

2012-13 Cost of Attendance Survey

This document is a record of question wording and branching logic for the 2012-13 University of California Cost of Attendance Survey, administered online during March and April, 2013.

Please follow these instructions when responding to the survey questions:

- If you are **single with no dependents** and share any of the expenses requested in the survey (housing, food, transportation, personal and health expenses) with roommates or family members who live with you, please **report your share only**.
- **If you have a spouse, children, or other dependents**, please include their housing, food, transportation, and personal expenses.
- On this survey, all expenses are to be reported for the **current academic (9-month) year**. When reporting monthly expenses, please estimate costs for a typical month within the current academic year, not necessarily the current month.
- Only include expenses for those items specifically requested by each question. There is space provided near the end of the questionnaire for any expenses that do not fit into the predefined categories.

Q2. For this <!--TERM-->, where do you live?

With parent(s) or legal guardian

With other relative(s)

University dormitory or residence hall as a resident

University dormitory or residence hall as residence hall staff

University apartment or house

Off-campus non-university apartment, house, or room you are renting

Off-campus non-university dormitory or residence hall

House you own or are buying

Co-op

Q3. How many roommates or housemates do you have? (Exclude yourself, spouse, children, parents, or other family members.)

None

One

Two

Three

Four

Five

Six or more

Q4. How many children or dependents (excluding your spouse) do you have who reside with you?

- None
- One
- Two
- Three
- Four
- Five
- Six or more

Q5. What is your current marital status?

- Single (never married, separated, divorced, or widowed)
- Married
- Registered domestic partner

## **Living Expenses**

The following questions concern housing and food expenses for the current nine-month academic year. If you have roommates, remember to include your share only of the housing and food expenses. If you live with your parents or relatives, report any payments you make to them for these expenses.

Q6. Which of the following statements best describes your current housing arrangement?

- I have a housing contract which includes both room and board (meal and/or points plan).
- I have a housing contract which does not include food (meal and/or points plan).
- I do not have a housing contract.

Conditional Page Break: 2 condition(s)

user selected I have a housing contract which includes... for Q6 - (Jump to next question)

user selected I have a housing contract which does not include... for Q6 - (Jump to Q9)

user selected I do not have a housing contract... for Q6 - (Jump to specific question: Q9)

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Q7. What is the total cost of your housing contract (room and board plan)?

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- Less than \$300 (or less than \$2700 for the current, nine-month academic year)
- \$300 to \$399 (or \$2700 to \$3599 for the current nine-month academic year)
- \$400 to \$499 (or \$3600 to \$4499 for the current, nine-month academic year)
- \$500 to \$599 (or \$4500 to \$5399 for the current, nine-month academic year)
- \$600 to \$699 (or \$5400 to \$6299 for the current, nine-month academic year)
- \$700 to \$799 (or \$6300 to \$7199 for the current, nine-month academic year)
- \$800 to \$899 (or \$7200 to \$8099 for the current, nine-month academic year)
- \$900 to \$999 (or \$8100 to \$8999 for the current, nine-month academic year)
- \$1000 or \$1099 (or \$9000 or \$9899 for the current, nine-month academic year)
- \$1100 or more (or \$9900 or more for the current, nine-month academic year)

Q8. In addition to the meal plan included in your housing contract, what are your expenses for meals or food purchases that are not covered by your meal plan (e.g., dining out, buying snacks or groceries)?

**Monthly Average**

- Nothing
- Less than \$25
- \$25 to \$49
- \$50 to \$74
- \$75 to \$99
- \$100 to \$124
- \$125 to \$149
- \$150 to \$199
- \$200 to \$249
- \$250 to \$299
- \$300 or more

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Q9. What is your share of the monthly **housing costs** for your residence? (Include rent, mortgage payments and property taxes, payments to parents or other relatives in return for living with them, etc.) **IF** any utilities are included in your rent or monthly housing payment, please include them here. **IF** any utilities are paid separately from the housing payments, do not report them here.

