

## How Much Does it Cost to Feed My Cat? COST COMPARISON TABLES

### Type/Distribution Coding

Supermarket/Feed Store

Pet Store/Specialty

Grain-free

Raw – excluding shipping

Raw – including estimated shipping & handling (rates will vary depending on location)

Notes to Combined (Dry, Canned, Commercial Raw) Cost Comparison Table:

1) For one 10 pound cat. Lowest-end of manufacturer recommended daily allowance when a range is provided is used as the RDA. When 10 pounds is the high-end of a weight range, the high-end RDA is used. When 10 pounds is inside of a weight range, the relative amount to where the weight falls in the range is used. Numbers may reflect rounding. Raw-fed cats require between 2% - 4% of their body weight in food daily; as the low-end of a range is used for commercial canned and kibble, 2% of body weight is used as RDA for feeding raw.

1a) ZiwiPeak raw RDA is 1.7oz per 10 pound cat.

2) Based on dry food RDA, usually provided in cups or portions thereof, not weight. Some companies provide weight per cup; when the weight of a cup is not provided, it is estimated.

3) Priced at <http://www.petfooddirect.com> unless not offered by that online distributor. Excludes price discounts for autoshipping options and does not reflect sale pricing. Assumes free shipping other than where indicated for raw products. (Commercial raw products are presented both with and without shipping & handling charges).

3a) Priced at <http://www.k9cuisine.com>

3b) Priced at <http://www.petsmart.com>

4) Ash is assumed to be 7% in dry foods when not provided.

5) Ash content is assumed to be 2.5% in canned foods when not provided.

6) Online Sources:

6a) Petsmart brand. Priced at <http://www.petsmart.com>.

6b) Priced at manufacturer website.

6c) Priced at <http://www.amazon.com>

6d) Petco brand. Priced at <http://www.petco.com>

6e) Priced at <http://www.naturalk9supplies.com>.

6f) Priced at <http://www.onlynaturalpet.com>.

7) S&C frozen is only available as marketed for dogs, but it is supplemented with taurine sufficient for cats, and 95% meat/bones/organs.