## Vetspanel Survey 2016

## Vetspanelog

Report

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## Methodology

- Fieldwork: 14 March to 25 May 2017
- Online interviews
- 3,288 respondents
- Coverage: 11 European countries, Australia, USA and Latin America
- Respondent profile:
- Practicing veterinarians
- Clinic owners / partners or employed vets
- Predominantly small animal vets
- Members of Vetspanel
- Topic of the survey: All questions are related to the veterinary profession, some questions were suggested by vets.



## Vetspanel $\%$ <br> 2

Number of interviews per country


## What is your position within the practice you work at?



Is your practice......?


## In what type of organisation do you work?


*Other includes Charity, emergency, teaching/research, military/ government

## What percent of your time is spent treating the following?



How many veterinarians work at your practice?


How many veterinarians and nurses work at your practice?


## Social Media

Vetspanel $\%$

## How does your practice promote itself to potential clients?



| By clients' word of mouth/referrals | 90\% | 80\% | 82\% | 88\% | 92\% | 76\% | 77\% | 89\% | 79\% | 94\% | 54\% | 63\% | 90\% | 74\% | 75\% | 82\% |
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| Social media (Facebook, Twitter, etc) | 81\% | 53\% | 39\% | 33\% | 85\% | 69\% | 31\% | 83\% | 45\% | 80\% | 49\% | 80\% | 77\% | 60\% | 64\% | 60\% |
| Through our website | 81\% | 49\% | 63\% | 72\% | 84\% | 51\% | 44\% | 74\% | 40\% | 77\% | 44\% | 74\% | 81\% | 25\% | 68\% | 59\% |
| Practice business cards/ calender | 47\% | 44\% | 51\% | 73\% | 39\% | 47\% | 32\% | 29\% | 6\% | 29\% | 29\% | 22\% | 53\% | 31\% | 32\% | 35\% |
| Practice promotions (ie. Free weight check, etc) | 36\% | 14\% | 11\% | 8\% | 39\% | 32\% | 17\% | 59\% | 9\% | 60\% | 24\% | 30\% | 28\% | 12\% | 29\% | 32\% |
| Emails to pet owners | 50\% | 10\% | 9\% | 12\% | 19\% | 41\% | 11\% | 42\% | 11\% | 33\% | 2\% | 4\% | 47\% | 28\% | 32\% | 27\% |
| Advertisement in local business directory (like Yellow Pages) | 47\% | 27\% | 26\% | 26\% | 26\% | 31\% | 21\% | 31\% | 18\% | 23\% | 10\% | 24\% | 33\% | 14\% | 25\% | 26\% |
| Take part in local events (dog shows, markets, etc) | 38\% | 6\% | 17\% | 11\% | 35\% | 22\% | 7\% | 47\% | 11\% | 24\% | 20\% | 28\% | 34\% | 10\% | 18\% | 24\% |
| Supporting charities | 33\% | 9\% | 18\% | 12\% | 27\% | 24\% | 4\% | 36\% | 5\% | 23\% | 12\% | 13\% | 35\% | 15\% | 21\% | 20\% |
| Posters in practice/in public places/ Car labels | 10\% | 10\% | 13\% | 14\% | 19\% | 19\% | 7\% | 36\% | 5\% | 7\% | 15\% | 24\% | 8\% | 22\% | 25\% | 19\% |
| Google Adwords/ SEM/SEO | 22\% | 13\% | 14\% | 10\% | 40\% | 21\% | 7\% | 14\% | 49\% | 19\% | 12\% | 26\% | 14\% | 11\% | 11\% | 18\% |
| Advertisement in local newspapers hulu iectured uperlivase | 12\% | 14\% | 9\% | 19\% | 32\% | 21\% | 2\% | 28\% | 7\% | 24\% | 7\% | 33\% | 14\% | 13\% | 18\% | 17\% |
| events/ client evenings in own | 10\% | 8\% | 3\% | 22\% | 32\% | 9\% | 3\% | 29\% | 9\% | 29\% | 5\% | 33\% | 18\% | 6\% | 7\% | 16\% |
| Advertisement in online business directories | 17\% | 10\% | 25\% | 9\% | 11\% | 25\% | 5\% | 19\% | 10\% | 0\% | 22\% | 9\% | 19\% | 10\% | 7\% | 14\% |
| Offering discounts/ being price competitive (e.g Groupon etc) | 9\% | 1\% | 4\% | 1\% | 18\% | 7\% | 4\% | 20\% | 2\% | 17\% | 7\% | 17\% | 17\% | 9\% | 21\% | 10\% |
| Door to door flyers | 7\% | 11\% | 4\% | 15\% | 2\% | 14\% | 1\% | 11\% | 2\% | 11\% | 10\% | 4\% | 4\% | 19\% | 14\% | 8\% |
| Radio/TV | 7\% | 2\% | 4\% | 1\% | 10\% | 9\% | 1\% | 10\% | 1\% | 4\% | 2\% | 11\% | 10\% | 11\% | 4\% | 6\% |
| Other (specify) | 7\% | 0\% | 3\% | 2\% | 2\% | 3\% | 1\% | 2\% | 2\% | 4\% | 5\% | 2\% | 1\% | 6\% | 4\% | 2\% |
| The practice does not do any promotional activity | 2\% | 12\% | 3\% | 5\% | 2\% | 3\% | 16\% | 2\% | 7\% | 3\% | 20\% | 4\% | 2\% | 5\% | 7\% | 6\% |
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Which social media platforms does your clinic/practice use to promote or advertise their services?

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| My clinic does not use social media to advertise | 14\% | 35\% | 38\% | 54\% | 13\% | 18\% | 56\% | 8\% | 35\% | 14\% | 37\% | 13\% | 9\% | 17\% | 25\% | 27\% |
| Facebook | 83\% | 55\% | 49\% | 36\% | 84\% | 78\% | 38\% | 89\% | 56\% | 84\% | 56\% | 85\% | 85\% | 75\% | 75\% | 67\% |
| Google+ | 10\% | 9\% | 21\% | 15\% | 13\% | 23\% | 11\% | 12\% | 18\% | 7\% | 32\% | 7\% | 14\% | 15\% | 7\% | 14\% |
| Twitter | 3\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 0\% | 15\% | 1\% | 20\% | 3\% | 16\% | 5\% | 2\% | 9\% | 13\% | 11\% | 10\% |
| Instagram | 7\% | 1\% | 4\% | 1\% | 10\% | 13\% | 1\% | 7\% | 5\% | 6\% | 0\% | 17\% | 11\% | 26\% | 4\% | 7\% |
| Own practice app | 10\% | 9\% | 13\% | 2\% | 5\% | 3\% | 5\% | 5\% | 1\% | 7\% | 7\% | 2\% | 10\% | 2\% | 0\% | 4\% |
| YouTube | 7\% | 2\% | 4\% | 3\% | 5\% | 10\% | 1\% | 4\% | 3\% | 7\% | 7\% | 4\% | 3\% | 7\% | 7\% | 4\% |
| Discussion boards on our website | 3\% | 1\% | 3\% | 3\% | 11\% | 2\% | 1\% | 7\% | 2\% | 3\% | 0\% | 0\% | 4\% | 2\% | 11\% | 3\% |
| Linkedln | 0\% | 4\% | 7\% | 2\% | 3\% | 5\% | 0\% | 2\% | 6\% | 10\% | 0\% | 2\% | 1\% | 10\% | 11\% | 3\% |
| Blogger | 2\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 5\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 2\% | 0\% | 2\% | 0\% | 1\% |
| Pinterest | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 2\% | 3\% | 2\% | 0\% | 1\% |
| Other (please specify) | 0\% | 1\% | 4\% | 2\% | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 8\% | 0\% | 2\% |
| Don't know | 2\% | 1\% | 3\% | 2\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 6\% | 2\% | 0\% | 2\% |
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How often does your practice post something on social media? Facebook


## How often does your practice post something on social media?

 Twitter

How often does your practice post something on social media? Google+


We know it is difficult to determine what works best at attracting clients... In your opinion, which marketing channels are the most effective at attracting new clients or bringing repeat business from current clients?

