The Pet Rock fad was most popular in 1975 and early 1976. Gary Dahl, the inventor, sold over 1.5 million Pet Rocks in the months leading up to Christmas 1975. The fad quickly died off after the holiday season and was discontinued by February 1976.

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