

■ Kitchen & Bath Budget Guide

Your Step-by-Step Roadmap to Planning a Smart Remodel



1. Establish Your Total Budget Range

Start with a realistic number — this sets the tone for every design and construction decision.

Typical Remodeling Ranges:

- Kitchen Remodel: \$25,000–\$90,000+
- Bathroom Remodel: \$15,000–\$50,000+

Pro Tip: Expect to invest 10–15% of your home's value for a kitchen remodel and 5–10% for a bathroom remodel to maintain resale balance.

2. Understand Where the Money Goes

Kitchen Breakdown (Typical Percentages)

Category	% of Total	Description
Cabinets & Hardware	25–35%	Biggest visual impact; custom adds cost
Appliances	10–20%	Energy-efficient and built-in styles cost more
Countertops	10–15%	Quartz, granite, or solid surface
Flooring	5–10%	Tile, LVP, or hardwood
Plumbing & Fixtures	5–10%	Sinks, faucets, and water lines
Lighting & Electrical	5–10%	Recessed, under-cabinet, and pendants
Labor & Installation	25–35%	Licensed contractors and skilled trades
Contingency	10–15%	Always plan for surprises

Bathroom Breakdown (Typical Percentages)

Category	% of Total	Description
Fixtures (Toilet, Tub, Sink, Vanity)	20–30%	Choose midrange for style + reliability
Tile & Flooring	10–20%	Materials and waterproofing add up
Plumbing & Electrical	15–20%	Especially if relocating fixtures
Lighting & Mirrors	5–10%	Function meets ambiance
Cabinetry & Countertops	10–15%	Vanity + storage upgrades
Labor & Installation	30–40%	Licensed work for code compliance
Contingency	10–15%	Always reserve for unknowns

3. Define Your Priorities

Before spending, clarify what matters most:

- Do you cook often and need premium appliances?
- Is a spa-like shower a must-have?
- Would semi-custom cabinetry deliver enough customization?

4. Plan for Hidden or “Soft” Costs

Homeowners often forget:

- Design fees: 3–10% of total project
- Permits & inspections: \$500–\$3,000
- Temporary living or dining needs
- Upgrades to plumbing or electrical systems

5. The Value Factor

Midrange Kitchen Remodel: 60–70% ROI

Bathroom Remodel: 55–65% ROI

Well-designed remodels increase property value and daily enjoyment — a win-win for homeowners.

6. Sample Budget Templates

Kitchen Example (Total Budget \$60,000)

Cabinets: \$18,000
Appliances: \$9,000
Countertops: \$6,000
Flooring: \$4,000
Plumbing & Fixtures: \$4,500
Electrical/Lighting: \$3,500
Labor: \$10,000
Contingency: \$5,000

Bathroom Example (Total Budget \$25,000)

Fixtures & Vanity: \$5,000
Tile & Flooring: \$4,000
Plumbing & Electrical: \$4,500
Lighting & Mirrors: \$1,500
Labor: \$7,500
Contingency: \$2,500

■ Final Tip

Transparency = Trust. Always request a detailed estimate with line items, brand allowances, and timelines. The more clarity upfront, the fewer surprises later.

Ready to Plan Your Remodel?

Download Teabow Residential's Budget & Planning Worksheet or schedule a Free Project Consultation to start designing your dream kitchen or bath.