

## Construction Estimating Reference Data

This is the book for construction professionals who want a clear understanding of alternative materials and how using them can enhance their projects -- both residential and commercial. It covers the materials -- including their strengths and any limitations -- as well as installation tips and manhour estimates. For each product listed, you'll learn where you can get it, including phone numbers and Website addresses of the manufacturers. Every builder needs a niche. This book is full of new, exciting materials that you can offer your customers with confidence.

Packed with plumbing isometrics and helpful illustrations, this guide makes clear the code requirements for installing materials for plumbing and gas systems. Includes code tables for pipe sizing and fixture units, and code requirements for just about all areas of plumbing, from water supply and vents to sanitary drainage systems. Covers the principles and terminology of the code, how the various systems work and are regulated, and code-compliance issues you'll likely encounter on the job.

This book includes self-test section at the end of each chapter. Test yourself, then check answers in the back of the book to see how you score. CD-ROM included.

This manual explains all concrete work, from simple slabs to highways and multi-story buildings Everyone who works with concrete should have these step-by-step instructions, illustrations, charts, reference data, cost estimates and examples You'll learn the best methods for transporting, pumping, and placing concrete; the right type of joint to avoid cracking; how your mix and curing method affect strength; what curing compounds to use and more. Includes how to avoid hot, dry and cold weather problems.

In today's hypercompetitive global marketplace, accurate cost estimating is crucial to bottom-line results. Nowhere is this more evident than in the design and development of new products and services. Among managing engineers responsible for developing realistic cost estimates for new product designs, the number-one source of information and guidance has been the Cost Estimator's Reference Manual.

Comprehensive, authoritative, and practical, the Manual instructs readers in the full range of cost estimating techniques and procedures currently used in the fields of development, testing, manufacturing, production, construction, software, general services, government contracting, engineering services, scientific projects, and proposal preparation. The authors clearly explain how to go about gathering the data essential to preparing a realistic estimate of costs and guide the reader step by step through each procedure. This new Second Edition incorporates a decade of progress in the methods, procedures, and strategies of cost estimating. All the material has been updated and five new chapters have been added to reflect the most recent information on such increasingly important topics as activity-based costing, software estimating, design-to-cost techniques, and cost implications of new concurrent engineering and systems engineering approaches to projects. Indispensable to virtually anyone whose work requires accurate cost estimates, the Cost Estimator's Reference Manual will be especially valuable to engineers, estimators, accountants, and contractors of products, projects, processes, and services to both government and industry. The essential ready-reference for the techniques, methods, and procedures of cost estimating COST ESTIMATOR'S REFERENCE MANUAL Second Edition Indispensable for anyone who depends on accurate cost estimates for engineering projects, the Cost Estimator's Reference Manual guides the user through both the basic and more sophisticated aspects of the estimating process. Authoritative and comprehensive, the Manual seamlessly integrates the many functions--accounting, financial, statistical, and management--of modern cost estimating practice. Its broad coverage includes estimating procedures applied to such areas as: \* Production \* Software \* Development \* General services \* Testing \* Government contracting \* Manufacturing \* Engineering \* Proposal preparation \* Scientific projects \* Construction This updated and expanded Second Edition incorporates all the most important recent developments in cost estimating, such as activity-based costing, software estimating, design-to-cost techniques, computer-aided estimating tools, concurrent engineering, and life cycle costing. For engineers, estimators, accountants, planners, and others who are involved in the cost aspects of projects, the Cost Estimator's Reference Manual is an invaluable information source that will pay for itself many times over.

Square foot costs for all types of buildings.

This affordable, real-world guide to success in construction estimating is loaded with tips, checklists, worksheets, data tables, and step-by-step tutorials to help you navigate every step of the estimating process. The text focuses on "how-to" essentials, with on-the-spot answers, visual examples and a strong focus on key factors affecting profit, such as marketing, bid planning, drawing review, scope planning, quantity take-off, pricing, quote evaluation, cost summary, and bid closing for all trades and divisions. Drawing on extensive experience in the industry, the author provides practical solutions for the unprecedented challenges that construction professionals face today, including fierce competition, material price volatility, skilled labor shortages, and strict regulations. He also illuminates the relationship between estimating and project management, with coverage of overhead expenses, value engineering, turnover meeting, and change order pricing.

Everything you need to know to accurately estimate materials and labor for residential and commercial electrical construction. Written by an A.S.P.E. National Estimator of the Year, it teaches you how to use labor units, the plan take-off, and the bid summary to make an accurate estimate, how to deal with suppliers, use pricing sheets, and modify labor units. Provides extensive labor unit tables and blank forms for your next electrical job.

This comprehensive reference covers the full spectrum of technical data required to estimate costs for major construction projects. Widely used in the industry for tasks ranging from routine estimates to special cost analysis projects, the book has been completely updated and reorganized with new and expanded technical information. RSM Means Estimating Handbook will help construction professionals: Evaluate architectural plans and specifications Prepare accurate quantity takeoffs Compare design alternatives and costs Perform value engineering Double-check estimates and quotes Estimate change orders FEATURES: This new edition includes expanded coverage of: Construction specialties—green building, metal decking, plastic pipe, demolition items, and more Preliminary or square foot estimating tools Updated city cost indexes to adjust costs—by trade—for 30 major cities Historic indexes to factor costs for economic effects over time Complete reorganization to the newest CSI MasterFormat classification system

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This working handbook provides invaluable assistance for estimating and planning today's more complex urban and suburban heavy construction rehabilitation projects. Means Heavy Construction Handbook is designed to simplify the task by providing relevant information and advice for the problem at hand... whether it's selecting the right number of haulers for a load and haul job, choosing the right method of compaction, or projecting equipment repair and maintenance costs. You'll find a tremendous range of expert advice on every aspect of heavy construction work... including guidance for using RSM Means cost data to prepare highly reliable estimates. FEATURES: Special benefits of this unique Handbook: Explains the business aspects of buying vs. leasing, maintaining, and accounting for equipment. Includes a major section on site evaluation and hazardous wastes. Provides a comprehensive understanding of heavy

construction operations and equipment. Explains techniques for hazardous waste site assessment and remediation. Provides guidance for analyzing and estimating heavy construction on a unit price basis. Explains and illustrates the math of heavy construction with formulas and sample calculations – solutions to a variety of productivity and operational problems. Provides a substantial Appendix of productivity and other reference data for estimating and project planning. Explains successful management and supervision approaches – including guidance for those who oversee the work.

Basic engineering principles are offered in non-technical language that the builder can put to use on his jobs. Includes understanding engineering requirements on the plans and how to meet them, sizing of structural members using only preliminary plans, and requirements for steel, concrete, and masonry.

This brand-new book provides a thorough introduction to cost estimating in a self-contained print and online package. With clear explanations and a hands-on, example-driven approach, it is the ideal reference for students and new professionals who need to learn how to perform cost estimating for building construction. With more than 930 Location Factors in the United States and Canada, the data includes up-to-date system prices for more than 100 standard assemblies and in-place costs for thousands of alternates making it easy to customize budget estimates and compare system costs. The book includes a free access code to the supplemental website with plans, specifications, problem sets, and a full sample estimate.

Hundreds of questions and answers to help you pass the apprentice, journeyman, or master plumber's exam. Questions are in the style of the actual exam. The best way to prepare yourself for examination day!

Fences and Retaining Walls, is a practical manual for the fencing professional and has all the information for quality fence work. An important book as well for house builders and home remodelers.

Contains alphabetically arranged entries that provide step-by-step instructions, with tips, techniques, tools, and templates, for residential construction projects, including tiling, dry wall, electric, heating and air conditioning, siding, and much more. Includes CD-ROM with instructions for each job.

Anyone involved in budgeting and estimating for facilities construction will find this comprehensive book to be an extremely useful reference containing unit price, assemblies, and square foot costs. Contains 1,150 pages of up-to-date facilities cost information complete with S.F. cost tables, reference data, estimating tips by division, productivity data, as well as City Cost Indexes for localizing costs to a specific area.

This revision of the author's bestselling earlier work on cost estimating has been updated to provide currently applicable examples, data and techniques. Two new chapters have been added covering: computer tools and models for cost estimating, where to get these tools, and the features to look for; software cost estimating with special emphasis on the effect of CASE tools on software productivities and resulting software costs. A complete set of inflation tables is now included to permit conversion from any year dollars to any other year dollars from 1959 through 1997. Retains its comprehensive coverage of the elements needed to embark on a cost estimating task. Strengthened are the invaluable parts of the book which tell the estimator how to produce a competitive and credible cost estimate. Manufacturing standards for hardware and electronics are retained as are handy tables for determining the costs of engineering, design, documentation, drafting and testing.

