

JCTR BASIC NEEDS BASKET

Kabwe

April 2018

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

Commodity	Price (ZMW)	Quantity	Units	Total (ZMW)
Mealie Meal	78.40	2	x 25 Kg	156.80
Beans	21.24	3	Kg	63.71
Kapenta (Dry)	200.00	2	Kg	400.00
Fish (Bream, Dry)	110.00	1	Kg	110.00
Beef	44.00	4	Kg	175.99
Dark Green Vegetables	24.25	4	Kg	97.00
Tomatoes	13.26	4	Kg	53.02
Onion	16.00	2	Kg	32.00
Cooking oil (2.5L)	46.20	3	Litres	55.44
Bread	7.70	1	Loaf/day	230.94
Sugar	26.90	3	x 2 Kg	80.69
Milk	7.40	4	x 500ml	29.59
Tea	78.39	1	Kg	78.39
Eggs	10.20	2	Units	20.40
Salt	8.00	1	Kg	8.00

Subtotal **ZMW 1,591.96**

(B) COST OF ESSENTIAL NON-FOOD ITEMS

Commodity	Price (ZMW)	Quantity	Units	Total (ZMW)
Charcoal	154.00	2	x 90 Kg bag(s)	308.00
Soap (Lifebuoy/Champion)	5.45	10	Tablet(s)	54.48
Wash soap (BOOM)	9.12	4	x 400g	36.49
Jelly (e.g. Vaseline)	34.50	1	x 500ml	34.50
Water & Sanitation (med - fixed)	150.00	1	x 1month	150.00
Housing (3 bedroom)	2,500.00	1	x 1month	2,500.00

Subtotal **ZMW 3,083.46**

Total for Basic Needs Basket **ZMW 4,675.42**

Totals from previous months	Nov 16	Dec 16	Jan 17	Feb 17	Mar 17	Apr 17	May 17	June 17	July 17	Aug 17	Sep 17	Oct 17	Nov 17	Dec 17	Jan 18	Feb 18	Mar 18
Amount (K)	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	3,534.03	3,547.39	3,467.96	3,414.76	3,508.27

(C) SOME OTHER ADDITIONAL COSTS

Education

Item	Amount (ZMW)
Grades 1-7 (User + PTA/year)	300.00
Grades 8-9 (User + PTA/year)	1,050.00
Grades 10-12 (User + PTA/year)	1,050.00
School Uniform (Grades 1-7)	369.00
School Uniform (Grades 8-9)	839.00

Transport (bus fare round trip)

Health

Item	Amount (ZMW)
Malaria test	25.00

Fuel (cost at the pump)

Item	Amount (ZMW)
Petrol (per litre)	13.75
Diesel (per litre)	12.01
Paraffin (per litre)	8.85

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

Lusaka	Kasama	Mansa	Mongu	Ndola	Solwezi	Monze	Chipata	Mpika	Luanshya	Kitwe	Kabwe	Livingstone	Choma	Chinsali
5,433	3,261	2,832	3,315	4,967	4,208	3,738	2,828	2,901	3,986	4,428	4,675	4,327	3,920	3,760

This survey was conducted on 27th April, 2018 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 March 2018 Basic Needs Basket is approximately US\$468 based upon the exchange rate of K10 per US\$ prevailing on the days of data collection. Please note that other monthly costs would include personal care, clothing, recreation, etc.