## Introduction

## Sample

## Worldwide Cost of Living Survey

Introduction The Worldwide Cost of Living Survey is a customised report which compares the cost of living between one city and another. This is done by an easy-to-follow index calculation which is the result of extensive local price data collected in 130 cities around the world.

Choose a city as your base-this will equal 100 on the index, and then select as many host or destination cities to make your comparison.

This sample illustrates a one-city comparison using Budapest as the base (home) city and Stockholm as the host (destination) city.

## What is in the sample? <br> Page 1 - index page

This is the final result of the research that has been carried out, and shows at a glance the difference in the cost of living between the base and host city.

Note 1 The date the price data were collected and for whom it was calculated.

Note 2 The exchange rate used for both base and host cities. Index figures can be calculated using US dollars or the euro as the global currency. The euro can be used as the local currency also.

Note 3 The local inflation rate for both base and host cities.

Note 4 The basket of goods divided into ten categories which is used to create the weighted index calculation. Categories or individual products may be removed and the index recalculated at no extra cost.

Note 5 The mean index. This shows at a glance the percentage difference between the average prices in the host city compared to the average prices in the base city. This represents a like-for-like comparison between the two cities.

Note 6 The high index. Compares the high prices in the host city to the average prices in the base city. It allows for special provision for executives moving to a city for the first time.

Note 7 A summary of the percentage differences in the cost of living between the two cities using the whole basket of goods.

Page 2 - country data
Provided for all base and host cities. General geographical, political and social issues relating to the country.

## Page 3-10 Price lists

Provided for all cities. Gives prices in local currency and in US\$. Alternatively prices can be quoted in euros. Prices range from supermarket to high priced speciality stores.

The prices for all the products and services are divided into 17 sub-categories. The first 10 sub-categories are covered on the first six pages and are included in the final index calculation:

Shopping basket
Alcoholic beverages
Household supplies
Personal care
Tobacco
Utilities
Clothing
Domestic help
Recreation \& entertainment
Transportation
The final sub-categories are not included in the index calculation but are provided so that housing allowances and business trip expenses can be calculated:

Rented accommodation and related costs
Cost guide for short term business trips
Ifyou only require information from these price lists - it may be purchased separately.

## Page 11 - Housing, schools \& leisure

This information is provided for all cities. Additional housing information including areas surveyed, plus prices for schooling, health care and leisure activities available locally.

## Page 12 - Disposable income tables

Available for over 60 key cities, showing the percentage of gross salary remaining after income tax and social security contributions are deducted. These have been calculated using TAXDISK software and are provided in local currency.

Using the product A fully comprehensive user's manual on how to use the product is provided in the report. It gives details of the weighted index, survey methodology and other general information on expatriate compensation programmes, plus a step-by-step worked example of how to calculate an exapatriate salary usiing a cost of living adjustment. The report itself comes in an easy-to-use ring binder so that more cities can be added at a later date if required.

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## NB: this is a sample.


${ }^{\text {a Mean }}=$ average prices compared in both cities.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}} \mathrm{High}=$ high prices in host compared to average in base city.
Company expatriate policy: indices can be calculated using your chosen exchange rates. Categories or items may be removed as required to suit your expatriate policy.

[^0]| Pricelist | Skr | US\$ | Skr | US\$ | Skr | US\$ |
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## 1. Shopping basket

## Staples

| Bread, white $(1 \mathrm{~kg})$ | 27.25 | 3.31 | 28.13 | 3.42 | 29.75 | 3.61 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Butter $(500 \mathrm{gm})$ | 26.50 | 3.22 | 26.67 | 3.24 | 28.17 | 3.42 |
| Margarine $(500 \mathrm{gm})$ | 20.90 | 2.54 | 22.90 | 2.78 | 26.50 | 3.22 |
| Rice, white $(1 \mathrm{~kg})$ | 29.90 | 3.63 | 29.90 | 3.63 | 31.80 | 3.86 |
| Spaghetti $(1 \mathrm{~kg})$ | 11.90 | 1.45 | 18.90 | 2.30 | 23.00 | 2.79 |
| Flour, white $(1 \mathrm{~kg})$ | 7.00 | 0.85 | 7.30 | 0.89 | 9.50 | 1.15 |
| Sugar, white $(1 \mathrm{~kg})$ | 10.30 | 1.25 | 10.50 | 1.28 | 10.95 | 1.33 |
| Cheese, imported $(500 \mathrm{gm})$ | 79.50 | 9.66 | 89.50 | 10.87 | 102.00 | 12.39 |
| Corn flakes $(375 \mathrm{gm})$ | 14.93 | 1.81 | 17.03 | 2.07 | 24.35 | 2.96 |
| Yoghurt, natural $(150 \mathrm{gm})$ | 2.40 | 0.29 | 2.56 | 0.31 | 2.56 | 0.31 |
| Mili, pasteurised $(1 \mathrm{l})$ | 6.20 | 0.75 | 6.60 | 0.80 | 6.60 | 0.80 |
| Olive oil $(1 \mathrm{l})$ | 93.00 | 11.30 | 127.0 | 15.43 | 127.00 | 15.43 |
| Peanut or corn oil $(1 \mathrm{l})$ | 22.90 | 2.78 | 45.00 | 5.47 | 54.90 | 6.67 |

