

# JCTR BASIC NEEDS BASKET

**Kabwe**

**November 2017**

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

Commodity	Price (ZMW)	Quantity	Units	Total (ZMW)
Mealie Meal	64.33	2	x 25 Kg	128.66
Beans	18.90	3	Kg	56.70
Kapenta (Dry)	190.00	2	Kg	380.00
Fish (Bream, Dry)	117.50	1	Kg	117.50
Beef	44.33	4	Kg	177.32
Dark Green Vegetables	3.80	4	Kg	15.20
Tomatoes	5.33	4	Kg	21.33
Onion	8.00	2	Kg	16.00
Cooking oil (2.5L)	46.83	3	Litres	56.20
Bread	7.92	1	Loaf/day	237.45
Sugar	24.50	3	x 2 Kg	73.50
Milk	6.83	4	x 500ml	27.33
Tea	70.00	1	Kg	70.00
Eggs	10.06	2	Units	20.11
Salt	7.75	1	Kg	7.75

**Subtotal** **ZMW 1,405.03**

## (B) COST OF ESSENTIAL NON-FOOD ITEMS

Commodity	Price (ZMW)	Quantity	Units	Total (ZMW)
Charcoal	102.76	2	x 90 Kg bag(s)	205.52
Soap (Lifebuoy/Champion)	5.63	10	Tablet(s)	56.32
Wash soap (BOOM)	9.25	4	x 400g	36.99
Jelly (e.g. Vaseline)	30.17	1	x 500ml	30.17
Electricity (medium density)	223.00	1	x 1month	223.00
Water & Sanitation (med - fixed)	77.00	1	x 1month	77.00
Housing (3 bedroom)	1,500.00	1	x 1month	1,500.00

**Subtotal** **ZMW 2,129.00**

**Total for Basic Needs Basket** **ZMW 3,534.03**

Totals from previous months	June 16	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)	3,747.91	3,577.35	3,487.47	3,475.24	3,498.15	3,514.46	3,485.99	3,523.88	3,612.16	3,449.20	3,439.03	3,438.04	3,538.46	3,531.39	3,509.56	3,480.00	3,525.66

## (C) SOME OTHER ADDITIONAL COSTS

### **Education**

Item	Amount (ZMW)
Grades 1-7 (User + PTA/year)	65.00
Grades 8-9 (User + PTA/year)	350.00
Grades 10-12 (User + PTA/year)	850.00
School Uniform (Grades 1-7)	100.00
School Uniform (Grades 8-9)	100.00

### **Transport (bus fare round trip)**

### **Health**

Item	Amount (ZMW)
Fast Track / High Cost fee	10.00
Malaria test	25.00
CD4 Count	20.00

### **Fuel (cost at the pump)**

Item	Amount (ZMW)
Petrol (per litre)	12.97
Diesel (per litre)	11.09
Paraffin (per litre)	7.82

**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 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 by the Social and Economic Development Programme of the Jesuit Centre for Theological Reflection. Average prices were calculated on the basis of prices gathered from retail outlets at kamanda, katondo, nakoli, lukanga, polen and shoprite. The November 2017 Basic Needs Basket is approximately US\$350 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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