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| By clients word of mouth/referrals | 2.1 | 1.5 | 2.6 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 2.6 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 3.2 | 1.5 | 4.1 | 3.0 | 1.8 | 3.2 | 3.0 | 2.4 |
| Facebook | 4.3 | 4.1 | 4.5 | 5.9 | 3.0 | 4.3 | 4.7 | 3.7 | 4.1 | 3.5 | 3.8 | 2.9 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 4.2 |
| Through our website | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 3.7 | 5.1 | 7.1 | 3.9 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.5 | 3.9 | 4.1 | 4.6 | 7.8 | 3.6 | 4.9 |
| Practice promotions (ie. Free weight check, etc) | 7.1 | 7.1 | 6.8 | 7.4 | 6.6 | 5.8 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 7.1 | 5.3 | 5.0 | 7.9 | 6.7 | 6.4 | 5.1 | 6.1 |
| Take part in local events (dog shows, markets, etc) | 7.3 | 7.3 | 6.2 | 7.2 | 6.4 | 7.1 | 6.9 | 6.2 | 7.2 | 7.7 | 5.6 | 6.5 | 5.7 | 6.9 | 7.5 | 6.7 |
| Advertisement in local newspapers | 7.6 | 6.2 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 7.6 | 8.0 | 7.6 | 7.3 | 7.9 | 7.9 | 6.0 | 6.1 | 8.8 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 7.4 |
| Advertisement in local business directory (like Yellow Pages) | 6.9 | 6.4 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 9.7 | 8.9 | 5.6 | 8.4 | 7.7 | 10.1 | 6.0 | 8.2 | 8.2 | 9.0 | 8.2 | 7.7 |
| Advertisement in online business directories | 7.7 | 8.6 | 6.0 | 8.8 | 10.1 | 8.7 | 7.4 | 8.4 | 7.6 | 11.2 | 5.0 | 9.5 | 8.1 | 8.4 | 7.2 | 8.2 |
| Google+ | 8.2 | 8.0 | 7.2 | 7.8 | 7.9 | 8.4 | 6.9 | 9.3 | 7.2 | 9.8 | 4.6 | 8.7 | 9.0 | 9.2 | 8.1 | 8.2 |
| Door to door flyers | 10.4 | 6.6 | 7.5 | 6.4 | 10.3 | 8.0 | 8.6 | 9.1 | 9.6 | 8.1 | 7.6 | 10.6 | 11.8 | 7.8 | 7.0 | 8.6 |
| Discussion boards on our website | 10.1 | 8.8 | 8.1 | 9.0 | 9.0 | 9.9 | 7.9 | 9.5 | 8.7 | 11.1 | 6.7 | 9.8 | 9.2 | 10.1 | 8.7 | 9.1 |
| Twitter | 11.8 | 9.6 | 9.7 | 10.3 | 10.5 | 9.5 | 9.2 | 9.7 | 9.3 | 10.3 | 7.8 | 11.6 | 10.2 | 9.0 | 8.0 | 9.6 |
| Instagram | 11.2 | 10.4 | 9.4 | 10.6 | 10.3 | 9.3 | 9.4 | 10.7 | 9.1 | 9.9 | 7.6 | 9.1 | 10.1 | 8.1 | 10.4 | 9.9 |
| YouTube | 11.1 | 10.0 | 9.7 | 10.0 | 10.4 | 9.6 | 9.3 | 11.1 | 9.2 | 10.5 | 7.3 | 11.2 | 11.1 | 9.3 | 9.6 | 10.1 |
| Blogger | 11.8 | 10.4 | 10.3 | 10.3 | 11.1 | 10.6 | 9.6 | 11.6 | 9.9 | 10.5 | 7.8 | 11.3 | 11.9 | 11.0 | 9.9 | 10.6 |
| Linkedln | 12.1 | 10.0 | 10.5 | 10.4 | 11.5 | 11.5 | 9.8 | 11.7 | 9.4 | 11.6 | 8.7 | 13.0 | 11.9 | 10.0 | 10.9 | 10.8 |
| Pinterest | 13.3 | 11.0 | 10.1 | 10.6 | 11.8 | 11.9 | 10.1 | 11.9 | 10.5 | 13.0 | 8.3 | 13.0 | 12.2 | 11.4 | 10.0 | 11.2 |



## Who runs the marketing activities in your practice?




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Does your clinic use search optimization engines / activities to ensure your website appears on top of online search lists?


## Apps

Do you use any veterinary applications for smartphone or tablet? For example, apps to calculate anaesthesia, chocolate toxicity, to look up the drug compendium, to liaise with drug manufacturers or suppliers, etc.


## How many veterinary apps do you use?



## What, if anything, do you use your tablet or smartphone for at work?

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| To take photos of the animals, to show progress, record cases, etc. | 64\% | 51\% | 53\% | 54\% | 69\% | 58\% | 46\% | 62\% | 62\% | 61\% | 39\% | 61\% | 53\% | 67\% | 61\% | 57\% |
| Emails | 48\% | 54\% | 49\% | 52\% | 44\% | 44\% | 41\% | 49\% | 55\% | 33\% | 44\% | 48\% | 47\% | 78\% | 50\% | 48\% |
| To use the calculator | 47\% | 53\% | 42\% | 38\% | 35\% | 33\% | 32\% | 59\% | 45\% | 49\% | 39\% | 46\% | 55\% | 54\% | 54\% | 46\% |
| To make/ receive calls | 43\% | 62\% | 61\% | 57\% | 58\% | 42\% | 35\% | 31\% | 60\% | 49\% | 29\% | 43\% | 38\% | 62\% | 39\% | 43\% |
| For social media (Facebook, Linked In, etc) | 45\% | 41\% | 29\% | 28\% | 48\% | 39\% | 24\% | 38\% | 44\% | 39\% | 32\% | 46\% | 37\% | 59\% | 36\% | 36\% |
| To go to vet specific websites | 29\% | 38\% | 22\% | 30\% | 31\% | 34\% | 23\% | 31\% | 43\% | 20\% | 27\% | 39\% | 38\% | 57\% | 32\% | 32\% |
| Stop watch | 29\% | 31\% | 13\% | 23\% | 39\% | 21\% | 24\% | 34\% | 17\% | 16\% | 2\% | 33\% | 29\% | 30\% | 36\% | 26\% |
| For continuous professional development (CPD), education, refresh my knowledge | 24\% | 16\% | 12\% | 25\% | 11\% | 31\% | 12\% | 31\% | 32\% | 10\% | 24\% | 22\% | 20\% | 57\% | 32\% | 26\% |
| To calculate anaesthesia, chocolate toxicity, to look up the drug compendium etc. | 24\% | 23\% | 12\% | 19\% | 48\% | 20\% | 13\% | 33\% | 20\% | 33\% | 22\% | 22\% | 27\% | 38\% | 21\% | 24\% |
| Drug formularies | 17\% | 14\% | 0\% | 20\% | 26\% | 13\% | 5\% | 33\% | 47\% | 20\% | 37\% | 26\% | 25\% | 34\% | 32\% | 24\% |
| To send text messages to pet owners | 29\% | 38\% | 37\% | 33\% | 39\% | 30\% | 15\% | 11\% | 39\% | 13\% | 24\% | 28\% | 27\% | 49\% | 14\% | 24\% |
| To schedule appointments, surgeries, etc. | 19\% | 34\% | 36\% | 26\% | 16\% | 20\% | 10\% | 15\% | 33\% | 11\% | 27\% | 15\% | 18\% | 38\% | 21\% | 20\% |
| To have easy access to information during consults | 16\% | 28\% | 22\% | 16\% | 21\% | 20\% | 11\% | 14\% | 30\% | 10\% | 20\% | 22\% | 14\% | 48\% | 21\% | 18\% |
| To listen to music | 16\% | 13\% | 16\% | 13\% | 11\% | 10\% | 7\% | 8\% | 11\% | 7\% | 10\% | 7\% | 23\% | 26\% | 11\% | 10\% |
| For better diagnosis | 5\% | 7\% | 4\% | 7\% | 10\% | 8\% | 5\% | 8\% | 8\% | 10\% | 17\% | 9\% | 6\% | 23\% | 14\% | 8\% |
| To access and add to client records | 3\% | 15\% | 13\% | 9\% | 6\% | 6\% | 3\% | 3\% | 9\% | 13\% | 12\% | 11\% | 3\% | 20\% | 0\% | 7\% |
| To invoice/make payments | 3\% | 14\% | 7\% | 10\% | 8\% | 6\% | 2\% | 3\% | 11\% | 3\% | 12\% | 9\% | 4\% | 20\% | 4\% | 6\% |
| Other | 3\% | 0\% | 0\% | 2\% | 0\% | 2\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 2\% | 6\% | 1\% | 7\% | 2\% |
| I don't have a smartphone or a tablet | 0\% | 2\% | 8\% | 7\% | 3\% | 2\% | 5\% | 3\% | 2\% | 4\% | 10\% | 0\% | 1\% | 3\% | 4\% | 4\% |
| I do not use a smartphone or a tablet at work | 17\% | 14\% | 22\% | 17\% | 13\% | 23\% | 28\% | 17\% | 10\% | 19\% | 22\% | 24\% | 22\% | 4\% | 25\% | 19\% |
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Base: All respondents

