

Please explain the ZIMS fee to me

The ZIMS fee is not the ISIS annual membership fee. It is a one-time fee dedicated solely to fund the completion of ZIMS. You will not pay the ZIMS fee until after ZIMS Release 1 has been completed.

The ZIMS Fee (all numbers in U.S. dollars)

Large Institutions: \$30,000 (Zoological budget greater than \$10 million)

Medium Institutions: \$15,000 (Zoological budget between \$2 million and \$10 million)

Small Institutions: \$5,000 (Zoological budget between \$500,000 and \$2 million)

Very Small: \$2,500 (Zoological budget less than \$500,000)

ZIMS seems expensive

In 2007 ISIS conducted a study of what members pay for critical business software (Accounting, Ticketing, and Fund-raising). ZIMS is far less expensive than any of them. Below is an example for a medium-sized zoo with 12 ZIMS users:

	Next year	Over 5 years	Avg. per year
Accounting	\$11,000	\$55,000	\$11,000
Ticketing	\$ 9,000	\$45,000	\$ 9,000
Fund-raising	\$14,000	\$70,000	\$14,000
ZIMS	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$ 3,000

