

= Cat Daddy =

" Cat Daddy " is a 2011 song by American Hip hop group The Rej3ctz . It is based on a dance of the same name and is from the 2010 mixtape TheFUNKtion vs theKICKback . " Cat Daddy " was a MTV Jams " Jam Of The Week " in January 2011 . It was released for digital download on February 16 , 2011 on iTunes and subsequently charted on several Billboard charts , including the Hot R & B / Hip @-@ Hop Songs chart , where it spent fourteen weeks and eventually peaked at number 77 , after being re @-@ released on June 27 , 2011 .

Chris Brown performed the Cat Daddy dance during the 106 & Park 10th Anniversary special in October 2010 . Brown was the featured dance performer on the song 's official video , which as of November 12 , 2015 has over 99 million YouTube views . A Cat Daddy 2 @.@ 0 video by Mario Van Peebles preceded the re @-@ release of the song and was associated with the movie We the Party . Several notable celebrities have been filmed doing the dance , including Justin Bieber and Selena Gomez . The dance is described as a combination of buckling a seatbelt and rolling a wheelchair .

The song and dance became a viral video in May 2012 when then @-@ current Sports Illustrated Swimsuit Issue cover model Kate Upton posted a video of her bikini @-@ clad rendition of the dance on YouTube , causing YouTube to temporarily ban the video . The propriety of the YouTube ban was hotly debated with articles in many top @-@ tier publications including the Los Angeles Times , The Washington Post and the Daily News as well as leading news services such as ABC News and Fox News . Her video has about 25 @.@ 7 million YouTube views , as of November 12 , 2015 .

= = Release = =

The " Cat Daddy " dance was originated by The Rej3ctz group member Reject Sam before the group linked it to the song . The song came from a 2010 mixtape entitled TheFUNKtion vs theKICKback , which is sometimes just referred to as The FUNKtion . In late 2010 and 2011 , Chris Brown popularized the Cat Daddy dance after performing it in the official video . On October 6 , 2010 , Brown performed the Cat Daddy on 106 & Park for their 10 @-@ year anniversary show . Then , the Rej3ctz released a video of the song , featuring Brown dancing , that was produced at Venice Beach on or before August 2010 .

The song was released February 16 , 2011 as a music download on iTunes . According to Thomas Clayton of The Daily Rind , the song had 14 @,@ 000 downloads on iTunes in its first week and the video had 9 million pageviews at the time . By April 20 , 2011 , the official video had 21 million pageviews . As of November 12 , 2015 the original December 2 , 2010 upload of the official video has over 81 @.@ 9 million YouTube views , while an alternate March 9 , 2011 upload of the video has an additional 17 @.@ 4 million plus views .

In April 2011 , Mario Van Peebles produced a " Cat Daddy 2 @.@ 0 " video that included appearances of several artist playing parody roles of themselves like actor and singer Quincy , rapper YG and entertainer Carlos Olivero . The video was associated with the release of Van Peebles ' movie We the Party and the story behind The Rej3ctz ' audition for it . The video shows how The Rej3ctz anticipated succeeding in their auditions , but realized that the competition was stiffer than expected . They were rejected until Van Peebles ' kids got Mario to ask them to perform their song and dance . The video was Van Peebles ' first music video . The song was re @-@ released on iTunes on June 27 , 2011 .

= = = Reception = = =

Billboard described the song as a " low @-@ slung " . MostlyJunkFood.com described the song and video as " another one of those weak on lyrical content , but making up for it with a bangin beat and some standard Chris Breezy dancin ? abouts " . In January 2011 , the song was recognized by MTV Jams as the " Jam Of The Week " . Although the song only spent one week on the Billboard Hot 100 , peaking at number 97 on June 18 , 2011 , it spent fourteen weeks on the Hot R & B / Hip @-@

Hop Songs chart peaking at 77 on July 16 , 2011 and was listed on the Top Heatseekers list for eleven weeks , peaking at number 12 on June 18 , 2011 .

== Production background ==

The original video was directed by Alex Nazari . TheFUNKtion vs theKICKback mixtape that included " Cat Daddy " was produced by JHawk .

== Kate Upton videos ==

Kate Upton , who in February 2012 was the cover model for the Sports Illustrated Swimsuit Issue , recorded a video of the Dougie that went viral and garnered over 5 million hits in April 2011 . She announced her intention to release a video performance of the Cat Daddy when she served as grand marshal for the 2012 Daytona 500 . The video of Upton dancing on a break between photo shots was posted online on April 30 .

After garnering close to 1 million hits in the first 24 hours , YouTube banned Kate Upton 's version of the dance from their site for being too risqué . After some deliberation about whether it " violated the website 's rules on nudity and sexual content " the video was restored to their website . Upton 's Cat Daddy video clip was a part of Terry Richardson 's vlog . Richardson has a reputation for " raunchy " artwork . According to the Los Angeles Times the video was removed on May 1 , 2012 while the Daily News reported its removal was May 2 .

Both agree that the video was restored late on May 2 , although Fox News reports that it was initially restored with an age restriction . During the YouTube ban , Upton 's Cat Daddy gained exposure at Vimeo when Richardson uploaded it there in response to the ban . As of November 12 , 2015 , her version of the dance has received about 25 @. @ 7 million YouTube views .

Following Upton 's April 30 rendition , The Rej3ctz were impressed enough with Upton that they attempted to contact her regarding future collaboration ( s ) . On the June 21 , 2012 edition of Late Night with Jimmy Fallon she performed a fully clothed rendition of the " Cat Daddy " alongside Fallon . Prior to performing the dance she described the movements of the dance as buckling a seatbelt and rolling a wheelchair . YouTube now hosts videos of numerous celebrities doing the Cat Daddy including Selena Gomez and Justin Bieber .

== Track listing ==

== Chart performance ==

== Release history ==