

Petfood R&D Showcase: Treats, Toppers, and Inclusions

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KSU – Pet Food Program



Welcome

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- The Pet Food Program at KSU
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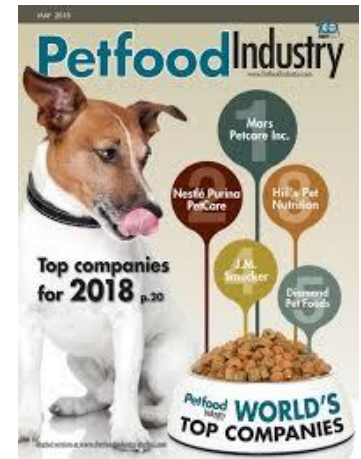
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SHOWCASE 2018



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Department of Grain Science
and Industry

Pet Food and Kansas

- Animal food industry
 - Supports 18,676 jobs in Kansas with a total economic contribution of over **\$8 B**
- Dog and cat food manufacturing industry
 - Supports 2,181 jobs in Kansas with a direct output of **\$3.12 B**
 - Indirectly, it supports 11,134 employees and a total economic contribution of **\$5.03 B**
- Animal and pet food exports
 - 4.2% (\$207 million) of total pet food production
 - 4th most exported item in the state

Pet Food Program

- Established KSU 2012
- Home: Grain Science & Industry
 - Feed Science & Mgt
- Training: Short courses, Minor, BS, MS, PhD
- Cross-campus Initiative
- ECO-DEVO support





Initiatives: Building Critical Mass

- Awareness building
- Course and curriculum
- Research capabilities – establish and expand
- Funding and support
 - Grants, contracts, fee-for-service projects
 - Sponsors and charitable contributions
- Economic development
 - Kennels, manufacturing facilities, laboratories

Cross-Functional Network

- KSU
 - *Grain Science & Industry*: Sajid Alavi, Greg Aldrich, Gordon Smith, Yonghui Li
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- AIB
 - Brian Strouts, Kathy Brower,

What are Treats, Toppers and Inclusions

- Treats
- Toppers
- Inclusions



What do we know about the category?

- Business Development
- Nutrition
- Animal Health
- Product Performance
- Home Use
- Safety
- Transport



68% of Households Own a Pet

84.6 Million Households

Pet	Households (M)	Total (M)
Dog	60.2	89.7
Cat	47.1	94.2
Fish – Fresh	12.5	139.3
Bird	7.9	20.3
Small Animal	6.7	14.0
Reptile	4.7	9.4
Equine	2.6	7.6
Fish – Salt	2.5	18.8

TABLE 2: RELATIVE USAGE RATES BY TYPE OF PET TREAT OR CHEW 2015

Type	Dogs	Cats
Standard treats	75%	78%
Dental chews	48	35
Standard chews	34	23
Pet treats with special nutrition	24	29

