



HOW MUCH DOES IT COST TO HAVE A BABY?

Overall Costs

According to a USDA report, the average middle-income family spends between \$12,000 and \$14,000 on child-related expenses each year. For newborns, those numbers range from \$20,000 to \$50,000.

Medical Bills

The average cost for routine maternity care is \$8,775.

Most expectant parents can anticipate paying 19% of their hospital bill in copays and uninsured expenses.

Diapers

The average child will use more than 2,700 diapers in their first year.

New parents can expect to spend \$900 on diapers and \$240 on wipes before the baby turns a year old.

Going green? A cloth diaper service costs \$70 per month, on average.

Clothing

The cost for baby clothes will vary, but averages about \$60 a month for the first year.

Nursing and Feeding

Breastfeeding is nearly cost-free, but a nursing pump will bump the price tag up to \$300, on average.

Infant formula can add \$3,000 to the total costs of your baby's first year.

Once your baby starts eating solids, expect to spend an extra \$60 a month.

Baby Gear

Prices vary, but, on average, new parents pay about \$1,500 on baby gear, like car seats, strollers, diaper bags and cribs.

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