

Pet Insurance Market Outlook 10.30% CAGR, USD 46.06 Billion Growth Forecast 2026–2035

Pet Insurance Market Size, Share and Research Report By Coverage Type (Accident Only, Accident and Illness, Wellness), By Animal Type (Dogs, Cats, Birds)

TOKYO, TOKYO, JAPAN, July 13, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Global [pet insurance market](#) reached an estimated USD 17.08 billion in 2025 and is projected to grow from USD 19.06 billion in 2026 to USD 46.06 billion by 2035, registering a CAGR of 10.30% during the forecast period.

Two major catalysts are accelerating this trajectory: the dramatic rise in pet humanization across developed and

emerging economies with companion animal ownership reaching record highs in the post-pandemic era and the exponential increase in veterinary care costs, which have outpaced general inflation by more than 2x in OECD countries since 2020. With over USD 150 billion in annual global veterinary expenditure now at stake, pet owners face mounting financial pressure to protect their animals through structured insurance coverage or risk devastating out-of-pocket medical bills.



Pet Insurance Market: Rising pet ownership and growing awareness of animal healthcare are driving steady growth in the global Pet Insurance Market”

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Legacy indemnity-based pet insurance products many characterized by complex exclusion schedules, slow reimbursement cycles, and limited preventive care coverage are rapidly giving way to modern, digitally-native insurance platforms that integrate real-time veterinary billing, AI-powered claims processing, wellness plan bundling, and telemedicine access.



A recent Oliver Wyman financial services analysis estimated that top-quartile pet insurance

providers leveraging automated claims adjudication and predictive underwriting models reduced policy administration costs by 31–38% compared to peers still operating manual, paper-based workflows. This technology shift is not incremental it represents a structural re-platforming of how the entire pet health protection industry serves its rapidly growing policyholder base.

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□ How Significant Is the Pet Insurance Market's Growth?

The pet insurance market has demonstrated exceptional and accelerating expansion, rising from approximately USD 7.12 billion in 2021 to an estimated USD 17.08 billion in 2025, representing one of the strongest growth trajectories across the broader insurance sector. The market is on track to more than triple over the next decade, driven by surging pet ownership rates, escalating veterinary costs, and increasing consumer awareness of the financial risks associated with uninsured companion animal healthcare.

Rising incidence of chronic conditions in companion animals including diabetes, cancer, orthopedic diseases, and cardiac conditions alongside the availability of sophisticated veterinary interventions such as MRI diagnostics, chemotherapy, and specialist surgical procedures, has created acute demand for comprehensive insurance coverage. Veterinarians, pet retailers, breeders, and workplace benefits programs are all actively promoting pet insurance enrollment, broadening distribution reach and accelerating penetration across previously underserved demographics.

□ What Does the Future Hold for the Pet Insurance Market?

Digitalization and artificial intelligence stand at the forefront of the market's next growth phase. AI-driven platforms are transforming pet insurance from a reactive, claims-focused product into a proactive, data-intelligent pet health management ecosystem. [Predictive health](#) scoring models now assess individual animal risk based on breed genetics, age, weight, lifestyle factors, and historical claims data enabling insurers to price policies with far greater actuarial precision while offering policyholders personalized preventive care recommendations.

The growing emphasis on wellness-integrated insurance products is another defining force shaping the market's future. Forward-thinking insurers are bundling routine veterinary visits, vaccinations, dental cleanings, flea and tick prevention, and nutritional supplements into comprehensive wellness riders shifting the product from a financial safety net into an active companion animal health management tool. Platforms offering embedded telemedicine consultations, 24/7 veterinary helplines, and real-time health monitoring via wearable pet devices are commanding premium policy uptake and dramatically higher retention rates.

Employer-sponsored pet insurance as a voluntary workplace benefit is also redefining

distribution dynamics. With over 15% of Fortune 500 companies now offering pet insurance as part of their employee benefits packages a figure projected to exceed 35% by 2030 the group enrollment channel is emerging as one of the fastest-growing acquisition pathways for insurers. This trend, combined with embedded insurance integrations through veterinary practice management software and pet retail platforms, is creating powerful new distribution flywheel effects.

□ Who Are the Key Players in the Pet Insurance Market?

The pet insurance landscape is characterized by a mix of specialist pet health insurers, diversified insurance groups, insurtech disruptors, and embedded insurance platforms. Key participants shaping the competitive dynamics include:

□ Trupanion — a specialist direct-to-consumer and veterinary-channel pet insurer known for its direct veterinary payment model eliminating upfront out-of-pocket costs for policyholders
Nationwide Pet Insurance offering one of the broadest pet insurance product portfolios in North America, including exotic animal coverage

□ Healthy Paws Pet Insurance — providing comprehensive accident-and-illness coverage with a highly rated digital claims experience and no annual or lifetime benefit caps

□ Embrace Pet Insurance — delivering customizable accident, illness, and wellness coverage with a diminishing deductible rewards structure for claim-free policyholders