## Fresh vegetables and fruit

| Potatoes ( 2 kg ) | 13.80 | 1.68 | 15.80 | 1.92 | 17.80 | 2.16 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Onions (1 kg) | 6.90 | 0.84 | 9.90 | 1.20 | 12.90 | 1.57 |
| Mushrooms $(1 \mathrm{~kg})$ | 49.90 | 6.06 | 49.90 | 6.06 | 53.50 | 6.50 |
| Tomatoes 1 kg ) | 19.90 | 2.42 | 25.90 | 3.15 | 29.90 | 3.63 |
| Carrots 1 kg ) | 14.90 | 1.81 | 23.90 | 2.90 | 24.90 | 3.03 |
| Oranges $(1 \mathrm{~kg})$ | 9.90 | 1.20 | 14.90 | 1.81 | 16.90 | 2.05 |
| Apples 11 kg$)$ | 16.90 | 2.05 | 17.90 | 2.17 | 18.90 | 2.30 |
| Lemons $(1 \mathrm{~kg})$ | 19.90 | 2.42 | 19.90 | 2.42 | 23.90 | 2.90 |
| Bananas $(1 \mathrm{~kg})$ | 17.90 | 2.17 | 19.90 | 2.42 | 21.90 | 2.66 |
| Lettuce (per head) | 17.00 | 2.07 | 24.00 | 2.92 | 39.00 | 4.74 |
| Eggs $(12)$ | 23.80 | 2.89 | 24.90 | 3.03 | 25.80 | 3.13 |

## Canned vegetables and fruit

| Peas $(250 \mathrm{gm})$ | 6.81 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Tomatoes $(250 \mathrm{gm})$ | 3.44 |
| Peaches $(500 \mathrm{gm})$ | 11.45 |

7.81
3.56
11.76
14.73

| 8.69 | 1.06 |
| ---: | ---: |
| 3.69 | 0.45 |
| 12.06 | 1.47 |
| 14.73 | 1.79 |

## Meat

Beef

| Tournedos, filet mignon $(1 \mathrm{~kg})$ | 243.00 | 29.53 | 285.00 | 34.63 | 289.00 | 35.12 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Steak, entrecote $(1 \mathrm{~kg})$ | 157.00 | 19.08 | 189.00 | 22.96 | 189.00 | 22.96 |
| Stewing, shoulder $(1 \mathrm{~kg})$ | 94.50 | 11.48 | 129.00 | 15.67 | 141.00 | 17.13 |
| Roast $(1 \mathrm{~kg})$ | 121.00 | 14.70 | 129.00 | 15.67 | 149.00 | 18.10 |
| Ground or minced $(1 \mathrm{~kg})$ | 39.90 | 4.85 | 59.00 | 7.17 | 59.60 | 7.24 |


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|  | Supermarket |  | Mid-price store |  | Specialised shop |  |
| Veal |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chops ( 1 kg ) | n.a. | n.a. | 149.00 | 18.10 | 149.00 | 18.10 |
| Fillet (1 kg) | n.a. | n.a. | 289.00 | 35.12 | 289.00 | 35.12 |
| Roast (1 kg) | n.a. | n.a. | 149.00 | 18.10 | n.a. | n.a. |

Lamb
Leg of lamb ( 1 kg )
Chops $(1 \mathrm{~kg})$
Stewing $(1 \mathrm{~kg})$

| 64.50 | 7.84 |
| ---: | ---: |
| 129.00 | 15.67 |
| 119.00 | 14.46 |


| 89.00 | 10.81 |
| ---: | ---: |
| n.a. | n.a. |
| 129.00 | 15.67 |


| 139.00 | 16.89 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 149.00 | 18.10 |
| 159.00 | 19.32 |

