

ADMINISTRATIVE COST CALCULATOR

A survey performed by the Society of Human Resource Managers (SHRM) and the Bureau of National Affairs (BNA)* concluded that businesses with less than 250 employees will spend on an average of \$1,602 per employee/per year. In time, wages or fees on 55 key HR activities. It was also evident from the survey that the smaller the company, the higher the cost of HR administration per employee/per year.

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In a second study conducted by the US Chamber of Commerce, US Department of Labor and the Small Business Administration (SBA) they compiled the following data:

Number of Employees	1-9	10-24	25-49	50+
Administrative Costs	8-12%	4-8%	3-6%	2-5%

Below is a calculator to aid you with determining your company's administrative costs. Please take the following costs into consideration when going through this exercise:

- Time spent by employees conducting these activities multiplied by their rate of pay
- Time spent by the owner conducting these activities multiplied by their rate of pay
- Fees associated by Payroll Service, Worker's Comp provider, Legal advisor, Accountant, Financial advisor etc...
- Fees associated with 401(k) administration, Benefits administration, 125 administration, and Cobra Administration
- Not a single item listed below represents a contribution to your bottom line. You could be spending your time more efficiently on things that will grow your business and make a profit.

PAYROLL PREPARATION

Cost of time spent to write, sign & posting checks
Cost of paychecks
Time spent maintaining vacation & sick time
Time spent answering payroll related employee questions
Cost to prepare tax deposits, 941's, 940's, W-2's
Payroll banking costs and/or payroll services

(Avg. 1% to 4%) _____%

ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES

Deposits for Workers' Compensation Policy
W.C. Claims Handling
Time & money spent on employee handbooks
Time & money spent on safety manual
Employee file maintenance
Healthcare enrollments
Insurance Renewals
Plan maintenance
COBRA Administration
Group health claim forms & questions
Unemployment compensation disputes

(Avg. 2% to 6%) _____%

EXECUTIVE EXPENSES

Cost of time to negotiate W.C. program
Cost of time to shop your group health program
Employee personnel management
W.C. injury history reports
Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance
Sexual Harassment Policy
OSHA Reports and Compliance
IRS Compliance and Documentation
Wage & Hour Compliance/Documentation

(Avg. 3% to 7%) _____%

RETIREMENT/PENSION PLANS/401K

Cost of plan documentation/annual qualification
Cost of administration/governmental regulations

(Avg. 2% to 4%) _____%

CURRENT TOTAL ESTIMATED COSTS _____%