



BULAWAYO BASIC NEEDS BASKET

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Bulawayo September 2012 BNB¹

| Item | Preferred brand | Unit available | Quantity | Harare Average (US\$) |
|--|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| A. Essential Food Items: | | | | |
| Mealie Meal | Red Seal (Roller meal) | 20kg | 2 | 20.53 |
| Sugar | Brown Sugar | 2kg | 4 | 8.87 |
| Cooking oil | Gold Star | 2litres | 2 | 7.37 |
| Beef | Economy | 1kg | 5 | 26.67 |
| Chicken | Chicken Cuts | 2kg | 2 | 13.80 |
| Salt | Red Seal | 1kg | 2 | 0.83 |
| Tea leaves | Stella Tea | 250g | 1 | 2.25 |
| Bread | Lobel's | 1 loaf | 30 | 27.50 |
| Milk | Chimombe | 500ml | 12 | 9.34 |
| Sugar Beans | | 500g | 4 | 5.00 |
| Vegetables | | Bunche | 22.5 | 13.43 |
| Tomatoes | | 1kg | 10 | 14.03 |
| Kapenta | | 1kg | 1 | 9.66 |
| Onions | | 1kg | 10 | 14.45 |
| Eggs | | 1crate | 2 | 10.08 |
| Sub Total | | | | 183.80 |
| B. Essential Non Food Items | | | | |
| Bath soap | Geisha | 250g | 5 | 4.18 |
| Laundry soap | Green Bar | 1kg | 5 | 8.06 |
| Washing Powder | Sunlight | 1kg | 2 | 6.30 |
| Petroleum Jelly | Vaseline | 250g | 2 | 3.51 |
| Toothpaste | Colgate | 100ml | 2 | 2.88 |
| Sanitary wear | Always | 500g | 1 | 1.44 |
| Toilet paper | Softex | Pack of 4 | 6 | 7.39 |
| Sub-total | | | | 33.75 |
| C. Rates and other services | | | | |
| Water & Sanitation (medium cost - fixed) | Water | fixed | | 1.21 |
| | Average usage/month | m3 | 80 | 6.00 |
| | Sanitation (Sewage) | fixed | | 8.65 |
| Monthly rent (4 roomed house) | Basic Accommodation | per room | 4 | 200.00 |
| Electricity | Fixed | | | 16.00 |
| | Average usage/month | KW | 0 | 0.00 |
| Sub-total | | | | 231.86 |
| Total BNB for Bulawayo | | | | 449.41 |
| D. Other Costs | | | | |
| Telephone/Communication | | | 1\$/day | \$30/month |
| Transport (public) | | | \$0.50/trip | \$30/month |
| School Fees: | | | | |
| Tertiary | University Public | | | \$420 - \$550/Semester |
| | Technical/Colleges (Polytechnic) | | National certificate | \$175 - \$200/term |

¹ The following are the shops and markets where PRFT collected data on prices of basic commodities for the September 2012 BNB: City Centre (TM Hyper and SPAR); Lobengula (Mountview SPAR); Bellevue SPAR; Ascot (TM); Nkulumane (SPAR). The survey was conducted on the 28th September 2012.

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| | | level | |
| | | National Diploma level | \$225/term |
| | Secondary | | \$90/term |
| | Primary | | \$45/term |
| | Creche | | \$60/term |
| School Uniforms | Girls | | \$69 (complete uniform) |
| | Boys | | \$50 (complete uniform) |
| Health care | CIMAS Basicare Package | 2 adults @ \$9 each and 3 children @ \$9 each | \$45/month |
| Fuel & Lighting | Paraffin (Pump price) | | \$1.50/Litre |
| | Diesel (Pump price) | | \$1.41/Litre |
| | Petrol (Pump price) | | \$1.53/Litre |
| | matches | | \$.70/pack of 10 |
| | Candles | | \$1.65/pack of 6 |

