
MINIMUM ESSENTIAL BUDGETS FOR SIX HOUSEHOLDS

7 Day Food Menus

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Lone Parent and Two Children Minimum Essential Budgets (Mother in early 30's, boy age 10 and girl age 3)

7 Day Food Menu

	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>Mid-morning</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Mid - afternoon</i>	<i>Evening Meal</i>	<i>Evening Snack</i>
Monday	4 weetabix (2 for adult 1 for girl and 1 for boy) with 3 x portion of sultanas with 200ml of milk 4 slices of bread (2 wholemeal for adult, 1 white for girl, 1 white for boy) toasted with small portion of low fat butter and jam 3 x 200ml glass orange juice 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x medium size bananas (125g pot) 1x cup of tea and 35ml of milk	3 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread with slices of corn beef and small portion of flora 3 x strawberry yoghurts (125g pot) 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange juice 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x medium size pears 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x pork chop, 4 medium size boiled potato (2 for adult, 1 for each child) and portion of broccoli and carrots 3 x 200ml glass of milk	3 x small bar of chocolate 2 x 200ml glass of milk 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Tuesday	4 weetabix (2 for adult, 1 for girl 1 for boy) with 3 x portion of sultanas with 200ml of milk 4 slices of wholemeal bread (2 for adult, 1 for girl, 1 for boy), toasted with small portion of low fat butter and jam 3 x 200ml glass orange juice 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x medium size apples 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 x 2 slices of white bread for children 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread for adult with sweetcorn and tuna, small portion of low fat mayonnaise 3 x strawberry yoghurts (125g pot) 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange juice 1 cup of tea and 35ml of milk	3 x 2 cream crackers, 2 slices of cheese with small portion of low fat butter biscuits and 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x portion of chicken casserole with carrots and onions and portion of broccoli and portion of rice 3 x 200ml glass of milk	3 x 2 plain biscuits 2 x 200ml of milk 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Wednesday	3 x 30gr bowl of rice krispies with 200ml of milk 4 slices of wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora (2 for adult, 1 for girl, 1 for boy) 3 x 200ml glass of orange juice 1 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x medium size bananas 1 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x ham and salad brown bread roll (1 slice of ham, portion of tomato portion of lettuce with portion of low fat butter) 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x medium oranges 3 x bowls of homemade soup (includes turnip, carrot, cauliflower and potato) 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x chicken fillet, 4 medium size baked potatoes (2 for adult, 1 for each child), portion of turnip with small portion of gravy 3 x 200ml glass of milk	3 x 2 cream crackers with small portion of jam 2 x 200ml glass of milk 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Thursday	3 x 30gr bowl of rice krispies with 200ml of milk 4 slices of bread toasted with small portion of low fat butter an (2 wholemeal for adult 1 white for girl, 1 white for boy) 2 x 200ml glass orange juice 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x medium size oranges 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x 2 slices of wholemeal bread with portion of tinned salmon, portion of tomato, portion of cheese and small portion of low fat butter 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 3 x low fat yoghurts, 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x medium pears 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x beef stew with carrots, onion, portion of cauliflower and 4 medium size potatoes (2 for adult, 1 for each child) 3 x 200ml glass of milk	3 x 2 plain biscuits 2 x 200ml of warm milk with hot chocolate 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Friday	4 weetabix (2 for adult, 1 for girl 1 for boy) with 3 x portion of sultanas with 200ml of milk 4 slices of wholemeal bread (2 for adult, 1 for girl, 1 for boy) toasted with small portion of low fat butter and jam 3 x 200ml glass orange juice 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x medium size bananas 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	1 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread (adult) 2 x 2 slices of white (for each child) with slice of cornbeef and small portion of flora 3 x low fat yoghurt (125 g pot) 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x medium size apples and packet of crisps (Friday treat) 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	1 x portion of frozen cod (adult) 2 x 2 fish fingers portion of peas (2 each for children) and portion of oven chips 3 x 200ml glass of milk	3 x 2 cream crackers with small portion of low fat butter 3 x medium size pears 2 x 200ml glass of milk 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk

Lone Parent and Two Children Minimum Essential Budgets (Mother in early 30's, boy age 10 and girl age 3)