Simplify the estimating process with the latest data, materials, and practices Electrical Estimating Methods, Fourth Edition is a comprehensive guide to estimating electrical costs, with data provided by leading construction database RS Means. The book covers the materials and processes encountered by the modern contractor, and provides all the information professionals need to make the most precise estimate. The fourth edition has been updated to reflect the changing materials, techniques, and practices in the field, and provides the most recent Means cost data available. The complexity of electrical systems can make accurate estimation difficult, but this guide contains all the necessary information in one place. An electrical estimate represents the total cost for materials, labor, overhead and profit, but accuracy is virtually impossible without a basic knowledge of the field, and real-world experience in the type of work required.

Inaccurate estimates lead to problems with customer satisfaction, which often create payment issues. A thorough, complete, and accurate estimate is in the best interest of all parties involved in the work. Electrical Estimating Methods provides more than just data. Detailed discussions about the work itself help highlight factors that may escape notice, and access to the latest cost data helps tie everything together. Features include: Discussion of current equipment, materials, and processes Means data for both residential and commercial projects Case studies that illustrate best practices Online access to the latest Means data for fast access on the job The book discusses specific situations as well as general practices, and provides comprehensive guidance to the creation of a true, current, estimation of costs. For electrical contractors and estimators, Electrical Estimating Methods contains must-have content that simplifies the estimating process.

This manual shows you, in simple, easy -to-understand language, how to calculate the amount of dirt you'll have to move, the cost of owning and operating the machines you'll do it with, and finally, how to assign bid prices to each part of the job. Using clear, detailed illustrations and examples, the author makes it easy to follow and duplicate his system. The book ends with a complete sample estimate, from the take-off to completing the bid sheet. Included in this book: -- How to set up & use an organized & logical estimating system -- How to read plans & specs -- Why a site visit is mandatory -- How to assess accessibility & job difficulty -- How soil characteristics can affect your estimate -- The best ways to evaluate subsurface conditions -- Figuring your overhead -- How to get the information you need from contour maps -- When you have to undercut -- Dealing with irregular regions and odd areas -- Factors for estimating swell and shrinkage -- Balancing the job: spoil & borrow -- Calculating machine owning & operating costs -- The two common methods of estimating earthwork quantities

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Produce accurate estimates for nearly any residence in just minutes. This handy manual has the shortcuts and tables you need to find the quantity of materials and labor for most residential construction. Includes overhead and profit, how to develop unit costs for labor and materials, and how to be sure you've considered every cost in the job. Written by an expert in the field.

Easily master QuickBooks Pro 2003 and quickly learn how to generate reports to help you analyze your company's progress. Includes a FREE CD-ROM with preconfigured construction company files for

QuickBooks Pro, including one for Canada. Just drag the company file onto your hard drive and then fill it in with your vendors, subs, and customers. Also included is a complete estimating program with a cost database to help you estimate your jobs, and a unique translation tool to transfer the estimate to QuickBooks Pro for job costing. Includes 40 FREE construction forms.

Everything you need to know to estimate, build, and repair practically every type of roof covering: asphalt shingles, roll roofing, wood shingles & shakes, clay tile, slate, metal, built-up, and elastomeric. Shows how to measure and estimate most roofs (including estimating shortcuts discovered by the author), how to install leak-proof underlayment and flashing, and how to solve problems with insulation, vapor barriers, and waterproofing. Over 300 large, clear illustrations that help you find the answers to all your roofing questions.