**Monthly Average**

- Nothing
- Less than \$100
- \$100 to \$199
- \$200 to \$299
- \$300 to \$399
- \$400 to \$499
- \$500 to \$599
- \$600 to \$699
- \$700 to \$799
- \$800 to \$899
- \$900 to \$999
- \$1000 to \$1099
- \$1,100 or more

Q10. Taking seasonal variations into account, what is your share of the average monthly **utility costs** for your residence? (Include gas/electricity, water, garbage, and recycling.) **IF** any utilities are included in your rent (as reported in the last question), please do not report them again here. *(DO NOT INCLUDE TELEPHONE, CABLE, INTERNET SERVICE COSTS.)*

**Monthly Average**

- Nothing
- Less than \$20
- \$20 to \$39
- \$40 to \$59
- \$60 to \$74
- \$75 to \$99
- \$100 to \$124
- \$125 to \$149
- \$150 to \$174
- \$175 to \$199
- \$200 or more

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Q11. Where you currently live, what is your share of the monthly expenses for groceries and household supplies (cleaning materials)?

**Monthly Average**

- Nothing
- Less than \$50
- \$50 to \$74
- \$75 to \$99
- \$100 to \$124
- \$125 to \$149
- \$150 to \$199
- \$200 to \$249
- \$250 to \$299
- \$300 to \$349
- \$350 to \$399
- \$400 or more

Q12. What are your expenses for snacks and meals eaten away from your local residence?

**Monthly Average**

- Nothing
- Less than \$25
- \$25 to \$49
- \$50 to \$74
- \$75 to \$99
- \$100 to \$124
- \$125 to \$149
- \$150 to \$199
- \$200 to \$249
- \$250 to \$299
- \$300 or more

## Telephone Expenses

Q13. Which of the following best describes your use of telephone services?

I have a residential phone line only. GO TO Q14

I have a cellular/mobile phone only. GO TO Q15

I have both a residential phone line and a cellular/mobile phone. GO TO Q14

Conditional Page Break: 2 condition(s)

user selected I have a cellular/mobile phone only. for Q13 - (Jump to specific question: Q15)

user did not select I have a cellular/mobile phone only. for Q13 - (Jump to next question)

Q14. For your residential phone, what is your share of the cost of basic monthly telephone services? (*DO NOT INCLUDE DO NOT INCLUDE INTERNET.*)

**Monthly Average**

- Nothing
- Less than \$10
- \$10 to \$14
- \$15 to \$19
- \$20 to \$24
- \$25 to \$29
- \$30 to \$34
- \$35 or more

Conditional Page Break: 2 condition(s)  
user selected I have a residential phone line only. for Q13 - (Jump to specific question: Q17)  
user did not select I have a residential phone line only. for Q13 - (Jump to next question)

Q15. For your cellular/mobile phone, what is your share of the total monthly cost of your plan? (*DO NOT INCLUDE THE COST OF THE PHONE ITSELF.*)

**Monthly Average**

- Nothing
- Less than \$10
- \$10 to \$14
- \$15 to \$19
- \$20 to \$24
- \$25 to \$29
- \$30 to \$34
- \$35 to \$39
- \$40 to \$44
- \$45 to \$49
- \$50 to \$54
- \$55 to \$59
- \$60 or more

Q16. For your cellular/mobile phone, what is your share of the total monthly cost of calls and services above and beyond your basic plan (e.g., additional minutes)? (*DO NOT INCLUDE THE COST OF THE PHONE ITSELF.*)

**Monthly Average**

- Nothing
- Less than \$5
- \$5 to \$9
- \$10 to \$14
- \$15 to \$19
- \$20 to \$24
- \$25 to \$29
- \$30 to \$34

- \$35 to \$39
- \$40 to \$44
- \$45 to \$49
- \$50 to \$54
- \$55 to \$59
- \$60 to \$64
- \$65 or more

## Transportation Expenses

Q17. Do you currently own or lease a motor vehicle (e.g., car, motorcycle, moped) or have one that you generally use during the academic year?