Source: Packaged Facts Pet Owner Survey, January 2015

US petfood market shares by product category

2013 Segment Dollar Share + YOY Growth

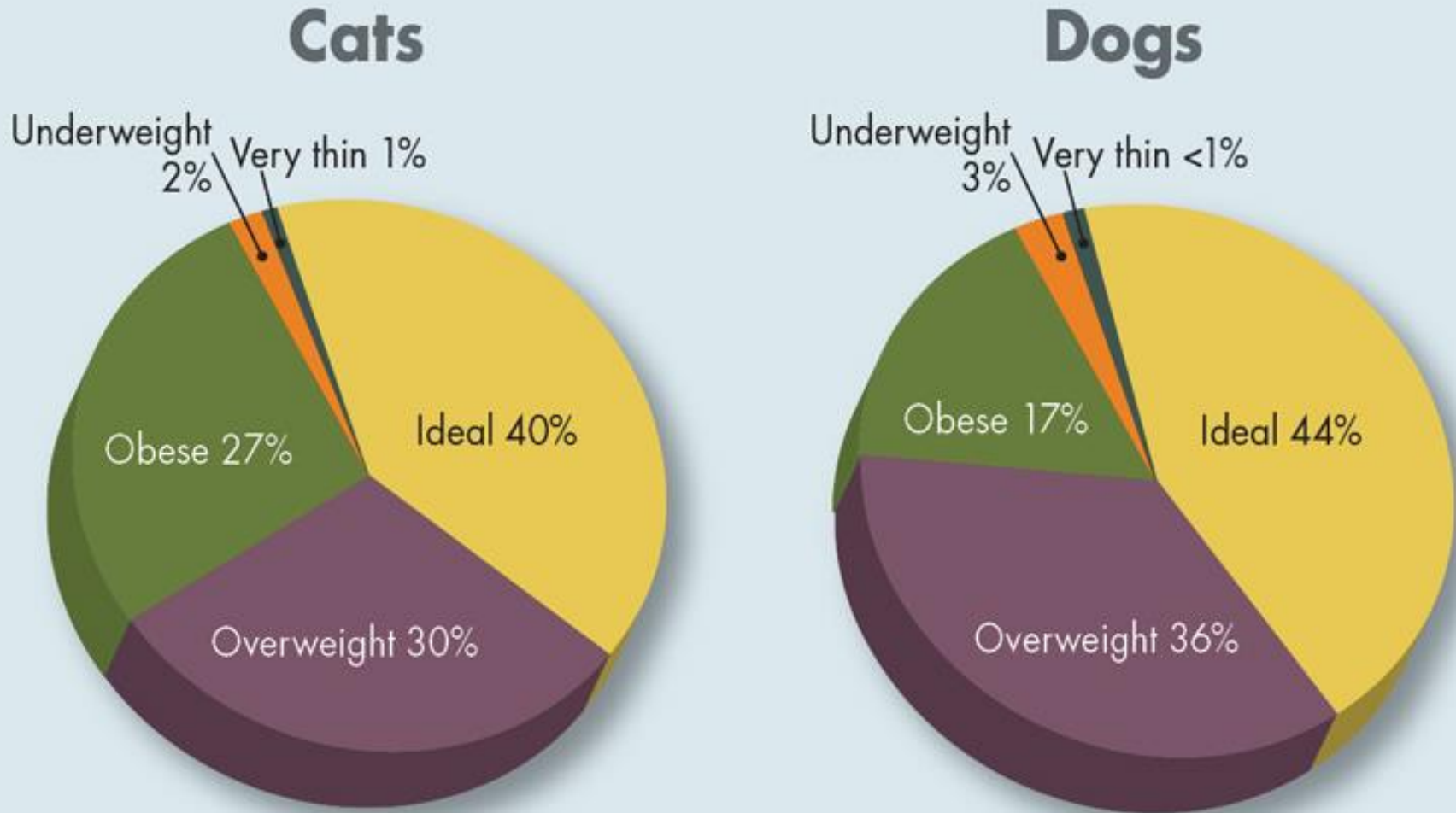


\$ Growth YOY	DOG	CAT
TOTAL	7.2%	3.6%
DRY	6.7%	2.0%
WET	7.1%	5.4%
TREATS*	10.3%	7.9%

Treats*: Pill Pocket sales included in Treat Sales

GfK, as presented by Maria Lange at Petfood Forum 2014

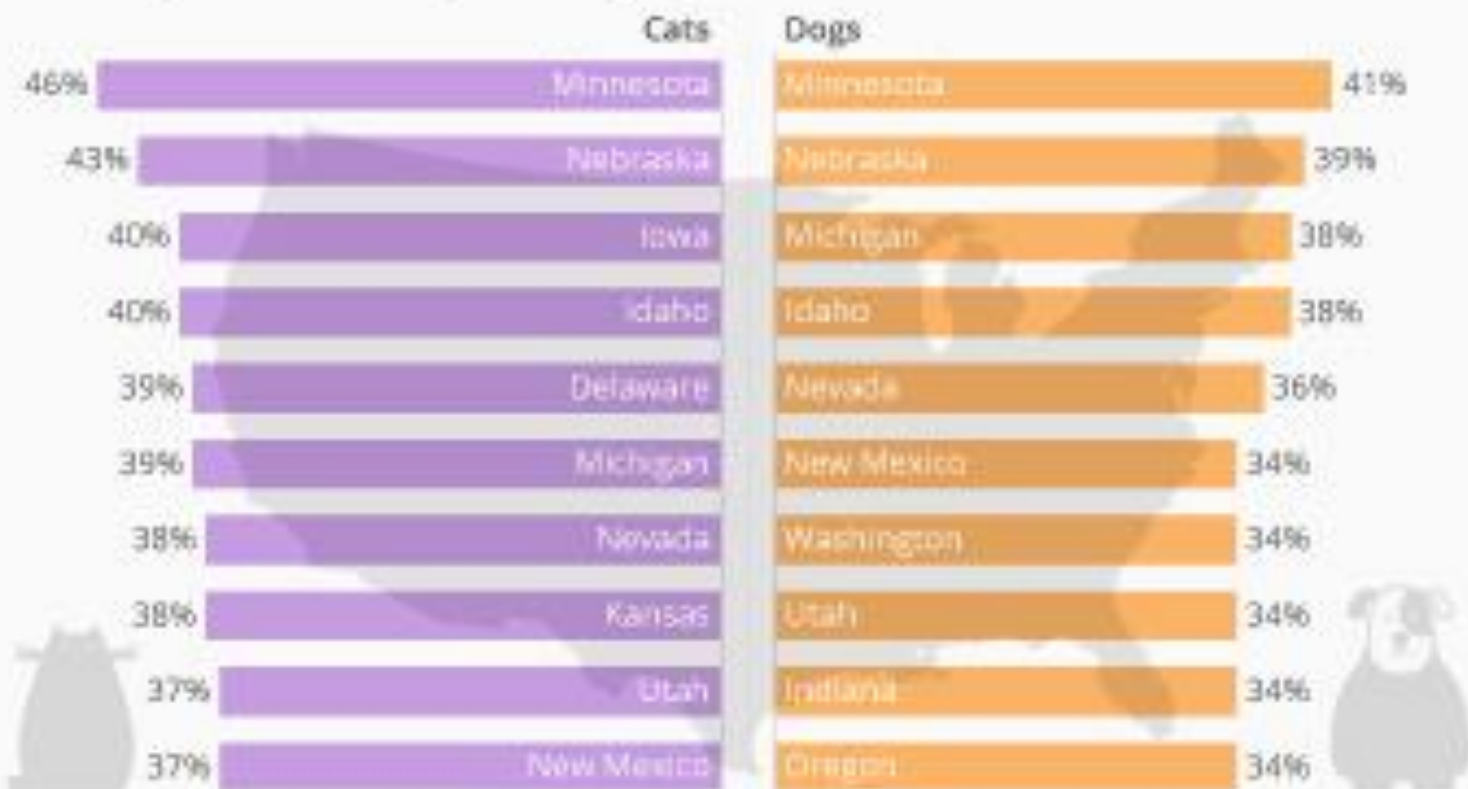
FIGURE 1: PET OBESITY IN THE US: CATS AND DOGS



Source: Association for Pet Obesity Prevention, 2013 National Pet Obesity Awareness Day Survey

The U.S. States With The Fattest Cats & Dogs

Percentage of cats and dogs overweight by state in 2017



@StatistaCharts - Source: Banfield Pet Hospital

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What do we know about the market for TTI?

