

THE COST OF PET OWNERSHIP

Pets are more than just companions, they are a part of our family. But in order to provide a happy and healthy life, there are certain costs to consider. Here are the basics and average costs of pet ownership.

Your kitten's first year*

Adoption fees**
\$150 



Pet insurance
\$440

Licensing fee
\$15

Veterinary care

flea protection, parasite prevention, exams & vaccines, deworming meds, fecal exams

\$816 



Microchip

\$81

Bowls and food
\$592



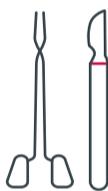
Essentials

Collar, leash, bed, toys, crate or carrier

\$235 

Spay or neuter

\$755 or \$622



Unexpected Accident and Illness†

\$354



Litter box and litter

\$275

TOTAL COST: \$3,713

As your cat gets older* (cost per year)

Veterinary care

Flea protection, parasite prevention, exams and vaccines, heartworm/lyme test, fecalexams, wellness profile/blood work

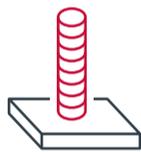
\$534 

Licensing fee
\$15

Essentials

Collar, leash, toys

\$65



Pet insurance
\$440

Food
\$576



Litter

\$215



Dental Cleaning

\$717



Kennel Boarding
\$100-300

Unexpected Accident and Illness†

\$813



Grooming
\$50



TOTAL COST: \$3,725

*All figures calculated as a national average from the OVMA 2022 Cost of Care research, conducted by province.

**<https://www.torontohumanesociety.com/adoption-and-rehoming/adopt/adoption-process>

†Based on internal claims data, 2021