Naming animal kinds and their representatives: patterns and their relationship to frequency

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Introduction

Frequency and its connection to method of creation

Animals as closed group of shapes

Type of creation of opposite shapes by frequency

Male – kind name – female

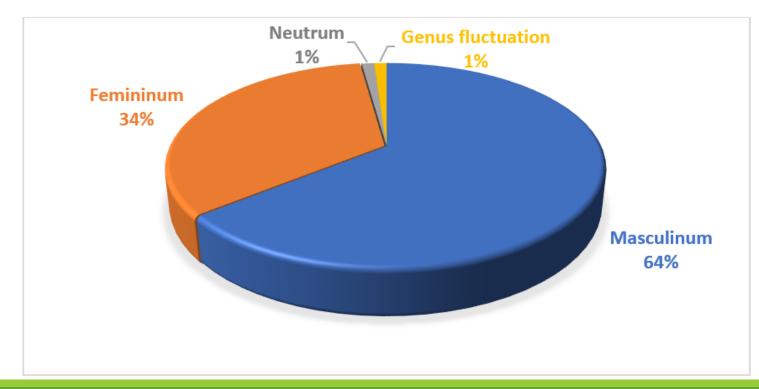
Frequency

Sorting of shapes by types of creating

Excerption of SSČ (dictionary of Czech)

Extraction of animal names from dictionary

Exclusion of some of the groups



Searching in corpus SYN v4

Searching for opposite shapes of the animal names

Dictionary – non-dictionary shapes

Noting of frequency

Classification of findings

Fundamental list

Frequency	Male	Kind name	Female	Frequency	Total freq.
3	krysáč	krysa	krysa	17 077	17 080
6 675	křeček	křeček	křečice	22	6 697
x	x	křepelka	křepelka	2 875	2 875
967	kukač	kukačka	kukačka	4 047	5 014
406 048	kůň	kůň	klisna	15 740	421 788
10 015	hřebec	kůň	kobyla	7 609	423 672
80	kuňák	kuna	kuna	9 501	9 581
x	x	kuňka	kuňka	2 161	2 161
31 100	kohout	kur	slepice	34 729	67 935
		2 106			
21 511	kůrovec	kůrovec	x	x	21 511
337	labuťák	labuť	labuť	29 596	29 933
6 447	lachtan	lachtan	lachtanice	57	6 504
6 447	lachtan	lachtan	lachtanka	43	6 490
61	lamák	lama	lama	9 082	9 143
x	X	langusta	langusta	1 087	1 087
18	lasičák	lasička	lasička	1 123	1 141
5 345	ledňáček	ledňáček	X	x	5 345
1 071	lelek	lelek	X	X	1 071
2 027	lenochod	lenochod	lenochodka	5	2 032
2 027	lenochod	lenochod	lenochodice	1	2 028

Morphologic creation of opposite shapes of animal names

Token freq.	Kind name	Suffix -ice	Token freq.
3 965	albatros	albatrosice	1
4 763	aligátor	aligátořice	1
13 188	bažant	bažantice	5
1 815	bernardýn	bernardýnice	5
5 727	bizon	bizonice	13
24 165	bobr	bobřice	101
30 767	brouk	broučice	5
24 429	buldok	buldočice	19
3 771	buvol	buvolice	36
4 168	cvrček	cvrčice	2
24 281	čáp	čápice	433
24 281	čáp	čapice	2

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Token freq.	Kind name	Suffix -er	Token freq.
30 004	husa	houser	3 180
32 046	kachna	kačer ¹	4 585
2 546	kačena	kačer	4 585

Token freq.	Kind name	Suffix -our	Token freq.
123 320	kočka	kocour	25 664

Token f	req.	Kind name	Suffix -el	Token freq.
43 303		koza	kozel	11 251

Suppletion shapes

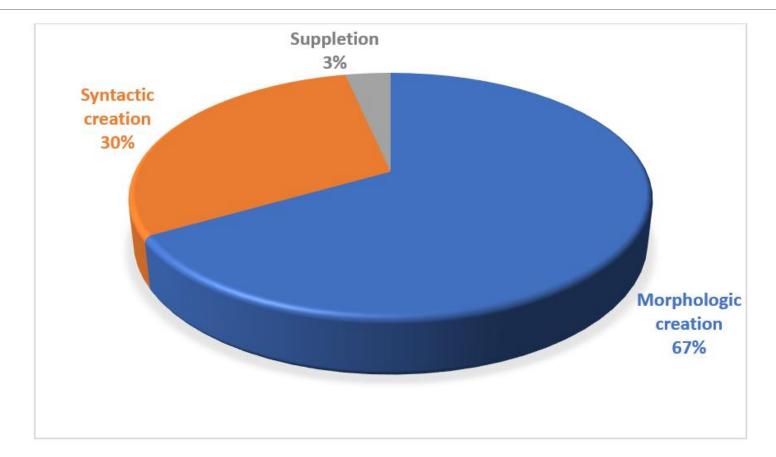
Token freq.	Kind name	Supp. shapes	Token freq.
5 607	krůta	krocan	4 602
57 576	ovce	beran	13 492
50 100	včela	trubec	1 437