Pork
Chops ( 1 kg )
Loin ( 1 kg )

| 69.00 | 8.38 | 89.90 | 10.92 | 89.90 | 10.92 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 69.50 | 8.44 | 79.00 | 9.60 | n.a. | n.a. |
| 155.00 | 18.83 | 160.00 | 19.44 | 228.00 | 27.70 |
| 96.00 | 11.66 | 99.29 | 12.06 | 107.00 | 13.00 |

Chicken

| Frozen (1 kg) | 19.90 | 2.42 | 24.90 | 3.03 | 28.90 | 3.51 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Fresh (1 kg) | 29.90 | 3.63 | 36.90 | 4.48 | 63.00 | 7.65 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fish |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Frozen fish fingers or sticks $(1 \mathrm{~kg})$ | 40.67 | 4.94 | 80.50 | 9.78 | 115.00 | 13.97 |
| Fresh 1 kg ) | 69.00 | 8.38 | 79.00 | 9.60 | 99.00 | 12.03 |

## Non-alcoholic beverages

| Instant coffee $(125 \mathrm{gm})$ | 55.00 | 6.68 | 55.38 | 6.73 | 57.38 | 6.97 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Ground coffee $(500 \mathrm{gm})$ | 35.90 | 4.36 | 42.90 | 5.21 | 45.90 | 5.58 |
| Tea bags $(25 \mathrm{bags})$ | 16.88 | 2.05 | 17.00 | 2.07 | 17.38 | 2.11 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cocoa $(250 \mathrm{gm})$ | 19.88 | 2.42 | 21.13 | 2.57 | 21.75 | 2.64 |
| Nesquick, chocolate powder $(500 \mathrm{gm})$ | 25.00 | 3.04 | 26.50 | 3.22 | 27.90 | 3.39 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Coca-Cola (1 l) | 12.60 | 1.53 | 13.27 | 1.61 | 15.27 | 1.86 |
| Tonic water $(200 \mathrm{ml})$ | 2.85 | 0.35 | 3.39 | 0.41 | 3.94 | 0.48 |
| Mineral water $(1 \mathrm{l})$ | 12.60 | 1.53 | 13.27 | 1.61 | 15.27 | 1.86 |
| Orange juice (1 ) | 10.50 | 1.28 | 13.50 | 1.64 | 13.70 | 1.66 |


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|  | Supermarket |  | Mid-price store |  | Specialised shop |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2. Alcoholic beverages |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wine, common table (1 l) | 62.67 | 7.61 | 64.00 | 7.78 | 81.33 | 9.88 |
| Wine, superior quality ( 700 ml ) | 91.47 | 11.11 | 111.07 | 13.50 | 182.00 | 22.11 |
| Wine, fine quality ( 700 ml ) | 357.07 | 43.39 | 700.00 | 85.05 | 897.20 | 109.02 |
| Beer, local brand (1 1) | 23.94 | 2.91 | 29.70 | 3.61 | 30.30 | 3.68 |
| Beer, top quality ( 330 ml ) | 9.90 | 1.20 | 10.50 | 1.28 | 10.80 | 1.31 |
| Whisky, Scotch, six years old ( 700 ml ) | 324.00 | 39.37 | 325.00 | 39.49 | 339.00 | 41.19 |
| Gin, Gilbey's or equivalent ( 700 ml ) | 198.00 | 24.06 | 262.00 | 31.83 | 274.00 | 33.29 |
| Vermouth, Martini \& Rossi (11) | 112.86 | 13.71 | 114.29 | 13.89 | 138.57 | 16.84 |
| Imported French VSOP cognac ( 700 ml ) | 309.00 | 37.55 | 399.00 | 48.48 | 568.00 | 69.02 |
| Liqueur, Cointreau ( 700 ml ) | 218.00 | 26.49 | 269.00 | 32.69 | 274.00 | 33.29 |

