Reproduction Facts

	Norway Rat	House Mouse
Breeding Age (days) – desirable	Female: 120 (14–16 weeks) Male: 106 (12–14 weeks)	Female: 90 (12 weeks) Male: 66 (10 weeks)
Estrous Cycle (days)	4–5	4–5
Number of Teats	12	10
Gestation (days)	19–22	17–21
Average Litter Size	9–12	8–10
Birth Weight (grams)	4½ – 5½	1–2
Open Eyes (days)	14	10–14
Weaning (days)	35	28–35
Ears open (days)	3–4	6–7
Incisors erupt (days)	8–10	<i>7</i> –13
Males testes descend (days)	40	35–55
Females vagina opens (days)	42–72	28–49
Sexually Mature (days)	55–75	45–65
Postpartum estrous	Yes	Yes
Birthing Time	2 hours	15–30 minutes



