

STRAW COST COMPARISON CHART

	PRICE / STRAW	ANNUAL COST	RESTOCK COST	PROS	CONS
PLASTIC	¢.01 - ¢.02	\$500 - \$1,000	\$500 - \$1,000	cost effective (short-term), customizable (covers and colours), ease of use	single-use, wasteful, more costly long-term, 15 second use for a lifetime of garbage
PAPER	¢.06 - ¢.10	\$3,000	\$3,000	cost effective (short-term), earth-friendly option, customizable (brand, colours and patterns), ease of use	single-use, look/feel cheap, get soggy, more costly long-term, take 3 - 8 months to breakdown
CORN	¢.29	\$4,500	\$4,500	earth-friendly option, ease of use	single-use, difficult to refuse, crack, poor environmental option, take 3 - 8 months to breakdown
METAL	¢.31 - \$.1.25	\$1,250 (*)	\$15.50 - \$62.50**	reusable, stylish, durable, long- term	hard to clean/see through, target for theft, taint drink flavours, poor mouth feel, sharp edges, upfront cost
POLYPROPYLENE	¢.57	\$570 - \$2,280 (*)	\$28.50**	semi-reusable, stylish, durable, long-term	plastic product, target for theft, wear & tear , look cheap after a few uses, not cost effective
BOROSILICATE GLASS	\$1.50	\$1,500 (*)	\$75**	reusable, stylish, durable, long-term, earth-friendly option, 11 colours (branding coming soon!)	breakable, target for theft, upfront cost

Table Notes:

Data above is based on a 100 seat restaurant. All information sourced from Canadian and US wholesale sites. The numbers above can be increased or decreased to suit the size of your establishment.

(*) Indicates one time stock cost vs annual stock cost. Based on these numbers, The Last Straw Co.® straws pay for themselves approx. after 75 uses.

** At an estimate of 5% breakage/loss, the following would be the annual replacement of straws.

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