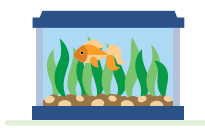
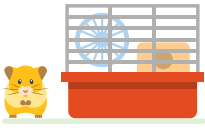





Owning and caring for a pet

Having a pet can be a lot of fun, but it's a big responsibility. Before you become a pet owner, carefully research both the cost of having a pet and what its daily needs are.

Note: The costs are examples. Actual costs may be higher or lower.

Pet	Cost to get this pet	Yearly care costs	Pet needs
<p>Fish</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fish: \$30 10-gallon tank complete setup: \$50 <p>Total: \$80</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fish food: \$5/month Water conditioner: \$2/month <p>Yearly total: \$84</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily food Monthly tank cleaning
<p>Hamster</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hamster: \$10 Small animal habitat starter kit: \$50 <p>Total: \$60</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bedding: \$8/month Hamster food: \$6/month Treats: \$2/month <p>Yearly total: \$192</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily food and water Weekly habitat cleaning
<p>Parakeet</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parakeet: \$24 Bird cage: \$50 Bird bath: \$10 <p>Total: \$84</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bird food: \$5/month Bird litter: \$10/month Treats: \$5/month Toys: \$3/month <p>Yearly total: \$276</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily food and water Weekly cage cleaning
<p>Cat</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cat: \$150 Litter box: \$20 <p>Total: \$170</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Litter: \$10/month Food: \$2/day Treats: \$8/month Toys: \$5/month Medical checkup and shots: \$130/yearly <p>Yearly total: \$1,136</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily food and water Daily litter box cleaning Annual trip to the veterinarian
<p>Dog (medium size)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dog: \$250 Collar: \$10 Leash: \$15 Obedience class: \$75 <p>Total: \$350</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food: \$4/day Treats: \$15/month Toys: \$10/month Medical checkup and shots: \$235/yearly <p>Yearly total: \$1,995</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily food and water Up to four walks a day, depending on the dog and if you have a yard Daily training for the first six months Annual trip to the veterinarian