



## **BULAWAYO BASIC NEEDS BASKET**

**September 2012**

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# Bulawayo September 2012 BNB<sup>1</sup>

Item	Preferred brand	Unit available	Quantity	Harare Average (US\$)
<b>A. Essential Food Items:</b>				
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	Lobels	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/l	1	9.66
Onions		1kg	10	14.45
Eggs		1crate	2	10.08
<b>Sub Total</b>				<b>183.80</b>
<b>B. Essential Non Food Items</b>				
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
<b>Sub-total</b>				<b>33.75</b>
<b>C. Rates and other services</b>				
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
<b>Sub-total</b>				<b>231.86</b>
<b>Total BNB for Bulawayo</b>				<b>449.41</b>
<b>D. Other Costs</b>				
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

<sup>1</sup> 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 28<sup>th</sup> September 2012.

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		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