How interested are you in using apps provided by pharmaceutical, nutritional or animal health equipment manufacturers?
1 "Not at all interested", 5 "Very interested"


## Why don't you currently use veterinary apps?



| Unaware of good apps / vet apps | 48\% | 28\% | 36\% | 37\% | 8\% | 43\% | 34\% | 31\% | 33\% | 23\% | 22\% | 35\% | 31\% | 30\% | 39\% | 33\% |
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| Time consuming to research what apps are useful | 29\% | 28\% | 21\% | 33\% | 13\% | 26\% | 28\% | 17\% | 15\% | 26\% | 27\% | 26\% | 24\% | 13\% | 18\% | 22\% |
| Time consuming another gadget to get out during a short client consult | 24\% | 25\% | 14\% | 26\% | 19\% | 23\% | 28\% | 20\% | 17\% | 16\% | 24\% | 20\% | 25\% | 9\% | 14\% | 21\% |
| Difficult to find the right app | 29\% | 18\% | 18\% | 17\% | 8\% | 31\% | 20\% | 15\% | 33\% | 16\% | 22\% | 24\% | 15\% | 29\% | 18\% | 21\% |
| Can put clients off, impression that you don't pay attention to clients | 10\% | 15\% | 18\% | 31\% | 19\% | 21\% | 22\% | 17\% | 14\% | 23\% | 20\% | 11\% | 15\% | 18\% | 11\% | 19\% |
| Don't use apps in general | 12\% | 16\% | 20\% | 12\% | 11\% | 19\% | 17\% | 15\% | 14\% | 4\% | 12\% | 9\% | 11\% | 5\% | 18\% | 15\% |
| Another thing to get familiar with | 24\% | 24\% | 18\% | 29\% | 18\% | 14\% | 14\% | 11\% | 9\% | 10\% | 12\% | 26\% | 18\% | 3\% | 21\% | 14\% |
| Unnecessary / not relevant | 10\% | 10\% | 13\% | 17\% | 8\% | 7\% | 8\% | 10\% | 5\% | 11\% | 10\% | 2\% | 8\% | 1\% | 4\% | 9\% |
| Cost | 3\% | 12\% | 3\% | 6\% | 2\% | 8\% | 9\% | 9\% | 9\% | 4\% | 7\% | 7\% | 11\% | 14\% | 7\% | 8\% |
| Apps slow phone down / use up memory | 7\% | 2\% | 7\% | 9\% | 3\% | 7\% | 6\% | 9\% | 8\% | 3\% | 2\% | 11\% | 11\% | 8\% | 4\% | 7\% |
| Not allowed to use phone or tablets at work | 3\% | 0\% | 0\% | 3\% | 0\% | 4\% | 2\% | 11\% | 1\% | 9\% | 0\% | 9\% | 8\% | 2\% | 4\% | 5\% |
| Don't have a smart / compatible phone | 3\% | 4\% | 8\% | 6\% | 5\% | 1\% | 7\% | 5\% | 3\% | 4\% | 15\% | 0\% | 4\% | 6\% | 4\% | 5\% |
| Not compatible with my phone / tablet | 2\% | 6\% | 8\% | 2\% | 2\% | 1\% | 4\% | 6\% | 2\% | 3\% | 7\% | 2\% | 0\% | 3\% | 7\% | 4\% |
| Not interested in technology | 3\% | 7\% | 4\% | 7\% | 3\% | 2\% | 4\% | 3\% | 2\% | 1\% | 5\% | 11\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 3\% |
| Too old to learn | 3\% | 1\% | 7\% | 3\% | 3\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 2\% | 4\% | 0\% | 1\% | 4\% | 2\% |
| Other | 0\% | 0\% | 3\% | 5\% | 0\% | 2\% | 4\% | 2\% | 2\% | 6\% | 5\% | 7\% | 8\% | 0\% | 11\% | 3\% |


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Base: Respondents who do not use veterinary apps

## Finances 1

The current economic climate has affected different businesses in different ways. Compared to last year would you say:


## By how much has the number of clients increased?



## By how much has the number of clients decreased?



Is your practice planning to add a veterinary surgeon in the next year?


## Where do you place your practice on the following scale?



■ We are really struggling and may close the practice soon unless things pick up

- We are struggling, and we plan to reduce staff
$\square$ We are struggling somewhat, but not plans yet to reduce staff
$\square$ We are doing OK, no plans for recruitment
$■$ We are expanding and plan to hire more staff

Base: All respondents

What percentage of your clients would you say struggle to pay their veterinary bills?