7 Day Food Menu

	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>Mid-morning</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Mid - afternoon</i>	<i>Evening Meal</i>	<i>Evening Snack</i>
Saturday	4 weetabix (2 for adult, 1 for girl 1 for boy) with 3 x portion of sultanas with 200ml of milk 4 slices of wholemeal bread (2 for adult, 1 for girl and 1 for boy), toasted with small portion of low fat butter and jam 3 x 200ml glass orange juice 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x medium size oranges 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk 2 x glass 200ml glass of milk	6 slices of bread toasted (2 brown for adult, 2 white for both girl and boy) portion of scrambled eggs, portion of beans, portion of scrambled eggs with small portion of low fat butter 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x low fat strawberry yoghurts (125g pot) 2 x 200ml glass of orange juice 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	3 x Spaghetti Bolognese and salad (portion of pasta, portion of mince meat, portion of bolognese sauce including chopped tomatoes, onions, peppers and mushrooms and salad with portion of lettuce and cucumber 3 x 200ml glass of milk	3 x small bar of chocolate 2 x 200ml of warm milk with hot chocolate 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Sunday	3 x fried/boiled egg, 3 grilled sausages and 3 grilled rashers 4 slices of bread, toasted with small portion of low fat butter an (2 wholemeal for adult 1 white for girl, 1 white for boy) 3x 200ml glass of orange juice 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk		3 x portion of roast ham/chicken with, portion of cabbage with 4 medium sized potatoes (2 for adult, 1 for each child) and small portion of gravy 3 x portion of ice cream and jelly 3x 200ml glass of diluted orange 1 cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk		3 x portion of tuna and sweetcorn on a brown bread roll 3x slice of apple tart/fruit cake 3 x 200ml glass of milk	3 x medium size apples 2 x 200ml glass of milk 1 cup of tea with 35ml of milk

The adult in this household will consume semi-skimmed milk, the children will consume full fat milk. Water to be consumed throughout the day.

In addition, the following items are available for use, sparingly, as desired: sugar, salt, pepper, cooking oil, red sauce and mayonnaise. As many schools participate in the school milk scheme we did not allow for any mid morning drinks for the children

Two Parent and Two Children Minimum Essential Budgets (Both mother and father in early 30's, boy age 10 and girl age 3)

7 Day Food Menu

	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>Mid-morning</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Mid - afternoon</i>	<i>Evening Meal</i>	<i>Evening Snack</i>
Monday	7 weetabix with 4 x portion of sultanas and 200ml of milk 7 slices of bread, toasted with small portion of flora and marmalade 4 x 200ml glass orange juice 2 x cup of tea/coffee and 35ml of milk	4 x strawberry yoghurt (125g pot) 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread with slices of ham and small portion of flora 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee and 35ml of milk	4 x medium size apple 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x chicken curry with rice and salad (includes portion of chicken fillet, curry sauce with onions, portion of salad with tomato, portion of lettuce, cucumber and mixed peppers) 4 x 200ml glass of milk	4 x small bar of chocolate 2 x 200ml glass of milk 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Tuesday	4 x 30gr bowl of rice krispies with 4 x 200ml of milk 7 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora 4 x 200ml glass of orange juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	4 x medium size banana 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 x 2 slices of white bread 2 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread with slice of cheese and turkey and small portion of flora 2 x 2 slices of white bread with slice of cheese, slice of turkey, portion of lettuce and small portion of low fat mayonnaise 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange	4 x 2 plain biscuits and medium size orange 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x beef stew with portion of carrots, portion of onions, portion of broccoli and 6 medium size boiled potatoes 4 x 200ml glass of milk	4 x small scone with small portion of flora and jam 2 x 200ml of warm milk with coco 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Wednesday	4 x 30gr bowl of rice krispies with 4 x 200ml of milk 7 slices of bread, toasted with small portion of flora 4 x 200ml glass of orange juice 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x low fat yoghurt (125g pot) 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread with portion of tuna, portion of sweetcorn and small portion of flora 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x medium orange 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x medium pork chop, 6 medium size baked potatoes, portion of turnip and cauliflower with small portion of gravy 4 x 200ml glass of milk	4 x plain biscuits 4 x medium size pear 2 x 200ml glass of milk 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Thursday	7 weetabix with 4 x portion of sultanas and 200ml of milk 7 slices of wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora and marmalade 4 x 200ml glass orange juice 2 x cup of tea and 35ml of milk	4 x strawberry yoghurt (125g pot) 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4x 2 slices of white bread with portion of tinned salmon, portion of lettuce and small portion of mayonnaise 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x medium size apple 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x chicken fillet, 6 medium size baked potatoes, portion of frozen peas and portion of carrots 4 x 200ml glass of milk	4 x small bar of chocolate 2 x 200ml glass of milk 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk

