Idaho Car Registration Fees (2026)

Fee summary from vehiclefeecalculator.com/idaho/ · Rates checked October 21, 2026 · Next monthly check: November 2026

How much does it cost to register a car in Idaho? $69 a year for a car one or two years old ($57 from three years, $45 from seven), plus the county admin fee ($9.50 in Ada County), $1.25 EMS and $3 Project Choice fees: $82.75 a year in Ada County. Buying adds plates ($3.75 each), the $14 title plus county admin fee and 6% sales tax. Electric cars add $140 a year, plug-in hybrids $75.

Fees at a glance (2026)

Registration, car or pickup	$69/yr 1-2 years old, $57 3-6 years, $45 7+ years
Motorcycle	$19/yr
County registration admin fee	$3 - $14 (Ada County $9.50)
Plates, EMS, Project Choice	$3.75 per plate, $1.25, $3
Electric / plug-in hybrid fee	$140 / $75 a year
Title fee	$14 + county admin fee ($21 in Ada County)
Sales tax	6%, no local tax; dealer trade-in deducted

Starting example

Example for a $30,000 car. Change the inputs on the calculator page for your own figures.

Title fee $14 + $7 county admin	$21.00
Registration (1 yr) 1-2 years old	$69.00
County registration admin fee	$9.50
Plates (2)	$7.50
EMS fee	$1.25
Project Choice fee	$3.00
Ada County Highway District fee Amount not confirmed on an official page	not available
Sales tax 6% of price	$1,800.00
Estimated total	**$1,911.25**

The total leaves out items marked "not available".

What this estimate does and does not include

• County fees: the $14 state title fee has a county title admin fee on top ($0 to $18.75), and each registration has a county registration admin fee ($3 to $14). The calculator has the amounts ITD publishes for the counties listed; for others they show as not available.

• Ada County Highway District fee: Ada County charges a local registration fee for vehicles under 8,000 lbs, but its amounts weren't read on an official ACHD or Ada County page, so it shows as not available and isn't in the total. A

November 3, 2026 ballot measure would extend it to 2046.

• Registration by age (Idaho Code 49-402): $69 for 1-2 years old, $57 for 3-6 years, $45 for 7 years and older; pickups and trucks up to 8,000 lbs pay the same. Trucks over 8,000 lbs aren't covered. A 2-year registration is optional at double the yearly fee.

• Sales tax is 6% statewide with no local add-on, the same for private sales. A dealer trade-in stated separately on the invoice isn't taxed; dealer documentation fees are. Idaho gives credit for sales tax paid to another state; new residents who owned the vehicle for more than about 90 days before moving get relief.

• No late renewal penalty was found in Idaho Code 49-402 or on ITD pages. A title filed more than 30 days after the sale costs a $20 penalty. Idaho has no vehicle property tax and no emissions test fee at registration.

• Not included: plate transfer (fee not confirmed), duplicate title ($14), release of liability ($3.50).

Official sources

Idaho Transportation Department - Vehicle titles (title $14 + county title admin fee, 44-county table: Ada $7, Kootenai $10, Blaine $18.75, $0 in Bannock, Boise, Camas, Caribou, Clark and Power; county registration admin fee Ada $9.50, Kootenai $14, Lewis $3; lien $14; rush +$26; late title $20 after 30 days)
https://itd.idaho.gov/itddmv/
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Idaho Code 49-402, 49-402B, 49-450, 49-452, 49-454, 49-457, 49-202 (registration $69 / $57 / $45 by age, motorcycle $19; 2-year option at double; plates $3.75 each; EMS $1.25; Project Choice $3; EV $140, plug-in hybrid $75; VIN inspection $5)
https://legislature.idaho.gov/statutesrules/idstat/title49/
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Idaho State Tax Commission - Motor Vehicle Guide EPB00060 (6% sales tax, no local add-on; credit for tax paid to another state; new-resident relief)
https://tax.idaho.gov/wp-content/uploads/pubs/EPB00060/EPB00060_06-25-2024.pdf
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Idaho State Tax Commission - Sales price, retailers (separately stated trade-in allowance not taxed; IDAPA 35.01.02.044)
https://tax.idaho.gov/taxes/sales-use/guides-for-certain-groups/retailers/sales-price/
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Before you pay

This is an estimate. Confirm the final amount with Idaho Transportation Department (ITD), Division of Motor Vehicles (county assessors). The free calculator, with every fee worked out for your own car: https://vehiclefeecalculator.com/idaho/