## Attitudes and

 Feelings
## What would you say are the biggest challenges facing your vet practice at this moment?

| Too much work/admin/ not enough spare time | 39\% | 48\% | 39\% | 36\% | 40\% | 30\% | 42\% | 39\% | 17\% | 21\% | 54\% | 39\% | 28\% | 21\% | 35\% | 35\% |
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| Clients unable to pay their bills | 23\% | 41\% | 23\% | 25\% | 19\% | 33\% | 39\% | 28\% | 20\% | 21\% | 8\% | 7\% | 33\% | 41\% | 41\% | 30\% |
| Competition from other veterinary practices | 18\% | 36\% | 18\% | 30\% | 40\% | 52\% | 17\% | 26\% | 23\% | 46\% | 38\% | 34\% | 17\% | 34\% | 41\% | 29\% |
| Recruitment of suitable staff/vets | 38\% | 8\% | 38\% | 27\% | 13\% | 14\% | 26\% | 45\% | 12\% | 10\% | 22\% | 44\% | 33\% | 18\% | 29\% | 26\% |
| Increased cost of products/medications | 18\% | 30\% | 18\% | 17\% | 10\% | 31\% | 32\% | 23\% | 19\% | 23\% | 32\% | 10\% | 51\% | 42\% | 24\% | 26\% |
| Getting clients to follow our recommendations | 21\% | 32\% | 21\% | 15\% | 15\% | 32\% | 22\% | 26\% | 30\% | 15\% | 32\% | 22\% | 33\% | 35\% | 29\% | 26\% |
| Time managment | 45\% | 33\% | 45\% | 25\% | 26\% | 25\% | 28\% | 28\% | 17\% | 20\% | 24\% | 5\% | 35\% | 14\% | 29\% | 26\% |
| Internet as a competitor | 14\% | 32\% | 14\% | 21\% | 15\% | 29\% | 35\% | 18\% | 12\% | 44\% | 16\% | 22\% | 29\% | 18\% | 12\% | 24\% |
| Getting new clients | 11\% | 31\% | 11\% | 21\% | 19\% | 37\% | 22\% | 15\% | 18\% | 23\% | 24\% | 12\% | 20\% | 34\% | 12\% | 22\% |
| Tax payments/returns | 4\% | 31\% | 4\% | 34\% | 3\% | 25\% | 37\% | 3\% | 22\% | 8\% | 8\% | 0\% | 5\% | 26\% | 18\% | 21\% |
| Managing and retaining staff | 29\% | 7\% | 29\% | 18\% | 5\% | 16\% | 13\% | 35\% | 9\% | 15\% | 3\% | 29\% | 44\% | 12\% | 35\% | 19\% |
| Competition from internet pharmacies | 25\% | 29\% | 25\% | 18\% | 0\% | 23\% | 22\% | 25\% | 3\% | 34\% | 19\% | 2\% | 27\% | 5\% | 12\% | 19\% |
| New legislations | 5\% | 14\% | 5\% | 33\% | 8\% | 16\% | 43\% | 9\% | 10\% | 7\% | 14\% | 7\% | 7\% | 12\% | 12\% | 19\% |
| What woulObesity and other pet diseases | 11\% | 8\% | 11\% | 7\% | 6\% | 9\% | 7\% | 20\% | 12\% | 7\% | 14\% | 7\% | 23\% | 12\% | 18\% | 12\% |
| Unhappy staff | 11\% | 2\% | 11\% | 7\% | 5\% | 11\% | 3\% | 28\% | 4\% | 5\% | 3\% | 12\% | 21\% | 12\% | 18\% | 12\% |
| Bad management/Bad boss | 11\% | 3\% | 11\% | 5\% | 10\% | 12\% | 6\% | 20\% | 4\% | 7\% | 5\% | 12\% | 20\% | 6\% | 6\% | 10\% |
| Antibiotic resistance | 5\% | 10\% | 5\% | 9\% | 11\% | 12\% | 4\% | 12\% | 12\% | 16\% | 16\% | 29\% | 13\% | 13\% | 12\% | 10\% |
| Lack of clinical governance | 4\% | 2\% | 4\% | 4\% | 3\% | 7\% | 5\% | 4\% | 3\% | 3\% | 5\% | 10\% | 3\% | 6\% | 0\% | 4\% |
| Dealing with suppliers | 2\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 2\% | 4\% | 6\% | 6\% | 1\% |
| Other | 5\% | 2\% | 5\% | 3\% | 6\% | 2\% | 3\% | 3\% | 2\% | 3\% | 0\% | 2\% | 4\% | 1\% | 0\% | 3\% |
| Don't know | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 14\% | 2\% | 3\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 6\% | 2\% |


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## What do you think will make the biggest positive impact to veterinary medicine in the future?



| Changing attitudes to animal health and welfare, making people want to do more for the animals in their care. | 43\% | 19\% | 43\% | 36\% | 35\% | 40\% | 18\% | 45\% | 41\% | 57\% | 32\% | 24\% | 48\% | 46\% | 47\% | 36\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pet owners further valuing the veterinary services they receive | 52\% | 20\% | 52\% | 35\% | 13\% | 15\% | 25\% | 52\% | 9\% | 16\% | 30\% | 24\% | 49\% | 25\% | 47\% | 29\% |
| New drugs and treatments | 25\% | 37\% | 25\% | 18\% | 23\% | 32\% | 27\% | 26\% | 26\% | 34\% | 43\% | 29\% | 37\% | 30\% | 29\% | 28\% |
| Increased specialization | 4\% | 30\% | 4\% | 68\% | 26\% | 56\% | 16\% | 9\% | 23\% | 21\% | 24\% | 24\% | 8\% | 36\% | 12\% | 27\% |
| More widespread private health insurance | 46\% | 36\% | 46\% | 9\% | 58\% | 21\% | 36\% | 24\% | 37\% | 11\% | 30\% | 2\% | 20\% | 9\% | 12\% | 26\% |
| Technical advances | 20\% | 23\% | 20\% | 36\% | 18\% | 30\% | 29\% | 14\% | 23\% | 31\% | 19\% | 29\% | 24\% | 26\% | 6\% | 25\% |
| The development of preventative medicine | 21\% | 27\% | 21\% | 17\% | 13\% | 24\% | 38\% | 15\% | 30\% | 11\% | 3\% | 27\% | 13\% | 18\% | 29\% | 24\% |
| Continuous professional development | 29\% | 27\% | 29\% | 23\% | 58\% | 22\% | 19\% | 15\% | 32\% | 44\% | 30\% | 32\% | 17\% | 27\% | 53\% | 23\% |
| Better access to technology | 11\% | 21\% | 11\% | 17\% | 8\% | 25\% | 15\% | 9\% | 15\% | 10\% | 16\% | 15\% | 16\% | 36\% | 6\% | 16\% |
| Cheap, affordable MRI | 2\% | 5\% | 2\% | 4\% | 2\% | 6\% | 6\% | 11\% | 11\% | 8\% | 16\% | 5\% | 7\% | 10\% | 0\% | 8\% |
| Other | 7\% | 0\% | 7\% | 4\% | 11\% | 2\% | 2\% | 5\% | 2\% | 0\% | 3\% | 0\% | 5\% | 2\% | 6\% | 3\% |
|  | (58) | (101) | (76) | (246) | (62) | (406) | (596) | (956) | (374) | (70) | (41) | (46) | (93) | (125) | (28) | (3288) |

