

Wag Stats

We set out to discover the ins and outs of the unique relationships we have with our pets. And we learned a lot, including just how much we love them. After all, there isn't much we wouldn't do to make our pets happy—whether we're sneaking them a bite of steak, giving them the occasional pooch smoothie or taking them on our favorite hiking trails.

But to ensure your pet can safely experience life by your side, it's important to learn about diseases like Lyme and leptospirosis and how vaccines can help protect them.

Because vaccinated pets are the happiest pets.



We aren't afraid to spoil our pets



We know them better than anyone else

HOW WE DESCRIBE OUR PETS:



LYME FACT:
Ticks can be tiny. Our pets come in a variety of shapes, sizes and personalities. But ticks? They come in two—tiny and evil. A tick nymph can be the size of a poppy seed.

IT'S TRUE—WE ALL THINK OUR PETS ARE THE SMARTEST

WE WON'T BE CROSSING THESE PETS ANYTIME SOON

OUR PETS' FAVORITE MUSIC (ACCORDING TO US):



LEPTO FACT:
Diagnosis can be tricky. Not only is it tricky to rock a rhyme, it's also tricky to diagnose leptospirosis. This leads to many cases going undetected, making prevention crucial.

"WHO LET THE DOGS OUT" IS, OF COURSE, OUR PETS' FAVORITE SONG

DO WE BELIEVE OUR PETS WOULD SAVE OUR LIVES IF WE WERE IN DANGER?



LYME FACT:
Ticks can take the cold. Going on a winter vacation? Ticks will be waiting for you when you get back. Adult deer ticks have been known to survive freezing temps.¹

And we don't mind breaking a sweat with our pet

WHICH ACTIVITIES DO PETS PARTICIPATE IN WITH US?



LEPTO FACT:
All it takes is a few minutes. From the backwoods to their backyards, dogs love to explore. But did you know transmission from leptospirosis can occur when a dog spends just a few minutes outside?

Or taking them on a relaxing getaway



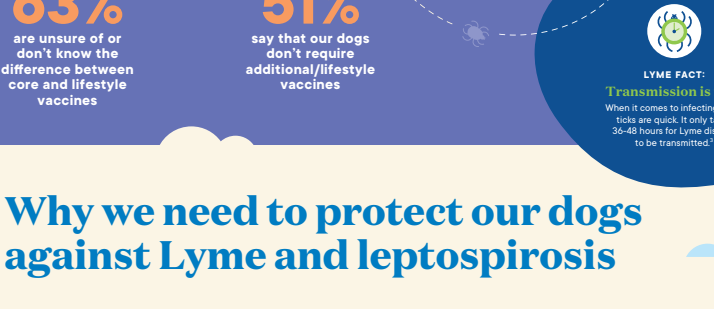
It's true—we would do just about anything for our four-legged friends

83% of us say our pets are our ride or die

And while we take our pets' well-being very seriously...



...we need to be aware of the everyday dangers they may run into



LYME FACT:
Transmission is fast. When it comes to infecting dogs, ticks are quick. It only takes 30–48 hours for Lyme disease to be transmitted.²

Why we need to protect our dogs against Lyme and leptospirosis

LYME DISEASE

WHAT | A dangerous disease caused by exposure to infected ticks, leading to lameness, fever, joint swelling and loss of appetite

HOW | Dogs become infected when they're bitten by infected ticks, which can happen in urban or suburban areas

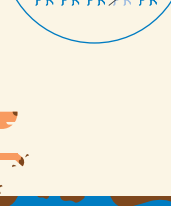
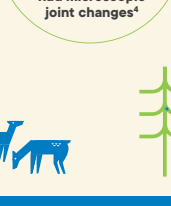
PREVENTION | Use tick control and vaccinate your dog

LEPTOSPIROSIS

WHAT | A serious and potentially fatal infection caused by the bacteria from the urine of infected animals, which can lead to vomiting, anorexia, lethargy, and kidney and liver damage

HOW | Dogs are infected by ingesting water, soil or food contaminated with infected animals' urine (gross!)

PREVENTION | If there is wildlife in your area, vaccinate your dog



If your dog enjoys any of these routine activities, they're at risk for infection—regardless of where they live

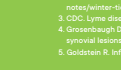
- Going on walks outside
- Playing in the backyard
- Spending time in areas where you've seen squirrels, small rodents or deer
- Interacting with other dogs at doggy daycare or the dog park
- Getting their paws dirty from mud or puddles outside

LEPTO FACT:
Potential carriers are everywhere. The number of places where leptospirosis infections can occur is in the billions.

But that doesn't mean the outdoors has to be dangerous for your dog. With the right measures, there's nothing you and your pup can't do together. Because...

Vaccinated pets have more fun!

Life is an adventure, and it's best enjoyed with a happy, healthy and vaccinated canine companion or feline friend.



STAY ONE STEP AHEAD OF THE SPREAD WITH ANNUAL VACCINATIONS

Ask your vet about pure, safe and effective vaccines like Elanco's TruCan™ Ultra and give your pet a more comfortable vaccination experience.

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