<b>Response:</b>	Question 1 - How much do maternity uniforms cost on average?
USA	The current issue Army Maternity Work Uniform coat is \$34.27 and the trousers are \$21.77. Army Maternity Service Uniform tunic: \$49.95, short sleeve shirt: \$27.95, long sleeve shirt: \$31.95, skirt: \$32.95, slacks: \$58.95. Special order enlisted slacks: \$32.00. Maternity sweater is \$49.95 (optional). However, the work uniforms are issued items.
USN	Khaki (shirt \$37.80, slacks \$24.30, skirt \$22.60) NWU (blouse \$36.95, slacks \$35.53) White (shirt \$37.50, slacks \$24.30, skirt \$25.80, cardigan \$42.60) Blue ( jacket/shirt \$44.45, slack \$27.80, skirt \$25.80, short sleeve shirt \$38.80, cardigan \$42.60)
USMC	Desert MARPAT Maternity Blouse (\$32.18 x 3 = \$96.54), Desert MARPAT MaternityTrousers (\$26.69 x 3 = \$80.07), S-Sleeve Service Shirt (\$21.21 x 2= \$42.42), L-Sleeve Service Shirt (\$23.61 x 2 = \$47.22), Service Skirt (\$26.79 x 2 = \$53.58), Service Slacks (\$29.27 x 1 = \$29.27), Tunic (\$33.70 x 1 = \$33.70).
	Total cost of the allowance is \$382.80 (with a \$30 increase if woodland pattern uniforms are issued instead of desert)
	* Marines are generally given either 3 woodland or 3 desert MARPAT blouses/trousers, but if their pregnancy crosses over into a different season, the commander can switch out one set for the other season pattern at their discretion. This allowance can only be given once in a 36 month period, and to enlisted Marines only.)
USAF	Maternity ABU Coat \$28.47/Trousers \$21.51; Maternity Jumper \$47.00; Long/Short Sleeve Blue Shirt \$31.95/26.95; Maternity Semiformal Long Sleeve White Shirt \$31.95; Maternity Skirt \$27.50; Maternity Slacks \$29.00
USCG	Maternity Jumper \$34.97 Maternity Skirt \$23.18 Maternity Dress Slacks \$24.67 Maternity Light Blue Long Sleeve (L/S) Shirt \$24.21 Maternity Light Blue Short Sleeve (S/S) Shirt \$22.15 ODU Maternity Coat \$39.05 ODU Maternity Trousers \$29.98

Response:	Question 2 - When does a servicewoman receive her maternity uniform allowance?
USA	US Army Soldiers are not provided a maternity uniform allowance. Enlisted Soldiers are issued all maternity uniforms. Officers purchase the ASU and are issued the Hospital, Food Service and ACU.
USN	After submission of required medical documentation and application for maternity allowance approval from the commanding officer to appropriate financial institution or department.
USMC	There is no pre-set time frame for issue of the Maternity Uniform Allowance. Marines are required to notify their command of pregnancy within 2 weeks of receiving confirmation from an HCP. At such time the command will identify what uniforms are required (only those Marines who are required to wear the maternity work uniform (maternity cammies) are issued the uniform, as detailed above). All pregnant Marines will be issued the service maternity uniform items. The pregnant Marine is directed by the commander to report to the unit supply to receive the paperwork for the required maternity uniform items. The Marine will transition from her regular uniforms to the maternity uniforms when she no longer fits into her regular uniforms (transition time differs per individual). Marines are encouraged to submit the request for the maternity uniform allowance as soon as possible, just in case the issuing facility has to do a "special order" request (often the case in geographic areas with historically low female Marine populations).
USAF	The Servicewoman receives the allowance prior to purchasing uniforms after Servicewoman turns paperwork (see question 3) into finance. Allowance will be added to the Servicewoman's next LES depending on the date submitted.
USCG	The Maternity allowance is authorized once the enlisted service member enters the second trimester
Response:	Question 3 – What is required to initiate receiving the maternity uniform allowance?
USA	No maternity uniform allowance is provided.
USN	As per OPNAVINST 6000.1C, the military treatment facility, and/or physician will provide a pregnancy notification to the commanding officer/officer-in-charge in care of the service member. The service member is required to present the pregnancy notification from the Chain of Command to Personnel Support Detachment for processing. A Service member is authorized this allowance providing no prior payment was received in last 36 months.
USMC	A certificate of pregnancy, and a Combined Individual Clothing Requisition and Issue Slip (NAVMC 604B).
USAF	The Servicewoman provides her serial profile report to her commander and requests maternity clothing allowance; commander approves request and member presents that approval to finance office for payment.
USCG	Completion of the Enlisted Supplementary Clothing Allowance Worksheet (CG-5155A (11/15))

