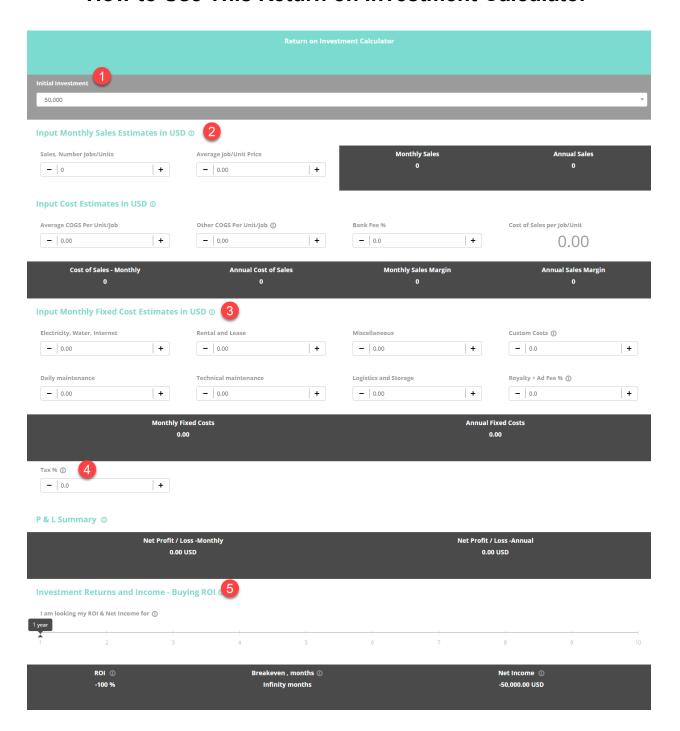
How to Use This Return on Investment Calculator

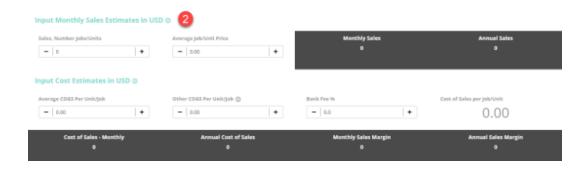


Section 1: Initial Investment



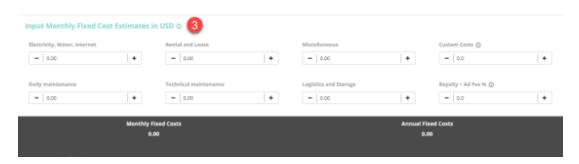
1) **Initial capital investment/outlay** - just pick the option that is closest to what your annual outlay will look like. For those evaluating franchises, this can typically be found in Item 7.

Section 2: Sales and COGS (SALES - COGS = Gross Profit)



- 1) **Annual or Monthly sales** Annual sales divided by 12. For those evaluating franchises, this can typically be found in Item 19.
- 2) **Average Price per unit/job/sale** Annual sales divided by units sold divided by 12 to get units sold monthly. For those evaluating franchises, this can typically be found in Item 19, but you might have to ask the franchisor or do some math on this one.
- 3) **COGS per Unit/Job sale** Total yearly product/labor costs divided total units/jobs/sales. For those evaluating franchises, COGS can typically be found in Item 19.
- 4) Other COGS anything additional related to direct cost of sales.
- 5) **Bank Fees** credit card merchant charges as a percent of sales so the total yearly merchant fee divided by total yearly sales this will return a percentage which should be something like 1.5 to 2.75%.

Section 3: Monthly Fixed Costs



- 6) **Monthly Utitlies total** Annual Utilities/Internet costs divided by 12 to get monthly. For those evaluating franchises, this can typically be found in Item 19.
- 7) **Monthly Rent** Annual rent costs divided by 12. For those evaluating franchises, this can typically be found in Item 19.
- 8) **Miscellaneous Monthly** divide things like legal/accounting/bookkeeping and other indirect costs by 12. For those evaluating franchises, this can typically be found in Item 19.
- 9) Custom anything else cost-wise divided by 12
- 10) Maintenance costs repairs on equipment and divided by 12
- 11) Technical costs computer service and repairs costs divided by 12
- 12) Logistics and Storage delivery/toll/gas/parking, etc costs divided by 12
- 13) **Royalty and Add Fee Percentage** these are for any royalty or add fees paid as a percentage just plug in percentage paid. For those evaluating franchises, this can typically be found in Item 5 and/or Item 6.

Section 4: Taxes (SALES - COGS - TAXES = Net Profit)



14) **Tax percentage** - this will depend on many factors such as type of entity and such but a percentage of 15 to 25% would be normal for a profitable business.

Section 5: Show me the Money the RESULTS



How to read results

- 1) **Net Profit and Loss Monthly/Yearly** Section 1 sales minus Section 2 costs of goods sold and bank fees and then minus fixed costs
- 2) **ROI** The default is set to 1 year so this will likely be negative for large initial investments in the first or maybe years 2 or 3. Slide the Year toggle out to years 5 or more and you would hope to see some decent returns on your capital invested.
- 3) **Net Income** The default is 1 year so this will likely be negative for large initial investments in the first or maybe years 2 or 3. Slide the Year toggle out to years 5 or more and you would hope to see some decent Net Income.