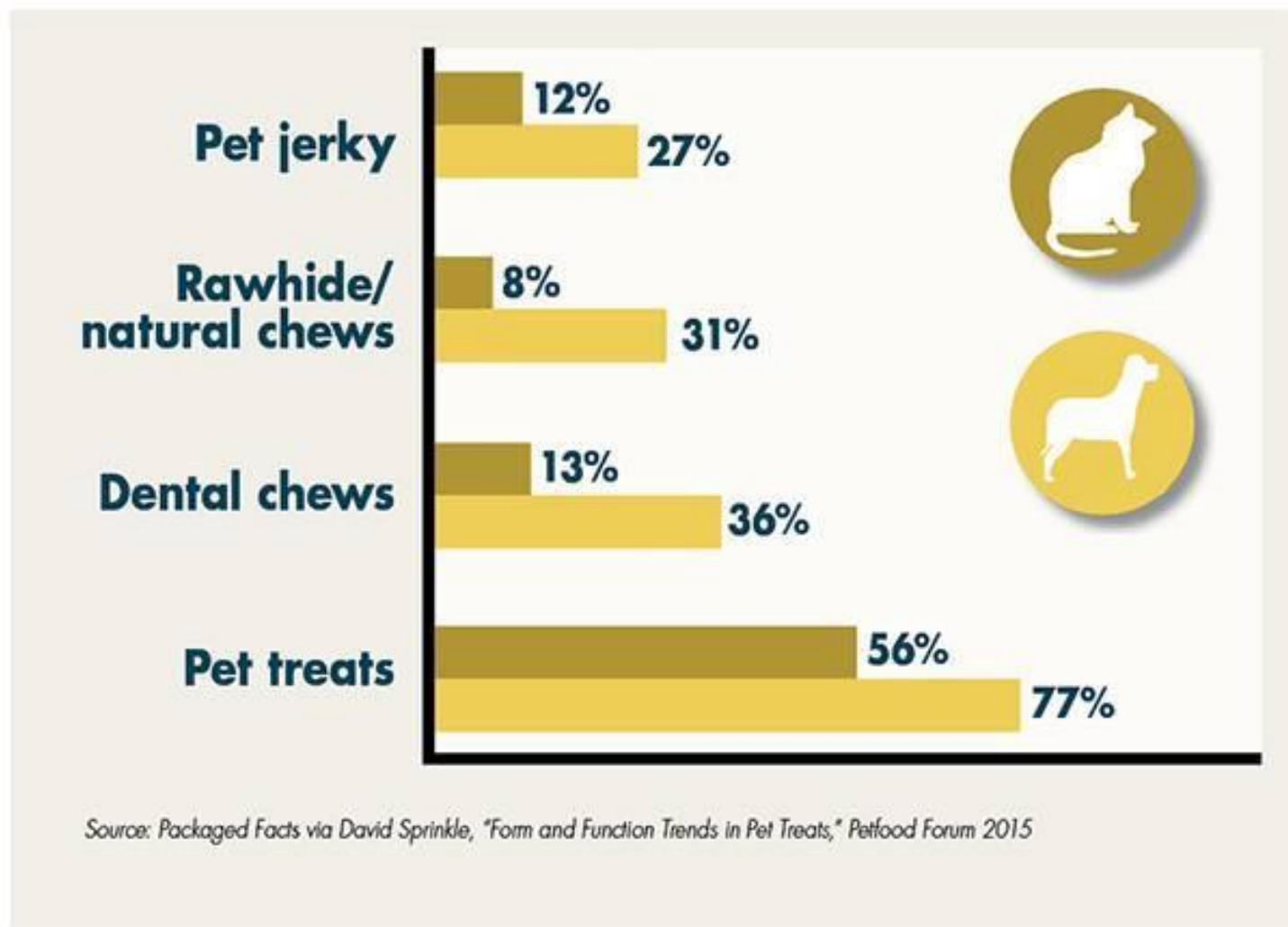
- 16% of the market (Packaged Facts, 2015)
- \$6 billion market (Packaged Facts, 2016)
- Growth of 29% between 2012-2017 (Mintel 2017)
- 9% of pet owners feed a “Topper” (Mintel, 2017)
- 24% give a treat for health benefits (Mintel, 2017)

**TABLE 1: DOG VS. CAT PET TREAT PURCHASING TRENDS
2004-2014**

	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014
 Dogs	77.2%	79.1%	79.3%	79.5%	78.6%	78.1%
 Cats	40.2	39.6	44.3	47.0	48.6	46.5

Source: Simmons Data via David Sprinkle, "Form and Function Trends in Pet Treats," Petfood Forum 2015

