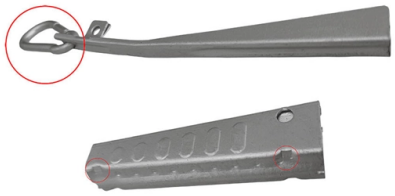
# How much do recommended optical modules usually cost



## Overview

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## Key Takeaways

Optical module prices vary widely, from a few dollars for basic 1G SFPs to several thousand dollars for high-speed 400G and 800G modules, depending on speed, type, and technology.

### Typical Price Ranges1

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Ps: Generic or compatible modules typically cost $5–$25, while OEM-branded modules (Cisco, HPE, Juniper) can range from $60–$120+ depending on specifications and industrial-grade features. 10G SFP+ modules: Compatible short-reach modules often sell for tens of dollars, whereas OEM long-reach or DFB modules can cost hundreds of dollars. 25G–100G modules: Prices increase with speed and reach.

Standard QSFP28 100G modules generally range from $200–$600, with coherent or long-distance modules costing more. 400G modules: QSFP-DD or OSFP 400G modules are significantly more expensive, often $2,000–$5,000+, depending on form factor, optical reach, and DSP complexity. 800G modules: These high-speed modules are cutting-edge and can cost $10,000 or more, largely due to the high-value DSP chips and advanced electronic components required for multi-lane PAM4 transmission.

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### Factors Influencing Cost

Electronic Components: High-speed DSP chips, driver ICs, and TIAs are major cost drivers, especially in 400G and 800G modules, where DSPs alone can account for 20–25% of total module cost. Raw Materials: Lasers, photodetectors, and high-quality wafers (silicon, InP, silicon nitride) contribute significantly to the price.

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D and Engineering: Advanced design, simulation, and integration efforts, particularly for coherent and high-speed modules, can account for 20–30% of total cost. Form Factor and Packaging: QSFP-DD, OSFP, and other multi-lane designs have different tooling and thermal management requirements, affecting per-unit cost. Market and Supply Factors: Component availability, production scale, and demand surges (e.g., data center expansion) can cause temporary price fluctuations.

Brand and Warranty: OEM-branded modules typically carry a premium for reliability, compatibility, and support compared to third-party or compatible modules.

### Summary

Optical module costs scale with speed, complexity, and technology maturity. Basic 1G–10G modules are inexpensive, while 100G–400G modules are mid-range, and cutting-edge 400G–800G modules are high-cost due to DSPs, advanced packaging, and R&D. Buyers should consider form factor, reach, brand, and total cost of ownership when selecting modules for enterprise or data center networks.

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