## 3. Household supplies

| Soap (100 gm) | 7.20 | 0.87 | 8.72 | 1.06 | 9.20 | 1.12 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Laundry detergent (3 ) | 119.70 | 14.54 | 127.50 | 15.49 | 131.10 | 15.93 |
| Toilet tissue (two rolls) | 11.95 | 1.45 | 12.45 | 1.51 | 13.95 | 1.70 |
| Liquid dishwashing detergent (750 ml) | 21.38 | 2.60 | 21.68 | 2.63 | 26.18 | 3.18 |
| Insect killer spray (330 gm) | 112.35 | 13.65 | 112.35 | 13.65 | 131.25 | 15.95 |
| Light bulbs (two, 60 watts) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Batteries (two, for flashlight/radio) | 11.90 | 1.45 | 11.90 | 1.45 | 13.30 | 1.62 |
| Frying pan (Teflon or good equivalent) | 37.90 | 4.61 | 48.50 | 5.89 | 53.80 | 6.54 |
| Electric toaster (for two slices) | 299.00 | 36.33 | 465.00 | 56.50 | 559.00 | 67.92 |
| Laundry (one shirt) | 319.00 | 38.76 | 350.00 | 42.53 | 399.00 | 48.48 |
| Dry cleaning, man's suit |  |  |  |  | 40.00 | 4.86 |
| Dry cleaning, woman's dress | 170.00 | 3.77 | 32.00 | 3.89 | 40.00 | 21.87 |
| Dry cleaning, trousers | 170.00 | 20.66 | 180.00 | 21.87 | 180.00 |  |
|  | 80.00 | 9.72 | 180.00 | 21.87 | 180.00 | 21.87 |
|  |  | 85.00 | 10.33 | 85.00 | 10.33 |  |


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|  | Supermarket |  | Mid-price store |  | Specialised shop |  |
| 4. Personal care |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aspirins (100 tablets) | 75.00 | 9.11 | 75.00 | 9.11 | 75.00 | 9.11 |
| Razor blades (five pieces) | 53.00 | 6.44 | 55.00 | 6.68 | 62.00 | 7.53 |
| Toothpaste with fluoride ( 120 gm ) | 29.60 | 3.60 | 30.40 | 3.69 | 33.44 | 4.06 |
| Facial tissues (box of 100) | 20.00 | 2.43 | 21.00 | 2.55 | 23.90 | 2.90 |
| Hand lotion (120 ml) | 38.91 | 4.73 | 41.88 | 5.09 | 42.50 | 5.16 |
|  |  | From |  |  |  | To |
| Shampoo and conditioner in one ( 400 ml ) | 59.80 | 7.27 |  |  | 70.00 | 8.51 |
| Lipstick (deluxe type) | 180.00 | 21.87 |  |  | 180.00 | 21.87 |
| Man's haircut (tips included) | 250.00 | 30.38 |  |  | 430.00 | 52.25 |
| Woman's cut and blow dry (tips included) | 270.00 | 32.81 |  |  | 500.00 | 60.75 |
|  | Supermarket |  | Mid-price store |  | Specialised shop |  |
| 5. Tobacco |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cigarettes, Marlboro (pack of 20) | 35.50 | 4.31 | 35.50 | 4.31 | 35.50 | 4.31 |
| Cigarettes, local brand (pack of 20) | 34.50 | 4.19 | 34.50 | 4.19 | 34.50 | 4.19 |
| Pipe tobacco, MacBaren type ( 50 gm ) | 71.00 | 8.63 | 71.00 | 8.63 | 75.00 | 9.11 |
|  |  |  | Average |  |  |  |
| 6. Utilities |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Telephone and line, monthly rental |  |  |  |  | 105.00 | 12.76 |  |  |
| Telephone, charge per local call from home |  |  | 1.29 | 0.16 |  |  |
| $\begin{array}{lcc}\text { Monthly average, family of four } & \text { From } & \text { To }\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Electricity | 430.00 | 52.25 |  |  | 600.00 | 72.90 |
| Gas | n.a. | n.a. |  |  | n.a. | n.a. |
| Water | 400.00 | 48.60 |  |  | 600.00 | 72.90 |
| Heating oil (100 l) | 400.00 | 48.60 |  |  | 400.00 | 48.60 |



## 7. Clothing

## Men's wear

Business suit, two piece, medium weight
Business shirt, white
Shoes, business wear
Raincoat, Burberry type
Socks, wool mixture

| $3,495.00$ | 424.67 |
| ---: | ---: |
| 559.00 | 67.92 |
| $1,159.00$ | 140.83 |
| $3,695.00$ | 448.97 |
| 65.00 | 7.90 |

$4,795.00$
695.00
$1,495.00$
$4,395.00$
99.00
582.62
84.45
181.65
534.02
12.03

| $5,995.00$ | 728.43 |
| ---: | ---: |
| 895.00 | 108.75 |
| $1,795.00$ | 218.10 |
| $5,995.00$ | 728.43 |
| 109.00 | 13.24 |

