

Business Cost Impacts from disposable food service items

The cost breakdown* of disposable food service ware items used for typical to-go meals, based on case studies of *ReThink Disposable* certified food businesses

Café Coffee To-Go meal packaging:	
ITEM	COST
16 oz. Hot Cup	\$0.06
Hot Cup Lid	\$0.04
Sleeve	\$0.03
Lid plug/stirrer	\$0.03
3 Sugar Packets	\$0.03
2 Creamers	\$0.08
TOTAL COST: \$0.27	

Taqueria Meal To-Go meal packaging:	
ITEM	COST
Plastic Bag	\$0.01
Foil	\$0.02
Paper Bag for chips	\$0.02
3 Plastic Sauce Cups for salsa	\$0.06
3 Plastic Sauce Cup Lid	\$0.06
6 Napkins	\$0.01
16 oz. Cold Cup	\$0.05
Cold Cup Lid	\$0.01
Straw	\$0.01
TOTAL COST: \$0.25	

Chinese Food To-Go meal packaging:	
ITEM	COST
Plastic Bag	\$0.01
2 Paper Boxes	\$0.25
2 Large Plastic Clamshells	\$0.38
4 Condiment Packets	\$0.10
6 Napkins	\$0.01
Wooden Chopsticks	\$0.03
Plastic Fork, Knife, Spoon	\$0.03
Sauce Cup	\$0.02
Sauce Cup Lid	\$0.02
TOTAL COST: \$0.85	

Hamburger/Fries To-Go meal packaging:	
ITEM	COST
Plastic/Paper Bag	\$0.01
6 Napkins	\$0.01
5 Condiment Packets	\$0.13
8x8x3 Fiber Clamshell for Hamburger	\$0.23
6x6x3 Fiber Clamshell for Fries	\$0.13
16 oz. Cold Cup	\$0.05
Cold Cup Lid	\$0.01
Straws	\$0.01
TOTAL COST: \$0.58	

Greek Food Meal To-Go meal packaging:	
ITEM	COST
Plastic Bag	\$0.01
6x6x3 Fiber Clamshell	\$0.13
Large Plastic Clamshell	\$0.19
Small Plastic Clamshell	\$0.10
3 Sauce Cups	\$0.06
3 Sauce Cup Lids	\$0.06
6 Napkins	\$0.01
Foil	\$0.02
Food Wrap	\$0.01
16 oz. Cold Cup	\$0.05
Cold Cup Lid	\$0.01
Straw	\$0.01
Fork, Knife, Spoon Packet	\$0.03
TOTAL COST: \$0.69	



*Costs of individual items rounded to the nearest whole cent.

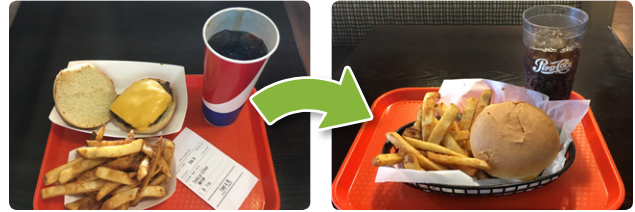
Net Cost Impact* of switching from disposable to reusable food ware items for dine-in

Numbers are based on case studies of *ReThink Disposable* certified food businesses.

J&J Hawaiian invested \$557 to replace:

- Disposable Paper Food Clamshells with Reusable Plates & Bowls
- Disposable Paper Food Trays with Reusable Baskets
- Disposable Plastic Utensils with Silverware
- Disposable Wooden Chopsticks with Reusable Plastic Chopsticks
- Disposable Plastic Water & Paper Soda Cups with Reusable Glasses
- Disposable Plastic Sauce Cups & Lids with Reusable Sauce Cups

ANNUAL NET COST SAVINGS:
\$20,517



Kirk's Steakburgers invested \$220 to replace:

- Disposable Paper Trays with Reusable Baskets
- Disposable Paper Soda Cups with Reusable Cups
- Disposable Plastic Water Cups with Reusable Cups

ANNUAL NET COST SAVINGS:
\$3,981



New York Pizza invested \$170 to replace:

- Disposable Paper Plates with Reusable Metal Pizza Trays
- Disposable Plastic Utensils with Reusable Silverware
- Disposable Plastic Water Cups with Reusable Glasses

ANNUAL NET COST SAVINGS:
\$3,043

Rene Rose invested \$636 to replace:

- Disposable Plastic Plates with Reusable Plates
- Disposable Plastic Bowls with Reusable Bowls
- Disposable Plastic Sauce Cups & Lids with Reusable Sauce Cups
- Disposable Plastic Water Cups with Reusable Glasses

ANNUAL NET COST SAVINGS:
\$22,122



Shish Grill invested \$80 to replace:

- Disposable Foam Cups for soda and water with Reusable Glasses
- Disposable Plastic Sauce Cups with Reusable Sauce Cups

ANNUAL NET COST SAVINGS:
\$974

*Net Cost Impact takes into account any upfront and ongoing costs associated with the purchase and care of reusable items and capital improvements needed to carry out *ReThink Disposable's* recommendations. Net cost savings are based on avoided disposable foodware purchases.

NOTE: With the exception of Kirk's Steakburgers, the above restaurants had no mechanized dishwashing.