

Costs of pet ownership

Activity sheet

Write how much you think each item would cost, then multiply your monthly answers by 12 to get a yearly cost. Dogs and cats live an average of 12 years, so multiply by 12 again to get a life-time cost. Finally, write an overall total at the bottom.

A) Initial costs:

Purchase/rescue

Neutering

Microchipping

Bowls, bed, collar, lead, brush, toys

Total (A):

B) Ongoing costs (per month):

Food

Poo bags

Pet insurance

Flea / worming treatment

Vaccinations (per year)

Total per year (B): $B \times 12 = C$:

$A + C =$ Lifetime total: