

# The DCD Industrial Building Cost Per Square Foot Analysis

The Building Cost Per Square Foot Analysis is compiled from actual new industrial construction projects published by Design Cost Data™ magazine. This guide will provide DCD readers a quick comparison of industrial building construction costs on similar size projects.

The cost per square foot reflects common design features throughout the U.S. and does not include architectural and engineering fees. All projects were escalated to August 2011 and then to select cities.

The actual projects used for this comparison are housed in the DCD Archives™ at DCD.COM. The DCD Archives include over 1,300 projects of all types with regional modifiers and cost escalators through 2016 for cost modeling. For more project information login at [www.dcdarchives.com](http://www.dcdarchives.com).

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Square Foot Cost Analysis for Industrial Buildings - August 2011										
	Historical Base	Atlanta	Pittsburgh	New York City	Dallas	Kansas City	Chicago	Los Angeles	Las Vegas	Seattle
Warehouse Tilt Up/Membrane Roof 1 Floor 25,000 to 50,000	56.89	48.35	52.90	68.26	48.35	51.77	60.87	62.01	56.32	60.30
200,000 to 225,000	41.03	34.88	38.16	49.24	34.88	37.34	43.90	44.72	40.62	43.49
300,000 to 325,000	31.97	31.84	29.73	38.37	27.18	29.09	34.21	34.85	31.65	33.89
500,000 to 525,000	40.86	34.73	38.00	49.04	34.73	37.19	43.73	44.54	40.46	43.32
Manufacturing 1 Floor Metal Exterior/Metal Roof 5,000 to 25,000	57.59	48.95	53.56	69.10	48.95	52.40	61.62	62.77	57.01	61.04
Manufacturing/Office/ Sustainable Metal Exterior/Metal Roof 1 Floor 25,000 to 50,000	97.78	83.11	90.93	117.33	83.11	88.98	104.62	106.58	96.80	103.65
Pre-Engineered/CMU/ Insulated Metal Panels 25,000 to 50,000	98.60	83.81	91.70	118.32	83.81	89.73	105.50	107.48	97.62	104.52
CMU/Metal 125,000 to 150,000	102.10	86.78	94.95	122.52	86.78	92.91	109.25	111.29	101.08	108.22
Precast/Membrane Roof 175,000 to 200,000	87.20	74.12	81.10	104.64	74.12	79.35	93.31	95.05	86.33	92.43
Tilt Up Membrane Roof 300,000 to 350,000	148.97	126.62	138.54	178.76	126.62	135.56	159.39	162.37	147.48	157.91