

# Estimate Your Costs



Looking to budget your dental costs? Try the Cost Estimator. This feature of Delta Dental's online account gives you a personalized estimate of how much you'll pay for your next dentist visit.

Whether you're getting braces or need a cavity filled, you'll choose from the most common dental services, described in everyday language. The Cost Estimator organizes information logically, so you don't need to be concerned whether your treatment involves multiple procedure codes or visits.

## Advantages

- **Easy to use.** Questions guide you through the process, letting you add services to your visit, like getting x-rays or a cleaning alongside your dental exam.
- **Based on real data.** Your cost estimate is calculated from actual claims Delta Dental has processed, updated daily.
- **Personalized.** You'll get a customized cost based on your actual benefits, taking into account any maximums and remaining deductible.
- **Available on desktop and mobile.** Get an estimate on your computer, tablet or phone.

## Features

- **Change your dentist.** Want to know if you'd save by switching to another dentist? Test it out by comparing up to five dentists.
- **Personalize your procedure.** Specify which tooth is being treated, the type of filling you need or whether you're going to a specialist. The price will be calculated accordingly.
- **Keep track of your benefits.** A handy sidebar shows the current status of any deductibles and annual and lifetime maximums.



## Try it out

Ready to get an estimate?

1. Log in to your account at **deltadentalins.com**.  
(If you don't have one yet, click on **Register**.)
2. Click on the **Cost Estimator** link by your name.

## How to navigate

Start by selecting the service you need. As you explore, you can answer additional questions (like "Which tooth?" or "Are you a new patient?") to further customize your results. If you've been using your dental benefits, your current dentist will show up by default, but if you want to see other options, just click on **Select dentists to compare**. Whenever you're ready, click **See cost**.

The screenshot shows the Delta Dental Cost Estimator interface. At the top, it says "I need a filling" for "John Smith" on "October 24, 2018" with "Delta Dental PPO" insurance. The main section shows the "Typical cost of a filling at your dentist" as "\$17.80 out-of-pocket" for "Mike Jones, General Dentist Out-of-Network" at "Mike Jones DDS Inc, 100 Montgomery St, San Francisco, CA 94105". A callout box explains that clicking "I need" returns to the full list of procedures. Another callout notes that scrolling to the bottom of the page provides a link to a longer list. A third callout states that clicking "Explain cost details" expands the breakdown of how the estimate was calculated. Below this, a table shows the cost breakdown: Typical Submitted Fees\* (\$285.00), Network Savings (-\$210.00), Delta Dental Pays (-\$67.50), and You Pay (\$7.50). A callout explains that clicking "Change compared dentists" allows users to select other options and click "Show cost". The interface also displays "Current Benefits" with "Calendar Individual Maximum \$1639.10 of \$2000.00 available" and "Lifetime Individual Maximum \$1800.00 of \$1800.00 available". A callout explains that the benefits sidebar shows the current status of maximums and deductibles. The "About This Visit" section states it includes a typical silver-colored filling for a back tooth and advises consulting the dentist for actual treatment and diagnosis. A final callout notes that this section summarizes the type of visit or procedure selected.

Click on **I need** to go back to the full list of procedures.

Looking for a procedure not listed? Scroll to the bottom of the page for a link to a longer list.

Can't find what you're looking for? Try the [Delta Dental Plans Association Cost Estimator](#) to find more procedures. Although you won't be able to find your specific costs based on your level of benefits, you will be able to find the average dentists fees for that procedure in your area.

Clicking on **Explain cost details** will expand the breakdown of how your estimate was calculated.

To change the dentists shown, click on **Change compared dentists**. Select your options, then click on **Show cost**.

The benefits sidebar will show the current status of your maximums and deductibles, if applicable.

This section summarizes the type of visit or procedure selected.

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