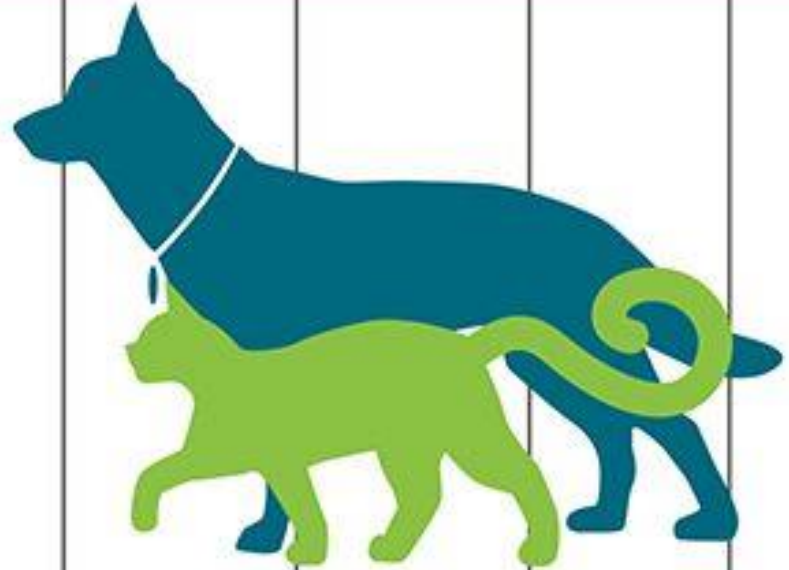
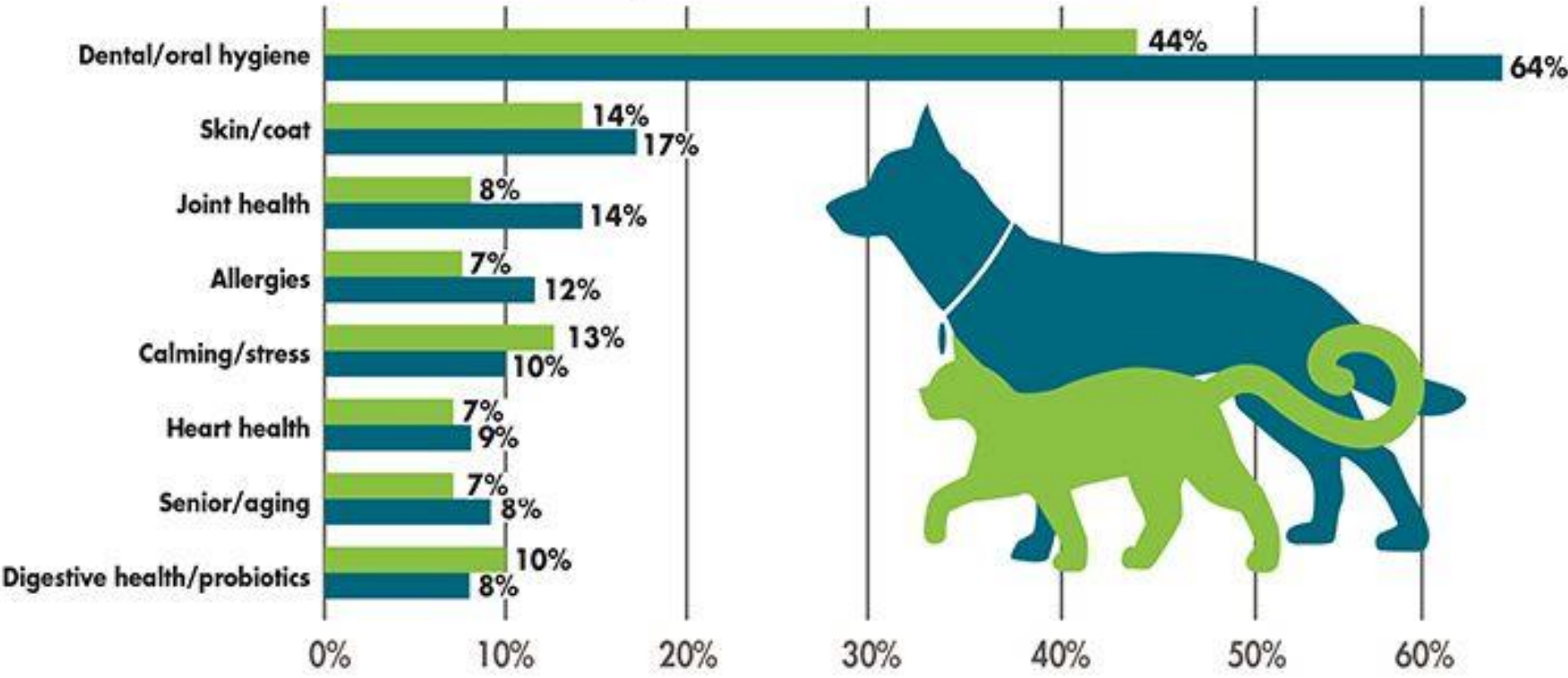
FIGURE 3: US PET TREAT PURCHASING BY TYPE 2015



Source: Packaged Facts via David Sprinkle, "Form and Function Trends in Pet Treats," Petfood Forum 2015



