

# The Half-Million Dollar Baby

## THE TRUE COST OF HAVING A KID



A hospital bill for a **childbirth** can run quite high. Births can cost as much as **\$20,000**, depending on a wide variety of factors. Not to mention the costs associated with prenatal care.



Kids have to eat. **Food Costs** can average almost \$2,500 a year, according to the USDA. That's almost **\$45,000** spend feeding a child by the time they're 18.



Children require an estimated \$1,020 in **medical expenses** every year. That's over **\$18,360** by 18.



The cost of **college** at a private institution topped **\$54,880** a year for the 2020-2021 school year.

Children outgrow their clothes fast! One estimate says that the cost of **clothing for a child** can be more than \$490 a year, adding up to **\$8,820** to keep your kid warm.



Transportation is a cost not often thought about. This can add up to **\$1,337** a year!

Children need **a place to sleep**. This can cost up to **\$79,740** by the time the child is 18.

BY THE AGE OF 18 THAT COULD ADD UP TO

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