

Harare Basic Needs Basket for January 2011

The Basic Needs Basic (BNB) for ordinary Zimbabweans living in Harare has risen up by 7.56% in the last two months (from US\$482.64 in November 2010 to US\$519.29 in January 2011).

Item	Preferred brand	Unit available	Quantity	Harare Average (US\$)
A. Essential Food Items:				
Mealie Meal	Red Seal (Roller meal)	20kg	2	18.20
Cooking oil	D'lite	2Ltrs	2	8.11
Beef	Mixed	1kg	5	27.40
Chicken	Suncrest cuts	2kg	1	7.13
Beans	Sugar beans	500g	4	4.53
Fish	fresh	1kg	2	6.67
Kapenta	dried	500g	2	11.74
Salt	Pro-brands	2kg	1	0.92
Bread	Bakers Inn	1loaf	30	30.00
Eggs	Standard	1 crates	2	9.89
Sugar	Gold star (white)	2kg	4	7.36
Tea (leaves)	Stella	250g	4	7.24
Milk	Steri	500ml	12	40.63
Margarine	Buttercup	2kg	1	9.86
Onions		1kg	10	10.00
Tomatoes		1kg	10	11.04
Vegetables (greens)	rape	1kg	22.5	14.22
Sub-total				224.94
B. Essential Non-food items				
Washing soap	Green bar	1kg	5	7.10
Bathing soap	Geisha tablets	250g	5	4.03
Toothpaste	Colgate	100ml	2	2.50
Toilet paper	Softex	4 rolls/pack	6	7.31
Jelly	Vaseline	250g	2	3.93
Sub-total				24.87
C. Rates and other services				
Water & Sanitation	Water	fixed		10.00
	Average usage/month	m ³	40	19.20
	Sanitation (Sewage)	fixed		11.50
Monthly rent (4 roomed house)	Basic accommodation	Rooms	4	200.00
Electricity	Fixed			6.08
	Average usage/month	KW	420	22.70
Sub-total				269.48
Total BNB for Harare				519.29
D. Other Costs				
Telephone/Communication		1\$/day	\$30/month	
School Fees:				
Tertiary	University (UZ)		\$420/Semester	
	Technical/Colleges (Harare Polytechnic)	National certificate level	\$175/term	
		National Diploma level	\$225/term	
	Secondary		\$80/term	
	Primary		\$40/term	
	Creche		\$30/term	
School Uniforms	Girls		\$45 (complete uniform)	
	Boys		\$50 (complete uniform)	
Health care	CIMAS Basicare Package	\$8/person	\$40/month	
Fuel & Lighting	Paraffin		\$0.86/Litre	
	Diesel		\$1.33/Litre	
	Petrol		\$1.37/Litre	
	matches		\$1.00/pack of 12	
	Candles		\$1.25/pack of 6	

