

JCTR BASIC NEEDS BASKET: NDOLA
October 2014

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

Commodity	Kwacha	Quantity	Total	Kwacha
Mealie meal (breakfast)	70.76	2 x 25Kgs	141.52	
Beans	13.20	3 Kgs	39.60	
Kapenta (dry)	108.00	2 Kgs	216.00	
Bream, smoked	167.50	1 Kgs	167.50	
Mixed cut	32.70	4 Kgs	130.80	
Dark green vegetable	8.10	4 Kgs	32.40	
Tomatoes	8.40	4 Kgs	33.60	
Onion, large	11.33	2 Kgs	22.66	
Cooking oil (2.5L)	33.77	3 Litres	40.52	
Bread wheat, refined flour, baked	5.21	1loaf/day	156.30	
Sugar	16.13	6 Kgs	48.39	
Milk (500ml Long life)	5.69	2 Litres	22.76	
Tea, powder	8.07	1 Kgs	8.07	
Eggs	8.37	2units	16.74	
Salt	6.76	1 Kgs	6.76	
Sub total				1,083.62

(B) COST OF ESSENTIAL NON-FOOD ITEMS

Charcoal	104.00	2x 90Kg bags	208.00
Soap (Lifebuoy)	4.34	10 Tablets	43.40
Wash soap (Boom)	5.49	4x400g	21.96
Jelly (e.g Vaseline)	15.06	1x500ml	15.06
Electricity (medium density - fixed)	181.00		181.00
Water & Sanitation (medium cost - fixed)	95.00		95.00
Housing (medium density - 3 bedroom)	1,500.00		1,500.00

Sub total **2,064.42**

Total for Basic Needs Basket **3,148.04**

Totals from previous months	Sept 13	Oct 13	Nov 13	Dec 13	Jan 14	Feb 14	Mar 14	Apr 14	May 14	Jun 14	Jul 14	Aug 14	Sept 14
Amount (K)	2,831.94	2,786.21	2,845.36	2,831.89	2,889.81	3,143.76	-	3,176.74	3,181.15	3,194.33	3,251.58	3,236.63	3153.69

(C) SOME OTHER ADDITIONAL COST

Item	K	Item	K
Education		Health	
Grades 1-7 (PTA+Project/year)	K50.00	Consultation Fee	K1.00
Grades 8-9 (User+PTA/year)	K750.00	Medical Exam	K35.00
Grades 10-12 (User+PTA/year)	K900.00	Malaria Slide	K10.00
School Uniform (grades 8-12)	K550.00-K900.00	CD4 Count Private	K280.00
Transport (bus fare round trip):		Mosquito Net (private)	K35.00
Ndeke-Town	K6.00	Fuel (cost at the pump)	
Chifubu-Town	K6.00	Petrol (per litre)	K10.63
Masala-Town	K5.00	Diesel (per litre)	K10.01
Twapia-Town	K6.70	Kerosene (per litre)	K7.48

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

Lusaka	Kasama	Mansa	Mongu	Ndola	Solwezi	Monze	Chipata	Mpika	Luanshya	Kitwe	Kabwe	Livingstone	Choma	Chinsali
3,635.83	2,612.90	2,103.46	1,972.76	3,153.69	3,172.54	2,281.83	2,276.99	2,034.08	2,901.06	2,607.66	3,007.93	2,819.96	2,658.54	2,046.92

This survey was conducted on 25th October, 2014 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 Masala Market, Twapia Market, Mushili Market, Lubuto Market, Chifubu Market, Pick "n" Pay and Town Centre Shoprite. Additional information was obtained from ZESCO, the Kufubu Water and Sewerage Company and schools, clinics and houses around Ndola. The October Basic Needs Basket is approximately US\$ 495 based upon the rate of K6.3565 per US\$ prevailing on the day of data collection. Please note that other monthly costs would include personal care, clothing, recreation, etc.

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