

Average costs for First DWI Arrest and Conviction

Refusing to take a breathalyzer test	\$300
Bail from jail	\$100-\$2,500
Towing and impound vehicle	\$100-\$1,200
Higher insurance premiums, \$100 more a month for 3 years	\$3,600 (SR- 22)
Defense Attorney	\$1,500-\$7000
Court Fines (can stay on drivers record for 10 years)	\$150-\$1800
Alcohol Treatment/Education (ADSAP)	\$500-\$3000
Licensing Fees	\$20-\$200
Jail Fee	\$10-\$50
Jail Time (could be up to six months)	\$330
Without jail time	\$997
Sentencing	\$100-\$250
Chemical Testing Fee	\$90
Probation Supervision	\$200-\$1,200
Ignition Interlock Device	\$170-\$1,500
License Reinstatement	\$21-\$200
Community Service Supervision Fee	\$60
Alternate Transportation	\$100-\$1,000

BAC for DUI or DWI: over 21 years, .08; under 21, .02

Conviction may remain on the offender's record for 10 years

Cost of annual auto insurance increases could amount to \$40,000 over 13 years

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