Two Parent and Two Children Minimum Essential Budgets (Both mother and father in early 30's, boy age 10 and girl age 3)

7 Day Food Menu

	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>Mid-morning</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Mid - afternoon</i>	<i>Evening Meal</i>	<i>Evening Snack</i>
Friday	4 x 30gr bowl of rice krispies with 4 x 200ml of milk 7 slices of bread, toasted with small portion of flora and jam 4 x 200ml glass of orange juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	4 x medium size banana 2 x cup of tea/coffee and 35ml of milk	4 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread with slice of ham, portion of tomato, portion of cheese and small portion of flora 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x packet of crisps (Friday treat) 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 x portion of frozen cod (adults) 2 x 2 fish fingers (children) 4 x portion of beans and portion of oven chips 4 x 200ml glass of milk	4 x plain biscuit 4 x medium size pear 2 x 200ml of warm milk with coco 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Saturday	4 x 30gr bowl of rice krispies with 4 x 200ml of milk 7 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora 4 x 200ml glass of orange juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	4 x medium orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x 2 potato waffles and portion of scrambled eggs 4 x low fat yoghurt 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x medium size apple 2 x 200ml glass of orange juice 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x Spaghetti Bolognese and salad (portion of pasta, portion of mince meat, portion of bolognese sauce including chopped tomatoes, onions, peppers and mushrooms and salad with portion of lettuce and cucumber 4 x 200ml glass of milk	4 x 2 plain biscuits 4 packs crisps (weekend treat) 2 x 200ml of warm milk with coco 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Sunday	4 x fried/boiled egg, 2 grilled sausages and 2 grilled rashers 7 slices of bread, toasted with small portion of flora 4 x 200ml glass of orange juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk		4 x portion of roast ham/pork/chicken with medium sized potatoes, portion of cabbage, portion of carrots and parsnips and gravy 4 x portion of ice cream and jelly 4 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk		4 x portion of noodles and slice of bread with small portion of flora 4 x slice of apple tart/fruit cake 4 x 200ml glass of milk	4 x medium size piece of fruit 2 x 200ml glass of milk 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk

The adults in this household will consume semi-skimmed milk, the children will consume full fat milk. Water to be consumed throughout the day.

In addition, the following items are available for use, sparingly, as desired: sugar, salt, pepper, cooking oil, red sauce and mayonnaise.

As many schools participate in the school milk scheme we did not allow for any mid morning drinks for the children, except for Saturdays.

Two Parent and Two Children Minimum Essential Budgets (Both mother and father in early 30's, girl age 10 and boy age 15)

