By completing this survey, you are contributing to a study of Danish cats' living conditions and people's attitudes towards cats in Denmark. The study is conducted by the University of Copenhagen based on a grant from the Danish Centre for Animal Welfare.

The aim of the study is to investigate how Danish cats live and are taken care of. Based on the results from this study it will be possible for authorities, veterinarians and organisations with interests in cats to target initiatives in ways, which take both animals and people into consideration.

Your reply is anonymous and we do not receive any additional information about you.

Thank you for your participation.

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Question	Response category	Filter
1. What is your gender?	Single Response a) Female b) Male	Everyone
2. In what year are you born?	Single Response. Choose year in pop up menu. All years from 1915 to 2000 are possible to choose.	Everyone
3. What is your household composition?	 Single Response a) I live with my parents b) I live alone with no children c) I live alone with a child/children d) I live with a partner with no children e) I live with a partner and a child/children f) I live with others who others who are not partner or relatives g) Other 	Everyone
4. Where do you live?	Single Response a) In a big city (over 100.000 inhabitants) b) In the suburb of a big city c) In a city (10.000-100.000 inhabitants) d) In a small city (under 10.000 inhabitants)	Everyone

	e) In the countryside	
5. In what kind of residence do you live?	Single Response a) House with garden b) House without garden c) Apartment without garden d) Apartment with garden e) House/farm in the countryside f) Other	Everyone
6. Is there a cat in the household?	Single Responsea) Yesb) Noc) No, but have previously kept cat	Everyone b) Go to Q38 c) Go to Q38

For questions regarding your cat, please answer all questions about the **oldest cat** in the household.

	Single Response	
7. How many cats do you have?	a) 1 catb) 2 catsc) 3 catsd) 4 catse) 5 cats or more	Only answer if Q6=a
8. How old is the cat?	Single Response a) 0-½ year old b) ½-1 year old c) 1-3 years old d) 3-7 years old e) Over 7 years old f) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=a
9. What is the cat's gender and neuter status?	Single Response a) Neutered female b) Neutered male c) Intact female d) Intact male e) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=a c) Go to Q11 d) Go to Q11
10. How old was the cat when it was neutered?	Single Response a) Under 6 months b) 6-12 months c) Over 1 year d) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=a and Q9= a or b

11. Is the cat a purebred cat?	 Single Response a) Yes b) No, a domestic shorthair cat c) No, a mixed breed cat d) Don't know 	Only answer if Q6=a b) Go to Q13 c) Go to Q13 d) Go to Q13
12. What breed is the cat?	Single Response a) Abyssian b) British Shorthair c) Burmese d) Europé e) Birman f) Maine Coon g) Norwegian Forest Cat h) Persian i) Ragdoll j) Russian Blue k) Siamese/ Oriental l) Other breed m) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=a and Q11 = a
13. How much did you pay for the cat?	Single Response a) I did not pay for it b) 1-499 DKKR c) 500-999 DKKR d) 1.000-1.999 DKKR e) 2.000-2.999 DKKR f) 3.000-3.999 DKKR g) 4.000-4.999 DKKR h) 5.000-6.999 DKKR i) 7.000-9.999 DKKR j) Over 10.000 DKKR k) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=a
14. From where did you acquire the cat?	Single Response a) Have bred the cat myself/ourselves b) From a private home c) A breeder d) A shelter e) The cat came to us f) Other g) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=a
15. Have you experienced considerable problems with any of the following behaviour with the cat?	Multiple Response a) Inappropriate elimination b) Destroys furniture or things, e.g. by scratching	Only answer if Q6=a

	 c) Aggressive behaviour towards you d) Aggressive behaviour towards guests e) Aggressive behaviour towards other pets in the household f) Displays signs of boredom, e.g. by excessive vocalization g) Fears other cats, dogs or people h) Other problems, please describe: i) None of the mentioned problems j) Don't know 	
16. Which of the following activities do you regularly do with your cat?	 Multiple Response a) Show the cat at cat-shows b) Teach the cat tricks c) Walk the cat on a leash d) Play with the cat e) Pet the cat f) Actively feed the cat, e.g. in a snack ball, activity board, through playing or spreading the food on the floor or grass g) None of these activities h) Don't know 	Only answer if Q6=a
17. Which of the following resources do you provide your cat with in your home?	 Multiple Response a) Scratching posts b) Elevated perches c) There are other cats in the household d) The cat socializes with other animals in the household e) Boxes to play with f) Toys g) None of these resources h) Don't know 	Only answer if Q6=a
18. How often do you play with or activate the cat?	Single Response a) Daily b) Several times a week c) Less frequently d) Never e) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=a
19. How often do you feed the cat?	Single Response a) Once a day b) Twice a day c) Three times a day or more often d) Ad libitum e) Never. The cat catches or finds its own	Only answer if Q6=a

