

Claims

Top Claims in Dogs*

As dogs age, they become prone to expensive accidents and illnesses. With an Embrace plan, pet parents don't have to worry about how costly a veterinary procedure can be.

Top 5 Illness and Injury Claims in Dogs:

- Diarrhea
- Otitis Externa (ear infection)
- Vomiting
- Dermatitis
- Urinary Tract Infection

Recognizable Symptoms

Below are signs and symptoms for some of the most common ailments. If ever in doubt about a pet's behavior, seeking veterinary help as quickly as possible is highly recommended.

Diarrhea

Diarrhea in dogs can be caused by a variety of factors, ranging from diet to parasites. Common symptoms to look out for include:

- Loose and watery stools
- Vomiting
- Abdominal discomfort or pain
- Lethargy or fatigue
- Reduced appetite
- Weight loss

Otitis Externa

Otitis Externa is an inflammation of the outer ear canal in dogs, caused by allergies, foreign objects or bacteria. Common symptoms to look out for include:

- Discharge from the ear (yellow to brown) causing crusting around the opening of the ears
- Redness and swelling of the external ear area
- Unpleasant odor coming from the ears
- Hair loss in and around affected area
- Pawing at the affected ear(s)
- Head shaking and scratching
- Loss of balance or unsteady gait

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Vomiting

Vomiting in dogs can be caused by a variety of things such as dietary issues, parasites, and various diseases. Common symptoms to look out for include:

- Abnormal salivation
- Diarrhea
- Loss of appetite
- Bloody or dark vomit
- Weakness or lethargy
- Abdominal discomfort

Dermatitis

Dermatitis in dogs is an inflammation of the skin caused by allergies, parasites, or environmental irritants. Common symptoms to look out for include:

- Skin lesions due to excessive licking and scratching
- Swelling, bumps or scabs on the skin
- Excessive scratching and itching
- Redness and irritation on the skin
- Greasy coat with a strong odor
- Hair loss

Urinary Tract Infections

A urinary tract infection (UTI) is an infection caused by microbial organisms (usually bacteria) found in any part of the urinary tract. UTIs are common in both dogs and cats, though their causes differ significantly. Common symptoms to look out for include:

- Whining when going to the bathroom
- Obsessive licking in the genital area
- Blood in urine/cloudy urine
- Frequent urination
- Straining to urinate
- Fever

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Top Claims in Cats*

It's common for our furry feline friends to share many of the same health issues as dogs, but their cost of treatment and symptoms may differ.

Top 5 Cat Illness and Injury Claims:

- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Urinary Tract Infection
- Weight Loss
- Otitis Externa (ear infection)

Vomiting

Vomiting in cats is a common symptom of digestive upset and can be caused by dietary issues, parasites, or various diseases. Common symptoms for vomiting in cats include:

- Loss of appetite
- Abnormal salivation
- Bloody or dark vomit
- Weakness or lethargy
- Abdominal discomfort

Diarrhea

Diarrhea in cats is usually caused by dietary changes, parasites, or illnesses and can cause a variety of symptoms. Common symptoms to look out for include:

- Abdominal discomfort or pain
- Loose and watery stools
- Lethargy or fatigue
- Reduced appetite
- Weight loss
- Vomiting

Urinary Tract Infection

Urinary Tract Infection (UTI) in cats is a common condition, usually caused by bacteria or other organisms that enter the urinary system. Symptoms of UTI in cats include:

- Frequent trips to the litter box with little output
- Urinating outside of litter box
- Pain and straining while urinating
- Excessive licking of genitals
- Loss of appetite
- Difficulty urinating
- Blood in urine

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Weight Loss

Weight loss in cats can be caused by various diseases, dietary issues, and parasites. Common symptoms to look out for include:

- Abdominal discomfort or pain
- Reduced activity or lethargy
- Drastic change in weight
- Loss of appetite
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea

Otitis Externa

Otitis Externa is an inflammation of the outer ear canal in cats, which can be caused by allergies, foreign objects, or bacteria. Common symptoms to look out for include:

- Discharge from the ear (yellow to brown) causing crusting around opening of ears
- Unpleasant odor coming from the ears
- Pawing at the affected ear(s)
- Redness and swelling of external ear area
- Head shaking and scratching
- Hair loss in and around affected area
- Loss of balance or unsteady gait

Pet insurance is a safety net that protects pet parents from the burden of costly veterinary bills. These incidents are not predictable, but having knowledge of these common claims and symptoms means you'll know what to expect when these situations arise. The team at Embrace understands the bond between pet and pet parent. They want the very best for your furry family members, which is why they consistently rank as one of the highest-rated pet insurance companies in the U.S., offering one comprehensive, personalized insurance plan for dogs and cats.

*Based on 2022 Embrace Pet Insurance claims data.