7 Day Food Menu

	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>Mid-morning</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Mid - afternoon</i>	<i>Evening Meal</i>	<i>Evening Snack</i>
Monday	7 weetabix (2 for each adult, 2 for 15 yr old boy, 1 for 10 yr old girl) with 4 x portions of dried apricots and 200ml of milk 7 slices of bread, toasted with small portion of flora and marmalade (2 wholemeal per adult, 2 white for 15 yr old, 1 for 10 yr old) 4 x 200ml glass orange juice 2 x cup of tea and 35ml of milk	4 x medium size bananas 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread (2 per household member) with slice of ham and small portion of flora 4 x strawberry yoghurts (125g pot) 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee and 35ml of milk	4 x medium size apples Portion of beans and 1 slice of white bread, toasted with small portion of flora (15 yr old). 2 x glass of milk/juice/water 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x chicken curry with rice and salad (includes portion of chicken fillet, curry sauce with onions, portion of salad with tomato, portion of lettuce, cucumber and mixed peppers) 4 x 200ml glass of milk	4 x small bars of chocolate 30 gr bowl of cornflakes with 200ml of milk (15 year old) 2 x glass of milk/juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Tuesday	4 x 30gr bowl of rice krispies with 4 x 200ml of milk 7 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora (2per adult, 2 per for 15 yr old, 1 for 10 yr old) 4 x 200ml glass of orange juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	4 x medium size pears 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread (2 per household member) with cheese, turkey, portion of coleslaw and small portion of flora 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee and 35ml of milk	4 x 2 plain biscuits portion of noodles (15 year old) 4 x medium size orange 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x beef stew with portion of carrots, portion of onions, portion of broccoli and 7 medium size boiled potatoes (two each for parents and 15 yr old, 1 for 10 yr old) 4 x 200ml glass of milk	4 x white scones with small portion of flora and jam 2 slices of white bread, toasted with slice of ham and small portion of flora (15 year old) 2 x 200ml of warm milk with coco 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Wednesday	2 x 30gr bowl of rice krispies with 2 x 200ml of milk 2 x 30gr bowl of cornflakes with 2 x 200ml of milk 7 slices of bread, toasted with small portion of flora and marmalade (2 brown per adult, 2 white for 15 yr old, 1 white for 10 yr old) 4 x 200ml glass of orange juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	4 x bananas 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	4 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread with cheese, turkey, 2 slices of tomato and small portion of flora 4 x yoghurts (125g pot) 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x medium oranges 2 slices of white bread, toasted with slice of cheese and small portion of flora (15 year old) 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x medium pork chops, 7 medium size baked potatoes (2 for each adult, 2 for 15 yr old boy, 1 for 10 yr old girl), portion of turnip and cauliflower with small portion of gravy 4 x 200ml glass of milk	4 x 2 plain biscuits 30 gr bowl of cornflakes with 200 ml of milk (15 year old) 2 x 200ml glass of milk 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Thursday	7 weetabix (2 for each adult, 2 for 15 yr old boy, 1 for 10 year old girl) with 4 x portion of dried apricot and 200ml of milk 7 slices of brown wholemeal	4 x low fat strawberry yoghurts (125g pot) 2 x cup of	8 slices of bread with portion of tinned salmon, portion of lettuce and coleslaw and small portion of mayonnaise (2 brown per adult, 2 white	4 x medium size apples 4 x bowls of homemade soup (includes turnip,	4 x chicken fillets, 7 medium size baked potatoes (2 for each adult, 2 for 15 year old boy, 1 for 10 yr old	4 x small bar of chocolate portion of noodles and slice of brown wholemeal toasted

Two Parent and Two Children Minimum Essential Budgets (Both mother and father in early 30's, girl age 10 and boy age 15)

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	bread, toasted with small portion of flora and marmalade (2 per adult, 2 for 15 yr old, 1 for 10 yr old) 4 x 200ml glass orange juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	<i>per child</i>) 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	Cauliflower, carrot and potato 4 x brown bread roll with small portion of flora 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	<i>girl</i>), portion of frozen peas and portion of carrots 4 x 200ml glass of milk	bread with small portion of flora (15year old) 2 x 200ml glass of milk 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk

Two Parent and Two Children Minimum Essential Budgets (Both mother and father in early 30's, girl age 10 and boy age 15)

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	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>Mid-morning</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Mid - afternoon</i>	<i>Evening Meal</i>	<i>Evening Snack</i>
Friday	4 x 30gr bowl of rice krispies with 4 x 200ml of milk 7 slices of bread, toasted with small portion of flora and jam <i>(2 brown per adult, 2 white for 15 yr old, 1 for 10 yr old)</i> 4 x 200ml glass of orange juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	4 x medium size bananas 2 x cup of tea/coffee and 35ml of milk	3 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread with portion of tuna, sweet corn and small portion of flora 1 x white bread roll with portion of warm chicken, mayonnaise, sweet corn and mixed peppers <i>(15year old)</i> 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x packet of crisps (Friday treat) 2 cream crackers with slice of cheese <i>(15year old)</i> 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	3 x portion of frozen cod (adults and teenager) 2 fish fingers <i>(10 year old)</i> 4 x portion of beans and portion of oven chips 4 x 200ml glass of milk	4 x 2 plain biscuits 30 gr bowl of cornflakes with 200 ml of mil <i>(15 year old)</i> 2 x 200ml of warm milk with coco 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Saturday	7 weetabix (2 for each adult, 2 for 15 yr old boy, 1 for 10 yr old girl) with 4 x portion of dried apricots and 200ml and 200ml of milk 7 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora and marmalade <i>(2 per adult, 2 for 15 yr old, 1 for 10 yr old)</i> 4 x 200ml glass orange juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	4 x medium size apples. 2 x tea/coffee with 35ml milk 2 x 200ml of glass of milk.	4 x 2 potato waffles and portion of scrambled eggs 2 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x low fat strawberry yoghurts 2 x cream crackers and slice of cheese <i>(15 year old)</i> 2 x 200ml glass of orange juice 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	4 x Spaghetti Bolognese and salad (portion of pasta, portion of mince meat, portion of bolognese sauce including chopped tomatoes, onions, peppers and mushrooms 4 x 200ml glass of milk	2x 2 plain biscuits <i>(adults)</i> 2 x small bar of chocolate <i>(children)</i> 4 packs crisps <i>(weekend treat)</i> 2 x 200ml of warm milk with coco 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Sunday	4 x fried/boiled egg, 2 grilled sausages and 2 grilled rashers 7 slices of bread, toasted with small portion of flora and jam <i>(2 brown per adult, 2 white for 15 yr old, 1 for 10 yr old)</i> 4 x 200ml glass of orange juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk		4 x portion of roast ham/pork/chicken with 7 medium sized boiled potatoes <i>(2 for each adult, 2 for 15 yr old boy, 1 for 10 year old girl)</i> , portion of cabbage, portion of carrots and parsnips and gravy 4 x portion of ice cream and jelly 4 x 200ml glass of diluted orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk		4 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, slice of ham and small portion of flora 4 x slice of sponge cake 4 x 200ml glass of milk	4 x medium size oranges 4 x 2 plain biscuits 1 portion of spaghetti hoops and slice of white bread, toasted with small portion of flora <i>(for 15 yr old)</i> 2 x 200ml glass of milk/juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk

The adults in this household will consume semi-skimmed milk, the children will consume full fat milk. Water to be consumed throughout the day. In addition, the following items are available for use, sparingly, as desired: sugar, salt, pepper, cooking oil, red sauce and mayonnaise.

As many schools participate in the school milk scheme, we did not allow for any mid morning drinks for the children except on Saturdays.

Pensioner Couple minimum Essential Budgets
(aged 66 – 69 years old)

7 Day Food Menu

	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>Mid-morning</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Mid - afternoon</i>	<i>Evening Meal</i>	<i>Evening Snack</i>
Monday	2 x 30g bowl of porridge with portion of dried apricot and 200ml of warm milk 2 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora and marmalade 2 X 200ml glass of orange juice 2 X Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 x medium sized bananas 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread with slice of ham, and small portion of flora 2 x low fat strawberry yoghurt 2 X cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 x 2 plain biscuits 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 x portion of roast chicken breast, 3 medium size boiled potato (<i>2 x for male</i>), portion of peas, cabbage and carrots with gravy (<i>left over from Sunday dinner</i>) 2 x 200ml glass of water	2 x white scones with small portion of flora 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk
Tuesday	2 x 30gr bowl of bran flakes with 200ml of milk 2 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora 2 x 200ml glass of orange juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 x 2 plain biscuits 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 x bowls of homemade soup (includes turnip, cauliflower, carrot and potato) 2 x brown bread rolls with portion of tinned salmon and small portion of flora 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 x medium size oranges 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 x portion of stew with carrots and onions, portion of broccoli and 3 medium size boiled potatoes (<i>2 x for male</i>) 2 x 200ml glass of water	2 x low fat yoghurts (<i>125g pot</i>) 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Wednesday	2 x 30g bowl of porridge with portion of dried apricot and 200ml of warm milk 2 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora and marmalade 2 x 200ml glass of orange juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 x 2 cream crackers with small portion of flora 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread with portion of tuna and sweetcorn and small portion of flora 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 x medium size banana 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 x portion of stew with carrots and onions, portion of broccoli and medium size boiled potatoes (<i>2 x for male</i>) <i>left over from Tuesday</i>) 2 x 200ml glass of water	2 x portions of apple custard 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Thursday	2 x 30gr bowl of bran flakes with 200ml of milk 2 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora 2 x 200ml glass of orange juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 x 2 plain biscuits 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 x portion of scrambled egg, portion of tomato 2 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread toasted with small portion of flora 2 x 2 cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 x medium size oranges 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 x pork chops, 3 medium size baked potatoes, (<i>2 x for male</i>) portion of turnips and cauliflower with gravy 2 x 200ml glass of water	2 x low fat yoghurts (<i>125g pot</i>) 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk

