

2026 Unit Prices: Demolition, Abatement and Site Work

Prices reviewed October 2026, next review January 2027. Same price in Orange, Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego and Ventura counties.

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Demolition

Item	Price	Unit
Collapse and remove: house, garage, ADU or shed (slab left)	\$26.50 - \$31.50	per square foot of floor area
Full demolition to dirt (structure, foundation, slab out)	\$42 - \$51	per square foot of floor area
Interior demolition and gut-outs, homes	\$22.50 - \$26.50	per square foot
Fire-damaged structure demolition (slab left)	\$29 - \$35	per square foot
Flooring removal, no asbestos	\$5.25 - \$6.50	per square foot
Self-leveler grinding, up to 1/4 in., no asbestos	\$5 - \$6.50	per square foot
Self-leveler or topping break-out, over 1/4 in., no asbestos	\$7.50 - \$10.50	per square foot

Pool, wall and fence removal

Item	Price	Unit
In-ground pool removal (partial removal and backfill, or full removal)	\$15,750 - \$31,500	per pool
Block wall demolition, 6 ft high with footing	\$170 - \$205	per linear foot
Fence removal, chain link or wood, up to 6 ft	\$12.25 - \$14.75	per linear foot
Curb and gutter removal	\$20 - \$25.50	per linear foot
Pavement striping removal, 4 in. stripe	\$6 - \$7	per linear foot

Concrete cutting and coring

Item	Price	Unit
Core drilling, 2-inch hole, concrete up to 4 in. thick	\$105 - \$130	per hole
Core drilling, 4-inch hole, concrete up to 4 in. thick	\$200 - \$245	per hole
Core drilling, 4-inch hole, concrete 4 to 6 in. thick	\$225 - \$275	per hole
Saw cutting, plain concrete slab or paving, up to 4 in. deep	\$5.75 - \$7.25	per linear foot
Saw cutting, slab with wire mesh, up to 4 in. deep	\$7.50 - \$9.25	per linear foot
Saw cutting, slab with rebar, up to 4 in. deep	\$12 - \$14.75	per linear foot
Saw cutting, plain concrete wall, up to 4 in. deep	\$23 - \$27.50	per linear foot
Opening in a 4-inch reinforced slab on grade, under 24 SF	\$105 - \$130	per square foot
Opening in a 6-inch reinforced concrete wall, under 24 SF	\$140 - \$170	per square foot

Concrete and asphalt removal

Item	Price	Unit
Concrete slab removal, 4 in., under 5,000 SF	\$8.75 - \$10.50	per square foot
Concrete slab removal, 4 in., 5,000 SF and up	\$6 - \$7.25	per square foot
Concrete slab removal, 6 in., under 5,000 SF	\$10.50 - \$13.25	per square foot
Concrete slab removal, 6 in., 5,000 SF and up	\$7.25 - \$8.75	per square foot
Concrete slab removal, 8 in., under 5,000 SF	\$15.75 - \$19	per square foot
Concrete slab removal, 8 in., 5,000 SF and up	\$10.50 - \$12.75	per square foot
Asphalt removal, 4 in., under 5,000 SF	\$7.25 - \$8.50	per square foot
Asphalt removal, 4 in., 5,000 SF and up	\$3.70 - \$4.75	per square foot
Asphalt removal, 6 in., under 5,000 SF	\$8 - \$9.25	per square foot
Asphalt removal, 6 in., 5,000 SF and up	\$4.50 - \$5.75	per square foot
Concrete and asphalt crushing to base, on site	\$7.50 - \$11.25	per ton

A job just under 5,000 SF is never billed more than the same job at 5,000 SF.

Excavation and grading

Item	Price	Unit
Excavation and soil export	\$94 - \$115	per cubic yard

Rough grading, on-site cut and fill	\$1.35 - \$1.85	per square foot of pad
Fine grading	\$1.10	per square foot
Fill dirt, delivered, placed and compacted	\$62 - \$77	per cubic yard
Trenching by machine, 2 ft wide x 4 ft deep, backfilled and compacted	\$11.75 - \$14	per linear foot
Base rock (crushed aggregate base), 6 in., placed	\$3.15 - \$3.95	per square foot
Lime stabilization (lime-treated subgrade), 6 in.	\$2.40 - \$3.15	per square foot
Utility potholing by hand (up to 1 cubic yard)	\$400 - \$490	each

Land clearing

Item	Price	Unit
Lot clearing and grubbing (brush, trees under 6 in.)	\$22,000 - \$26,250	per acre
Heavy clearing and grubbing (trees up to 16 in.)	\$35,750 - \$44,250	per acre
Weed abatement and brush cutting (fire clearance)	\$1,775 - \$2,100	per acre
Tree removal within a clearing or demolition scope, trunk up to 6 in.	\$1,625 - \$1,925	each
Tree removal within a clearing or demolition scope, trunk 6 to 12 in.	\$2,400 - \$2,875	each
Tree removal within a clearing or demolition scope, trunk 12 to 24 in.	\$3,200 - \$3,825	each
Tree removal within a clearing or demolition scope, trunk 24 to 36 in.	\$4,800 - \$5,725	each
Tree removal within a clearing or demolition scope, trunk 36 to 48 in.	\$6,375 - \$7,625	each
Stump grinding within a clearing scope, trunk up to 24 in.	\$615 - \$735	each
Temporary construction fence, 6 ft chain link, up to 6 months	\$21 - \$25	per linear foot
Silt fence, 3 ft high	\$9.25 - \$11.25	per linear foot
Fiber rolls (wattles), 9 in.	\$17 - \$20.50	per linear foot
Stabilized construction entrance (rock)	\$12.50 - \$14.75	per square foot
Storm drain inlet protection	\$180 - \$220	each