Supp. shapes	Token freq.	Kind name	Token freq.	Supp. shapes	Token freq.
kanec	6 933	divočák	16 141	svině	9 387
hřebec	10 015	kůň	406 048	klisna	15 740
kohout	31 100	kur	2 106	slepice	34 729
býk	37 383	tur	4 802	kráva	84 416

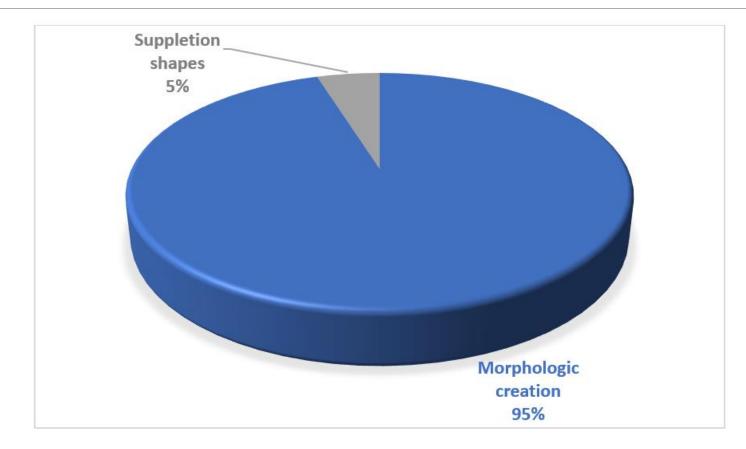
Syntactic creation of opposite shapes of animal names

Frequency	Kind name
2 074	cejn
2 929	čolek
50 807	had
596	ježdík
181	lumek
747	otakárek
243	pilous
2 271	pijavice
1 345	sépie
328	sobol
204	zebu

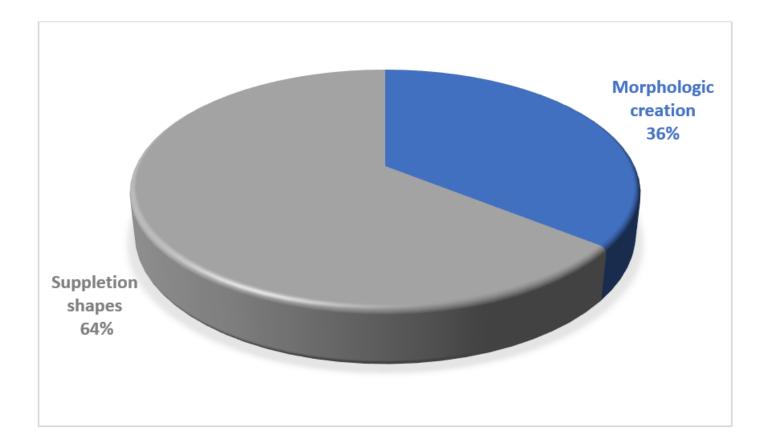
Type frequency by the manner of creation of opposite shapes



Type frequency by the manner of creation of opposite shapes



Token frequency by the manner of creation of opposite shapes



Summary findings

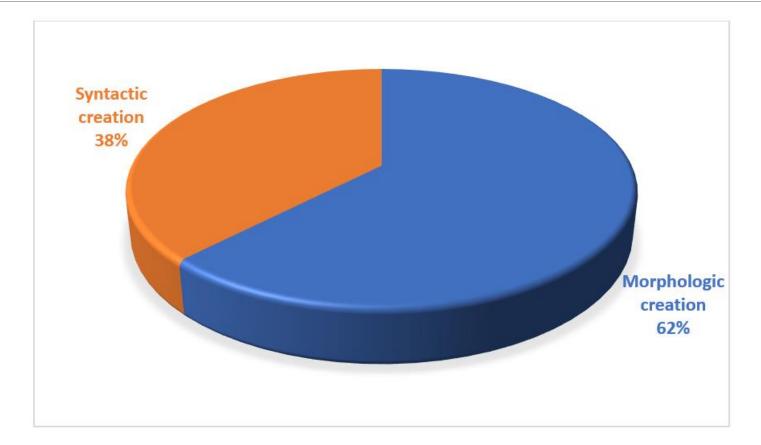
Morphologic creation of opposite shapes of names is most often used for new creation but less used in common speech.

Suppletion shapes of names are hardly ever used for new creation but very often used in common speech.

Syntactic creation of opposite shapes of names is **less used for new creation** and also **less used in common speech** – it is the most universal method.

Thank you for your attention

Type frequency of animal kind names



Token frequency of animal kind names

