

Today there are about 100 distinct breeds of the domestic cat.

In relation to their body size, cats have the largest eyes of any mammal.

Cats take between 20-40 breaths per minute.

Blue-eyed, pure white cats are frequently deaf.

The smallest pedigreed cat is a Singapura, which can weigh just 4 lbs (1.8 kg), or about five large cans of cat food. The largest pedigreed cats are Maine Coon cats, which can weigh 25 lbs (11.3 kg), or nearly twice as much as an average cat weighs.