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Child Support Guidelines Vary Widely State to State

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Where you live could dramatically affect how much child support you pay or receive, according to a recent article in [Forbes](#). The difference could be as much as 3.5 times as much, accounting for typical income levels in the state where the couple lives.

The article compared each state's guidelines with the child support number generated by a software tool called "Analyze My Divorce Settlement." Using a fictional couple – age 40 with five-year-old twins and annual incomes of \$100,000 each – assuming one parent took full custody, the software calculated child support at \$15,170 annually.

The state child support guidelines for this scenario ranged widely from \$9,252 in Alabama to \$27,960 in Washington. In Pennsylvania, it was \$13,548. The author of the article noted that the consistent use of such a tool could help to standardize the process.

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