

## Overbed tables

Snapshot

Lowest priced unit: \$65 | Mid-range priced unit: \$123 | Highest priced unit: \$345

**Typical delivery time:** 2 days to 5 weeks

**Typical delivery charges:** 

\$10 to \$30, depending on quantity purchased

Average life span of product:

5 to 7 years, depending on intensity of use

## **Standard warranty:**

Typically 1 year

## Average maintenance costs per year:

Eventually, tables may need \$10 annually as they age for lubrication and caster replacement

## **Buyers Notes**

- Choose tables with easy-to-clean tops that are resistant to bacteria and spills. This can help to increase the life of the table.
- Select the right base shape for your needs. If it is used mostly under a bed, then an "H" base is fine, but if it's around a chair, the "U" shape is more practical.
- Look for wide overbed tables. With bed widths increasing to give residents more room, the size of the table needs to follow.
- Purchase tables that come in custom colors if you want to make sure they match existing furniture in resident rooms.
- · Consider added features, such as baskets and flip-up trays.

"Overbed tables need to have the ability to accommodate different heights that are easily adjusted. We give preference to tables that have extra features such as drawers for storage and mirrors that assist with activities of daily living."

 Ana Pico, Chief Strategy Officer, HMG Healthcare, The Woodlands, TX

(Figures cited are averages of all respondents' answers. Actual pricing will vary due to volume, bundling and other factors of a purchase.)

**Sources:** Direct Supply, Drive DeVilbiss Healthcare, MedViron, Open Room Furnishings

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