## It's difficult to predict the future, but how do you see veterinary practices changing over the next few years?

| More demanding pet owners | 55\% | 72\% | 61\% | 71\% | 65\% | 52\% | 67\% | 66\% | 62\% | 67\% | 57\% | 78\% | 56\% | 61\% | 59\% | 64\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Growing influence of the Internet | 59\% | 54\% | 82\% | 73\% | 66\% | 53\% | 64\% | 60\% | 54\% | 66\% | 51\% | 63\% | 68\% | 52\% | 65\% | 61\% |
| Increased specialization | 45\% | 46\% | 63\% | 70\% | 63\% | 62\% | 37\% | 55\% | 62\% | 48\% | 49\% | 54\% | 45\% | 55\% | 71\% | 54\% |
| More corporate/chains | 79\% | 31\% | 49\% | 65\% | 56\% | 52\% | 32\% | 82\% | 32\% | 69\% | 30\% | 46\% | 72\% | 27\% | 41\% | 53\% |
| The increased cost of treatment | 52\% | 51\% | 49\% | 53\% | 15\% | 28\% | 36\% | 67\% | 36\% | 61\% | 57\% | 61\% | 61\% | 35\% | 47\% | 46\% |
| Better diagnostics | 48\% | 41\% | 63\% | 41\% | 63\% | 50\% | 29\% | 47\% | 43\% | 46\% | 57\% | 49\% | 55\% | 54\% | 53\% | 44\% |
| Customers that think they know best, more litigious/demanding customers | 39\% | 32\% | 54\% | 58\% | 32\% | 39\% | 17\% | 56\% | 57\% | 39\% | 49\% | 59\% | 57\% | 46\% | 47\% | 44\% |
| More competition from online pharmacies | 63\% | 45\% | 50\% | 48\% | 5\% | 49\% | 42\% | 61\% | 10\% | 51\% | 19\% | 7\% | 68\% | 25\% | 47\% | 43\% |
| Tighter legal requirements | 36\% | 32\% | 42\% | 70\% | 18\% | 39\% | 59\% | 38\% | 24\% | 25\% | 27\% | 22\% | 43\% | 37\% | 41\% | 42\% |
| Patients relying more on the internet | 46\% | 34\% | 66\% | 46\% | 31\% | 30\% | 26\% | 51\% | 35\% | 36\% | 51\% | 49\% | 63\% | 38\% | 59\% | 39\% |
| More difficult to make a living | 21\% | 56\% | 47\% | 28\% | 21\% | 36\% | 48\% | 37\% | 45\% | 26\% | 35\% | 12\% | 36\% | 29\% | 47\% | 39\% |
| Larger clinics being the norm | 41\% | 40\% | 36\% | 52\% | 40\% | 37\% | 31\% | 35\% | 44\% | 46\% | 27\% | 22\% | 39\% | 34\% | 41\% | 38\% |
| More competition/more vets/ more cheap practices in Eastern Europe | 2\% | 40\% | 36\% | 43\% | 21\% | 69\% | 28\% | 19\% | 19\% | 23\% | 41\% | 27\% | 9\% | 58\% | 29\% | 33\% |
| Focusing more on preventative health care | 36\% | 23\% | 24\% | 31\% | 32\% | 45\% | 27\% | 31\% | 31\% | 39\% | 11\% | 22\% | 28\% | 40\% | 47\% | 32\% |
| Focusing more on client service | 45\% | 27\% | 24\% | 33\% | 53\% | 37\% | 23\% | 36\% | 21\% | 49\% | 30\% | 32\% | 24\% | 33\% | 53\% | 31\% |
| Increased use of insurance products | 55\% | 29\% | 30\% | 18\% | 48\% | 48\% | 24\% | 26\% | 34\% | 13\% | 19\% | 12\% | 48\% | 38\% | 18\% | 31\% |
| More difficult to find competent staff | 20\% | 13\% | 39\% | 42\% | 2\% | 14\% | 32\% | 42\% | 9\% | 16\% | 32\% | 27\% | 43\% | 25\% | 35\% | 28\% |
| Veterinary profession being discredited | 16\% | 24\% | 22\% | 23\% | 18\% | 22\% | 27\% | 24\% | 15\% | 30\% | 38\% | 20\% | 17\% | 10\% | 24\% | 22\% |
| Natural treatments becoming more common | 23\% | 22\% | 20\% | 25\% | 11\% | 20\% | 29\% | 11\% | 23\% | 15\% | 11\% | 7\% | 37\% | 35\% | 29\% | 21\% |
| Problems with insurance companies directing care | 23\% | 5\% | 7\% | 7\% | 11\% | 10\% | 7\% | 55\% | 9\% | 28\% | 8\% | 24\% | 25\% | 9\% | 41\% | 21\% |
| Other | 2\% | 2\% | 1\% | 3\% | 3\% | 2\% | 2\% | 3\% | 1\% | 5\% | 5\% | 2\% | 5\% | 0\% | 6\% | 2\% |



Base: All vets

## Future Plans

Vetspanel $\%$

## What are your long-term career aspirations?



## Work - Life Balance

## Currently, how satisfied are you with your job?



## Currently, how satisfied are you with your job?



How often do you think about leaving the profession to get a better work/life balance?


How often do you think about leaving the profession to get a better work/life balance?


How stressed are you on a daily basis?


## How stressed are you on a daily basis?



## Working Life



Vetspanel ${ }^{\circ} \%$

## How many hours a week, on average, do you spend on each of the following activities?

| Vets |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  | $\square$ |  | $\frac{\Delta T V}{\Delta \pi y}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | OTHER EUROPE |  | ALL |
| Consultation | 37\% | 21\% | 10\% | 14\% | 7\% | 44\% | 28\% | 34\% | 16\% | 4\% | 11\% | 7\% | 35\% | 32\% | 17\% | 28\% |
| Surgery | 18\% | 13\% | 10\% | 10\% | 13\% | 16\% | 10\% | 14\% | 12\% | 11\% | 16\% | 14\% | 13\% | 12\% | 12\% | 13\% |
| On call duties | 5\% | 11\% | 13\% | 13\% | 12\% | 2\% | 12\% | 10\% | 29\% | 10\% | 8\% | 9\% | 4\% | 4\% | 17\% | 11\% |
| Admin | 14\% | 8\% | 6\% | 8\% | 10\% | 9\% | 26\% | 10\% | 5\% | 7\% | 5\% | 14\% | 12\% | 9\% | 6\% | 13\% |
| Emergency cover (nights / weekends) | 7\% | 13\% | 14\% | 11\% | 8\% | 3\% | 11\% | 12\% | 6\% | 24\% | 3\% | 8\% | 4\% | 3\% | 23\% | 9\% |
| Teaching/ supporting and training junior vets | 2\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 0\% | 3\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 3\% | 2\% | 3\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Nursing duties | 1\% | 1\% | 4\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 2\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Diagnostic | 4\% | 4\% | 10\% | 8\% | 11\% | 8\% | 2\% | 3\% | 6\% | 7\% | 3\% | 11\% | 7\% | 11\% | 4\% | 6\% |
| Looking after in-patients | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 2\% | 2\% | 3\% | 2\% | 3\% | 4\% | 2\% | 1\% | 2\% | 5\% | 6\% | 1\% | 3\% |
| Cleaning | 1\% | 4\% | 3\% | 2\% | 2\% | 3\% | 1\% | 1\% | 4\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 3\% | 1\% | 2\% |
| Home visits | 1\% | 8\% | 4\% | 6\% | 3\% | 3\% | 4\% | 2\% | 6\% | 4\% | 7\% | 7\% | 1\% | 5\% | 1\% | 4\% |
| Treatment | 7\% | 11\% | 22\% | 24\% | 27\% | 6\% | 2\% | 5\% | 8\% | 26\% | 43\% | 21\% | 12\% | 11\% | 6\% | 9\% |
| Other (Please specify) | 2\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 2\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 3\% | 1\% | 9\% | 1\% |
|  | (58) | (101) | (76) | (246) | (62) | (406) | (596) | (956) | (374) | (70) | (41) | (46) | (93) | (125) | (28) | (3288) |

How many hours a week, on average, do you spend on each of the following activities?
(1)


|  | Vets | Nurses | Vets | Nurses |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Consultation | $28 \%$ | $31 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $9 \%$ |
| Surgery | $10 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $10 \%$ |
| On call duties | $12 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $5 \%$ |
| Admin | $26 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $10 \%$ |
| Emergency cover (nights / weekends) | $11 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $7 \%$ |
| Teaching/ supporting and training | $0 \%$ | $0 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| junior vets |  | $1 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $0 \%$ |
| Nursing duties | $2 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Diagnostic | $2 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $11 \%$ |
| Looking after in-patients | $1 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $12 \%$ |
| Cleaning | $4 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $0 \%$ |
| Home visits | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $4 \%$ |
| Treatment | $0 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
| Other (Please specify) | $(542)$ | $(46)$ | $(638)$ | $(271)$ |

