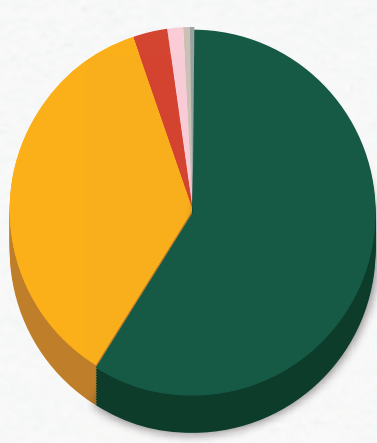




Guide To moving

WITH A PET

Breakdown of Common Household Pets



70.7% of households have at least one dog.



42.9% of households have at least one cat.



6.3% of households have an animal not listed.



3.7% of households have at least one bird.



1.7% of households have at least one horse.



0.8% of households have at least one guinea pig.

Biggest Concerns About Moving with Pet(s)

50%

Safety

27%

Planning logistics

7%

No concerns

7%

Other

6%

Cultural differences/pet
friendliness of destination

3%

Timing of the move

Before the Move

- ☒ Schedule a checkup with your pet's vet and stock up on medications.
- ☒ Gather all copies of medical, vaccination and prescription records if seeing a new vet.
- ☒ Research any breed restrictions or pet requirements in the new area.
- ☒ Take a tour of the prospective neighborhood to determine whether pets will be safe.
- ☒ Look for unattended or aggressive dogs and other possible dangers.
- ☒ Bear in mind how the stairs, backyard and other factors will affect your pet.



- ☒ Ensure your pets are microchipped and fitted with collars and ID tags.
- ☒ Address car sickness with vet-approved medications and feeding recommendations.
- ☒ Reserve pet-friendly hotel rooms if traveling long-distance.
- ☒ Acclimate your pets to being in a crate in the time leading up to the move.

During the Move

- ☒ Confine your pet in the crate or in a closed room on moving day to reduce stress.
- ☒ Consider using a vet-approved sedative, pheromones or another calming product.
- ☒ Pack a box of pet essentials and keep it close at hand.
- ☒ Load your pet into the vehicle last.
- ☒ Transport cats, small dogs and other small animals in appropriate pet carriers.
- ☒ Keep larger dogs leashed or in a well-fitted harness at all times.
- ☒ Never put a pet in an open truck bed, closed trunk or storage area of a moving van.
- ☒ Secure the pet with a seatbelt buckle rather than letting it roam freely in the vehicle.
- ☒ Plan for frequent stops for fresh water and potty breaks.
- ☒ Hire a moving crew to take care of the heavy lifting so you can focus more on your pet.

After the Move



- ☒ Pet-proof your new home while cleaning up any debris and cleaning supplies.
- ☒ Allow the pet to adjust to the new home by starting in just one room.

- ☒ Furnish this "comfort zone" with favorite toys, water and food bowls, a litter box, etc.



- ☒ Get back into your old routine ASAP.

- ☒ Introduce the pet to the other rooms gradually once settled.

- ☒ Relocate the litter box to its permanent location over time.



- ☒ Be prepared for an accident in the house as your pet adjusts to the new environment.

- ☒ Update your pet's microchip and tags with the new address.
- ☒ Watch for unusual behavior or lasting signs of anxiety.

- ☒ Give your pet extra attention to help it feel comfortable and more at home.