

# What Does It Cost To Raise A Child?



birth = **\$233,610**  
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**The cost to raise a child from birth to age 18**

According to the US Department of Agriculture (USDA), the average cost of raising a child born in 2015 **until age 18** for a middle-income family (earning between \$59,200 and \$107,400 a year) in the US is approximately \$233,610, according to the latest annual “Cost of Raising a Child” report. That equates to **roughly \$12,980 - \$14,970 per child per year** for a two-parent family with median income.

The annual cost can vary based on factors such as the child’s age, the number of children in the family and the family’s income and location. Families earning less than \$59,200 per year can expect to spend **\$176,550** on a child from birth to age 18, which equates to **\$9,808** per year per child. Families earning more than \$107,400 per year can expect to spend **\$407,820** from birth to age 18, which equates to **\$22,657** per year per child.

## How Is \$233,610 Spent On A Child?