**Pensioner Couple minimum Essential Budgets
(aged 66 – 69 years old)**

7 Day Food Menu

	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>Mid-morning</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Mid - afternoon</i>	<i>Evening Meal</i>	<i>Evening Snack</i>
Friday	2 x 30g bowl of porridge with portion of dried apricot and 200ml of warm milk 2 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora and marmalade 2 x 200ml glass of orange juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 x white scones with small portion of flora 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 x bowls of homemade soup (includes turnip, cauliflower, carrot and potato) 2 x brown bread roll with slice of ham and cheese and small portion of flora 2 x medium size banana 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 x medium size apple 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2x portion of frozen cod, portion of peas and oven chips 2 x 200ml glass of water	2 x low fat yoghurts (125g pot) 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Saturday	2 x 30gr bowl of bran flakes with 200ml of milk 2 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora 2 x 200ml glass of orange juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 x bowl of mixed banana, apple and orange 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 x portion of baked beans and 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora 2 x 200ml glass of milk	2 x low fat yoghurt (125g pot) 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 x boiled/fried eggs, 2 grilled sausages and 2 grilled rashers, portion of tomato, mushroom and onion 2 x 1Slice of brown wholemeal bread with small portion of flora 2 x 200ml glass of water	2 x 1 slice of cake (raspberry swiss roll) 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Sunday	2 x poached egg 2 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora. 2 x 200ml glass of orange juice 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 x medium size bananas 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 x portion of roast chicken, 1 roast potato, 1 boiled potato, portion of cabbage and carrots and gravy 2 x portion of ice cream and jelly 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk		2 x 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread with portion of cold roast chicken and small portion of flora 2 medium size apples 2 x slice of cake (raspberry swiss roll) 2 x cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 x 2 plain biscuits 2 x cup of tea with 35ml of milk

This household will consume semi-skimmed milk. Water to be consumed throughout the day.

In addition, the following items are available for use, sparingly, as desired: sugar, salt, pepper, cooking oil, red sauce and mayonnaise.

**Lone Female Pensioner minimum Essential Budgets
(aged 70 +)**

7 Day Food Menu

	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>Mid-morning</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Mid - afternoon</i>	<i>Evening Meal</i>	<i>Evening Snack</i>
Monday	30g bowl of porridge with portion of dried apricot and 200ml of warm semi-skimmed milk 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora and marmalade 200ml glass of cranberry juice Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	Medium sized banana Cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	Bowl of Homemade soup (includes Turnip, Cauliflower, Carrot and Potato) 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread with portion of ham, lettuce and coleslaw and small portion of flora 200ml glass of milk	2 plain biscuits Cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	Portion of roast chicken breast, 1 medium sized boiled potato, portion of peas, cabbage and carrots with <i>gravy (left over from Sunday dinner)</i> 200ml glass of water	Medium sized apple Cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk
Tuesday	30gr bowl of bran flakes with 200ml of milk 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora 200ml glass of cranberry juice Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 plain biscuits Medium size pear Cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	Brown bread roll with slice of cheese and portion of tinned salmon and small portion of flora 200ml glass of milk	Medium size orange Cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	Portion of stew with carrots and onions, portion of broccoli and 1medium size boiled potato (<i>remainder to be frozen</i>) 200ml glass of water	Low fat yoghurt (125g pot) Cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Wednesday	30gr bowl of porridge with 200ml of milk 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora and marmalade 200ml glass of cranberry juice Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 cream crackers with small portion of flora Cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 slices of brown wholemeal bread with portion of tuna and sweetcorn and lettuce and small portion of flora 200ml glass of milk	Medium size banana Cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	Portion of Spaghetti Bolognese (portion of pasta, portion of mince meat, portion of Bolognese sauce including chopped tomatoes, onions, peppers and mushrooms)(<i>remainder to be frozen</i>) 200ml glass of water	Portion of apple custard Cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Thursday	30gr bowl of bran flakes with 200ml of milk 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora. 200ml glass of cranberry juice Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 plain biscuits Medium size pear Cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	Portion of scrambled egg, portion of tomato 2 slices of white bread with small portion of flora 200ml glass of milk	Medium size orange Cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	Pork chop, 1 medium size baked potato, portion of turnip and cauliflower with gravy 200ml glass of water	Low fat yoghurt (125g pot) Cup of tea with 35ml of milk

