



Reduce Your Insurance Premiums

One of the best ways to determine whether you have the right insurance plan is to weigh the amount you invest in coverage against the risk of lost dollars. Take 15 minutes to complete this worksheet, which is designed to help you determine the value of your insurance investments.

1) List all types of coverage that you invest in. (For example: business property insurance, workers' compensation insurance, etc.)

2) Next to each form of coverage list your annual premiums, the amount you are covered for and your deductibles.

3) Do any forms of your coverage have a high premium compared to a relatively low coverage amount or potential loss? For instance, Scott Simmonds, president of Insurance Consultants of Main Inc., gave an example of paying \$2,500 annually for boiler machinery coverage, when it only costs \$5,000 to replace the boiler.

4) Now, look at your most significant insurance premiums. Ask your insurance agent how much these premiums could be reduced if you were to opt for higher deductibles. You should work together to settle on deductibles that would still be affordable for you if something were to happen.
