Cost of Raising a Child


Determine the number and the names of the fictitious children you are going to have (select either 1 or 2), if you are married or single, where you are going to live, and what your annual before-tax household income is. Complete the tables with your information.

**Overall Estimated Costs**

Household type: _______________________________
Income: _______________________________
Region: _______________________________

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Food expenses consist of:
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Transportation expenses consist of:
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Clothing expenses consist of:
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Health care expenses consist of:
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Child care and education expenses consist of:
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What expenses are included in miscellaneous?
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With expenses projected to rise in the future, why is money management so important?
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My personal reflection on the data reviewed today.
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