## Women's wear

Dress, ready to wear, daytime

| $1,249.00$ | 151.76 |
| ---: | ---: |
| 995.00 | 120.90 |
| 998.00 | 121.26 |
| $2,998.00$ | 364.28 |
| 49.00 | 5.95 |


| $2,198.00$ | 267.07 |
| ---: | ---: |
| $1,295.00$ | 157.35 |
| $1,395.00$ | 169.50 |
| $4,898.00$ | 595.14 |
| 79.00 | 9.60 |


| $2,995.00$ | 363.91 |
| ---: | ---: |
| $1,595.00$ | 193.80 |
| $1,795.00$ | 218.10 |
| $4,995.00$ | 606.93 |
| 109.00 | 13.24 |

Children's wear

|  | 419.00 | 50.91 | 449.00 | 54.56 | 595.00 | 72.30 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Jeans | 429.00 | 52.13 | 479.00 | 58.20 | 579.00 | 70.35 |
| Shoes, dress wear | 399.00 | 48.48 | 499.00 | 60.63 | 539.00 | 65.49 |
| Shoes, sportswear | 398.00 | 48.36 | 799.00 | 97.08 | 990.00 |  |
| Dress for a girl | 799.00 | 97.08 | 990.00 | 120.29 | $1,090.00$ | 132.44 |
| Boy's jacket, smart | 279.00 | 33.90 | 395.00 | 48.00 | 490.00 | 59.54 |
| Boy's dress trousers |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| 8. Domestic help |  | Average <br> Hourly rate for domestic cleaning help |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Maid's monthly wages (full time living-in,  <br> but excluding the cost of keep)  <br> Babysitter's rate per hour $9,500.00$ | $1,154.31$ |  |


| Pricelist | Skr | US\$ | Skr | US\$ | Skr | US\$ |
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|  |  | From |  |  |  | To |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9. Recreation and entertainment |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Compact disc album | 159.00 | 19.32 |  |  | 189.00 | 22.96 |
| Purchase price of colour TV set ( 56 cm ) | 5,395.00 | 655.53 |  |  | 9,719.00 | 1,180.92 |
| Kodak colour film (C-135, 36 exposures) | 65.00 | 7.90 |  |  | 65.00 | 7.90 |
|  |  |  |  | Average |  |  |
| Cost of developing 36 colour pictures |  |  | 136.50 | 16.59 |  |  |
| International foreign daily newspaper |  |  | 16.00 | 1.94 |  |  |
| Daily local newspaper |  |  | 10.00 | 1.22 |  |  |
| International weekly news magazine (Time) |  |  | 30.00 | 3.65 |  |  |
| Paperback novel (at bookstore) |  |  | 89.00 | 10.81 |  |  |
|  |  | From |  |  |  | To |
| Three course dinner for four persons at a top restaurant | 3,400.00 | 413.12 |  |  | 4,500.00 | 546.78 |
| Visit of four persons to a nightclub (including one drink per person) | 720.00 | 87.48 |  |  | 880.00 | 106.93 |
| Four best seats at theatre or concert | 1,180.00 | 143.38 |  |  | 1,400.00 | 170.11 |
| Four best seats at cinema10. Transportation | 300.00 | 36.45 |  |  | 300.00 | 36.45 |
|  |  | From |  |  |  | To |
| Car retail prices |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Low priced car (900-1299 cc) | 99,200.00 | 12,053.46 |  |  | 103,000.00 | 12,515.19 |
| Compact car (1300-1799 cc) | 137,500.00 | 16,707.17 |  |  | 143,700.00 | 17,460.51 |
| Family car (1800-2499 cc) | 258,700.00 | 31,433.78 |  |  | 328,900.00 | 39,963.55 |
| Deluxe car (2500 cc upwards) | 460,000.00 | 55,893.07 |  |  | 631,000.00 | 76,670.72 |
| Car operating expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yearly road tax or registration fee | 769.00 | 93.44 |  |  | 1,663.00 | 202.07 |
| Cost of a tune-up (but no major repairs) | 1,300.00 | 157.96 |  |  | 1,550.00 | 188.34 |
| Annual premium for car insurance | 13,000.00 | 1,579.59 |  |  | 20,000.00 | 2,430.13 |
| Regular unleaded petrol, per litre | 7.63 | Low $0.93$ | 7.88 | Mid 0.96 | 7.88 | High $0.96$ |
| Taxi rates |  |  |  | Average |  |  |
| Initial meter charge |  |  | 29.00 | 3.52 |  |  |
| Rate per additional kilometre |  |  | 11.20 | 1.36 |  |  |
| Taxi ride from airport to city centre |  |  | 370.00 | 44.96 |  |  |


