

Re: Cat 5 Install Pricing

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Hello,

I just finished a job today with 10 drops in a much smaller space. 280 feet of wire. Drop ceiling. Surface mount wiremold with boxes. 12 port patch panel. Panduit jacks. Calculated 6 hours labor. Worked out to be \$72/drop in a T&M job.

If I used your \$20/ft it would have been \$5600.00 which would have been real nice. Generally I have heard that per drop prices to be \$125 to \$150 per. But have found that I am very happy with T&M and will make good money. It depends on your overhead and skills.

If you are happy with your hourly rate and markup work it out that way. Just do the math. If conduit is already installed as you say, it sounds like you have a very sweet job.

Good luck.

Les

Hi everyone, I know this is a bit off topic, but I don't know a good group to ask this in.

I've done PC repair work as a side business on the weekends for years now and recently I have a customer that wants me to install a network in a small dentist office. It is a new building and I will be installing 10 computers. There will be a computer at all 6 dental chairs one at the x-ray machine and 3 in the receptionist area. The office is not large, about 50 feet by 30 feet and the conduit and boxes are installed for the cable. I just have to pull the conduit and tack it up above the dropped ceiling and of course add connectors to the ends.

My question is how much should I charge for pulling and installing cat 5

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cable in this situation. I have been given all sorts of suggestions from \$20/ft to \$75 per cable drop. \$20 per foot seems outrageous to me, but that's why I'm asking.

TIA.

Mike