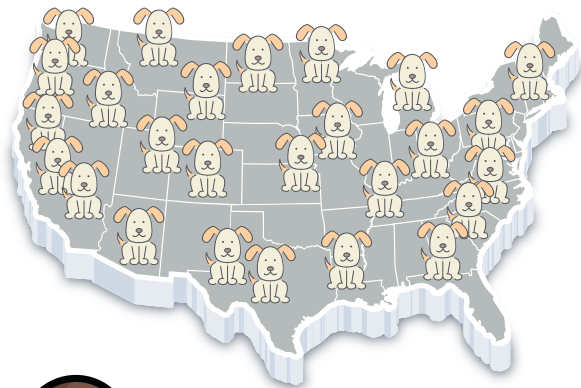


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One-third of all Homeowners Liability is attributed to Dog Bites.

Number of dogs in the United States

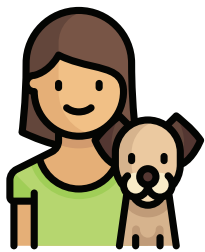
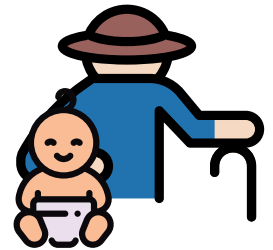
89.7 million¹



Number of dog bites annually in the United States

4.5 million²

Children are the **most frequent** victims of dog bites and are far more likely to be severely injured. **Senior citizens** are the second most common dog bite victims.³



36.5%

of U.S. households own at least one dog²

Most dog bites involve dogs who are **not spayed or neutered**³



Average cost paid out for dog bite claims in 2017

\$37,051⁴

Nationally, the average cost of a claim has risen more than **90%** from 2003 to 2017, due to increased medical costs as well as the size of the settlements.⁴



Top Tips After a Bite

- Address medical needs immediately. Gently clean the bite with soap and water. Apply bandage or clean towel to stop any bleeding. Seek medical attention to prevent infection or other complications.
- Take photographs to document the bite.
- If possible, exchange information with the dog's owner to easily contact them later.
- If there are witnesses, obtain their contact information. This is helpful if you need to file an insurance claim.
- File a report with local animal control or other authorities to document history for the dog.



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