<b>Response:</b>	Question 4 - Is there a waiting period to receive this allocation (e.g., after the 1 <sup>st</sup> trimester)?
USA	The Soldiers initiates the request to their health care provider to wear the maternity uniform when the standard uniform becomes uncomfortable for wear. The healthcare provider furnishes a letter to the Soldier to take to the Central Issue Facility for maternity uniforms to be issued to the Soldier.
USN	No minimum days of pregnancy required to receive allocation, providing the appropriate documentation supports the individual's condition that would require maternity uniforms.
USMC	No.
USAF	There is no waiting period required.
USCG	The Maternity allowance is authorized once the enlisted service member enters the second trimester.
<b>Response:</b>	Question 5 - How much is the maternity uniform allowance?
USA	No maternity uniform allowance is provided.
USN	As of 1 October 2016, the DOD FMR Volume 7A, Chapter 29, table 29-5 # 13 states, "\$350.35."
USMC	\$206.19 if only the service Maternity uniform items are issued.  Roughly \$382.80 with the Maternity MARPAT blouse/trousers, (with a \$30 increase if woodland pattern uniforms are issued instead of desert
USAF	In FY16 active duty enlisted Servicewomen received \$359.71, unless the Servicewoman is provided, as government issue, maternity working uniformsthose Servicewomen receive \$129.79. For FY17 amounts are projected to increase to \$366.18 and \$132.13; respectively
USCG	\$289.92

<b>Response:</b>	Question 6 - What is the maternity uniform allowance supposed to cover (e.g., two working uniforms)?
USA	No maternity uniform allowance is provided.
USN	The maternity uniform allowance is intended to provide for essential uniforms needed during the course of pregnancy. Service members will make purchases as per their individual needs in support of command environment and required uniform of the day.
USMC	See Question 1.
USAF	Servicewomen are required to purchase the maternity jumper and one long sleeve blue maternity blouse to serve as their service dress uniform. At member's election, with approval of the commander or first sergeant, remaining balance of maternity allowance may be used to purchase uniform articles required for performance of duty.
USCG	The following items are required to be purchased: Maternity Jumper (1), Maternity Dress shirts (2-S/S) (1-L/S), Maternity dress slacks (2), Maternity ODU shirt (2), Maternity ODU trousers (2).
Response:	Question 7 - Who is eligible to receive a maternity uniform allowance (e.g., officer/enlisted)?
USA	No maternity uniform allowance is provided.
USN	Navy enlisted Service members who have been confirmed pregnant by competent medical authority and who are assigned to active or selected reserve duty are entitled to receive a maternity uniform allowance. The allowance can only be received once in a three year period. Officers are not entitled to a maternity allowance.
USMC	Pregnant enlisted Marines.
USAF	Enlisted Servicewomen are eligible to receive a maternity uniform allowance; officers do not receive the allowance.
USCG	Enlisted members only.

<b>Response:</b>	Question 8 - Are maternity uniforms readily available in all uniform shops?
USA	Work uniforms are available at all Central Issue Facilities (CIF); for soldiers in remote areas without access to a CIF, they can order online or drive to the nearest facility.
USN	Depending on the size and location of the Uniform Center, maternity uniforms may or may not be available for purchase. However, all maternity uniforms are available via the 1-800 uniform call center line.
USMC	Maternity uniforms are available at most large exchanges. If not available or out of stock they are special ordered.
USAF	Yes, they are available at AF Military Clothing Stores (MCS) worldwide. If a MCS does not have a needed size, it can be express-shipped form Lackland MCS.
USCG	Maternity Uniforms are available through the Coast Guard Uniform Distribution Center (UDC).
<b>Response:</b>	Question 9 - If ordered online, what is the average order/receive turnaround time?
USA	Uniforms ordered from AAFES are delivered in 3-7 business days if items are in stock.
USN	As per Navy Exchange Service Command Headquarters (NEXCOM HQ), average wait time is 7-10 working days for orders placed online; however, express shipping is available.
USMC	7-10 working days.
USAF	Within 24-48 hours
USCG	On-Line ordering is currently suspended. Average time to receive uniforms is approx. 7-10 days once the order is received at the distribution facility.

