

What a Luxury or Collector Garage Costs

A new US garage averages \$29,584 (Angi, 2026) before upgrades. A car lift, a coated floor, cabinets and climate control can each add a few thousand dollars or more, and prices in the UK, Canada and Australia follow a similar pattern.

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A collector or showroom garage is a normal garage plus upgrades. Price the base building first. Then add each upgrade as a separate line.

The figures below come from public cost guides. They are national averages or typical ranges. They are not quotes. Labour rates and permit fees change by region, so a local garage specialist can price higher or lower.

Price ranges at a glance

| Item | Typical range | Country | Source | |---|---|---|---| | New garage, all sizes | \$16,837–\$42,331 (average \$29,584) | US | Angi, 2026 | | Three-car garage | \$28,200–\$57,100 (average about \$40,500) | US | Angi, 2026 | | Detached garage, per sq ft | \$40–\$70 (high-end up to \$120) | US | Angi, 2026 | | Garage with an apartment above | \$60,000–\$270,000 | US | Angi, 2026 | | Permits and pre-build fees | \$1,200–\$1,500 | US | Angi, 2026 | | Garage conversion to living space | \$5,986–\$27,348 (average \$16,444) | US | Angi, 2026 | | Two-post lift (equipment) | \$3,000–\$10,000 | US | Tekmetric, 2025 | | Four-post lift (equipment) | \$5,000–\$25,000 | US | Tekmetric, 2025 | | In-ground lift (equipment) | \$10,000–\$25,000 | US | Tekmetric, 2025 | | Lift installation, two-post | \$900–\$1,800 | US | Elite Garage Tools, 2026 | | Epoxy floor, per sq ft | \$2–\$12 (average job \$2,526) | US | Angi, 2026 | | Epoxy floor, three-car garage | \$2,250–\$9,000 | US | Angi, 2026 | | Polyaspartic coating, per sq ft | \$5–\$10 | US | Fixr, 2025 | | Garage cabinets, three-car garage | \$2,500–\$10,000 | US | Angi, 2026 | | Garage mini-split | \$2,000–\$9,200 (average \$3,500) | US | Angi, 2026 | | Whole-house dehumidifier, installed | \$1,300–\$2,800 | US | Angi, 2026 | | Garage insulation | \$1,900–\$7,700 (average \$4,700) | US | Angi, 2026 | | Brick or block garage | £21,000–£58,000 (about £1,300 per m²) | UK | MyJobQuote, 2026 | | Detached double brick garage, pitched roof | about £43,000 | UK | MyJobQuote, 2026 | | Garage conversion | £8,000–£45,000 (average £14,500) | UK | MyJobQuote, 2026 | | Detached single garage, with slab and basic electrical | CA\$30,000–CA\$55,000 | Canada | RenoQuotes, 2026 | | Wood-frame detached garage, per sq ft | CA\$35–CA\$65 | Canada | RenoQuotes, 2026 | | New garage, all sizes | A\$10,200–A\$66,000 (A\$1,200–A\$1,700 per m²) | Australia | Canstar, citing hipages, 2026 | | Double garage | A\$43,200–A\$61,000 | Australia | Canstar, citing hipages, 2026 |

The base building

In the US, Angi says labour is 50% to 70% of the cost of a new garage. Attached garages start at about \$30 per square foot because they share walls and services with the house. Detached garages cost \$40 to \$70 per square foot (Angi, 2026).

In Canada, RenoQuotes lists extra lines that many budgets miss. A frost-protected slab costs CA\$25 to CA\$30 per square foot. Electrical work costs CA\$2,500 to CA\$5,000. Permits cost CA\$200 to CA\$1,500 (RenoQuotes, 2026).

In the UK, MyJobQuote prices a single brick garage with a pitched tile roof at about £25,000 (MyJobQuote, 2026).

Car lifts

The lift is only part of the cost. Elite Garage Tools gives these extra lines: a 220V circuit at \$400 to \$800, a panel upgrade at \$800 to \$2,000, and new concrete pads for a two-post lift at \$800 to \$1,500 (Elite Garage Tools, 2026). The Tekmetric figures are for repair shops, so a home lift can sit at the low end. For one example list price, BendPak showed its HD-9 four-post lift at \$6,095 on the day we checked.

Floors, cabinets and climate control

Fixr prices thick-coat epoxy at \$10 to \$15 per square foot, or \$5,750 to \$8,625 for a 575 sq ft two-car garage (Fixr, 2025). That is higher than the Angi range, so ask what system each quote uses. We found no fetchable public cost guide for garage floor tiles.

For cabinets, Angi gives metal cabinets at \$200 to \$2,400 per linear foot and premium wood at \$100 to \$1,200 per linear foot (Angi, 2026).

Storage while you build

If you store cars during the project, Neighbor puts US climate-controlled car storage at \$150 to \$420 or more per month (Neighbor, 2026). Motorkeep puts managed, climate-controlled UK storage at £175 to £300 per month plus VAT outside London (Motorkeep, 2026).

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Frequently asked questions

How much does a collector garage cost to build?

Published cost guides give the base build only. Angi puts a new US garage at \$16,837 to \$42,331 in 2026, with a national average of \$29,584. A collector garage adds a lift, a coated floor, cabinets and climate control, so the total is higher. Ask for a written quote.

How much does a car lift add?

Tekmetric lists two-post lifts at \$3,000 to \$10,000 and four-post lifts at \$5,000 to \$25,000. Elite Garage Tools puts installation at \$900 to \$1,800 for a two-post lift and \$700 to \$1,200 for a four-post lift. New concrete or a new circuit costs extra.

Are these prices quotes?

No. They are national averages and typical ranges from public cost guides. Your price depends on your site, your region and your specification. Get at least three written quotes.