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## 11. RENTED ACCOMMODATION AND RELATED COSTS

| Monthly rent in good residential area |  | Moderate |  | Mid |  | High |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Furnished apartments |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 room (1 bedroom, 1 living/dining room) | 5,400.00 | 656.14 | 6,500.00 | 789.79 | 8,000.00 | 972.05 |
| 4 room (2 bedrooms, 1 living/dining room) | 6,200.00 | 753.34 | 8,500.00 | 1,032.81 | 10,000.00 | 1,215.07 |
| Unfurnished apartments |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4 room (2 bedrooms, 1 living/dining room) | 6,000.00 | 729.04 | 8,000.00 | 972.05 | 9,800.00 | 1,190.77 |
| 5-6 room ( 3 bedrooms, <br> 1 living/dining room) | 7,000.00 | 850.55 | 9,000.00 | 1,093.56 | 11,000.00 | 1,336.57 |
| 7-9 room (4 bedrooms, 1 living/dining room) | 8,000.00 | 972.05 | 10,500.00 | 1,275.82 | 13,000.00 | 1,579.59 |
| Furnished houses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5-6 room ( 3 bedrooms, 1 living/dining room, with garden/yard) | 10,500.00 | 1,275.82 | 12,000.00 | 1,458.08 | 13,000.00 | 1,579.59 |
| Unfurnished houses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5-6 room (3 bedrooms, <br> 1 living/dining room) | 9,000.00 | 1,093.56 | 10,000.00 | 1,215.07 | 12,000.00 | 1,458.08 |
| 7-9 room ( 4 bedrooms, <br> 1 living/dining room) | 14,500.00 | 1,761.85 | 18,000.00 | 2,187.12 | 19,500.00 | 2,369.38 |
| Utilities |  |  |  | Average |  |  |
| Telephone and line, monthly rental |  |  | 105.00 | 12.76 |  |  |
| Telephone, charge per local call from home |  |  | 1.29 | 0.16 |  |  |
| Monthly average, family of four |  | From |  |  |  | To |
| Electricity | 430.00 | 52.25 |  |  | 600.00 | 72.90 |
| Gas | n.a. | n.a. |  |  | n.a. | n.a. |
| Water | 400.00 | 48.60 |  |  | 600.00 | 72.90 |
| Heating oil (100 l) | 400.00 | 48.60 |  |  | 400.00 | 48.60 |
| Domestic help |  |  |  | Average |  |  |
| Hourly rate for domestic cleaning help Maid's monthly wages |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 260.00 \\ 9,500.00 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 31.59 \\ 1,154.31 \end{array}$ |  |  |


| Pricelist | Skr | US\$ | Skr | US\$ | Skr | US\$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

## 12. COST GUIDE FOR SHORT-TERM BUSINESS TRIPS

| Hotel and restaurant prices |  |  | Average |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Single room with bath, one night, <br> including continental breakfast, service and <br> taxes at Hilton/Intercontinental type hotel |  | $1,145.00$ | 139.13 |


| Rented <br> accommodation | Property rented through: <br> House hunting services: | Landlords and agents <br> Available (fee 10-100\% of monthly <br> rent) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Accommodation typically available: | Unfurnished apartments |
|  | Rent to be paid in advance: | 1 month |
| Security deposit: | 1 month's rent |  |

Areas Södermalm, Nacka, Bromma, Östermal, Vasastale, Danderyd, Lidingö, Djursholm surveyed

| School fees | Annual rates | French | German | American/ English |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Skr | Skr | Skr |
|  | Tuition, ages 5-12: | 10,200.00 | 20,000.00 | 64,700.00 |
|  | Tuition, ages 13-17: | 10,200.00 | 20,000.00 | 72-76,000.00 |
|  | Extra school costs ages 5-12: | na | na | 6,500.00 |
|  | ages 13-17: | na | na | 6,500.00 |
|  | Kindergarten fees: | 10,200.00 | 12,600-20,000.00 | 48,900.00 |

## Health care

| Routine checkup at general or family doctor: | 120.00 |
| :--- | ---: |
| One X-ray at doctor's office or hospital: | 120.00 |
| Visit to dentist (one X-ray and one filling): | $550-700.00$ |

## Leisure

| Green fees on a public golf course: | $300-400.00$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Hire of a tennis court for one hour: | $130-135.00$ |
| Cost of six tennis balls eg Dunlop, Wilson: | $148.50-193.50$ |
| Entrance fee to a public swimming pool: | $40-79.00$ |

