stuffed	74.4		2.4	70	77	9	74.4		1.6	73	77	7	Cramp et al (1985)
<i>A. n. noctua</i>	Northern Italy & Sardinia	stuffed	75.5		2.3	73	79	8	77		1.8	75	80	8	Cramp et al (1985)
<i>A. n. vidalii</i>	Iberian Peninsula	stuffed	75.5		2.3	73	79	8	77		1.8	75	80	8	Cramp et al (1985)
<i>A. n. vidalii</i>	Iberian Peninsula	living birds	82.11		7.5	75	90	26	82.08		3.25	76	90	25	Martinez et al (2002)
<i>A. n. indigena</i>	Romenia	stuffed	80		4.5	75	87	6	81.6		4	76	89	7	Cramp et al (1985)
<i>A. n. lilith</i>	Cyprus	stuffed	74.6		3	71	78	4	74.9		2.2	72	78	6	Cramp et al (1985)
<i>A. n. glaux & saharae</i>	Tunesia, Algeria, Lybia, Tibesti, NW Egypt	stuffed	72.8		2.6	69	77	14	74.2		3.6	70	79	12	Cramp et al (1985)
<i>A. n. glaux</i>	Tunesia	stuffed	82.5			80	85	2	89			88	90	2	Erlanger (1898)

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