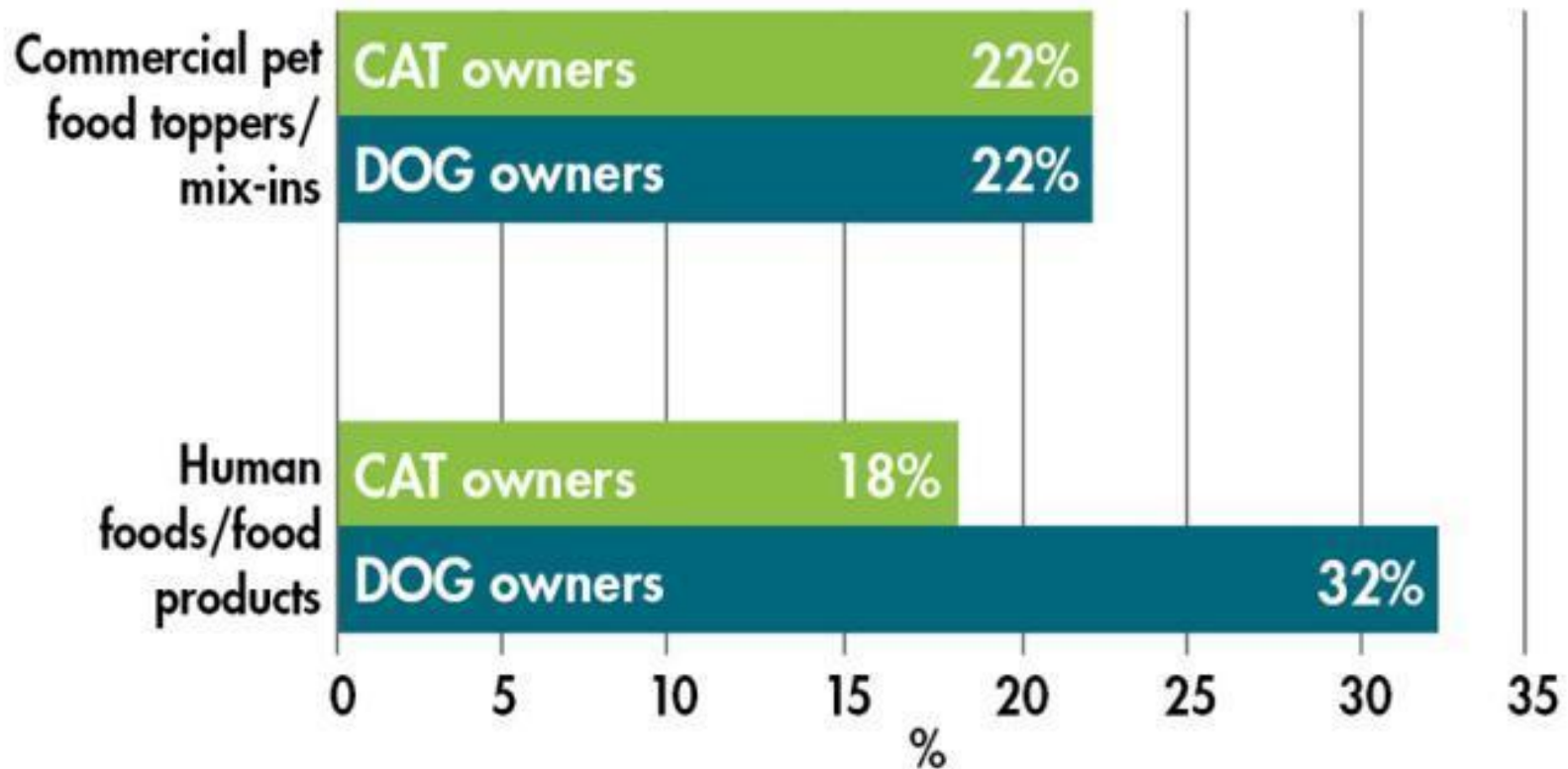
TOP HEALTH/WELLNESS CONCERNS ADDRESSED BY TREATS/CHEWS DOG OWNERS VS. CAT OWNERS, 2017



Note: Base = pet treat buyers
Source: Packaged Facts National Pet Owner Survey, June/July 2017

Dental and oral hygiene are the top health and wellness concerns dog and cat owners look for when choosing pet treats and chews by a significant margin. | Dog and cat icon courtesy of Michele [Paccione.Fotolia.com](https://www.fotolia.com)

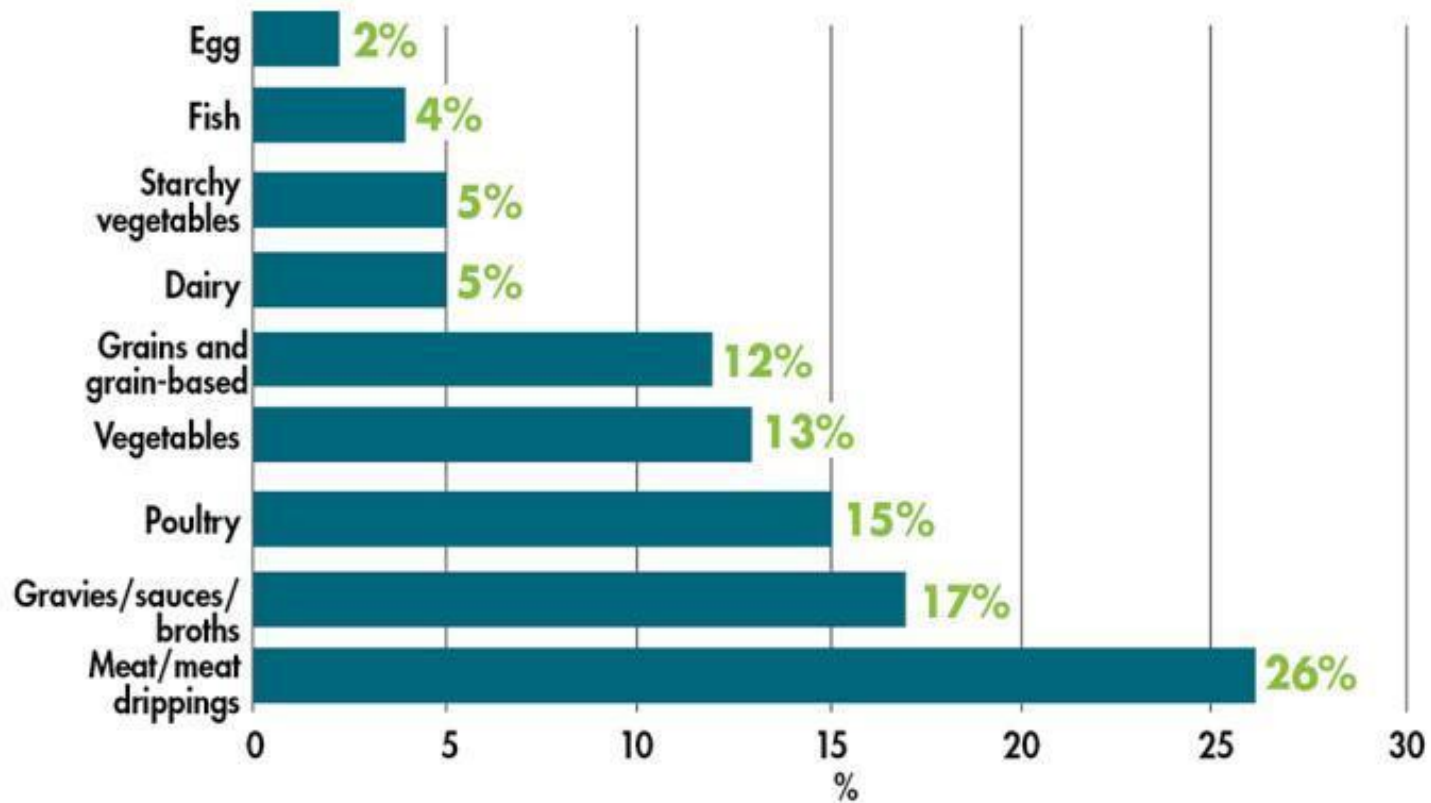
USE OF PET FOOD TOPPERS, MIX-INS OR GRAVIES/SAUCES



