

# PRODIGY PANEL

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A GUIDE TO HELP YOU UNDERSTAND THE  
REAL COSTS BEHIND CAR RESPRAYS.



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Ah, the allure of a brand-new paint job on your favourite ride! It's like giving your beloved vehicle a rejuvenating face lift. But let's address the elephant in the garage - the most common question we field at Prodigy Panel: "How much to re-spray my car?" 🚗💨



We get it. The idea of a fresh coat of paint seems simple. However, it's time to debunk the myth that quality resprays come at a bargain price. So buckle up as we unravel the costs that make up a professional car respray.

## **PREP WORK - MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE:**

Firstly, before we even start thinking about painting a vehicle, we need to remove all the old paint. This isn't just a casual peel; it's a meticulous process. To strip away the paint or sandblast your car, you're looking at costs starting from around \$3,000 and up.

## **BARING THE SKELETON:**

Once your car's old paint has been removed, any lurking rust or dings are revealed. Repairing these surprises adds to the costs, and we often can't predict them until the car's back to bare metal. Obviously the older the car, the more rust it has or more banged up it is, the more work that may be needed to straighten it up.

## **MATERIALS MATTER:**

The magic of a respray involves layers of quality paint and undercoat. These essentials ring in around \$2,500 + for materials alone. Then comes the behind-the-scenes consumables that we need to get the body & paint looking its best - fillers, sandpapers, grinding discs - easily an extra \$1,000.

## **THE CLOCK TICKS:**

Here's where the reality check kicks in - time. A quality respray or paint job takes time, and that can't be rushed. For an average respray, we're talking 100 to 150 [or more] man hours of meticulous attention to detail.

## SO WHAT'S THE GRAND TOTAL?

Well, unfortunately as much as we would love to offer professional resprays for the pocket-friendly \$3,000 or \$6,000 that some might expect, it just isn't possible. The truth is, quality work comes at a price, and for a reason.

Cheap resprays can't cover the necessary time, materials, and expertise and often lead to horrible results. That's why at Prodigy Panel, we are always a little cautious when it comes to those offering dirt-cheap car resprays or repainting services. Achieving such low prices often involves cutting corners, which can compromise the quality and longevity of the final result.

Low cost car painters might resort to quick fixes like a mere scuff of the old paint, neglecting proper paint removal and potentially leading to future problems. They also tend to cover up issues that should be properly addressed, such as minor imperfections, surface rust, or bubbling paint. These practices can exacerbate future problems and compromise the overall quality and appearance of the paint job. To reduce costs they often opt for low-quality paint or simply skimp on the amount of paint and clear coats that they do, resulting in a shorter lifespan of your vehicle's paint.

Sadly we've had plenty of people come to us to fix up cheap paint jobs that they initially thought were a great deal. But you know what they say, sometimes a bargain ends up costing you more in the end.

At **Prodigy Panel**, we're here to demystify the process. If you're considering a professional respray for your car, let's talk. We're more than happy to walk you through the costs tailored to your vehicle's unique needs. 🛠️💬 Ready to give your car a fresh new paint job? Why not give us a call on **0414 734 580** to discuss your cars requirements.