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Risk factors for underweight and overweight in cats in metropolitan Sydney, Australia

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Abstract

Obesity is regarded as one of the most significant welfare issues in companion animals. Some risk factors affecting body condition in cats have been determined, but many remain controversial. The current study aimed to investigate the risk factors for overweight and underweight in cats in metropolitan Sydney. Electronic patient records for 11 years (2005-2015) were acquired from a feline primary practice in metropolitan Sydney. The 9-point BCS evaluation in each visit was classified into three groups: underweight (1-3), ideal-weight (4-6) and overweight (7-9). Multinomial

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