<b>Response:</b>	Question 10 - What maternity uniform sizes are available?
USA	The Army Maternity Work Uniform is available in 27 sizes ranging from 6-22 (in even number sizes); each is available in Short, Regular and Long length. The Army Maternity Service Uniform is available in the following sizes: tunic, slacks & skirt are available in seven sizes (XX-small to XX-large). Short sleeve & long sleeve shirts: are available in five sizes (X-small to X-large). Optional purchase maternity sweater is available in four sizes (Small-X Large)
USN	Service Khaki – shirt and slacks (XS/R – XXXL/R) Navy Working Uniform (NWU Type 1 & III) – blouse and slacks (XXS/S-XXL/L) Service White – shirt (XXS/R-XXL/R), slacks (XS/R-XL/R), skirt (XXS/R-XXL/R) and cardigan (XS-XXL) Service Blue – jacket/shirt (XXS/R-XXL/R), slack (XXS/R-XXL/R), skirt (XXS/R-XXL/R) and short sleeve skirt (S-L)
USMC	There are side tabs on the maternity work blouses that allow for adjusting as the size changes and an elastic panel on the pants/skirts of all uniforms.
USAF	Tops/Bottoms 6S-22L (sizes come in Short, Regular and Long)
USCG	Maternity Jumper: Sm, Med, Lrg, X-Lrg Maternity Dress Shirt (L/S): Sm, Med, Lrg, X-Lrg Maternity Dress Shirt (S/S): Sm, Med, Lrg, X-Lrg Maternity Dress Slacks: Sm, Med, Lrg, X-Lrg Maternity ODU Coat: XX-Sm, X-Sm, Sm, Med, Lrg, X-Lrg, XX-Lrg – with each available in Short, Regular, and Long Maternity ODU Trousers: XX-Sm, X-Sm, Sm, Med, Lrg, X-Lrg, XX-Lrg – with each available in Short, Regular, and Long ODU Maternity T-shirt: Sm, Med, Lrg, X-Lrg, XX-Lrg Maternity Skirt: Sm, Med, Lrg

<b>Response:</b>	Question 11 - Are maternity uniforms adjustable to account for the different stages in pregnancy?
USA	The Army Maternity Work Uniform is adjustable to accommodate different stages of pregnancy. The Army Maternity Work Uniform coat is flared and has adjustable take-up-tabs on the side of the coat. The Army Maternity Work Uniform trousers have an elastic stretch panel to allow for a certain amount of adjustment in size, the same as commercial garments. The Army Maternity Service Uniform tunic has a double pleat design to provide adjustment during pregnancy. The Army Maternity Service Uniform skirt & slacks have an elastic waist band and stretch panel to adjust for size changes during pregnancy. The Army Maternity Service Uniform short sleeve and long sleeve shirts do not adjust in size; the shirt designs include ease and flare in the basic design to accommodate changes during pregnancy. Just as with commercial garments, there may be a need to go to a larger size garment, to accommodate changes in the pregnancy.
USN	The Khaki, NWU Type I, and III maternity tops has adjustable side tabs. The remaining maternity tops are full figured to compensate for all gestation periods and have no adjustable side tabs.
USMC	Yes. See Question 10.
USAF	Yes, they have the normal stretch panel on the pants.
USCG	The trousers have a spandex belly panel to facilitate growth and comfort. The shirts do not have adjustment points other than the design to facilitate movement and comfort.
Response:	Question 12 - Are uniform tops "lactation friendly" (e.g., is the undershirt designed for breast feeding)?
USA	The Army Maternity Work Uniform coat has a full button closure which allows for nursing. Pregnant and lactating female Soldiers wear the standard Army pull-over T-shirt with the Maternity Work Uniform. The Army Maternity Service Uniform short and long sleeve shirts are full-front button front which allows for nursing. The Tunic is a pullover design worn over the shirt which does not allow for nursing. Women are authorized allowed to wear nursing bras based upon their personal preferences, as long as they are of a neutral color.
USN	No.
USMC	There are no nursing tops in the Marine Corps uniform inventory.
USAF	Yes, Airmen are authorized to wear undershirts designed for lactation and they are not required to be tucked in.
USCG	No.