□ ASPCA Pet Health Insurance (Crum & Forster) — leveraging the ASPCA brand's consumer trust to distribute comprehensive pet coverage through affinity and direct channels

□ Petplan (Fetch by The Dodo) — offering premium hereditary and congenital condition coverage with a fully digital policy management experience

□ ManyPets — a UK-originated insurtech expanding aggressively into the U.S. and European markets with flexible, digital-first pet insurance products

□ Figo Pet Insurance — providing cloud-based policy management with innovative 100% reimbursement options and a pet community platform

□ Lemonade Pet — deploying AI-powered underwriting and instant claims processing to deliver a frictionless digital pet insurance experience

Allianz Partners leveraging global insurance infrastructure and embedded distribution partnerships to scale pet insurance across multiple international markets

Competition in the market is intensifying as insurers race to embed generative AI capabilities into underwriting and claims workflows, expand wellness benefit bundles to differentiate

beyond pure financial protection, and deepen integrations with veterinary practice management systems and pet wearable platforms. Strategic acquisitions, affinity distribution partnerships with pet retailers, and employer benefits channel investments are also reshaping the competitive landscape.

□ What Are the Emerging Trends in the Pet Insurance Market?

Several transformational trends are redefining how the pet insurance market evolves through 2035:

AI & Predictive Underwriting: Breed-specific genomic risk models, real-time health data integrations from wearable pet devices, and AI-driven actuarial pricing are enabling hyper-personalized premium structures and dramatically more accurate risk segmentation across the policyholder base.

Wellness Plan Bundling: The convergence of accident-and-illness coverage with preventive care benefits including dental, nutritional, behavioral, and alternative therapy riders — is transforming pet insurance from a risk transfer product into a comprehensive companion animal health management platform.

Embedded & Affinity Distribution: Integration of pet insurance enrollment directly into veterinary practice management software, pet retail checkout flows, breeder purchase experiences, and shelter adoption processes is dramatically lowering acquisition costs and expanding market penetration into first-time pet owner segments.

Telemedicine & Digital Health Integration: Insurers embedding 24/7 veterinary telemedicine, AI-powered symptom checkers, and connected pet health monitors into their policy ecosystems are achieving higher engagement rates, earlier intervention outcomes, and improved claims loss ratios.

Employer Voluntary Benefits Expansion: The rapid institutionalization of pet insurance as a standard voluntary workplace benefit driven by talent retention competition and the emotional significance of pets in employees' lives is generating high-volume group enrollment channels with structurally lower acquisition costs.

Exotic & Non-Traditional Pet Coverage: Growing demand for insurance covering rabbits, birds, reptiles, and small mammals is opening a previously underserved market segment, with specialist underwriters developing tailored actuarial models for non-canine and non-feline companion animals.

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□ How Is the Pet Insurance Market Segmented?

The pet insurance market report provides a comprehensive segmentation framework:

By Coverage Type: Accident-Only, Accident & Illness, Comprehensive (Wellness Included)

By Animal Type: Dogs, Cats, Exotic & Other Pets

By Distribution Channel: Direct-to-Consumer, Veterinary Clinics, Pet Retailers, Employer Benefits, Online Aggregators

By Policy Type: Lifetime Policies, Annual Policies, Per-Condition Policies

By End-User: Individual Pet Owners, Breeders & Kennels, Animal Shelters & Rescues, Corporate Employer Groups

□ What Are the Regional Insights from the Pet Insurance Market?

North America commands approximately 42% of global pet insurance market share, underpinned by the United States' exceptionally high companion animal ownership rates (approximately 70% of U.S. households own a pet), rapidly escalating veterinary care costs, and a mature voluntary employee benefits culture that increasingly includes pet coverage. The region's advanced insurtech ecosystem and strong direct-to-consumer digital insurance adoption further reinforce its dominant position.

Europe holds the second-largest share at approximately 31%, with the United Kingdom, Sweden, Germany, and France representing the primary markets. The UK in particular has the world's most mature pet insurance market by penetration rate, with approximately 25% of pet-owning households holding active policies. Scandinavian markets similarly demonstrate high penetration, reflecting deeply embedded consumer insurance cultures and strong veterinary cost inflation dynamics.

Asia-Pacific represents a rapidly growing region, driven by the dramatic rise in companion animal ownership across China, Japan, South Korea, and Australia, alongside sharply increasing veterinary care costs and growing middle-class consumer awareness of pet health financial risks. Digital-first insurers and embedded insurance partnerships with pet e-commerce platforms are the defining growth channels across the APAC market.

Latin America is projected to register a CAGR of approximately 13.1% through 2035 among the highest of any global region. Brazil and Mexico, with their large and rapidly humanizing pet owner populations, are the primary growth markets, as rising veterinary care standards and expanding urban middle-class demographics create structural conditions for rapid pet insurance

market formation.

Middle East & Africa and South Asia round out the global picture, with the UAE, Saudi Arabia, and India representing the most active emerging markets for pet insurance product development and consumer awareness initiatives, as urbanization and pet humanization trends take hold across these rapidly evolving economies.

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