	food f) Don't know	
20. What is the cat mainly fed?	Single Response a) Wet or canned food b) Dry food c) Food scraps d) Raw feeding, e.g. BARF e) The cat catches its own food f) Other g) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=a
21. Is the cat vaccinated?	Single Response a) Yes b) No c) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=a and Q8=a, b or c
22. Is the cat regularly vaccinated?	Single Response a) Yes, every year b) Yes, every third year c) No, the cat is not regularly vaccinated d) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=a and Q8=d, e or f
23. What does it take for you to take the cat to the veterinarian apart from vaccinations and similar?	Multiple Response a) I don't take the cat to the veterinarian b) If there are serious signs of disease c) If there are minor signs of disease d) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=a
24. How would you describe the cat's general health?	Single Response a) Generally healthy b) Sick once in a while c) Sick about once a year d) Sick several times a year e) Chronic disease	Only answer if Q6=a
25. Does your cat currently have any of the following health issues?	Multiple Response a) Overweight b) Diabetes c) Arthritis d) Oral disease e) Kidney disease f) Metabolic disease g) Urinary disease h) None of the mentioned i) Other disease, please describe:	Only answer if Q6=a

	j) Don't know	
26. Is the cat regularly treated with any of the following preventive treatments?	Multiple Response a) Ectoparasitic treatment b) Anthelmintic treatment c) None of these d) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=a
27. Does the cat have health insurance?	Single Response a) No b) Yes c) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=a b) Go to Q29 c) Go to Q29
28. If the cat does not have a health insurance, please choose the reason for this.	 Multiple Response a) I did not know it was possible to get health insurance for cats b) It is too expensive c) I don't feel it is necessary d) I put money aside for veterinary bills e) None of these f) Other 	Only answer if Q6=a and Q27=a
29. Does you cat have any of the following?	Multiple Response a) Ear tattoo b) Microchip c) Collar with contact information d) No e) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=a c) Go to Q31 d) Go to Q31 e) Go to Q31
30. Is the cat registered?	Multiple Response a) Yes, in "Det Danske Katteregister" b) Yes, in "Dansk Katteregister"/Inges Kattehjem c) No d) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=a and Q29=a or b
31. How much money did you spend on veterinary bills for this cat within the last year? (If your cat has a health insurance, choose the amount before the insurance company covered the bills).	Single Response a) 0 DKKR b) 1-999 DKKR c) 1.000-4.999 DKKR d) 5.000-9.999 DKKR e) More than 10.000 DKKR f) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=a
32. How much money do you spend monthly on cat food, cat litter, toys, snacks, scratching posts etc. for	Single Response a) 0-99 DKKR b) 100-199 DKKR	Only answer if Q6=a

this cat?	c) 200-299 DKKR d) 300-500 DKKR e) More than 500 DKKR f) Don't know	
33. How is the cat kept?	 Single Response a) As an indoor cat with no access to the outdoors b) As an indoor cat with access to a closed garden c) As an indoor cat with access to the outdoors through a cat flap d) As an indoor cat with the opportunity to be let outdoors e) As an indoor cat with access to the outdoors part of the year (e.g. in a summer house) f) As an outdoor cat that rarely or never is inside the home 	Only answer if Q6=a a) Go to Q36 b) Go to Q36
34. Have you experienced or been worried about any of these situations while your cat has been outdoors?	 Multiple Response a) The cat may get infectious diseases b) The cat may get hurt in a road traffic accident c) The cat may fight with other cats d) The cat may get other injuries (e.g. by falling from a tree) e) The cat may be attacked by dogs or other animals f) The cat may eat something poisonous g) The cat may be stolen h) The cat may run away i) Neighbours may feed the cat and lure it away j) None of these 	Only answer if Q6=a and Q33 = c, d, e or f
35. Do any of the following circumstances occur and cause problems with neighbours?	 Multiple Response a) The cat fights with other cats b) The cat eliminates in other people's garden c) The cat catches birds or other animals d) The cat lays down on or leave paw marks on cars/ baby carriages or such e) Neighbours feed the cat and lure it away f) Neighbours don't like cats g) No, none of these problems h) Other problems 	Only answer if Q6=a and Q33 = c, d, e or f