Response:	Question 13 - Are maternity outergarments available (e.g., all-weather coat)?  If not, is there a policy on an authorized coat to wear during the winter and rainy season?
USA	Currently specific maternity outergarments are not available. An optional purchase maternity sweater is available if a woman wants to wear a sweater with the Class B version of the Maternity Service Uniform. Policy guidance on authorized outergarments to be worn with maternity uniforms is provided in DA Pamphlet 670-1: Soldiers may wear the all-weather black coat or the ACU gortex, ACU field jacket. All three outergarments may be worn unbuttoned/unzipped to provide comfort.
USN	Yes, refer to U.S. Navy Uniform Regulations NAVPERS 15665I, Chapter 6, section 7, article 6701.2  a. The only outer garment designed for maternity purposes in the Navy is the maternity cardigan sweater.  b. Pregnant Sailors may also wear the all-weather coat, overcoat, peacoat, reefer, black jacket, NWU parka and black fleece liner) unbuttoned or unzipped when they no longer fit properly buttoned or zipped.
USMC	The all-weather coat may be worn with all uniforms. The coat may be worn unbuttoned when it can no longer be buttoned due to pregnancy. Additionally, the Navy maternity sweater is authorized for wear with the maternity service uniforms.
USAF	In accordance with Air Force Instruction 36-2903, <i>Dress and Personal Appearance of Air Force Personnel</i> , cardigan sweater may be worn unbuttoned (para 6.1.3); top-coat and all-weather coat may be modified from double-breasted to single-breasted during pregnancy (para 6.1.7.); all-purpose environmental clothing system may be worn unzipped (para 6.1.8.); improved rain suit may be worn unzipped (para 6.1.9); sage green fleece may be worn unzipped (para 6.1.10.1.1); cold weather and Gen III level VII parkas are also authorized for wear.
USCG	Currently there is no specifically designed maternity outer garment. Pregnant members are authorized to wear the Foul Weather Parka, Fleece Liner, and Windbreaker unzipped if necessary.

Response:	Question 14 - Do all the maternity uniform patterns and material match that of the rest of the Service branch (e.g., flag on shoulder, retired uniform material)? If not, why not?
USA	The Army Maternity Work Uniform is made of the same camouflage fabric and findings (e.g. hook and loop tape) as the Army Combat Uniform (ACU). The Maternity Work Uniform accommodates the same accoutrements (e.g. nametapes, rank, US flag, etc.) as the ACU. The Maternity Service Uniform components are made of the same fabrics as the Army Service Uniform. The maternity tunic, slacks, and skirt are made of the same texturized polyester fabric as the optional purchase ASU to allow the Soldier to launder the items rather than dry clean them. The maternity shirts are made of the same fabric as the ASU shirts.
USN	No. Different fabric fabrics are used to make different uniforms. Currently, there are two patterns for the maternity tops. A flag on the shoulder is an optional wear item on camouflage utility uniforms. For example, the service khaki maternity blouse is made of certified navy twill (CNT) material and the service khaki non-maternity khaki blouse is made of poly/cotton material.
USMC	Yes.
USAF	Yes, all uniforms, to include maternity uniforms combinations, are manufactured using same fabric and accoutrement configurations with exception of service dress, enlisted semi-formal dress, and mess dress uniforms. Those uniform combinations require wear of a form fitted jacket and skirt/slacks. The maternity version of those uniform combinations authorizes wear of a maternity jumper in lieu of jacket and skirt/slacks.
USCG	Yes
Response:	Question 15 - Are maternity uniforms depicted online for servicewomen to reference, per the uniform regulations?
USA	Yes, Soldiers can reference pictures and guidance on the proper wear by going to www.APD.army.mil and referencing DA Pamphlet 670-1.
USN	Yes
USMC	There are line drawings in MCO P1020.34G, which is available on line, but in the draft version being re-written at this time - due for publication spring/early summer 2017 - there will be digital photos of the maternity uniforms available in the appendix with all the other MC uniforms. The new pictures are provided in the brief.
USAF	Yes, electronic copies of our regulation contain photos and detailed descriptions of maternity version of all uniform combinations.
USCG	Yes: https://www.stage.uscg.mil//hq/cg1/udc/WomensMaternityUniforms.asp Price guide: https://www.stage.uscg.mil//hq/cg1/udc/docs/STOCKBOOK.pdf

