

JCTR BASIC NEEDS BASKET

Ndola

November 2017

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

Commodity	Price (ZMW)	Quantity	Units	Total (ZMW)
Mealie Meal	66.43	2	x 25 Kg	132.85
Beans	25.57	3	Kg	76.71
Kapenta (Dry)	140.00	2	Kg	280.00
Fish (Bream, Dry)	200.00	1	Kg	200.00
Beef	36.71	4	Kg	146.85
Dark Green Vegetables	29.20	4	Kg	116.80
Tomatoes	21.85	4	Kg	87.42
Onion	19.35	2	Kg	38.71
Cooking oil (2.5L)	48.07	3	Litres	57.68
Bread	7.50	1	Loaf/day	224.96
Sugar	25.42	3	x 2 Kg	76.27
Milk	8.07	4	x 500ml	32.27
Tea	159.99	1	Kg	159.99
Eggs	11.86	2	Units	23.71
Salt	11.22	1	Kg	11.22

Subtotal **ZMW 1,665.44**

(B) COST OF ESSENTIAL NON-FOOD ITEMS

Commodity	Price (ZMW)	Quantity	Units	Total (ZMW)
Charcoal	238.00	2	x 90 Kg bag(s)	476.00
Soap (Lifebuoy/Champion)	8.71	10	Tablet(s)	87.11
Wash soap (BOOM)	8.93	4	x 400g	35.70
Jelly (e.g. Vaseline)	28.85	1	x 400g	28.85
Electricity (medium density)	314.22	1	x 1month	314.22
Water & Sanitation (med - fixed)	118.60	1	x 1month	118.60
Housing (3 bedroom)	2,150.00	1	x 1month	2,150.00

Subtotal **ZMW 3,210.49**

Total for Basic Needs Basket **ZMW 4,875.93**

Totals from previous months	July 16	Aug 16	Sept 16	Oct 16	Nov 16	Dec 16	Jan 17	Feb 17	Mar 17	Apr 17	May 17	June 17	July 17	Aug 17	Sep 17	Oct 17
Amount (K)	4,460.70	4,489.97	4,489.97	4,375.83	4,661.46	4,661.46	4,067.79	4,627.85	4,631.10	4,612.35	5,042.01	5,027.87	5,005.27	4,947.70	4,891.91	4,864.21

(C) SOME OTHER ADDITIONAL COSTS

Education		Transport (bus fare round trip)	
Item	Amount (ZMW)	Item	Amount (ZMW)
Grades 1-7 (User + PTA/year)	150.00	Mushili-Town	10.00
Grades 8-9 (User + PTA/year)	700.00	Ndeke-Town	10.00
Grades 10-12 (User + PTA/year)	900.00	Chifubu-Town	10.00
School Uniform (Grades 1-7)	680.00	Masala-Town	8.00
School Uniform (Grades 8-12)	990.00	Twapia-Town	11.00

Health		Fuel (cost at the pump)	
Item	Amount (ZMW)	Item	Amount (ZMW)
Self-referral (Emergency Fee)	50.00	Petrol (per litre)	12.97
Malaria test	90.00	Diesel (per litre)	11.09

Consultation Fee

1.00

Paraffin (per litre)

9.87

CD4 Count

280.00

D) A 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 26th – 27th November 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 masala market, Twapia market, shoprite, pick N pay, mushily market, lubuto market and Chifubu market. The November Basic Needs Basket is approximately US\$483 based upon the exchange rate of K10.09 per US\$ prevailing on the days of data collection. Please note that other monthly costs would include personal care, clothing, recreation, etc.

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