

# WHAT DOES A TYPICAL SHOP SPEND ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT)?



Have you ever sat down and calculated your Information Technology (IT) expenses each year? If you answered NO, then you aren't alone. Most shop owners have no idea how much they spend on Servers, PC's, Software licenses, Firewall Software, Internet Service, Disaster Recovery Software, and of course, the largest cost: the IT labor to keep everything running smoothly.

We surveyed hundreds of shop owners across North America to come up with the average, overall IT cost for a typical shop. The results will surprise you!

	Annual Costs
Server	\$1,500
Microsoft SQL Licenses	\$1,500
Security and Virus Protection	\$1,000
IT Labor Costs	\$13,500
Data Backups	\$1,000
	Cost Per Year
	\$18,500

A typical 25 man shop spends around \$18,500 per year on their IT. And, this doesn't even include all of the hidden costs associated with on-premise software, such as the downtime of updating your systems and all the other headaches that come along with it.

The rising costs of IT is why more manufacturers are moving to SaaS software. The beauty of SaaS is that you only need an internet connection and your PC. Web-based software offers reduced overall IT costs, scalability, business continuity, collaboration efficiency, flexibility of work practices, access to automatic updates, and much more.