

JCTR BASIC NEEDS BASKET

Luanshya

January 2017

(A) COST OF BASIC FOOD ITEMS FOR A FAMILY OF FIVE

commodity	Price (ZMW)	Quantity	Units	Total (ZMW)
Mealie Meal	127.58	2	x 25 Kg	255.16
Beans	21.00	3	Kg	63.00
Kapenta (Dry)	164.00	2	Kg	328.00
Fish (Bream, Dry)	185.00	1	Kg	185.00
Beef	40.33	4	Kg	161.33
Dark Green Vegetables	6.00	4	Kg	24.00
Tomatoes	9.83	4	Kg	39.33
Onion	11.33	2	Kg	22.66
Cooking oil (2.5L)	46.33	2.5	Litres	46.33
Bread	7.72	1	Loaf/day	231.45
Sugar	25.00	3	x 2 Kg	75.00
Tea	44.00	1	Kg	44.00
Salt	10.10	1	Kg	10.10

SubTotal

ZMW 1,485.35

(B) COST OF ESSENTIAL NON-FOOD ITEMS

Commodity	Price(ZMW)	Quantity	Units	Total (ZMW)
Charcoal	73.80	2	x 90 Kg bag(s)	147.60
Soap (Lifebuoy/Champion)	5.33	10	Tablet(s)	53.30
Wash soap (BOOM)	9.48	4	x 400g	37.92
Jelly (e.g. Vaseline)	22.00	1	x 500ml	22.00
Electricity (medium density)	325.00	1	x 1month	325.00
Water & Sanitation (med - fixed)	130.59	1	x 1month	130.59
Housing (3 bedroom)	1,500.00	1	x 1month	1,500.00

Subtotal

ZMW 2,216.41

Total for Basic Needs Basket

ZMW 3,701.76

Totals from previous months	Jan 16	Feb 16	Mar 16	Apr 16	May 16	Jun 16	July 16	Aug 16	Sept 16	Oct 16	Nov 16	Dec 16
Amount (K)	3,488.18	3,269.70	3,861.54	3,812.10	3,723.61	3,663.63	-	3,706.41	3,715.71	3,809.73	-	3,709.68

(C) SOME OTHER ADDITIONAL COSTS

<u>Education</u>		<u>Transport (bus fare round trip)</u>	
Item	Amount	Item	Amount (ZMW)
Grades 1-7 (User + PTA/year)	125.00	Mpatamatu-Town	16.00
Grades 8-9 (User + PTA/year)	650.00	Roan - Kalala	8.00
Grades 10-12 (User + PTA/year)	930.00	Roan-Town	8.00
School Uniform (Grades 1-7)	100.00		
School Uniform (Grades 8-12)	200.00		
<u>Health</u>		<u>Fuel (cost at the pump)</u>	
Item	Amount	Item	Amount (ZMW)
		Petrol (per litre)	12.50
		Diesel (per litre)	10.72
		Paraffin (per litre)	8.03

D) A COMPARISON OF COSTS (in Kwacha) OF BASIC NEEDS ACROSS ZAMBIA IN JANUARY

Lusaka	Kasama	Mansa	Mongu	Ndola	Solwezi	Monze	Chipata	Mpika	Luanshya	Kitwe	Kabwe	Livingstone	Choma	Chinsali
4,935.46	3,011.64	3,167.45	2,968.42	4,067.79	4,161.71	3,771.50	2,730.83	2,620.88	3,701.76	4,034.37	3,523.88	3,900.83	3,662.44	2,728.00

This survey was conducted on 26th – 27th January, 2017 by the Social and Economic Development Programme of the Jesuit Centre for Theological Reflection. Average prices were calculated on the basis of surveys conducted at Mpatamatu Market, Buseko Market, Roan Market, Mikomfwa Market and Town Centre Shoprite. Additional information was obtained from ZESCO, the Kafubu Water and Sewerage Company and schools, clinics and houses around Luanshya. The January Basic Needs Basket is approximately US\$376 based upon the exchange rate of K9.84 per US\$ prevailing during period of data collection. Please note that other monthly costs would include personal care, clothing, recreation, etc.

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