A practical, hands-on guide to real-world construction estimating How to Estimate with RSMeans Data is the only instructional book on construction cost estimating that uses the most popular source of construction cost data, RS Means. This updated fifth edition includes new coverage on the role of Building Information Modeling (BIM) in the estimating process, and over 300 sample problems and exercises that show you how to apply cost data to your building project based on the RS Means 2015 Building Construction Cost Data. The companion website provides access to RS Means CostWorks data, allowing you to use real-world numbers in your practice estimates, and the included Instructor's Manual provides step-by-step solutions to problems in the book. Focused on the practical aspects of estimating, this book emphasizes the application of estimating techniques—which are transferable to any estimating software—through problem solving and the ground-up creation of complete construction project estimates. Estimating skills are fundamental to the construction industry, and are applied by all parties at all levels throughout the industry. This book is a hands-on guide to the techniques and tools used to create a thorough estimate, with plenty of opportunities for practice. Apply cost data to all aspects of the building project Practice your skills on over 300 sample problems Construct a complete estimate using RSMeans Besides being an essential construction skill, learning estimating helps you become familiar with reading and understanding construction blueprints and how construction assemblies are built. Mastery of these vital skills is important to your future career, and How to Estimate with RSMeans Data is your ideal guide to a solid foundation.

Using North America's most recognized construction cost data from RSMeans, this step-by-step guide develops problem-solving skills through over 300 sample problems and exercises. All of the major construction items, including site work, concrete and masonry, wood and metal framing, doors and windows, and more are covered. Access to a password-protected web site is included, which contains the instruction version of RSMeans Cos/Works, the electronic version of RS Means Building Construction Cost Data, and sample building plans and spreadsheets, enabling you to practice creating a complete construction estimate.

Exploring the methodology and overall strategy of project cost estimating, this book provides an introduction to statistics and databases, illustrating how they can help the cost estimator. The book offers an interactive approach where the reader is encouraged to participate in a series of CD or dice exercises to create a thorough understanding of the concepts involved.

This is the most complete, authoritative and reliable unit cost guide ever made available to paint estimators. No matter what types of work you estimate, no matter what your costs are, this book will help you produce consistently reliable painting estimates in dollars and cents.

Companies live or die on the basis of estimating their costs. Preparing estimates and bidding for new jobs is a complex and often costly process. There is no substitute for on the job training -- until now. Drawing on the authors' combined experience of more than 70 years, Estimating Building Costs presents state-of-the-art principles, practices, and techniques for assessing these expenditures that can be applied regardless of changes in the costs of materials, equipment, and labor. The book is an efficient and practical tool for developing contracts or controlling project costs. The authors cover the major components of the direct cost: estimating procedures and cost trends related to materials, construction equipment, and skilled and unskilled labor. They describe various types of building estimates encountered during the lifecycle of a project, as well as the role and accuracy of each. The book provides an overview of the industry, cost indexes in use, approaches to preparing a detailed estimate, and an in-depth description of the organization and function of the estimating group. Including CSI Master Format and UniFormat codes, estimating forms, a list of available estimating software packages, a detailed construction site and investigation report, the book provides a cost estimating methodology that readers can tailor to their own organizational needs.

Revised edition of: Construction management / Daniel W. Halpin, Bolivar A. Senior. 2011.

Provides the 300 most useful manhour tables for practically every item of construction. Labor requirements are listed for sitework, concrete work, masonry, steel, carpentry, thermal and moisture protection, doors and windows, finishes, mechanical, and electrical. Each section details the work being estimated and gives appropriate crew size and equipment needed. This new revised edition contains National Estimator, a computer estimating program. This fast, powerful program and complete instructions are yours free on high-density 3 1/2" disk when you buy the book.

Describes procedures involved in proportioning mixes, excavation, the design and construction of forms and framework, and handling, placing, and finishing concrete

A common-sense index to help you quickly find what you need in Volume 1 of the UBC. Topics are listed under names you use in construction. Guaranteed to help you save time looking for what you need in the Code.

"Manhours, labor and material costs for most home improvement work. Includes instructions for doing the work, with helpful illustrations, and tricks and tips from experienced remodelers."

According to a recent national survey, more construction contractors use QuickBooks Pro and QuickBooks than all other accounting programs combined. And for good reason. QuickBooks Pro excels at all the routine paperwork in a construction office: writing checks, keeping track of your bank balance, sending out invoices and statements, creating up-to-the-minute profit and loss statements for the month, year or by job, writing payroll checks, paying suppliers and subcontractors, tracking job costs, comparing estimated and actual costs for each job, and much more. But there's a lot to learn in QuickBooks Pro. And converting to a new accounting system can be a complex and confusing task, even if you have a strong background in accounting and plenty of time to install the new system. That's why this book was written -- because most construction pros aren't accounting experts and have more important work to do at the job site.

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