Hydroseeding and irrigation

Item	Price	Unit
Hydroseeding (seed, fiber mulch, tackifier)	\$12,000 - \$18,500	per acre
Hydroseeding with bonded fiber matrix (slopes)	\$14,000 - \$21,250	per acre
Irrigation system installed (Rain Bird or equivalent)	\$1.85 - \$2.90	per square foot of irrigated area
Irrigation, commercial and large open turf on rotors (1 acre or more)	\$1.35 - \$1.85	per square foot of irrigated area

Asbestos abatement (by our Cal/OSHA-registered subcontractor)

Item	Price	Unit
Popcorn ceiling asbestos removal	\$9.50 - \$12.75	per square foot of ceiling
Asbestos floor tile and black mastic removal	\$17 - \$23.50	per square foot
Asbestos drywall and joint compound removal	\$24.50 - \$30.50	per square foot of surface
Asbestos plaster or stucco removal	\$53 - \$66	per square foot of surface
Asbestos duct removal and disposal, round duct up to 6 in. diameter	\$84 - \$105	per linear foot
Asbestos duct removal and disposal, round duct 6 to 12 in. diameter	\$100 - \$125	per linear foot
Transite flue, water-heater vent or furnace-closet asbestos removal (HVAC contractor removes the furnace)	\$1,950 - \$4,475	per home
Bathroom tub surround: asbestos tile, setting material and drywall on three walls (under 100 SF)	\$1,950 - \$3,800	per bathroom
Small asbestos jobs (closet, duct mastic, drywall cuts)	\$1,950 - \$3,800	per visit

Lead paint removal

Item	Price	Unit
Lead-based paint removal	\$15.75 - \$22.50	per square foot of painted surface
Lead paint chip sample (certified lead inspector, accredited lab)	\$95 - \$120	per sample
Lead dust wipe sample (certified lead inspector, accredited lab)	\$95 - \$120	per sample

Tanks and hazardous materials

Item	Price	Unit
Underground storage tank (UST) removal, steel fuel or holding tank, up to 15,000 gallons	\$1.85 - \$2.65	per gallon of capacity
Above-grade tank removal, steel fuel or holding tank, up to 15,000 gallons	\$1.85 - \$2.65	per gallon of capacity
Petroleum-contaminated soil, excavation	\$25 - \$30	per ton
Petroleum-contaminated soil, loading	\$14 - \$17	per ton
Petroleum-contaminated soil, thermal treatment	\$90 - \$110	per ton

Hauling and disposal

Item	Price	Unit
Construction and demolition debris removal (we load)	\$135 - \$160	per cubic yard
Clean concrete recycling fee, no rebar	\$24.50 - \$30.50	per cubic yard
Concrete recycling fee, with rebar	\$37 - \$45.50	per cubic yard

Testing

Item	Price	Unit
Asbestos bulk sample, PLM, standard turnaround	\$120 - \$145	per sample
Asbestos bulk sample, PLM, next day	\$145 - \$175	per sample
Asbestos bulk sample, PLM, same day	\$220 - \$280	per sample
Asbestos point count, PLM 400-point (sample under 10%)	\$160 - \$205	per sample
Asbestos air sample, PCM	\$74 - \$95	per sample
Asbestos clearance air sample, TEM (AHERA)	\$495 - \$615	per sample
Lead paint chip sample	\$95 - \$120	per sample
Lead dust wipe sample	\$95 - \$120	per sample

Drywall and patch-back

Item	Price	Unit
Drywall replacement, hung, taped and textured	\$5.25 - \$7	per square foot
Interior painting, walls and ceilings	\$3.70 - \$4.75	per square foot of surface
Concrete slab replacement, 4 in.	\$15.75 - \$20	per square foot
Asphalt patch-back, 4 in.	\$11.25 - \$13.50	per square foot

Waterproofing

Item	Price	Unit
Below-grade and wall waterproofing, fluid-applied membrane	\$10.50 - \$13.75	per square foot
Below-grade waterproofing system, specified (90-mil membrane, epoxy primer, drainage panel, manufacturer warranty)	\$15.75 - \$21	per square foot
Penetrating concrete or masonry sealer	\$1.85 - \$2.65	per square foot

Minimum charges

Item	Price	Unit
Asbestos or lead job	\$1,950	per job
Demolition, concrete cutting, site preparation, hauling, restoration or waterproofing job	\$3,750	per job
Tank removal (one removal mobilization)	\$5,600	per tank
Additional tank, same site and mobilization	\$2,800	per tank

Tank removal return trip (remobilization)	\$1,950	per trip
Lab-results testing visit (asbestos or lead; not a Rule 1403 survey)	\$475	per visit
Rule 1403 asbestos survey (CAC-signed report)	\$1,000	per building

Tank minimum covers one removal mobilization. Agency items (permits, contents testing and disposal, soil samples, closeout paperwork) are billed at cost plus administrative time; inspector standby is billed hourly.

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