## Additional costs

Disposable income table

| Gross income NKr | Single <br> NKr | $\begin{gathered} \text { As \% } \\ \text { gross } \end{gathered}$ | Married NKr | $\begin{aligned} & \text { As \% } \\ & \text { gross } \end{aligned}$ | Married <br> child(1) <br> NKr | As \% gross | Married <br> child(2) <br> NKr | $\begin{aligned} & \text { As \% } \\ & \text { gross } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 200,000 | 135,690 | 68 | 135,690 | 68 | 144,690 | 72 | 153,690 | 77 |
| 240,000 | 161,449 | 67 | 161,449 | 67 | 170,449 | 71 | 179,449 | 75 |
| 280,000 | 180,081 | 64 | 180,081 | 64 | 189,081 | 68 | 198,081 | 71 |
| 320,000 | 197,901 | 62 | 197,901 | 62 | 206,901 | 65 | 215,901 | 67 |
| 360,000 | 215,901 | 60 | 215,901 | 60 | 224,901 | 62 | 233,901 | 65 |
| 400,000 | 233,901 | 58 | 233,901 | 58 | 242,901 | 61 | 251,901 | 63 |
| 440,000 | 251,901 | 57 | 251,901 | 57 | 260,901 | 59 | 269,901 | 61 |
| 480,000 | 269,901 | 56 | 269,901 | 56 | 278,901 | 58 | 287,901 | 60 |
| 520,000 | 287,901 | 55 | 287,901 | 55 | 296,901 | 57 | 305,901 | 59 |
| 560,000 | 305,901 | 55 | 305,901 | 55 | 314,901 | 56 | 323,901 | 58 |
| 600,000 | 323,901 | 54 | 323,901 | 54 | 332,901 | 55 | 341,901 | 57 |
| 640,000 | 341,901 | 53 | 341,901 | 53 | 350,901 | 55 | 359,901 | 56 |
| 680,000 | 359,901 | 53 | 359,901 | 53 | 368,901 | 54 | 377,901 | 56 |
| 720,000 | 377,901 | 52 | 377,901 | 52 | 386,901 | 54 | 395,901 | 55 |
| 760,000 | 395,901 | 52 | 395,901 | 52 | 404,901 | 53 | 413,901 | 54 |
| 800,000 | 413,901 | 52 | 413,901 | 52 | 422,901 | 53 | 431,901 | 54 |
| 840,000 | 431,901 | 51 | 431,901 | 51 | 440,901 | 52 | 449,901 | 54 |
| 880,000 | 449,901 | 51 | 449,901 | 51 | 458,901 | 52 | 467,901 | 53 |
| 920,000 | 467,901 | 51 | 467,901 | 51 | 476,901 | 52 | 485,901 | 53 |
| 960,000 | 485,901 | 51 | 485,901 | 51 | 494,901 | 52 | 503,901 | 52 |
| 1,000,000 | 503,901 | 50 | 503,901 | 50 | 512,901 | 51 | 521,901 | 52 |
| 1,040,000 | 521,901 | 50 | 521,901 | 50 | 530,901 | 51 | 539,901 | 52 |
| 1,080,000 | 539,901 | 50 | 539,901 | 50 | 548,901 | 51 | 557,901 | 52 |
| 1,120,000 | 557,901 | 50 | 557,901 | 50 | 566,901 | 51 | 575,901 | 51 |
| 1,160,000 | 575,901 | 50 | 575,901 | 50 | 584,901 | 50 | 593,901 | 51 |
| 1,200,000 | 593,901 | 49 | 593,901 | 49 | 602,901 | 50 | 611,901 | 51 |
| 1,240,000 | 611,901 | 49 | 611,901 | 49 | 620,901 | 50 | 629,901 | 51 |
| 1,280,000 | 629,901 | 49 | 629,901 | 49 | 638,901 | 50 | 647,901 | 51 |
| 1,320,000 | 647,901 | 49 | 647,901 | 49 | 656,901 | 50 | 665,901 | 50 |
| 1,360,000 | 665,901 | 49 | 665,901 | 49 | 674,901 | 50 | 683,901 | 50 |
| 1,400,000 | 683,901 | 49 | 683,901 | 49 | 692,901 | 49 | 701,901 | 50 |
| 1,440,000 | 701,901 | 49 | 701,901 | 49 | 710,901 | 49 | 719,901 | 50 |
| 1,480,000 | 719,901 | 49 | 719,901 | 49 | 728,901 | 49 | 737,901 | 50 |
| 1,520,000 | 737,901 | 49 | 737,901 | 49 | 746,901 | 49 | 755,901 | 50 |
| 1,560,000 | 755,901 | 48 | 755,901 | 48 | 764,901 | 49 | 773,901 | 50 |
| 1,600,000 | 773,901 | 48 | 773,901 | 48 | 782,901 | 49 | 791,901 | 49 |
| 1,640,000 | 791,901 | 48 | 791,901 | 48 | 800,901 | 49 | 809,901 | 49 |
| 1,680,000 | 809,901 | 48 | 809,901 | 48 | 818,901 | 49 | 827,901 | 49 |
| 1,720,000 | 827,901 | 48 | 827,901 | 48 | 836,901 | 49 | 845,901 | 49 |
| 1,760,000 | 845,901 | 48 | 845,901 | 48 | 854,901 | 49 | 863,901 | 49 |
| 1,800,000 | 863,901 | 48 | 863,901 | 48 | 872,901 | 48 | 881,901 | 49 |
| 1,840,000 | 881,901 | 48 | 881,901 | 48 | 890,901 | 48 | 899,901 | 49 |
| 1,880,000 | 899,901 | 48 | 899,901 | 48 | 908,901 | 48 | 917,901 | 49 |
| 1,920,000 | 917,901 | 48 | 917,901 | 48 | 926,901 | 48 | 935,901 | 49 |
| 1,960,000 | 935,901 | 48 | 935,901 | 48 | 944,901 | 48 | 953,901 | 49 |
| 2,000,000 | 953,901 | 48 | 953,901 | 48 | 962,901 | 48 | 971,901 | 49 |