## Approximately how many hours do you work in an average week?

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\lambda$ |  | $\lambda$ |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { OTH } \\ & \text { EUR } \end{aligned}$ | ALL |
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| Up to 20 hours | 7\% | 4\% | 3\% | 5\% | 3\% | 0\% | 2\% | 5\% | 6\% | 6\% | 8\% | 3\% | 6\% | 3\% | 12\% | 4\% |
| $21 \text { to } 30$ hours | 9\% | 5\% | 4\% | 6\% | 8\% | 0\% | 4\% | 10\% | 9\% | 10\% | 5\% | 0\% | 5\% | 5\% | 4\% | 6\% |
| $31 \text { to } 40$ <br> hours | 30\% | 10\% | 11\% | 12\% | 10\% | 2\% | 18\% | 20\% | 25\% | 16\% | 13\% | 44\% | 18\% | 4\% | 31\% | 16\% |
| 41 to 50 hours | 23\% | 12\% | 18\% | 18\% | 25\% | 1\% | 21\% | 18\% | 23\% | 10\% | 28\% | 23\% | 33\% | 6\% | 19\% | 17\% |
| 51 to 60 hours | 14\% | 14\% | 16\% | 15\% | 22\% | 1\% | 10\% | 12\% | 16\% | 16\% | 15\% | 10\% | 11\% | 2\% | 8\% | 11\% |
| More than 60 hours | 16\% | 55\% | 49\% | 43\% | 31\% | 96\% | 44\% | 35\% | 22\% | 41\% | 31\% | 21\% | 27\% | 79\% | 27\% | 45\% |
|  | (58) | (101) | (76) | (246) | (62) | (406) | (596) | (956) | (374) | (70) | (41) | (46) | (93) | (125) | (28) | (3288) |

How many days of holiday do you take on average per year?


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## Continuous Professional Education

On average, how many hours a month do you dedicate to professional development (CPD, specialisation courses, lectures, webinars etc.)?


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## Who pays for your professional development?



## Who pays for your professional development?



## What type of learning have you ever undertaken towards professional development?



| Seminar/workshop - external | 70\% | 48\% | 78\% | 68\% | 61\% | 54\% | 40\% | 63\% | 49\% | 66\% | 54\% | 51\% | 68\% | 53\% | 41\% | 55\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Distance learning - webinars | 66\% | 52\% | 43\% | 50\% | 34\% | 62\% | 41\% | 74\% | 34\% | 74\% | 32\% | 41\% | 65\% | 27\% | 65\% | 53\% |
| Reading - planned and documented private study/reading | 59\% | 46\% | 3\% | 45\% | 32\% | 47\% | 47\% | 72\% | 40\% | 49\% | 68\% | 44\% | 61\% | 41\% | 47\% | 51\% |
| Lecture by external provider | 50\% | 48\% | 41\% | 50\% | 65\% | 67\% | 33\% | 77\% | 9\% | 56\% | 54\% | 49\% | 68\% | 40\% | 65\% | 51\% |
| Distance learning - on-line/informal (not assessed) | 50\% | 27\% | 9\% | 4\% | 16\% | 45\% | 27\% | 58\% | 28\% | 38\% | 16\% | 17\% | 43\% | 24\% | 35\% | 35\% |
| Training - in house | 57\% | 12\% | 21\% | 12\% | 34\% | 46\% | 14\% | 65\% | 12\% | 56\% | 22\% | 37\% | 53\% | 28\% | 47\% | 35\% |
| Distance learning - on-line/ formal (assessed and/or moderated by a third party) | 50\% | 22\% | 5\% | 6\% | 11\% | 46\% | 13\% | 48\% | 24\% | 34\% | 5\% | 12\% | 43\% | 38\% | 35\% | 30\% |
| Practical training - clinical skills lab | 38\% | 23\% | 17\% | 11\% | 27\% | 31\% | 10\% | 42\% | 22\% | 46\% | 43\% | 17\% | 49\% | 23\% | 24\% | 26\% |
| Practical training - wet lab | 36\% | 22\% | 20\% | 8\% | 18\% | 30\% | 6\% | 46\% | 7\% | 48\% | 38\% | 24\% | 57\% | 19\% | 18\% | 24\% |
| Seeing practice - work-based observation | 39\% | 9\% | 29\% | 27\% | 32\% | 25\% | 7\% | 29\% | 38\% | 16\% | 51\% | 29\% | 25\% | 14\% | 41\% | 24\% |
| Discussion group - informal learning set | 34\% | 20\% | 12\% | 5\% | 40\% | 12\% | 8\% | 38\% | 20\% | 44\% | 22\% | 39\% | 31\% | 15\% | 18\% | 21\% |
| Mentoring or being mentored | 45\% | 8\% | 36\% | 5\% | 8\% | 7\% | 2\% | 36\% | 8\% | 33\% | 41\% | 29\% | 44\% | 12\% | 12\% | 17\% |
| Studying for an external qualification | 34\% | 12\% | 16\% | 8\% | 18\% | 13\% | 5\% | 34\% | 6\% | 15\% | 41\% | 12\% | 17\% | 14\% | 24\% | 17\% |
| Preparing a new lecture/presentation | 27\% | 12\% | 13\% | 21\% | 21\% | 13\% | 3\% | 32\% | 7\% | 23\% | 14\% | 27\% | 24\% | 10\% | 41\% | 16\% |
| Clinical audit activity | 7\% | 1\% | 3\% | 5\% | 8\% | 3\% | 2\% | 28\% | 11\% | 8\% | 8\% | 2\% | 1\% | 2\% | 6\% | 10\% |
| Research - scientific | 14\% | 10\% | 4\% | 10\% | 6\% | 6\% | 7\% | 9\% | 9\% | 10\% | 24\% | 10\% | 11\% | 13\% | 12\% | 9\% |
| Research - clinical | 7\% | 6\% | 13\% | 8\% | 6\% | 7\% | 4\% | 8\% | 7\% | 15\% | 14\% | 17\% | 11\% | 17\% | 12\% | 8\% |
| Secondment to another work place | 13\% | 2\% | 4\% | 8\% | 6\% | 5\% | 1\% | 11\% | 12\% | 7\% | 16\% | 29\% | 3\% | 3\% | 12\% | 7\% |
| Training as examiner/assessor | 7\% | 8\% | 5\% | 3\% | 2\% | 4\% | 2\% | 15\% | 5\% | 7\% | 14\% | 7\% | 4\% | 3\% | 12\% | 7\% |
| Project - working on a new project/in a new area of work | 5\% | 2\% |  | 2\% | 10\% | 3\% | 2\% | 13\% | 4\% | 5\% | 3\% | 5\% | 12\% | 8\% | 12\% | 6\% |
| Research - veterinary business | 7\% | 5\% | 3\% | 4\% | 2\% | 5\% | 3\% | 7\% | 5\% | 8\% | 5\% | 7\% | 5\% | 15\% | 6\% | 6\% |
| Other | 2\% | 3\% | 0\% | 2\% | 8\% | 0\% | 3\% | 2\% | 2\% | 0\% | 0\% | 5\% | 0\% | 2\% | 6\% | 2\% |
| Not undertaken any learning towards professional development | 0\% | 5\% | 0\% | 4\% | 5\% | 0\% | 4\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 2\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 2\% |
| (56) |  | (97) | (76) | (246) | (62) | (386) | (542) | (638) | (328) | (61) | (37) | (41) | (75) | (112) (17) | (17) | (2758) |

