

**PLEASE READ**

**This calculator should not be used for calculating child support under the Arizona child support guidelines currently in effect. If you need to calculate child support under the current guidelines, go to this webpage:**  
<http://www.azcourts.gov/familylaw/childsupportcalculator.aspx>

This is a **TEST VERSION** of the child support calculator for the Child Outcome Based Support (COBS) model that was tentatively approved by the Arizona Judicial Council in June 2010.

This is a fully functioning prototype calculator that is currently under review and available here for public vetting.

Go to: [COBS Prototype Child Support Calculator](#)  (09/2010)

Technical difficulties with this version should be reported to: [support@courts.az.gov](mailto:support@courts.az.gov). General comments regarding the proposed guidelines should be submitted to the CSGRC Comment Form page located at: <http://www.azcourts.gov/cscommittees/ChildSupportGuidelinesReviewCommittee/CSGRCCCommentForm.aspx> *Please note this site does not allow for direct response from the Guidelines Review Committee.*

**Requirements:**

This user-friendly version is formatted using an Excel spreadsheet. Use the “Tab” key to move from field to field.

**Instructions:**

<b>Data fields</b>	<b>Instructions</b>
Blank blue box in top left corner	If this is a Title IV-D case, put a space in the box. The state caption will appear on the worksheet. If this is not a IV-D case, do not enter a space in this box.
Petitioner	Insert <b>Petitioner’s</b> name.
Respondent	Insert <b>Respondent’s</b> name.
No.	Insert case file number, if applicable.
DOB	Insert children’s dates of birth. Start with the first box using this format: MM-DD-YY. The age of the children will automatically calculate. The <b>Youngest Grade Estimated</b> box will automatically fill, if applicable. If the estimated grade is incorrect, place the correct grade in the <b>Actual Grade</b> field.
Age	This field will Automatically calculate the children’s ages.
Youngest Grade Estimated	The <b>Youngest Grade Estimated</b> box will automatically fill, if applicable. If the estimated grade is incorrect, place the

	correct grade in the <b>Actual Grade</b> field.
Actual Grade	Insert the correct grade in the <b>Actual Grade</b> field if the estimated grade is incorrect.
Presumptive Termination Date	This field automatically calculates the <b>Presumptive Termination Date</b> of child support for the youngest child.
Number of Minor Children	This field automatically calculates the number of minor children who are subject to this child support order.
Primary Custodial Parent	Place an “X” in the appropriate box. Only one box can be checked. Custody is equal by definition when both parents have at <i>least</i> 170 parenting days per year. Custody is considered unequal if a parent has 169 days, or less, of parenting days per year. If there is unequal parenting time, check either the “Mother” or “Father” box.
<b>Gross Monthly Income</b>	
Gross Monthly Income	Insert the hourly, monthly, or annual income for each parent in the appropriate box.
Court-Ordered Spousal Maintenance (Paid)/ Received	Place the amount of court-ordered spousal maintenance paid or received by each parent. Enter paid spousal maintenance with a minus sign, i.e., -\$350. If you are receiving spousal maintenance, do not include a minus sign.
Court-Ordered Child Support from Other Relations Actually Being Paid	Enter in the corresponding boxes the number of children of other relationships covered by a court order for whom father and/or mother is actually paying child support. Enter the amount of child support paid in the corresponding fields to the right.
Support of Other Natural or Adopted Children Not Court Ordered	Enter in the corresponding boxes the number of other natural or adopted children for whom there is no court-ordered support. An amount will automatically fill in the box. (Only enter an amount in the blue box next to this amount if you desire an adjustment for support of other children that is less than the discretionary guidelines deduction.)
<b>Adjusted Gross Incomes</b>	
Adjusted Gross Incomes Adjusted for Preliminary Support Amount	These lines are calculated automatically by the calculator.
Combined Adjusted Gross Income	This line is calculated automatically by the calculator.
Each Parent’s Percentage of Adjusted Gross Income	These lines are calculated automatically by the calculator.
Parenting Time Adjustment: Annual Parenting Time of Days	Unless you previously checked the “ <b>Equal</b> ” box in the <b>Primary Custodial Parent</b> line, enter the number of days each year that the noncustodial parent has parenting time with the children.
Preliminary Support Amount	These fields are calculated automatically by the calculator.

<b>Adjustments to Preliminary Support Amount</b>	
Medical, Dental/Vision Insurance Paid (Mandatory)	Insert the amount of insurance premiums paid by either or both parents in the respective field.
Monthly Childcare Costs Paid By (Discretionary)	Insert the amount of childcare costs paid by either or both parents. If the court finds the amount of child support is sufficient to provide for childcare costs, the court may decline to include all or part of the childcare expense.
Extra Education Expenses Paid By (Discretionary)	Insert the amount of extra education expenses paid by either or both parents that have been incurred by agreement of both parents or ordered by the court.
Gifted or Handicapped Expenses Paid (Discretionary)	Insert the amount of costs paid by either or both parents for gifted or handicapped children. Typical extracurricular and school activity expenses are not considered extraordinary expenses.
<b>Total Adjustments to Preliminary Support Amount</b>	
Each Parent's Percentage of Adjusted Gross Income After Preliminary Support Adjustment	<b>All of these fields are calculated automatically by the child support calculator.</b>
Each Parent's Share of Additional Obligations	
Total Additional Amounts Now Paid By Parents	
Obligor's Additional Obligation Owed (Overpaid)	
Guidelines Support Amount	
Self Support Reserve Test: Adjusted Gross Income Less Self Support Reserve Amount	
Self Support Reserve Test Not Applied (X)	
Final Child Support Amount Payable By Obligor	
Issue Order of Assignment Against	<b>Check appropriate box indicating which parent is to pay child support.</b>

**Note: The data fields under the functioning child support worksheet are related to corresponding child support order forms and IV-D Judgment and Paternity Order forms that have not been fully developed yet. The user does not need to provide any information in these data fields at this time as they are for review purposes only.**

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