**Lone Female Pensioner minimum Essential Budgets
(aged 70 +)**

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Friday	30g bowl of porridge with portion of dried apricot and 200ml of warm milk 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora and marmalade 200ml glass of cranberry juice Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	White scone with small portion of flora Cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	Brown bread roll with slice of ham and cheese, portion of lettuce, cucumber and tomato and small portion of flora Medium size banana 200ml glass of milk	Medium size apple Cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	Portion of frozen cod Portion of peas and oven chips 200ml glass of milk	Low fat yoghurt (125g pot) Cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Saturday	30gr bowl of bran flakes with 200ml of milk 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora. 200ml glass of cranberry juice Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	Bowl of mixed banana, apple and orange Cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	Portion of baked beans and 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora 200ml glass of milk	Low fat yoghurt (125g pot) Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	Boil/fried egg, 2 grilled sausages and 2 grilled rashers, portion of tomato, mushroom and onion 1 Slice of brown wholemeal bread with small portion of flora 200ml glass of water	Slice of cake (sponge) Cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Sunday	Poached egg 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora. 200ml glass of cranberry juice Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	Medium size banana Cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	Portion of roast chicken breast, 1 roast potato, 1 boiled potato, portion of cabbage and carrots and gravy Portion of ice cream and jelly Cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk		2 slices of brown wholemeal bread with portion of cold roast chicken and small portion of flora 1 medium size apple 1 slice of cake (sponge cake) Cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 plain biscuits Cup of tea with 35ml of milk.

The adult in this household will consume semi-skimmed milk. Water to be consumed throughout the day.

In addition, the following items are available for use, sparingly, as desired: sugar, salt, pepper, cooking oil, red sauce and mayonnaise.

Single Male Adult Household (age 25+)

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Tuesday	2 x weetabix with portion of sultanas and 200ml of milk 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora and jam 200ml glass of orange juice Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	Low fat strawberry yogurt Medium size pear Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	Brown bread roll with portion tuna & sweetcorn with mayonnaise small portion of flora Medium size banana Cup of tea with 35ml of milk		2 pork chops, 2 medium size baked potatoes, portion of carrots, portion of broccoli with gravy 200ml glass diluted orange juice	Medium size bar of chocolate (Mars) Cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Wednesday	30g bowl of cornflakes with 200ml of milk 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora and marmalade 200ml glass of orange juice Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 cream crackers with portion of cheese and small portion of flora Medium size orange Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 slices of brown wholemeal bread with portion of ham, portion of lettuce, tomato and coleslaw and small portion of flora Portion of noodles Cup of tea with 35ml of milk		Portion of chicken curry with rice (includes portion of chicken fillet and curry sauce with onions, mixed peppers and portion of rice) 200ml glass of milk	2 x plain biscuits Medium size kiwi Cup of tea with 35ml of milk
Thursday	2 x weetabix with portion of sultanas and 200ml of milk 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora and jam 200ml glass of orange juice Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 plain biscuits Medium size banana Cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 slices of brown wholemeal bread with portion of cheese, ham and tomato and small portion of flora Low fat strawberry yoghurt (125g pot) Cup of tea with 35ml of milk		Portion of chicken curry with rice (includes portion of chicken fillet and curry sauce with onions, mixed peppers and portion of rice) (<i>leftover from Wednesday's dinner</i>) 200ml glass of diluted orange	Medium size bar of chocolate (Mars) Medium size apple Cup of tea with 35ml of milk

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Saturday	2 x weetabix with portion of sultanas and 200ml of milk 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread, toasted with small portion of flora and jam 200ml glass of orange juice Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	Low fat strawberry yoghurt (125g pot) Medium size orange Cup of tea/coffee with 35ml of milk	2 pork chops, 2 medium size boiled potatoes, portion of carrots and broccoli with gravy 200ml glass milk	Medium size bar of chocolate (Mars) Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	Chinese Takeaway – portion of sweet and sour pork (includes portion of pork with sweet and sour sauce, portion of mixed peppers, carrots and onions) Portion of boiled rice 2 vegetable spring rolls portion of prawn crackers (cost €1.00) Can of coke	
Sunday	Boiled/fried egg, 2 grilled sausages and 2 grilled rashers 2 slices of white bread, toasted with small portion of flora. 200ml glass of orange juice Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	Medium size banana Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	(<i>To be eaten at parent's house</i>) – portion of roast beef, medium size roast potato, medium size boiled potato, portion of peas, cabbage and carrots with gravy Portion of ice cream and jelly Cup of tea with 35ml of milk		Portion of noodles 2 slices of brown wholemeal bread with small portion of flora Cup of tea with 35ml of milk	2 plain biscuits Medium size apple Cup of tea with 35ml of milk

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