

# ACS Decorative Concrete & More

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## Stained Concrete Cost Breakdown:

\$3 - \$4 per square foot ~ A basic stain job includes:

- One color
- Minimal slab preparation
- Final sealer coat



\$4-10 per square foot ~ An intermediate stain job includes:

- One color
- Minimal slab preparation
- Final sealer coat



\$8-15 per square foot ~ An upgraded stain job includes

- Complex sawed patterns
- Multiple color buildups



\$12-25 per square foot ~ A high-end stain job includes:

- Stencil work
- Hand applied stains



The cost of staining will vary considerably depending on the complexity of the stain application, surface prep requirements, the size of the job, the type of sealer used, and your local market. In general, though, a basic one-coat application of stain with sealer and minimal surface prep will run about \$2 to \$4 per square foot. More elaborate stain projects incorporating faux finishing, multiple colors, and designs or borders created by saw cutting, sandblasting, or stenciling can run much higher (about \$15 per square foot or more) due to the time and skill level involved. When comparing the cost of stained concrete with alternative flooring materials, such as carpet, tile, or hardwood, don't forget to factor in longevity and replacement costs. Properly sealed and maintained stained concrete will last for decades

and rarely needs replacement. It's invulnerable to tearing, gouging, mold, or water damage. Even if the stained surface wears after time, it can often be brought back to life with some touchup staining and reapplication of the protective coating.