Base: Veterinarians

## With regards to your professional development, what type of education do you find the most useful?



| External seminars/lectures/workshops/courses | 59\% | 72\% | 67\% | 74\% | 65\% | 65\% | 64\% | 60\% | 69\% | 64\% | 57\% | 56\% | 65\% | 57\% | 41\% | 64\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Webinars | 66\% | 44\% | 53\% | 56\% | 37\% | 56\% | 41\% | 60\% | 40\% | 56\% | 27\% | 29\% | 37\% | 23\% | 59\% | 49\% |
| Clinical cases or case studies | 31\% | 44\% | 57\% | 46\% | 52\% | 63\% | 42\% | 23\% | 49\% | 31\% | 61\% | 28\% | 34\% | 48\% | 18\% | 40\% |
| Distance learning - on-line/ formal (assessed and/or moderated by a third party) | 39\% | 21\% | 7\% | 6\% | 5\% | 52\% | 20\% | 28\% | 26\% | 11\% | 5\% | 12\% | 25\% | 43\% | 35\% | 26\% |
| Short videos (5-10 min) | 21\% | 24\% | 36\% | 18\% | 37\% | 31\% | 35\% | 18\% | 23\% | 26\% | 38\% | 12\% | 21\% | 27\% | 29\% | 26\% |
| Distance learning - webinars | 30\% | 15\% | 7\% | 9\% | 5\% | 29\% | 23\% | 28\% | 20\% | 25\% | 3\% | 7\% | 15\% | 18\% | 41\% | 22\% |
| Ebooks/online journals | 14\% | 13\% | 17\% | 12\% | 18\% | 25\% | 14\% | 11\% | 27\% | 10\% | 24\% | 12\% | 19\% | 24\% | 29\% | 17\% |
| Distance learning - on-line/informal (not assessed) | 18\% | 12\% | 4\% | 3\% | 2\% | 15\% | 19\% | 22\% | 19\% | 13\% | 14\% | 15\% | 12\% | 11\% | 35\% | 16\% |
| Research - clinical | 16\% | 7\% | 8\% | 11\% | 19\% | 15\% | 6\% | 8\% | 10\% | 7\% | 24\% | 12\% | 13\% | 29\% | 18\% | 11\% |
| Research - scientific | 9\% | 8\% | 3\% | 5\% | 13\% | 6\% | 5\% | 3\% | 8\% | 13\% | 11\% | 7\% | 9\% | 24\% | 18\% | 7\% |
| Secondment to another work place | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 7\% | 3\% | 8\% | 1\% | 4\% | 9\% | 2\% | 11\% | 22\% | 1\% | 1\% | 24\% | 5\% |
| Research - veterinary business | 5\% | 1\% | 3\% | 3\% | 8\% | 7\% | 1\% | 3\% | 2\% | 8\% | 11\% | 5\% | 5\% | 11\% | 18\% | 4\% |
| Other | 4\% | 2\% | 3\% | 2\% | 5\% | 2\% | 4\% | 4\% | 2\% | 8\% | 3\% | 7\% | 9\% | 4\% | 0\% | 3\% |

With regards to your profession, what do you do when you have a veterinary technical question (e.g. about treatment, medication, vaccines etc.)? What sources of information do you use to look for a solution?


| Veterinary specialist textbooks/drug handlooks | 57\% | 62\% | 54\% | 74\% | 61\% | 74\% | 61\% | 53\% | 63\% | 66\% | 73\% | 63\% | 53\% | 67\% | 50\% | 61\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Colleagues | 48\% | 56\% | 62\% | 63\% | 66\% | 61\% | 46\% | 56\% | 54\% | 66\% | 71\% | 72\% | 60\% | 55\% | 61\% | 56\% |
| Vet Journal/books | 33\% | 57\% | 64\% | 43\% | 58\% | 74\% | 57\% | 36\% | 56\% | 39\% | 73\% | 63\% | 44\% | 55\% | 32\% | 51\% |
| Contact technical support of drug company/manufacturer | 50\% | 36\% | 24\% | 44\% | 71\% | 47\% | 49\% | 59\% | 26\% | 44\% | 27\% | 39\% | 43\% | 24\% | 32\% | 46\% |
| Referral specialist/clinician | 40\% | 34\% | 14\% | 22\% | 53\% | 37\% | 39\% | 44\% | 34\% | 34\% | 24\% | 59\% | 53\% | 39\% | 29\% | 38\% |
| Data sheet compendium | 22\% | 19\% | 18\% | 12\% | 5\% | 3\% | 25\% | 67\% | 13\% | 6\% | 27\% | 9\% | 9\% | 18\% | 50\% | 30\% |
| Vet association manual (e.g. BSAVA Manuals etc.) | 38\% | 16\% | 20\% | 5\% | 52\% | 30\% | 1\% | 51\% | 37\% | 30\% | 17\% | 54\% | 9\% | 16\% | 32\% | 29\% |
| Journal articles | 28\% | 39\% | 47\% | 16\% | 31\% | 14\% | 41\% | 26\% | 36\% | 44\% | 59\% | 37\% | 29\% | 8\% | 29\% | 29\% |
| Google | 40\% | 32\% | 47\% | 37\% | 29\% | 27\% | 25\% | 27\% | 22\% | 34\% | 24\% | 11\% | 11\% | 34\% | 21\% | 27\% |
| Veterinary Online Forums | 19\% | 26\% | 25\% | 24\% | 39\% | 19\% | 25\% | 14\% | 22\% | 19\% | 29\% | 52\% | 24\% | 21\% | 18\% | 21\% |
| Referral centres | 33\% | 6\% | 1\% | 27\% | 6\% | 13\% | 12\% | 30\% | 12\% | 6\% | 12\% | 17\% | 16\% | 10\% | 7\% | 18\% |
| University clinic | 9\% | 26\% | 9\% | 26\% | 16\% | 6\% | 3\% | 8\% | 10\% | 66\% | 5\% | 20\% | 9\% | 6\% | 18\% | 10\% |
| VIN (Veterinary Information Network) | 52\% | 6\% | 3\% | 16\% | 2\% | 4\% | 1\% | 8\% | 4\% | 6\% | 2\% | 7\% | 63\% | 6\% | 7\% | 8\% |
| Publishers' vet forums | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 6\% | 8\% | 26\% | 2\% | 2\% | 7\% | 4\% | 7\% | 7\% | 8\% | 18\% | 4\% | 7\% |
| American Vet Schools | 0\% | 14\% | 5\% | 0\% | 3\% | 4\% | 14\% | 1\% | 3\% | 3\% |  | 4\% | 6\% | 4\% | 4\% | 5\% |
| Vetidata | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 59\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 4\% |
| Wikivet | 5\% | 1\% | 1\% | 4\% | 0\% | 2\% | 1\% | 4\% | 5\% | 0\% | 2\% | 0\% | 0\% | 3\% | 0\% | 3\% |
| Other | 9\% | 5\% | 4\% | 6\% | 6\% | 2\% | 2\% | 4\% | 3\% | 7\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 6\% | 11\% | 4\% |
|  | (56) | (97) | (76) | (246) | (62) | (386) | (542) | (638) | (328) | (61) | (37) | (41) | (75) | (112) | (17) | (2758) |

If you were to use distance learning when completing your CPD, for example on Canine Dermatology, what combination(s) of learning materials would you prefer to receive the most?


