

National Compost Prices

The prices listed below are intended to indicate the value of mature compost products sold by compost producers and retailers in noted metropolitan areas. Prices listed are based on surveys and publicly posted prices.

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Notes on listings.
 • Each listing includes a high price obtained, a low price obtained and an average of all prices obtained

within a particular market.

• Market areas: Thirteen market areas have been targeted to provide a cross section of compost product markets in the U.S. Where regions are not identified by a specific city, "Chesapeake" refers to the region stretching between Norfolk, Va. to Baltimore, Md. "Texas" incorporates several major cities in the state. "Northwest" represents the Seattle and Portland, Ore areas. "SF-Bay" refers to the San Francisco Bay area. SoCal is Southern California, including the Los Angeles and San Diego areas.
 • "Organic" compost: Although compost is organic by definition, this category refers to compost products that include food waste, regional

specialities and other feedstocks not specifically covered in other categories.

• Manures: Chicken manures may include other poultry manures, such as turkey and duck manure. Cow manures may include manures marketed as steer and dairy manure. Horse manure is included in this category as well.
 • Absence of a regional listing within a given category indicates not enough information for a valid listing. Additional data will be added as more information is obtained.
 • Bulk retail prices do not include municipal operations that give compost away for free.

Bulk Retail (yard)

Yard waste compost	Average	High	Low	Mushroom compost	Average	High	Low	Processed biosolids (40# bag)	Average	High	Low
Boston				SF-Bay	\$23.17	\$34.50	\$10.00	Cleveland	\$ 5.12	\$ 7.99	\$ 2.25
Chesapeake				Waste/Postconsumer mulch	Average	High	Low	Composted chicken manure (40# bag)	Average	High	Low
Atlanta											
Florida											
Cleveland											
Iowa											
Minneapolis											
Texas											
Denver											
Northwest											
SF-Bay											
SoCal											
Organic compost*											
Iowa											
Texas											
SF-Bay											
SoCal											
Leaf humus											
Boston											
Chesapeake											
Cleveland											
Composted biosolids											
Boston											
Chesapeake											
Florida											
Cleveland											
Iowa											
Texas											
Denver	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.00	Florida	\$ 1.99	\$ 1.99	\$ 1.99	Mushroom compost	Average	High	Low
Northwest	\$14.95	\$14.95	\$14.95	Cleveland	\$ 2.45	\$ 2.99	\$ 2.10	Atlanta	\$ 6.34	\$ 7.99	\$ 4.79
SoCal	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	Iowa	\$ 3.12	\$ 7.99	\$ 1.50	Florida	\$ 5.98	\$ 5.98	\$ 5.98
Composted chicken manure	Average	High	Low	Texas	\$ 4.26	\$ 6.99	\$ 1.99	Iowa	\$ 3.91	\$ 4.25	\$ 3.49
Chesapeake	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	Denver	\$ 3.42	\$ 4.75	\$ 1.73	Northwest	\$ 2.99	\$ 2.99	\$ 2.99
Minneapolis	\$17.00	\$17.00	\$17.00	Phoenix	\$ 4.49	\$ 4.99	\$ 3.99	SoCal	\$ 5.99	\$ 5.99	\$ 5.99
Texas	\$37.23	\$47.50	\$26.95	Northwest	\$ 4.12	\$ 5.98	\$ 2.99	Waste/Postconsumer mulch (2 feet)	Average	High	Low
Denver	\$25.65	\$28.00	\$24.00	SoCal	\$ 5.39	\$ 6.25	\$ 3.90	Chesapeake	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00
SF-Bay	\$16.00	\$16.00	\$16.00	"Organic" compost (40# bag)	Average	High	Low	Cleveland	\$ 2.39	\$ 2.39	\$ 2.39
SoCal	\$27.00	\$27.00	\$27.00	Chesapeake	\$ 6.51	\$ 7.99	\$ 5.55	Phoenix	\$ 4.26	\$ 5.99	\$ 3.29
Composted cow manure	Average	High	Low	Iowa	\$ 3.36	\$ 7.99	\$ 1.50	Colored green waste mulch (2 feet)	Average	High	Low
Cleveland	\$24.00	\$24.00	\$24.00	Texas	\$ 4.74	\$ 6.99	\$ 3.99	Chesapeake	\$ 3.63	\$ 3.97	\$ 3.45
Iowa	\$55.00	\$60.00	\$50.00	SF-Bay	\$ 5.95	\$ 5.95	\$ 5.95	Cleveland	\$31.50	\$31.50	\$31.50
Minneapolis	\$29.00	\$32.00	\$26.00	Composted biosolids (40# bag)	Average	High	Low				
Texas	\$27.50	\$47.50	\$15.00	Chesapeake	\$ 3.44	\$ 3.99	\$ 2.50				
Denver	\$20.75	\$30.00	\$12.00	Cleveland	\$ 3.95	\$ 3.95	\$ 3.95				
Phoenix	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	Iowa	\$ 1.75	\$ 2.00	\$ 1.50				
Northwest	\$18.98	\$20.50	\$17.45	Texas	\$ 3.98	\$ 4.95	\$ 3.00				
SF-Bay	\$26.00	\$26.00	\$26.00	Denver	\$ 3.20	\$ 3.20	\$ 3.20				
SoCal	\$19.00	\$24.00	\$15.00	Northwest	\$ 3.25	\$ 3.25	\$ 3.25				

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