



Turn Signal Not Working — What It Is, and What It Costs

How real visits for a turn signal problem ended at independent shops across the US — the part actually replaced, how often, and what it cost when it was the only fix.

Bulb

The single most common outcome — nearly half of these visits when combined with the runner-up

Bulb **\$38 – \$146**

Light assembly **\$58 – \$262**

typical cost when it was the only fix
(parts + labor)

THE FIX INVOLVED	SHARE OF THESE VISITS*	TYPICAL COST†	MEDIAN
Bulb	59.6%	\$38 – \$146	\$73
Light assembly	17.5%	\$58 – \$262	\$130
Switch	14.8%	\$126 – \$344	\$216
Fuse	3.6%	\$56 – \$239	\$115
Other, rarer causes	smaller shares — flasher relays, sockets, hazard switches	varies	—

*Share of visits whose repair involved this part; combined repairs count toward each part, so shares overlap and don't add to 100%.

†Middle half of real invoices when this was the only fix — parts + labor, all vehicle types.

WHICH ONE IS YOURS? LISTEN FIRST

- **Blinking fast on one side** — Hyper-flashing is the circuit noticing a dead bulb and is the cheapest outcome in this family.
- **No signals at all** — When neither side blinks, the bulbs are innocent — the flasher relay or the column switch is the usual finding.
- **Works, but only sometimes** — Signals that cut out with a warm cabin or work when the stalk is held just so are the classic worn-switch story — mention the pattern to the shop and you'll save diagnostic time.

WHAT TO EXPECT FROM THE SHOP

Fast blinking on one side is a dead bulb — the cheap fix. No signals on either side points at the flasher or the column switch. Expect the shop to check bulbs and sockets before quoting a switch; a corroded socket is common in the rear.

ABOUT THIS DATA · HOW TO USE THIS BRIEF

Vehicles **all makes and models, US fleet**

Data confidence **High** — *large sample, stable shares*

Records through **July 2026**, refreshed continuously

Source **paid invoices from independent US repair shops**

Take it to the shop. It tells you what the likely answers are and what each one should cost — so when the diagnosis comes back, you already know whether the number fits. Vehicle-specific price reports for the common fixes are on fixdozer.com.

NOT A DIAGNOSIS

This brief describes how other owners' visits for a turn signal problem ended. Your vehicle, its history and the shop's testing decide yours. FixDozer does not perform repairs and receives nothing from shops.