

ADOPTION COSTS

The following costs are an estimate (based upon no legal birthfather or contesting birthfather or Native American issues) of anticipated fees in a private adoption in Summit County Ohio. The maximum Adoption Tax Credit allowable in 2015 is \$13,400.

Read more: <http://www.adoptionhelp.org/adoption-tax-credit#ixzz3krwCgaF0>

Home-study - \$1500.00

(plus misc. expenses of fingerprinting and workshops/required classes - \$500: expedited fees can add an additional \$500 to the cost of the home-study as well)

Birthmother Assessment - \$1000.00

Court Costs - \$304.00

Birthmother Attorney fees for Consent hearing - \$3,000.00 (assuming no legal birthfather or contesting birthfather)

Adopting Parents attorney fees for Placement hearing - \$2000.00 (assuming no legal birthfather or contesting birthfather)

Adopting Parents attorney fees for Finalization - \$1000.00 (approximately six months after placement)

Post placement Supervision Fees - \$1500.00

Birth mother living expenses - \$3000.00

Birth mother counseling fees - up to \$1000.00

TOTAL = \$13,804.00

*Adopting parents are also responsible for any out of pocket medical costs incurred by the birth mother including prescription, insurance deductibles and co-pays. Birthmothers with medicaid medical coverage usually have no out of pocket costs.

**Total costs for private placement adoptions usually range from \$12,000 to \$15,000

**Total costs for private agency adoptions in state usually range from \$18,000 to \$22,000

**Total costs for private agency out of state adoptions usually range from \$21,000 to 35,000

**Total costs for private agency identified in state adoptions usually range from \$13,000 to \$16,000

** (assuming Medicaid coverage)