- Yes
- No

Conditional Page Break: 2 condition(s)  
user selected Yes for Q17 - (Jump to next question)  
user did not select Yes for Q17 - (Jump to specific question: Q25)

Q18. For the current academic year, what is your best estimate, to the nearest 10%, of the percentage of your total motor vehicle usage allocated to each of the following? *TOTAL MUST EQUAL 100%*

Columns: 0%, 10%, 20%, 30%, 40%, 50%, 60%, 70%, 80%, 90%, 100%.

Rows:

Commuting to and from campus (for school-related activities)

Commuting to and from work

Traveling to and from your permanent home (if different from your local home)

All other motor vehicle usage

Q19. If you own or lease a motor vehicle, what is your **current** monthly vehicle payment? Do not include any down payments or one-time purchase fees made this academic year. (If you do not own or lease the car you generally use, please select “nothing”.)

### **Monthly Average**

- Nothing
- Less than \$100
- \$100 to \$149
- \$150 to \$199
- \$200 to \$249
- \$250 to \$299
- \$300 to \$349
- \$350 to \$399
- \$400 to \$449
- \$450 to \$499

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\$500 to \$549  
\$550 or more

Q20. For the current academic year, what are the insurance and registration expenses for the motor vehicle you generally use?

***For the Current, Nine-Month Academic Year***

Nothing  
Less than \$450 (or monthly average of less than \$50)  
\$450 to \$674 (or monthly average of \$50 to \$74)  
\$675 to \$899 (or monthly average of \$75 to \$99)  
\$900 to \$1349 (or monthly average of \$100 to \$149)  
\$1350 to \$1799 (or monthly average of \$150 to \$199)  
\$1800 to \$2249 (or monthly average of \$200 to \$249)  
\$2250 to \$2699 (or monthly average of \$250 to \$299)  
\$2700 to \$3149 (or monthly average of \$300 to \$349)  
\$3150 or more (or monthly average of \$350 or more)

Q21. For the current academic year, what are the total expenses for repairs and routine maintenance (e.g., oil changes) for the motor vehicle you generally use?

***For the Current Nine-Month Academic Year***

Nothing  
Less than \$50  
\$50 to \$99  
\$100 to \$199  
\$200 to \$299  
\$300 to \$399  
\$400 to \$499  
\$500 to \$599  
\$600 to \$699  
\$700 to \$799  
\$800 to \$899  
\$900 or more

Q22. From your local residence, what are your **motor vehicle-related** expenses (gasoline, tolls, parking) for transportation to and from campus (for school-related purposes) and to and from work?

***Monthly Average***

Nothing  
Less than \$10  
\$10 to \$24  
\$25 to \$39  
\$40 to \$54  
\$55 to \$69  
\$70 to \$84  
\$85 to \$99  
\$100 to \$114

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- \$115 to \$129
- \$130 to \$144
- \$145 to \$159
- \$160 to \$174
- \$175 to \$199
- \$200 or more

Q23. From your local residence, what are your **public transit** expenses (busfare, trainfare, etc.) for transportation to and from campus (for school-related purposes) and to and from work? If your campus includes transportation costs in your fees, do not report them.

**Monthly Average**

- Nothing
- Less than \$10
- \$10 to \$24
- \$25 to \$39
- \$40 to \$54
- \$55 to \$69
- \$70 to \$84
- \$85 to \$99
- \$100 to \$114
- \$115 to \$129
- \$130 or more

Q24. During the academic year, what are your typical expenses (airfare, bus fare, train fare, gasoline) for traveling to and from your parent(s)' residence(s)? *(PLEASE MARK A BUBBLE IN EACH ROW IN ORDER TO INDICATE YOUR PARENT(S)' RESIDENCE(S).)*

**For the Current Nine-Month Academic Year**

Columns: Nothing, Less than \$135, \$135 to \$269, \$270 to \$404, \$405 to \$539, \$540 to \$674, \$675 to \$809, \$810 to \$944, \$945 to \$1,079, \$1,080 or more.

Rows:

- Travel to Parent(s) **within** California
- Travel to Parent(s) **outside** California

**Personal Expenses**

Q25. What are your expenses for clothing, shoes, laundry, dry cleaning, toiletries and haircare?