Response:	Question 16 – How long may maternity uniforms be worn postpartum? Does the wear of maternity uniforms postpartum require doctor/command approval?
USA	The Soldier's doctor dictates how long the maternity uniform may be worn postpartum due to the Soldiers size and comfort level.
USN	As per OPNAVINST 6000.1C, chapter 1, para 112, "The servicewoman is expected to wear regular uniforms upon returning from convalescent leave; however, COs may approve the wear of maternity uniforms up to 6 months from the date of delivery based on medical officer diagnosis and/or recommendations."
USMC	Marines are expected to wear regular uniforms upon returning from convalescent leave; however, COs may approve the wearing of maternity uniforms up to 6 months from the date of delivery based on an HCP's diagnosis and/or recommendations.
USAF	Maternity uniforms may be worn up to six months after delivery. Postpartum wear does not require doctor/command approval.
USCG	Maternity uniforms may be worn up to 60 days after returning from maternity leave. No special authorization is required.
Response:	Question 17 – What is the process for uniform changes and who is the approval authority?
USA	Minor uniform changes, i.e., badge and patch request, headphones in uniform, black socks can be approved thru the proponent (Army G1). The SMA, Chief of Staff and Secretary of Army must approve major uniform changes.
USN	Uniform change recommendations are submitted via Service member's appropriate chain of command through Fleet Commander to the Office of the Chief of Naval Personnel, Uniform Matters Office. Upon receipt, each proposal is reviewed and approval is determined on a case by case basis.
USMC	Formal Marine Corps Uniform Board Process: Issue Organization (command endorsed issues from individual Marines, occupational field sponsor, etc) – Working Group Review (regulations/allowance/R&D) – Command Rep Review (Corps-wide survey) – Uniform Board Meeting – HQMC Staff Agency Review/CMC Decision.
USAF	Recommended uniform changes are submitted through the Airmen Powered by Innovation website ( <a href="http://www.af.mil/News/tabid/124/Tag/3066/airmen-powered-by-innovation.aspx">http://www.af.mil/News/tabid/124/Tag/3066/airmen-powered-by-innovation.aspx</a> ) for consideration by the Air Force Uniform Board and ultimate approval by the Air Force Chief of Staff
USCG	Change requests to current or new initiative uniforms can be addressed to the Uniform Board via the members chain of command IAW COMDTINST M1020.6I

<b>Response:</b>	Question 18 – When was the last time your Service's maternity uniforms were reviewed and was anything updated?
USA	The basic design of the Army Maternity Work Uniform was adopted in the late 1980s, and was updated in 2005 with the introduction of the Army Combat Uniform. The Maternity Work Uniform was last updated in 2016 when the Operational Camouflage Pattern (OCP) was adopted. The Army Maternity Service Uniform was adopted in 1998 incorporating a common design with the USAF. The Maternity Service Uniform was updated concurrently with the adoption of the Army Service Uniform in 2009. Army has participated in the ongoing USAF led effort to update maternity work uniforms. Upon completion of the USAF's development effort the Army will review the design in order to make required compatibility changes for consistency with the Army Combat Uniform and Army uniform wear policies.
USN	In 2012, the maternity khaki blouse was revised to include the side extension tabs. The Navy is redesigning Dress White and Dress Blue Maternity tops to match the design of the Khaki Maternity Blouse.
USMC	A female uniform symposium was conducted in 2003 and the maternity uniforms were reviewed. Approved was the development of the maternity work uniforms (e.g. maternity cammies) and the authorization for female Marines to wear the Navy black maternity sweater with the maternity service uniform.
USAF	The Air Force began a project in 2015 to update maternity ABU; modifications include added chest pocket flaps and modified lower pockets to include bellows to have same look as standard coat; revised collar and neck opening to be same fit as standard ABU; change front opening to right over left to mirror standard women's ABU; added pencil and pen pocket; created a more adjustable waist tab to accommodate growing waist; adjusted fit of chest and sleeve to improve user performance without constriction; lengthen coat to cover stomach at all terms. Anticipated availability of updated uniform will be first quarter of 2017.
USCG	The Maternity ODU underwent a review/revision in 2012. A further review and revision is currently underway to address user concerns (2016). All other uniforms have maintained since origination.