

KNOW YOUR RODENT



RATS

SIZE	7 – 18 oz.
FOOD	.8 – 1 oz
WATER	15 – 30 ML/day (1/2 to 1 oz.)
AGE TO MATE	2 – 3 months
GESTATION PERIOD	22 days
YOUNG PER LITTER	8 – 12
LITTERS PER YEAR	4 – 7
LENGTH OF LIFE	1 year

MICE

SIZE	1 oz.
FOOD	0.1 oz.
WATER	3 – 9 ML/day (can live without water)
AGE TO MATE	1.5 – 2 months
GESTATION PERIOD	19 days
YOUNG PER LITTER	4 – 7
LITTERS PER YEAR	8
LENGTH OF LIFE	1 year

● Rat Behavior

- large territories (50-300 ft.)
- steady eaters at few sites
- consume 25 – 40g food/day
- shy

● Mouse Behavior

- small territories (10-30 ft.)
- feed by “nibbling” at many sites
- consume 2.5 – 4.0g food/day
- inquisitive