	i) Don't know	
36. Would you consider acquiring a new cat after this current one?	Single Response a) Yes b) No c) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=a a) Go to Q40 c) Go to Q40
37. Why would you not acquire a new cat?	 Multiple response a) I've lost my interest for cats b) Out of consideration for my family c) Because of other pets in the household d) I do not have the time for a cat anymore e) Because of allergy f) Practical reasons (e.g. financial circumstances) g) I/we have moved or are moving to a place where cats are not allowed h) Cats require too much commitment i) Other reasons j) Don't know 	Only answer if Q6=a and Q36 = b a) Go to Q40 b) Go to Q40 c) Go to Q40 d) Go to Q40 e) Go to Q40 f) Go to Q40 g) Go to Q40 i) Go to Q40 j) Go to Q40 j) Go to Q40
38. Have you considered acquiring a cat?	Single Response a) No, I/we are not acquiring a cat b) Yes, I/we are going to acquiring a cat c) I/we are considering acquiring a cat d) Don't know	Only if Q6=b or c b) Go to Q40 c) Go to Q40 d) Go to Q40
39. Why do you not want to acquire a cat?	Multiple Response a) I have no interest in cats b) Out of consideration for my family c) There are other pets in the household d) I don't have time for a cat e) Because of allergy f) Practical reasons (e.g. financial circumstances) g) Cats are not allowed where I live h) Cats require too much commitment i) Other reasons j) Don't know	Only answer if Q6=b or c and Q38=a
40. Would you describe yourself as a person who likes cats?	Single Response a) Yes b) No c) Neither nor	Everyone b) Go to Q42 c) Go to Q43
41. Why do you like cats?	Multiple Response a) I like their behaviour b) Cat are independent	Only answer if Q40=a a) Go to Q43

	c) Cats are kind d) Cats are clever e) Cats are entertaining f) Cats do not require much g) Cats like to play h) Cats give me companionship i) Cats can be trained j) Other reasons k) Don't know	b) Go to Q43 c) Go to Q43 d) Go to Q43 e) Go to Q43 f) Go to Q43 g) Go to Q43 h) Go to Q43 i) Go to Q43 j) Go to Q43 k) Go to Q43
42. Why do you not like cats?	 Multiple Response a) I don't like their behaviour b) Cats can spread disease c) Cats are unkind d) Cats are too independent and impossible to train e) I don't like animals in general f) Cats destroy things and furniture g) Cats are dirty/ the litter box smells badly h) Cats prey on birds and other animals i) I am afraid of cats j) Cats shed a lot k) Other reasons l) Don't know 	Only answer if Q40=b
43. Do you think it is a problem that people let their cat roam freely outside?	Single Responsea) Yesb) Noc) Neither nor	Everyone b) Go to Q45 c) Go to Q45
44. These questions are about privately owned roaming cats. Choose the answers where you AGREE.	 Multiple Response a) I think people should keep their cats inside b) I am bothered by roaming cats c) I am bothered by excrements from free roaming cats in my garden d) I consider roaming cats to be a big problem e) Roaming cats give cause to neighbour disputes f) I do not agree in any if these answers 	Only answer if Q43=a
45. These questions are about stray cats. Choose the answers where you AGREE.	Multiple Response a) I feel sorry for stray cats b) I am bothered by stray cats c) I am bothered by excrements from stray cats in my garden	Everyone

d) I try to help stray cats, e.g. by feeding them	
e) I see stray cats as a risk of infection for my	
own animals	
f) I consider stray cats to be a big problem	
g) I see stray cats as beautiful wild animals	
h) I think stray cats should be captured and	
neutralized	
i) I think stray cats should be captured and	
euthanized	
j) I don't have any opinion on these	
statements.	

Thank you for your time!