



3 simple tips to manage pet care costs this year

Last year alone, American pet owners spent nearly \$16 billion (yes, that's billion with a b) on veterinary care.* As 2016 is in full swing, resolve to keep your vet costs under control while still giving your pet the best care possible.

Tip #1: Tally your fixed vet costs

Projecting how much you'll spend each year at the vet is a great first step toward overall financial wellness. Start by adding up the vet bills you know you'll have this year, such as vaccinations and checkups.

Tip #2: Prepare for unexpected costs

While no one can predict your pet's future health, pet insurance can help you be prepared for potential expenses. For example, notorious counter-surfing breeds-we're lookin' at you, Labs!-are more likely to need emergency treatment for ingestion-related injuries ranging from chocolate toxicity (average cost \$382) to foreign body ingestion (average cost \$1,740).

Tip #3: Optimize your pet budget

Pet insurance is a smart, affordable financial safety net for both fixed and unforeseen veterinary costs. Be sure to choose a plan that fits your needs and budget; Nationwide® offers plenty of options so you can choose the amount of coverage that works for you.

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