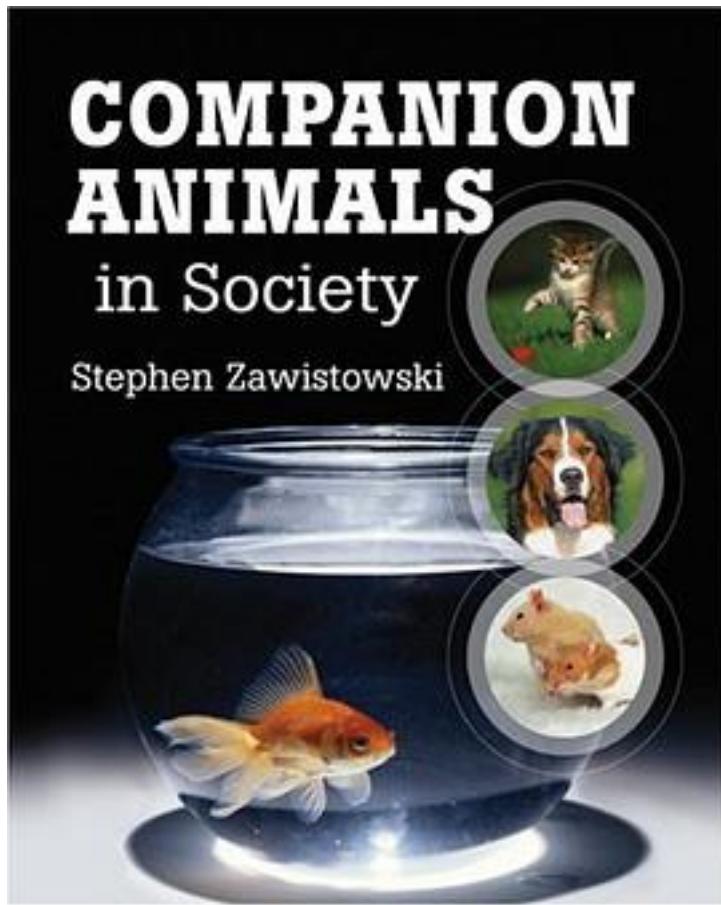


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Since companion animals are a significant part of American society, a substantial body of research has been developed to demonstrate how they play a significant role impacting the physical and psychological health of people of all ages. Animal companions also help to drive an economic engine estimated at near forty billion

dollars per year for food, toys, veterinary care and other support services and products. The popularity of companion animals has no doubt played an important role in the interest that the general public, and college students in particular have in careers related to companion animal care. The social issues that surround companion animals are complex and continuing to evolve. Questions related to pet overpopulation and animal cruelty are just a couple of the many issues that cut across a range of disciplines and philosophies. Companion Animals in Society combines the current available knowledge on companion animal husbandry with an introduction to these issues and how society is currently coping with them in order to provide the most useful resource in the market today.

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