Source: Packaged Facts National Pet Owner Survey, December 2016



DOG OWNER USE OF PET FOOD TOPPERS, MIX-INS OR GRAVIES/SAUCES



Source: Packaged Facts National Pet Owner Survey, December 2016



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“Who’s been a good dog?” – Owner perceptions and motivations for treat giving



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“The majority (96%) of owners interviewed reported feeding treats to their dog, with 69% feeding shop-bought treats on a daily basis.”

Emotional feedback for who – dog or owner?

- Emotional response to feeding using infrared thermography (Travain et al., 2016)
- Dog eye temperature and heart rate increased during “positive stimulation” (aka food).
- Behavior “positive emotional state”

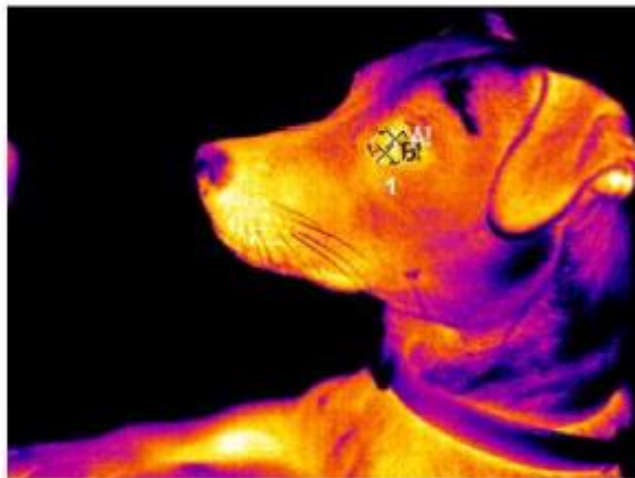


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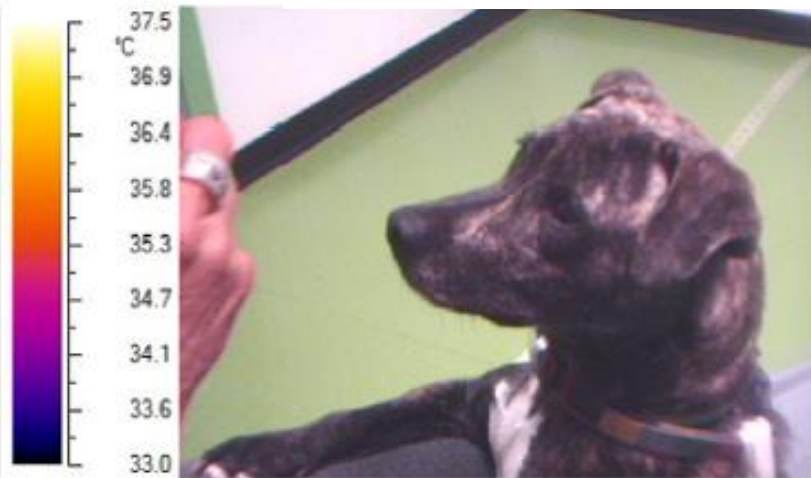


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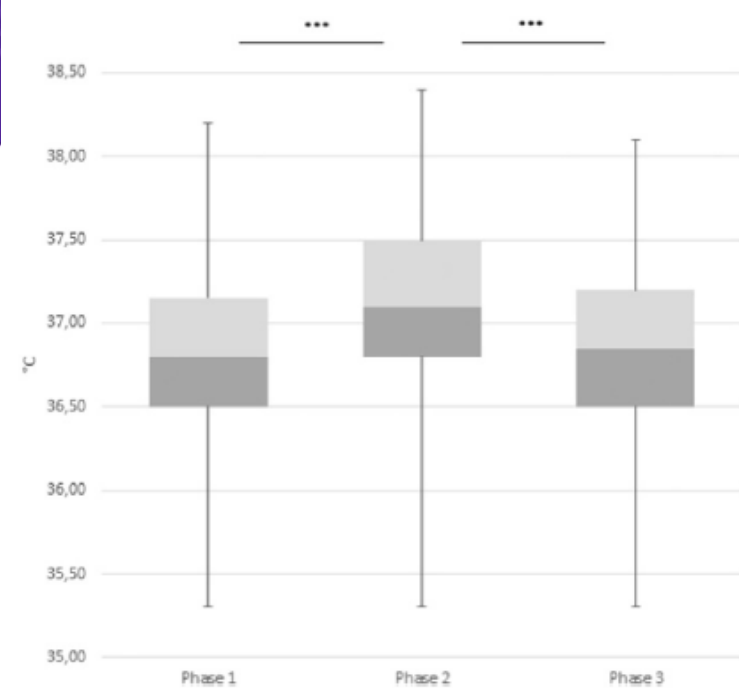


