

Prepaid Cards



Prepaid cards can prepare kids to handle plastic in the world of credit cards.

PROS

- Convenient to pay for purchases up to a certain limit, set by the dollars loaded on the card.
- Keeps funds safe from loss or theft.
- Track online or by app for balances and budgeting.

CONS

Since banks can't charge interest on prepaid cards, their profits come from fees associated with card use.

Monthly maintenance fee

Activation fee

Transaction fee

ATM fee

Customer service fee

Declined transaction fee

Inactivity fee

HOW DO YOU FIND A PREPAID CARD WITH MINIMAL FEES?

Check out the 2015 Prepaid Card Survey to compare 31 prepaid cards, noting all fees, restrictions and other factors you should be aware of before choosing a card.

<https://www.bankrate.com/finance/banking/best-prepaid-debit-cards.aspx>

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