

CFSC BASIC NEEDS BASKET: LILONGWE, ZOMBA, BLANTYRE, MZUZU, MANGOCHI & KARONGA June, 2018

(A) COST OF BASIC FOOD ITEMS FOR A HOUSEHOLD SIZE OF SIX PEOPLE IN

ITEM	Lilongwe		Zomba		Blantyre		Mzuzu		Karonga		Mangochi	
Maize	6,429	12,858	5,600	11,200	6,333	12,666	5,542	11,084	5,000	10,000	5,000	10,000
Milling (Including Grinding)	271	3,794	325	4,550	250	3,500	490	6,860	400	5,600	400	5,600
Beans (0.8kg/day) 8 Days	700	4,480	1,136	7,270	800	5,120	1,067	6,829	775	4,960	667	4,269
Dry Usipa (250g/day) 4 days	4,500	4,500	4,857	4,857	6,857	6,857	4,500	4,500	4,000	4,000	5,333	5,333
Dry Utaka/Mcheni (200g/day) 4 days	5,375	4,300	4,571	3,657	8,857	7,086	7,043	5,634	4,250	3,400	6,167	4,934
Kapenta (200g/day) 4 days	5,950	4,760	5,943	4,754	7,357	5,886	3,208	2,566	4,514	3,611	3,333	2,666
Beef(1 kg/day) 4 days	2,275	9,100	2,200	8,800	1,986	7,944	2,500	10,000	1,800	7,200	2,167	8,668
Eggs (12/day) 4 days	96	4,608	90	4,320	100	4,800	100	4,800	105	5,040	100	4,800
Rape (750g/day) for 30 days	275	6,188	280	6,300	330	7,425	395	8,888	320	7,200	713	16,043
Tomato (0.5 Kg/day) 30 days	543	8,145	421	6,315	579	8,685	613	9,195	550	8,250	1,200	18,000
Onion (116g/day) 30 days	830	2,905	650	2,275	921	3,224	732	2,562	625	2,188	1,833	6,416
Fresh Milk (250ml/day) 30 days	291	4,365	344	5,160	306	4,590	397	5,955	350	5,250	283	4,245
Kazinga Cooking oil (100mls/day)30 dys	1,444	4,332	1,574	4,722	1,377	4,131	1,117	3,351	1,195	3,585	1,600	4,800
Bread (5 bkfst/ wk) 20 days	359	7,180	348	6,960	344	6,880	350	7,000	400	8,000	350	7,000
Sugar (2 Kgs /Week)	846	6,768	839	6,712	844	6,752	858	6,864	850	6,800	850	6,800
Kitchen Salt	275	275	326	326	230	230	428	428	390	390	283	283
Tea leaves (Chisangalalo)	89	3,560	71	2,840	50	2,000	82	3,280	70	2,800	92	3,680
Cassava /potatoes (2Kgx2Bkfst/)	145	2,320	113	1,808	164	2,624	163	2,608	179	2,864	140	2,240
Sub-total		94,438		92,827		100,399		102,404		91,138		115,776

(B) COST OF ESSENTIAL NON-FOOD ITEMS

Charcoal (50 kgs)	11,164	22,328	10,357	20,714	11,143	22,286	11,867	23,734	7,500	15,000	8,333	16,666
Protex	419	4,190	413	4,130	411	4,110	457	4,570	675	6,750	450	4,500
Boom	361	2,888	364	2,912	347	2,776	425	3,400	425	3,400	350	2,800
Clere Body Lotion	494	988	433	866	474	948	583	1,166	500	1,000	450	900
Vaseline Blue Seal	709	1,418	779	1,558	700	1,400	720	1,066	700	1,400	800	1,600
Electricity	9,938	9,938	6,396	6,396	10,604	10,604	3,333	3,333	4,031	4,031	6,667	6,667
Running Water (meter)	9,726	9,726	6,396	6,396	9,325	9,325	4,517	4,517	2,886	2,886	7,859	7,859
Housing (3 bedroom)	46,250	46,250	15,375	15,375	39,375	39,375	19,833	19,833	20,375	20,375	30,000	30,000
Sub-total		97,726		85,535		90,824		52,930		49,883		70,992
Total Basic Needs		192,164		178,362		191,223		155,334		141,021		186,768

(C) SOME OTHER ADDITIONAL COSTS

	Lilongwe	Zomba	Blantyre	Mzuzu	Karonga	Mangochi		
Education							Fuel (cost at the pump)	
Secondary (fees) per year	33093	28838	20763	25500	20097	21375	Diesel (per litre)	K815.80
Primary (GPF) per year	2663	3263	1781	2700	2053	2625	Petrol (per litre)	K824.70
Uniform/shoes (Primary) per year	6866	5537	8242	6229	6158	6508	Paraffin (per litre)	K648.70
Uniform/shoes (Secondary) per year	9137	8791	9154	9542	12057	8086		
Other (pens, books, etc.) per term	10143	10346	22200	10628	26678	8829		
Minibus fare to town and back LL: MK1000; BT: MK416; ZA: MK400 – MK400; MZ: MK450 – MK500								

AVG	Jul 2017	Aug 2017	Sep 2017	Oct 2017	Nov 2017	Dec 2017	Jan 2018	Feb 2018	Mar 2018	Apr 2018	May 2018	Jun 2018
Amount (MK)	164,113	163,546	164,239	163,534	161,557	163,136	174,519	180,680	180,648	183,232	178,895	174,147

NB: 1 USA dollar (\$) = K730 Malawian Kwacha (MK). The Social Conditions Research Program of the Centre for Social Concern Conducted these surveys from 20th and 21st June, 2018 in the cities of Blantyre, Zomba, Lilongwe, Mzuzu, Karonga and Mangochi.

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NOTE: The data on electricity, housing, water and other additional costs is collected and analysed on quarterly basis