**Monthly Average**

- Nothing
- Less than \$25
- \$25 to \$49
- \$50 to \$74
- \$75 to \$99
- \$100 to \$124

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- \$125 to \$149
- \$150 to \$174
- \$175 to \$199
- \$200 to \$224
- \$225 or more

Q26. What are you expenses for health care costs not covered by insurance (e.g., co-payments, medication and deductibles associated with medical, dental, and mental health care)?

**Monthly Average**

- Nothing
- Under \$10
- \$10 to \$19
- \$20 to \$29
- \$30 to \$39
- \$40 to \$49
- \$50 to \$64
- \$65 to \$79
- \$80 to \$94
- \$95 to \$104
- \$105 to \$119
- \$120 or more

Q27. What are your expenses for recreation (e.g., nonacademic books, magazines, music, cable television, movies, concerts, club fees or dues, athletic or recreation fees over and above what is included in your campus fees, sporting events, entertainment software)?

**Monthly Average**

- Nothing
- Less than \$25
- \$25 to \$49
- \$50 to \$74
- \$75 to \$99
- \$100 to \$124
- \$125 to \$149
- \$150 to \$174
- \$175 to \$199
- \$200 to \$224
- \$225 or more

## Books, Supplies, and Computers

Q28. What are your average expenses for course books (e.g., text books, course readers, text book rentals, digital text books)?

*Per* <!--TERM-->

- Less than \$100
- \$100 to \$149
- \$150 to \$199
- \$200 to \$249
- \$250 to \$299
- \$300 to \$349
- \$350 to \$399
- \$400 to \$449
- \$450 to \$499
- \$500 or more

Q29. What are your average expenses for course material fees (e.g., laboratory or studio fees)? (*DO NOT INCLUDE TECHNOLOGY FEES.*)

*Per* <!--TERM-->

- Nothing
- Less than \$10
- \$10 to \$19
- \$20 to \$29
- \$30 to \$39
- \$40 to \$49
- \$50 to \$59
- \$60 to \$69
- \$70 to \$79
- \$80 to \$89
- \$90 to \$99
- \$100 or more

Q30. What are your average expenses for technology fees associated with a course (e.g., to access and use information on course websites)? (*DO NOT INCLUDE COURSE MATERIAL FEES.*)

*Per* <!--TERM-->

- Nothing
- Less than \$10
- \$10 to \$19
- \$20 to \$29
- \$30 to \$39
- \$40 to \$49
- \$50 to \$59
- \$60 to \$69
- \$70 to \$79
- \$80 to \$89

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\$90 to \$99  
\$100 or more

Q31. What are your average expenses for other necessary educational supplies or equipment (e.g., printing, blue books, pens, paper, notebooks, clickers, flash drives, art supplies)? (*DO NOT INCLUDE THE PURCHASE OF A PERSONAL COMPUTER, TABLET, OR COMPUTER SOFTWARE OR APPLICATIONS.*)

**Per** <!--TERM-->

Less than \$20  
\$20 to \$39  
\$40 to \$59  
\$60 to \$79  
\$80 to \$99  
\$100 to \$119  
\$120 to \$139  
\$140 to \$159  
\$160 to \$179  
\$180 to \$199  
\$200 or more

Q32. For this academic year only, what have been your expenses for the purchase of a desktop or laptop computer that you generally use for school-related purposes? (*IF YOU DID NOT PURCHASE A COMPUTER DURING THIS ACADEMIC YEAR, SELECT 'NOTHING'. IF YOU PURCHASED MORE THAN ONE COMPUTER, ANSWER FOR THE COMPUTER THAT YOU USE MOST FOR SCHOOL-RELATED PURPOSES. INCLUDE THE COST OF AN EXTENDED SERVICE PLAN IF PURCHASED AT THE SAME TIME AS THE COMPUTER.*)

**For the Current Nine-Month Academic Year**

Nothing  
Less than \$250  
\$250 to \$499  
\$500 to \$749  
\$750 to \$999  
\$1,000 to \$1,249  
\$1,250 to \$1,499  
\$1,500 to \$1,749  
\$1,750 to \$1,999  
\$2,000 to \$2,249  
\$2,250 to \$2,499  
\$2,500 or more