Fig. 2. Boxplot representing eye temperature (°C) exhibited by the dogs during the three phases of the experiment (1. Baseline, 2. Feeding, 3. Post-feeding). Pair-wise comparisons: ***P = 0,001.

Fig. 1. Thermographic image (photo 1) and corresponding picture (photo 2) of Easy, Staffordshire bullterrier mix, during Phase 2 (Feeding). A1 is the lacrimal caruncle and the hottest spot on the eye. B1 is the second hottest spot on the eye and it is highlighted for control purposes. 1 is the marker for the oval area traced around the eye.

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

The Occurrence and Anti-microbial Susceptibility of *Salmonellae* Isolated from Commercially Available Pig Ear Pet Treats

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Impacts

- Animal derived pet treat among dog owners.
- Animal-derived pet treat carry bacteria that can
- People can get sick from are not washed proper

FOOD SAFETY INVITED ARTICLE

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Human Health Implications of *Salmonella*-Contaminated Natural Pet Treats and Raw Pet Food

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Human salmonellosis occurs mainly as a result of cases being related to other, less well-defined organisms; however, no confirmed cases of contaminated pet treats and raw food diet making them a possible hidden source of *Salmonella* organisms by not feeding natural cases of salmonellosis or interpret surveillance



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Human Salmonellosis Associated with Animal-Derived Pet Treats --- United States and Canada, 2005

During 2004--2005, contact with *Salmonella*-contaminated pet treats of beef and seafood origin resulted in nine culture-confirmed human *Salmonella* Thompson infections in western Canada and the state of Washington. This is the third published report (1,2) of an outbreak of human illness associated with pet treats in North America and the first to describe such an outbreak in the United States. This report highlights the investigation of the outbreak by U.S. and Canadian public health officials and provides recommendations for reducing the risk that *Salmonella*-contaminated pet treats pose to humans. Public health practitioners should consider pet treats a potential source for *Salmonella* transmission.

Case Reports

Case 1. In February 2005, a man aged 26 years in Alberta, Canada, sought medical care because of diarrheal illness. Stool culture yielded *S. Thompson*. The patient reportedly had fed his dog beef pet treats a few days before the onset of his illness. The dog was asymptomatic. A package of the same brand of pet treats fed to the dog was purchased and submitted for testing. The treats yielded *S. Thompson*, *S. Cerro*, and *S. Meleagridis*. The *S. Thompson* isolates from the patient and the treats were indistinguishable (i.e., defined as the outbreak strain) by pulsed-field gel electrophoresis (PFGE) using *Xba*I. The treats were packaged and distributed by a British Columbia (BC) manufacturing plant, but plant records were inadequate to determine where the treats had been produced.

Case 2. In February 2005, a woman aged 37 years in BC sought medical care because of diarrheal illness. Stool culture yielded *S. Thompson*. The patient reportedly had fed her dog salmon pet treats a few days before the onset of her illness. The dog also had a diarrheal illness, but specimens were not collected. The remaining pet treats were collected from the patient's house for testing. The treats yielded *S. Thompson*. Isolates of *S. Thompson* from the patient and treats were indistinguishable from each other and from the outbreak strain by PFGE. The salmon treats originated from a Washington manufacturing plant. The treats were imported into Canada, labeled, and distributed for sale in BC and Alberta by the same BC manufacturing plant identified in case 1.

Case 3. In March 2005, a woman aged 81 years in Washington sought medical care because of diarrheal illness, fever, and vomiting. The patient was hospitalized



Acquired proximal renal tubulopathy in dogs exposed to a common dried chicken treat: retrospective study of 108 cases (2007–2009)

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Background Proximal renal tubulopathy was reported in Australian dogs with markedly increased frequency from September 2007.

Methods Two veterinarian-completed surveys were launched in response to an increased incidence of acquired proximal renal tubulopathy in dogs. The selection criterion for inclusion was glucosuria with blood glucose <10 mmol/L. Data collected included signalment, presenting signs, history of feeding treats, results of urinalysis and blood tests, treatment and time to resolution of clinical signs.

or amoxicillin.⁴ Acquired proximal renal tubulopathy has also been reported in dogs with primary hypoparathyroidism,⁵ hepatic copper toxicoses,^{6,7} hereditary renal disease,^{8,9} leptospirosis¹⁰ and more recently, chicken jerky treats.¹¹ Glucosuria in the absence of hyperglycaemia is a distinct feature of proximal renal tubulopathy, so the condition is readily identified by urine and blood tests.

