

MetrC costs across states

State	Plant tag (ex: \$0.45 plant tag)	Package tag (ex. \$0.25 package tag)	Who pays (licensee vs. state)	Monthly Service Fee (if applicable, to cover access to system, training, support)
Alabama	\$0.45 plant tag	\$0.25 package tag	Licensee	\$40
Alaska	\$0.45 plant tag	\$0.25 package tag	Licensee	\$40
California	<p style="text-align: center;">MetrC fees and tags are built into annual license fee.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">20 cultivator tiers, max app+license fee \$86,560 annually; 5 manufacture tiers, max app+license fee \$76,000 annually; 2 retail tiers, max app+license fee \$97,000 annually.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(California is dual licensure state, so both state license and local authorization required. Local jurisdictions may completely prohibit establishment/operation of businesses within the jurisdiction)</i></p>			
Colorado (contract expires in 2026—in RFP process)	\$0.45 plant tag	\$0.25 package tag	Licensee	\$40
D.C.	\$0.45 plant tag	\$0.25 package tag	Licensee	\$40
Guam	\$0.45 plant tag	\$0.25 package tag	Licensee	\$40
Illinois	<p style="text-align: center;">Costs for the MetrC system are built into licensing fees.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Cultivation license \$100,000 annually; dispensary license \$30,000 annually. License cap of 52 total grows (30 adult-use, 22 medical) and 560 total dispensaries (500 adult use, 60 medical). Licenses awarded based on lottery and point-based system. Production caps on grows (limited to 210k sq. ft. canopy).</p>			
Louisiana	\$0.40 plant tag	\$0.40 package tag	Licensee	\$50
New Jersey	\$0.45 plant tag	\$0.25 package tag	Licensee	\$40
Maine (required for adult use only)	\$0.45 plant tag	\$0.25 package tag	Licensee	\$40
Maryland	\$0.40 plant tag	\$0.40 package tag	Licensee	\$40
Massachusetts	\$0.46 plant tag	\$0.26 package tag	Licensee	\$41.50
Michigan	\$0.45 plant tag	\$0.25 package tag	Licensee for tags; state for licensee access fee	MI Cannabis Regulatory Agency uses revenue generated from licensing fees to cover monthly “industry support” costs
Minnesota	\$0.45 plant tag	\$0.25 package tag	Licensee	\$40

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Montana	\$0.55 plant tag	\$0.32 package tag	Licensee for tags; state for licensee access fee	Licensee access is paid through licensing fees.
	13 cultivator tiers with max license fee \$37,000 annually; 3 manufacturer tiers with max license fee \$20,000 annually; dispensary fee \$5,000 annually. Moratorium until 2027; currently around 375 cultivators, 183 manufacturers, 509 dispensaries.			
Nevada	\$0.45 plant tag	\$0.25 package tag	Licensee	\$40
Ohio	\$0.39 plant tag	\$0.19 package tag	Licensee	\$45
Oklahoma	\$0.45 plant tag	\$0.25 package tag	Licensee	\$40
South Dakota	\$0.45 plant tag	\$0.25 package tag	Licensee	\$40
Virginia	\$0.45 plant tag	\$0.25 package tag	Licensee	-----
West Virginia	\$0.45 plant tag	\$0.25 package tag	Licensee	\$42.80

The average tag costs across 19 states is \$0.45 per plant tag and \$0.25 per package tag (14 states, including Oklahoma, have these exact fees; some states charge 39¢, 40¢, 40¢, 46¢, and 55¢ per plant tag and 19¢, 26¢, 32¢, 40¢, and 40¢ per package tag). Only 3 states (California, Illinois, and Missouri) cover tag costs in licensing fees.

17 states have a monthly fee charged to licensees, on average \$41/month. 4 states include licensee access in their license fees (California, Illinois, Michigan, and Montana).

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