

JCTR BASIC NEEDS AND NUTRITION BASKET

Monze

December 2020

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

Commodity	Price (ZMW) / Unit	Quantity / Month	Total (ZMW)
Mealie Meal (Roller)	83.75 25 kg bag	2 x 25Kg	167.50
Rice	136.00 5kg	4kg	108.80
(Sweet) Potatoes	12.57 1 Kg	4 Kg	50.29
Beans	38.50 1kg	3kg	115.51
Pounded Groundnut	44.38 1kg	1kg	44.38
Soya Pieces	42.38 1 kg	2kg	84.76
Beef	35.63 1kg	2kg	71.25
Chicken	65.00 2kg	5kg	162.50
Kapenta	189.55 1kg	1kg	189.55
Eggs	15.00 1 unit (10 eggs)	3 Trays (90 eggs)	135.00
Milk (Fresh)	11.00 500 ml	10 liters	220.00
Vegetables	288.39 40 Kg	40kg	288.39
Onion	11.69 1 Kg	4 Kg	46.77
Tomatoes	11.66 1 kg	6 kg	69.97
Banana	11.41 1 Kg	16 Kg	182.58
Other Fruits	4.14 1 kg	14 Kg	57.92
Cooking oil (2.5lts)	93.50 2.5lt	3.6lt	134.64
Salt	8.50 1 Kg	1 Kg	8.50
Tea	23.50 250g	250g	23.50
SubTotal			ZMW 2,161.81

(B) COST OF ESSENTIAL NON-FOOD ITEMS

Commodity	Price(ZMW) / Unit	Quantity / Month	Total (ZMW)
Charcoal	108.75 90kg bag(s)	2 90kg bag(s)	217.50
Soap (Lifebuoy/Champion)	11.25 Tablet(s)	3 Tablet(s)	33.75
Wash soap (BOOM)	16.25 400g	4 400g	65.00
Jelly (Vaseline)	18.75 500ml	1 500ml	18.75
Electricity (medium density)	300.00 Month(s)	1 Month(s)	300.00
Water & Sanitation (med - fixed)	250.00 Month(s)	1 Month(s)	250.00
Housing (3 bedroom)	2,000.00 Month(s)	1 Month(s)	2,000.00
Sanitary towels	15.50 Pack of 10	2 Pack of 10	31.00
Toilet Paper (2ply)	6.00 Tissue(s)	6 Tissue(s)	36.00
Lotion (Dawn)	27.00 400ml	1 400ml	27.00
Subtotal			ZMW 2,979.00

Total for Basic Needs and Nutrition Basket

ZMW 5,140.81

(C) SOME OTHER ADDITIONAL COSTS

<i>Education</i>		<i>Transport (bus fare round)</i>	
Item	Amount (ZMW)	Item	Amount (ZMW)
Grades 1-7 (User + PTA/year)	250.00	Manungu	30.00
Grades 10-12 (User + PTA/year)	350.00		

<i>Health</i>		<i>Fuel (cost at the pump)</i>	
item	Amount (ZMW)	Item	Amount (ZMW)
Fast Track / High Cost fee	50.00	Petrol (per litre)	17.62
Malaria test	20.00	Diesel (per litre)	15.59
		Paraffin (per litre)	15.39

(D) A COMPARISON OF COSTS (IN KWACHA) OF BASIC NEEDS ACROSS ZAMBIA

Lusaka	Kasama	Mansa	Mongu	Ndola	Solwezi	Monze	Chipata	Mpika	Luanshya	Kitwe	Kabwe	Livingstone	Choma	Chinsali	Mazabuka
7,404.05	4,281.32	4,016.91	4,506.16	5,977.38	5,792.96	5,140.81	4,679.10	4,395.17	5,120.98	5,454.16	6,474.98	5,180.64	5,583.72	5,878.91	5,082.07

Compositions of vegetables and fruits

Computation of vegetables consists of: Pumpkin leaves (9.8kg), Bondwe (2.8kg), Cabbage (18.5kg) and Rape (8.9kg).

Computation of fruits is from these varieties: Bananas, Mangos, Apples, Guavas and Oranges.

This survey was conducted on 27th December, 2020 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 Main Market, Town centre, Manungu Market, and Site and Service Market. Additional information was obtained from ZESCO, the Southern Water and Sewerage Company and schools, clinics and houses around Monze. The December Basic Needs Basket is approximately US\$243 based upon the exchange rate Of K21.14 Other costs would include personal care, clothing, recreation, etc.

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