

Market Basket Measure (MBM) for Selected Cities

Market Basket Measure Thresholds for a Family of Two Adults and Two Children, 2006						
Community	Food	Clothing	Shelter	Transportation	Other	Total
St. John's	\$7,883	\$2,538	\$8,348	\$1,734	\$7,430	\$27,933
Charlottetown	\$7,538	\$2,643	\$8,974	\$3,710	\$7,259	\$30,124
Halifax	\$7,546	\$2,615	\$9,987	\$1,681	\$7,244	\$29,073
Saint John	\$7,565	\$2,667	\$7,446	\$1,935	\$7,295	\$26,908
Montreal	\$7,142	\$2,041	\$8,452	\$1,762	\$6,547	\$25,944
Toronto	\$6,939	\$2,059	\$13,353	\$2,633	\$6,415	\$31,399
Winnipeg	\$7,085	\$2,135	\$8,822	\$1,940	\$6,573	\$26,555
Regina	\$6,984	\$2,224	\$8,712	\$1,516	\$6,565	\$26,001
Calgary	\$7,302	\$2,233	\$11,321	\$1,924	\$6,799	\$29,579
Vancouver	\$7,665	\$2,305	\$12,198	\$1,899	\$7,108	\$31,175

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