Proximal renal tubulopathy in Australian dogs was being reported with increased frequency from September 2007. All dogs had been fed KraMar Supa Naturals Chicken Breast Strips, made in China, intro-

ORIGINAL ARTICLE**WILEY**

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Preference ranking procedure proposal for dogs: A preliminary study

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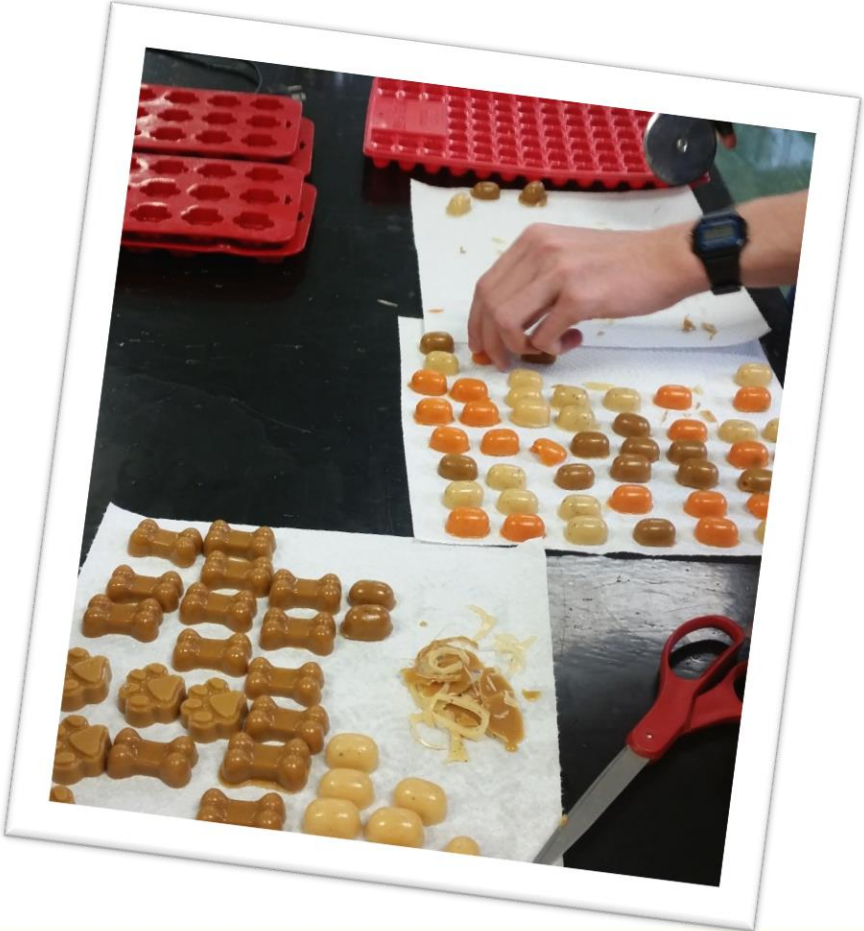
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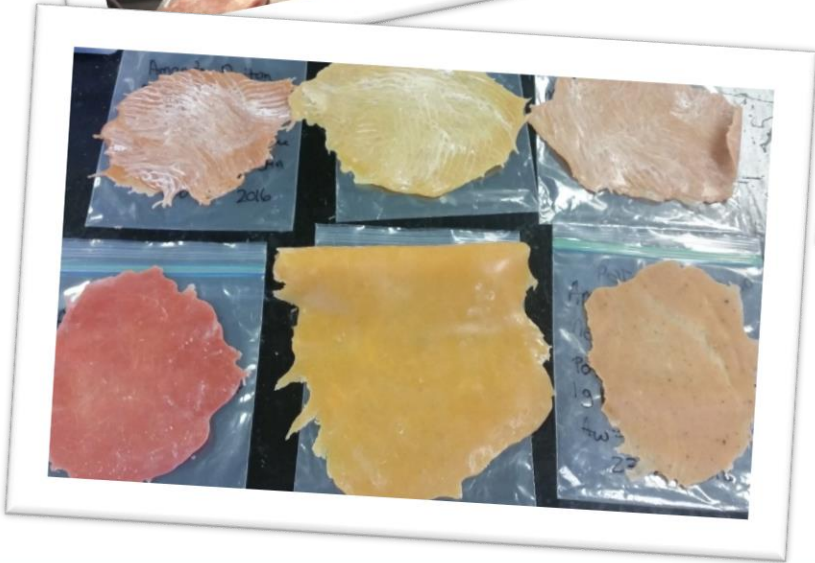
Abstract

In the pet food industry, single-bowl or two-bowl methods traditionally are used to determine food acceptance or preference by pets. To increase efficiency of preference testing, and to provide more options for preference testing, a preference ranking procedure is proposed. The ranking procedure includes simultaneous presentation of five samples of edible treats. This increases the efficiency and reduces the time of preference testing. A preliminary test of the procedure with 12 beagle dogs was conducted. Each animal was presented with five treats, in an identical, coded rubber puzzle toy, or "Kong." Five phases were included in the test, each lasted 5 days. Phase 1 included training with commercial treats. Phases 2–4 used lab-baked treats with five different ingredients in each category (fats, starches, and proteins, respectively) of a base recipe. Phase 5 included testing with commercial foods. The order and time of treat selection by dogs was recorded. Results showed this small sample of animals generally ranked 1–2 flavors above others, indicating that this procedure could be a more efficient method to determine preference than traditional test methods since more samples can be evaluated simultaneously. More research is needed to verify the method.

What work have we done at KSU







Injection Molding





Events & Short Courses



- 2019
 - *January 14-18* Pet Food Formulation for Commercial Production – KSU (IGP; GRSC 750)
 - *April 29* Pet Food Innovation Workshop: Clean Label Technology – KSU-Olathe
 - *April 30- May 1* Petfood Forum – Kansas City
 - *August 12* KSU Pet Food Workshop
 - *August 13-16* Extrusion Workshop
 - *October tbd* Pet Food R&D Showcase

What Next?

