

Adoption Cost Breakdowns

	CHINA	RUSSIA	INDEPENDENT DOMESTIC INFANT	AGENCY DOMESTIC INFANT	FOST-ADOPT ²
Preparation					
Homestudy	\$1,000–\$3,000	\$1,000–\$3,000	\$1,000–\$2,000	\$1,000–\$2,000	\$0–\$500
Documentation & authentication	\$1,000–\$3,000	\$1,000–\$3,000	\$500–\$1,000	\$800–\$1,200	
I-600 visa application	\$500–\$600	\$500–\$600			
Postage/telephone	\$200–\$500	\$200–\$500	\$200–\$500	\$200–\$500	
Adoption					
Application fee	\$150–\$600	\$150–\$600		\$100–\$600	
Program fee	\$5,000–\$10,000	\$15,000–\$25,000		\$5,000–\$15,000	
Child's passport/visa	\$300–\$400	\$400–\$500			
Child's medical exams	\$100–\$200	\$300–\$600			
Gifts	\$100–\$200	\$100–\$200			
Foreign fees	\$2,000				
Orphanage donation	\$5,000				
Post-placement reports ¹	\$300–\$500	\$400–\$2,000	\$400–\$1,000		
Attorney fees			\$5,000–\$15,000	\$1,000–\$6,000	\$0–\$1,000
Advertising/networking			\$0–\$5,000		
Birth family counseling			\$500–\$2,500	\$700–\$2,500	
Birthmother expenses			\$0–\$6,000	\$0–\$5,000	
Foster care			\$0–\$1,000	\$0–\$1,000	
Travel					
(Airfare, hotels, etc.)	\$5,000–\$15,000	\$15,000–\$25,000	\$0–\$5,000	\$0–\$3,000	\$0–\$2,000
Average Cost (Before tax credit)					
	\$20,000–\$40,000	\$40,000–\$60,000	\$20,000–\$35,000	\$20,000–\$40,000	\$0–\$3,500
Tax Credit ³					
Maximum credit	\$12,650 per finalization	\$12,650 per finalization	\$12,650 per attempt	\$12,650 per attempt	\$12,650

Notes

(1) May be included in program fee or homestudy fee.

(2) Costs of adopting a child from foster care may be eligible for reimbursement (up to \$2,000) by the child's state, depending on state regulations. Also, adoptions of U.S. children with special needs are eligible for the full federal tax credit, regardless of actual expenses.

(3) Subject to income limitations.