- Video recording of lecture + photos of cases + practical videos
$\square$ PowerPoint slides with audio + photos of cases + practical videos
$\square$ Printable scientific paper on the topic + photos of cases + practical videos
$\square$ Printable scientific paper on the topic + scientific paper audio recording + photos of cases + practical videos
■ Other (please specify)

Have you attained a Certificate in Advanced Veterinary Practice (CertAVP)?


## Finances 2

## How much do you earn per year before taxes?



## How much do you earn per year before taxes?



## How much do you earn per year before taxes?



Results show salaries as stated by vets (owners/partners and vets employed full time only). The salaries vary greatly depending on years of professional experience, role and position in practice. Some low base sizes. *based on currency exchange rates from 06/ 2017

At the start of a course of treatment, what is your basic fee for the initial consultation for a dog or cat, excluding any treatment?

*based on currency exchange rates from 06/ 2017

For how many minutes is this consultation scheduled to last?


## What is your hourly rate for small animal surgery?


*based on currency exchange rates from 06/ 2017
If possible, please give your rate for routine soft tissue surgery (as might be undertaken by a general practitioner) on a 20 kg dog including monitoring by a nurse or suitable qualified person, but excluding any additional costs such as suture material, IV fluids, antibiotics etc.

## Antibiotics and Analgesics

What is your practice policy over the use of antibiotics in routine small animal neutering?


What is your practice policy over the use of analgesics in routine small animal neutering?


## Suppliers



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If you had a choice and could easily find a replacement for the products they supplied, which, if any, of the following companies would you stop dealing with?

| Bayer | 7\% | 16\% | 21\% | 10\% | 3\% | 15\% | 27\% | 5\% | 9\% | 16\% | 16\% |  | 11\% | 16\% | 6\% | 13\% |
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| Royal Canin | 9\% | 30\% | 17\% | 15\% | 16\% | 22\% | 13\% | 5\% | 4\% | 18\% | 22\% | 2\% | 1\% | 19\% | 12\% | 12\% |
| IDEXX | 14\% | 5\% | 11\% | 9\% | 3\% | 13\% | 17\% | 8\% | 10\% | 7\% | 16\% | 5\% | 8\% | 12\% | 0\% | 11\% |
| Hill?s | 11\% | 20\% | 12\% | 13\% | 5\% | 13\% | 9\% | 7\% | 6\% | 20\% | 14\% | 7\% | 3\% | 13\% | 18\% | 10\% |
| Zoetis (Pfizer) | 13\% | 8\% | 14\% | 19\% | 3\% | 5\% | 10\% | 4\% | 7\% | 8\% | 8\% | 0\% | 4\% | 12\% | 6\% | 8\% |
| Virbac | 9\% | 4\% | 5\% | 1\% | 5\% | 8\% | 15\% | 2\% | 7\% | 10\% | 14\% | 2\% | 3\% | 9\% | 6\% | 7\% |
| Dechra | 7\% | 6\% | 16\% | 5\% | 3\% | 4\% | 8\% | 3\% | 16\% | 7\% | 8\% | 0\% |  | 13\% | 0\% | 7\% |
| Merial | 9\% | 5\% | 7\% | 5\% | 6\% | 7\% | 9\% | 3\% | 7\% | 7\% | 8\% | 0\% | 9\% | 7\% | 0\% | 6\% |
| MSD | 5\% | 1\% | 7\% | 5\% | 8\% | 6\% | 7\% | 5\% | 5\% | 7\% | 5\% | 0\% | 1\% | 5\% | 0\% | 5\% |
| Boehringer Ingelheim | 7\% | 4\% | 5\% | 4\% | 10\% | 4\% | 8\% | 3\% | 6\% | 8\% | 5\% | 0\% |  | 4\% | 0\% | 5\% |
| Ceva | 7\% | 6\% | 7\% | 3\% | 3\% | 4\% | 6\% | 2\% | 5\% | 10\% | 5\% | 0\% | 1\% | 7\% | 0\% | 4\% |
| Vetoquinol | 7\% | 1\% | 5\% | 5\% | 2\% | 3\% | 7\% | 2\% | 2\% | 7\% | 3\% | 7\% |  | 11\% | 0\% | 4\% |
| None of these | 63\% | 43\% | 49\% | 50\% | 66\% | 50\% | 42\% | 71\% | 52\% | 56\% | 49\% | 68\% | 69\% | 43\% | 71\% | 54\% |
|  | (56) | 7) | (7) | 54) | 2) | (38) | (52) | (38) | 5) | 1) |  | 41) |  |  |  | (278) |

## What \% of the products do you currently sell or recommend/prescribe are from these companies?

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | OTHER <br> EUROP | ALL |
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| Merial | 6\% | 9\% | 7\% | 6\% | 6\% | 10\% | 13\% | 5\% | 12\% | 5\% | 6\% | 5\% | 11\% | 12\% | 6\% | 9\% |
| Zoetis (Pfizer) | 9\% | 10\% | 11\% | 8\% | 2\% | 9\% | 9\% | 8\% | 9\% | 7\% | 9\% | 1\% | 16\% | 13\% | 3\% | 9\% |
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| Virbac | 5\% | 9\% | 4\% | 6\% | 9\% | 7\% | 10\% | 6\% | 6\% | 6\% | 4\% | 5\% | 4\% | 9\% | 2\% | 7\% |
| Bayer | 6\% | 5\% | 5\% | 6\% | 6\% | 7\% | 4\% | 8\% | 11\% | 4\% | 9\% | 3\% | 6\% | 10\% | 4\% | 7\% |
| Wholesalers | 20\% | 7\% | 12\% | 20\% | 6\% | 2\% | 0\% | 7\% | 6\% | 23\% | 4\% | 0\% | 6\% | 6\% | 19\% | 7\% |
| Hill?s | 7\% | 9\% | 4\% | 3\% | 12\% | 8\% | 7\% | 4\% | 7\% | 7\% | 2\% | 11\% | 8\% | 5\% | 10\% | 6\% |
| Boehringer Ingelheim | 11\% | 5\% | 3\% | 6\% | 7\% | 4\% | 6\% | 7\% | 4\% | 5\% | 5\% | 6\% | 8\% | 3\% | 3\% | 5\% |
| Ceva | 2\% | 4\% | 5\% | 5\% | 2\% | 7\% | 9\% | 3\% | 5\% | 3\% | 5\% | 4\% | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 5\% |
| IDEXX | 6\% | 5\% | 2\% | 3\% | 8\% | 5\% | 3\% | 6\% | 4\% | 7\% | 1\% | 4\% | 9\% | 2\% | 6\% | 4\% |
| Vetoquinol | 1\% | 6\% | 7\% | 3\% | 3\% | 4\% | 6\% | 4\% | 4\% | 2\% | 12\% | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 4\% | 4\% |
| Dechra | 0\% | 4\% | 2\% | 3\% | 9\% | 5\% | 3\% | 6\% | 3\% | 4\% | 2\% | 7\% | 2\% | 0\% | 7\% | 4\% |
| Norbrook | 3\% | 1\% | 11\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 5\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 4\% | 2\% |
| Purina | 0\% | 1\% | 2\% | 0\% | 0\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 3\% | 0\% | 4\% | 1\% | 4\% | 9\% | 1\% | 2\% |
| Nutravet | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 5\% | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% |
| Albrecht | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 5\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% |
| All others | 4\% | 7\% | 9\% | 5\% | 8\% | 6\% | 3\% | 4\% | 5\% | 6\% | 14\% | 6\% | 8\% | 5\% | 9\% | 5\% |
|  | (56) | (97) | (76) | (246) | (62) | (386) | (542) | (638) | (328) | (61) | (37) | (41) | (75) | (112) | (17) | (2758) |

## Thank You



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