

# How Can I Tell If My Pet Is Overweight?

Body condition scoring is a way to determine if a pet is underweight, ideal weight, or overweight. Discuss your pet's current and ideal weight with your veterinarian.

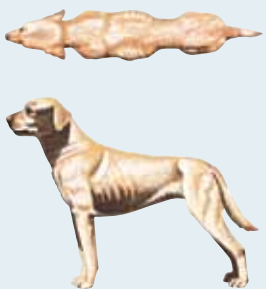
**DOGS**

**BODY CONDITION SCORE**

**CATS**



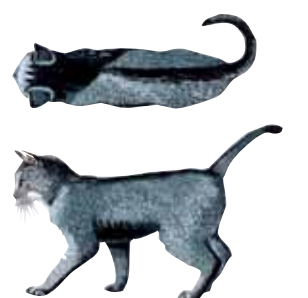
**1. VERY THIN**  
Severely defined ribs and waist.



**2. THIN**  
Easily visible ribs and waist.



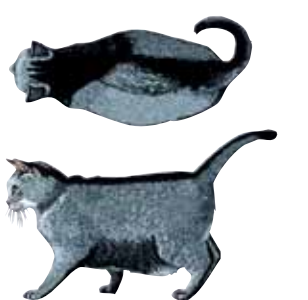
**3. IDEAL WEIGHT**  
Ribs easily felt, but not seen.  
Obvious waist.



**4. OVERWEIGHT**  
Ribs not easily seen nor felt.



**5. OBESE**  
Waist absent.



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