

JCTR BASIC NEEDS BASKET

Chinsali

November 2017

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

Commodity	Price (ZMW)	Quantity	Units	Total (ZMW)
Mealie Meal	80.00	2	x 25 Kg	160.00
Beans	11.00	3	Kg	33.00
Kapenta (Dry)	83.75	2	Kg	167.50
Fish (Bream, Dry)	85.00	1	Kg	85.00
Beef	37.00	4	Kg	148.00
Dark Green Vegetables	4.50	4	Kg	18.00
Tomatoes	6.75	4	Kg	27.00
Onion	11.75	2	Kg	23.50
Cooking oil (2.5L)	46.25	3	Litres	55.50
Bread	10.00	1	Loaf/day	300.00
Sugar	26.25	3	x 2 Kg	78.75
Milk	7.00	4	x 500ml	28.00
Tea	110.00	1	Kg	110.00
Eggs	15.00	2	Units	30.00
Salt	60.00	1	Kg	60.00

Subtotal **ZMW 1,324.25**

(B) COST OF ESSENTIAL NON-FOOD ITEMS

Commodity	Price (ZMW)	Quantity	Units	Total (ZMW)
Charcoal	27.75	2	x 90 Kg bag(s)	55.50
Soap (Lifebuoy/Champion)	10.00	10	Tablet(s)	100.00
Wash soap (BOOM)	16.50	4	x 400g	66.00
Electricity (medium density)	18.00	1	x 1month	18.00
Water & Sanitation (med - fixed)	128.00	1	x 1month	128.00
Housing (3 bedroom)	1,175.00	1	x 1month	1,175.00

Subtotal **ZMW 1,542.50**

Total for Basic Needs Basket **ZMW 2,866.75**

Total from previous month	Jun 16	July 16	Aug 16	Sep 16	Oct 16	Nov 16	Dec 16	Jan 17	Feb 17	Mar 17	Apr 17	May 17	Jun 17	Jul 17	Aug 17	Oct 17
Amount (K)	2,729.42	2,692.25	2,689.00	2,765.30	-	2,837.40	2,788.35	2,728.00	2,740.65	1,398.40	2,906.65	2,777.65	2,788.65	2,770.55	-	2,939.83

(C) SOME OTHER ADDITIONAL COSTS

Education

Item	Amount (ZMW)
Grades 1-7 (User + PTA/year)	112.00
School Uniform (Grades 1-7)	90.00

Transport (bus fare round trip)

Item	Amount (ZMW)
Lubwa-Town	50.00
Turn off-Town	50.00
Farmers Trade Centre-Town	40.00
Seed Farm-Town	40.00

Health

Item	Amount (ZMW)
Self-referral (Emergency Fee)	10.00
Mosquito net (private)	20.00

Fuel (cost at the pump)

Item	Amount (ZMW)
Petrol (per litre)	12.57
Diesel (per litre)	11.09

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

Lusaka	Kasama	Mansa	Mongu	Ndola	Solwezi	Monze	Chipata	Mpika	Luanshya	Kitwe	Kabwe	Livingstone	Choma	Chinsali
4,924.54	3,033.65	2,945.15	3,033.33	4,875.93	4,034.11	3,746.55	2,448.90	-	3,668.43	4,035.74	3,534.03	3,773.60	3,654.36	2,866.75

This survey was conducted on 25th - 26th November, 2017 by the Social & Economic Development Programme of the Jesuit Centre for Theological Reflection. Average prices were calculated on the basis of prices gathered from retail outlets at Kabuta, Kalukungu market, new market and old market around Chinsali. The November Basic Needs Basket is approximately US\$284 based upon the exchange rate of K10.09 prevailing on the days of data collection. Please note that other monthly costs would personal care, clothing, recreation, etc.

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