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[^0]:    Sweden
    Land area $449,964 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{km}$; including 9\% water, $10 \%$ agricultural and $52 \%$ forested
    Population 8,854,322 (end-1998)
    Main towns Population (end-1997)

    | Stockholm (capital) | $\mathbf{7 2 7 , 3 3 9}$ | Vasteras | 124,119 |
    | :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- |
    | Gothenburg | 456,611 | Norrkoping | 123,049 |
    | Malmo | 251,408 | Orebro | 121,755 |
    | Uppsala | 185,971 | Jonkoping | 115,510 |
    | Linkoping | 132,089 | Helsingborg | 115,418 |

    Climate Temperate; summers can be very warm, winters can be very cold
    er in Stockholm (altitude 44
    Hottest month, July, $14-22^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (average daily maximum and minimum); coldest month, February,
    metres) minus $5^{\circ}$-minus $1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; driest month, March, 26 mm average rainfall; wettest month, August, 76 mm average rainfall

    Languages Swedish; Finnish and Lapp are used by minorities in the north
    Weights and measures Metric system
    Currency Krona=100 ore
    Time 1 hour ahead of GMT in winter, 2 hours ahead in summer
    Public holidays 1999 January 1st and 6th; Easter Friday and Monday; May 1st, 13th and 24th; June 26th; November 6th; December 25th and 26th.

    Social trends Sweden is the third largest country in western Europe. However, it has a small population, over $80 \%$ of which live in the more developed southern third of the country. Sweden has the highest proportion of elderly people in the world; $17 \%$ of the population are 65 and or over. About one-third of secondary school graduates go on to higher education and the figure is rising, partly because of a sharp deterioration of employment prospects for school leavers. While health services are not free, they are heavily subsidised and are accessible to all citizens on equal terms.

    Communications In keeping with its size and low population density, Sweden has developed more miles of railway and has more motor vehicles per head than most other European countries. The Oresund bridge and tunnel project, linking Malmo to Copenhagen in Denmark, is due to be completed in 2001. With 682 telephone connections per 1,000 inhabitants in 1996, Sweden has the highest telephone density in the world as well as, along with Finland, the highest market penetration of mobile phones.

    Economy The economy is characterised by a highly developed and internationally successful industrial sector. The public sector is large, both in terms of employment and value. High payroll taxes subsidise an extensive welfare system—although it has been cut since 1991. Since rising to 8\% in 1996, unemployment has been at the top of Sweden's political agenda.

    Political structure Sweden is a constitutional monarchy with a unicameral parliament of 349 seats. Politics is dominated by the Social Democratic Party (SDP), which has invariably been in power since the end of the Second World War. However the SDP experienced their lowest election results for 60 years in 1998, only maintaining power with co-operation from smaller parties. Sweden became a member of the EU in 1994 but announced in 1997 that it was to delay its participation in Economic and Monetary Union (EMU).

