**Supplementary Table S1.** Number of people in their closest social circle and social support, loneliness, and mental well-being scores between pet owners.

| | Group | Mean | SD | Median | Range |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **People in the closest social circle** | Cat owner | 10.2 | 5.52 | 9 | 1-30 |
| | Dog owner | 9.9 | 5.79 | 9 | 1-30 |
| **Social support** | Cat owner | 75.3 | 18.4 | 79 | 26-95 |
| | Dog owner | 80.4 | 13.0 | 84 | 34-95 |
| **Loneliness** | Cat owner | 21.5 | 6.58 | 20 | 10-40 |
| | Dog owner | 19.8 | 5.24 | 19 | 10-34 |
| **Mental well-being** | Cat owner | 55.7 | 10.74 | 57 | 30-70 |
| | Dog owner | 57.8 | 8.96 | 58.5 | 21-70 |


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