

For those who don't understand why puppies cost what they cost..

Time, effort, love all priceless to the Code of Ethics Responsible breeder.

Cost of Raising a well bred, responsibly raised Rottweiler litter (health tested, Ch parents, prices may vary slightly by region)

\$5000-\$15,000+ Showing the Dam (if using your own stud then x 2)
\$700-\$1000+ Health testing and OFA fees (if using your own stud x 2)
\$50ea AKC DNA profile of parents
\$300-\$500 Pre breeding reproductive workup (brucellosis, cultures, CBC, heartworm test, worming, vaccines ect) (if using your own stud x 2 and add pre-breeding semen eval of \$100)
\$400-\$600 Progesterone Testing to determine breeding/A.I. dates
\$2500+ Stud Fee if using outside stud (double for dual sire litters or if using 2 breeding units of frozen)
\$300-\$2000 Semen Shipping (domestic or international) OR
\$50-\$1000 Travel expenses to a stud for live cover depending on distance
\$800 + Surgical A.I. or two TCI's to inseminate if not using live cover
\$135 + Ultrasound to confirm pregnancy
(if breeding does not take lose all expense into the breeding and start over)
\$135+ X-ray to confirm number and position of puppies, puppy size, dam's pelvis size
\$2,000 + c-section or emergency vet visit for whelping complications, mastitis, infection, ect
\$100 post whelping exam and X-ray
\$250-\$1500 Whelping box
\$500 + whelping supplies (heat lamp, heating pad, pee pads, towels, blankets, paper towels, gloves, trash bags, necessary medical equipment and supplies, ect)
\$30 ea puppy Dewclaw removal
\$500-\$1000 Milk Replacer or goats milk, puppy food, vitamins (depending on litter size)
\$250+ Weaning pen or kennel for once puppies need more space
\$300+ Pee Pads Litter/potty area
\$200+ toys, bedding, collars, misc
\$30 per pup AKC litter fees (dual sired litter \$200 extra plus \$50 fee for each DNA test per puppy)
\$40 AKC Litter Pedigree
\$100+ ea pup regular vet care (vet check, wormings, heartworm preventive, vaccines)
\$40+ microchip per pup
\$65 + tail docking
\$50-\$300+ Advertising the breeding/Litter
\$200 per pup for breeders puppy pack/go home kit
Unforeseen potential expenses- death of the bitch, contagious disease, birth defects, genetic defects, injury, growth issues, euthanasia, ect ,, also possible replacement puppies going towards health guarantees.
Misc expenses- Gas for all the travel, time off work, cost of pet sitter to check on pups while at work, electric bill from heating lamps and pads, extra expenses for excessive laundry (gas, water, electric, detergent, bleach). Any related import permit , agent and customs fees for importing semen, added vet expenses required to be reimbursed to the stud dog owner for their travel and vet expenses for import/export requirements.