

R44 Raven II & R44 Clipper II *Estimated Operating Costs*

Price of R44 Raven II with optional Garmin GTN 635Xi GPS/COM \$ 614,900

FIXED ANNUAL COSTS

Depreciation (Negligible, freshly overhauled R44s typically sell for more than original costs) \$ N/A

Insurance based on a pilot with 200 hours logged helicopter time, including 40 PIC hours in an R44, with a good safety record and RHC Safety Course Certificate

Liability Insurance 2,560

Hull Insurance 11,323

FIXED COST PER YEAR \$ 13,883

RESERVE FOR OVERHAUL

2200 Hour Engine Overhaul (\$83,200 RHC exchange) \$ 37.82

2200 Hour Aircraft Overhaul Parts Kit (\$182,000) 82.73

(Includes new bearings, seals, belts, etc., and life-limited components with less than 2200 hours remaining.)

Labor (240 Manhours @ \$125 per hour) 13.64

RESERVE PER HOUR \$ 134.29

DIRECT OPERATING COST

Fuel @ \$6.58 per gallon and 15.0 gph for average use \$ 98.70

Oil 1.16

Periodic Inspections, Labor @ \$125 per hour 21.81

Unscheduled Maintenance, Parts and Labor @ \$125 per hour 13.80

DIRECT OPERATING COST PER HOUR \$ 135.47

TOTAL OPERATING COST

Fixed Cost per Flight Hour Based on 500 Hours per Year \$ 27.77

Overhaul Reserve Per Hour 134.19

Direct Cost per Flight Hour 135.47

TOTAL OPERATING COST PER HOUR \$ 297.43

OPERATING COST-PER-ROAD MILE

Assume one air mile (straight line path) equals 1.5 road miles, and assume an average cruise speed of 132 miles per hour with a cruise fuel consumption of 16 gph.

$$\$304.01 \div 132 \div 1.5 = \$1.54 \text{ per Road Mile}$$

This total operating cost-per-mile compares favorably with some expensive automobiles, and will usually be lower when the value of time saved is considered.

Note: The above estimates are approximate and will vary with type of use, maintenance, local conditions and prices. This information is for comparison only and not a guarantee of actual costs. Referenced prices are subject to change without notice. Transportation costs and local taxes are not included.