Q33. For this academic year only, what have been your expenses for the purchase of a tablet device that you generally use for school-related purposes? (*IF YOU DID NOT PURCHASE A TABLET DURING THIS ACADEMIC YEAR, SELECT 'NOTHING.' IF YOU PURCHASED MORE THAN ONE TABLET, ANSWER FOR THE TABLET YOU USE MOST FOR SCHOOL-*

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*RELATED PURPOSES. INCLUDE THE COST OF AN EXTENDED SERVICE PLAN IF PURCHASED AT THE SAME TIME AS THE TABLET.)*

***For the Current Nine-Month Academic Year***

- Nothing
- Less than \$250
- \$250 to \$499
- \$500 to \$749
- \$750 to \$999
- \$1,000 or more

Q34. For this academic year only, what have been your expenses for additional computer hardware (e.g., modem, monitor, hard drive, printer) and repairs or service for the computer you generally use for school-related purposes? *(DO NOT INCLUDE HARDWARE OR SERVICE COSTS ALREADY INCLUDED IN THE COST OF THE COMPUTER OR MADE PRIOR TO THIS ACADEMIC YEAR.)*

***For the Current Nine-Month Academic Year***

- Nothing
- Less than \$250
- \$250 to \$499
- \$500 to \$749
- \$750 to \$999
- \$1,000 to \$1,249
- \$1,250 to \$1,499
- \$1,500 to \$1,749
- \$1,750 to \$1,999
- \$2,000 to \$2,249
- \$2,250 to \$2,499
- \$2,500 or more

Q35. For this academic year only, what have been your expenses for school-related software or applications (e.g., word processing, spreadsheet, graphics, statistical analysis, programming languages)? *(DO NOT INCLUDE SOFTWARE OR APPLICATION COSTS INCLUDED IN THE COST OF YOUR COMPUTER OR TABLET OR MADE PRIOR TO THIS ACADEMIC YEAR. DO NOT INCLUDE GAMES OR OTHER ENTERTAINMENT SOFTWARE OR APPLICATIONS.)*

***For the Current Nine-Month Academic Year***

- Nothing
- Less than \$50
- \$50 to \$99
- \$100 to \$149
- \$150 to \$199
- \$200 to \$249
- \$250 to \$299
- \$300 to \$349
- \$350 to \$399
- \$400 to \$449

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\$450 to \$499  
\$500 or more

Q36. For this academic year only, what have been your expenses for internet services (e.g., email, World Wide Web access)? (*DO NOT INCLUDE SERVICES PAID FOR BY CAMPUS FEES. DO NOT INCLUDE DATA USAGE EXPENSES INCLUDED IN A CELLULAR/MOBILE DEVICE PLAN*)

**Monthly Average**

Nothing  
Less than \$15  
\$15 to \$19  
\$20 to \$24  
\$25 to \$29  
\$30 to \$34  
\$35 to \$39  
\$40 to \$44  
\$45 to \$49  
\$50 or more

**Work for Pay**

Q37. Did you work for pay while you were enrolled during the 2012-13 academic year?

Yes  
No

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Q38. During the 2012-13 academic year, how many hours per week did you **work for pay** while you were enrolled? (*DO NOT INCLUDE VOLUNTEER OR OTHER UNPAID WORK.*)  
**Numeric value with a minimum value of 1 and maximum value of 100**

Q39. Would you say you worked **for pay** during all weeks you were enrolled, most of them, half of them, or less than half?

All  
Most  
Half  
Less than half

Q40. Including what you have earned and what you expect to earn before the end of this academic year, how much will you earn from all the jobs you held during the 2012-13 academic year?

**Numeric value with a minimum value of 1 and a maximum value of 90000**

## **Other Expenses**

Q41. Please tell us about any other necessary expenses you have had during the current academic year that have not been included in any of the questions above.

*Open ended*

Q42. Please use the space below for any comments you have about this survey. For example, you could tell us about any problems you had completing the survey or about any suggestions you might have.

*Open ended*