

21.—Weekly Cost of a Family Budget of Staple Foods, Fuel and Lighting, and Rent, in terms of the average prices in 60 Canadian Cities, 1900, 1905, 1910, 1915-1920.

Commodities.	Quantity.	1920.																			
		1900.1	1905.1	1910.	1915.	1916.	1917.	1918.	1919.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
		c.	c.	c.	c.	c.	c.	c.	c.	c.	c.	c.	c.	c.	c.	c.	c.	c.	c.	c.	c.
Beef, sirloin steak.....	2 lb.	27.2	30.4	37.6	47.6	50.3	60.2	72.8	74.7	71.4	73.2	74.6	76.4	78.6	83.0	84.0	83.0	81.2	80.2	75.6	71.2
Beef, chuck, roast.....	2 lb.	19.6	24.6	26.0	32.8	34.0	41.3	52.0	51.4	46.4	47.6	48.8	49.8	50.4	54.2	54.4	53.4	51.2	50.4	48.4	46.0
Veal, roast.....	1 lb.	10.0	11.3	12.8	17.5	18.7	22.7	27.2	27.0	25.7	25.9	26.3	26.5	26.4	27.7	28.1	28.2	28.7	29.0	28.7	28.0
Mutton, roast.....	1 lb.	11.8	12.2	16.8	20.9	23.3	28.1	34.7	34.8	32.3	33.1	33.9	35.8	36.2	38.4	37.3	36.9	35.6	36.3	35.2	33.4
Pork, roast, fresh.....	1 lb.	12.2	13.1	18.0	19.2	22.0	29.6	36.4	38.4	36.5	37.0	37.5	38.8	39.1	40.4	40.3	41.6	41.5	42.3	41.7	38.8
Pork, salt, mess.....	2 lb.	21.8	25.0	34.4	35.4	38.7	53.5	68.0	71.7	69.6	70.6	71.6	72.2	71.6	72.2	74.0	74.2	74.4	74.4	73.4	70.6
Bacon, breakfast.....	1 lb.	15.4	17.3	24.5	25.6	28.8	38.5	49.6	53.6	52.4	52.2	52.6	53.7	54.4	55.8	57.0	57.9	58.8	60.1	58.5	57.0
Lard, pure leaf.....	2 lb.	26.2	28.2	40.6	35.6	40.4	59.4	71.7	78.1	77.6	78.4	79.2	78.2	77.0	76.4	75.8	76.0	73.8	74.4	73.8	70.4
Eggs, fresh.....	1 doz.	25.7	30.0	33.3	32.7	38.0	48.9	56.5	62.2	86.6	83.9	73.9	55.8	55.0	56.0	59.2	64.5	70.6	75.0	81.7	88.8
Eggs, storage.....	1 doz.	20.2	23.4	28.4	28.6	32.7	42.4	48.9	54.4	69.5	63.5	63.3	48.6	48.3	50.1	52.6	56.3	64.3	68.3	70.3	73.9
Milk.....	6 qt.	36.6	39.6	48.0	52.8	52.6	62.2	73.9	82.6	90.6	91.2	90.6	90.6	90.0	88.8	88.2	88.2	90.6	92.4	93.0	93.6
Butter, dairy.....	2 lb.	44.2	49.4	52.0	61.9	68.7	86.4	97.0	112.8	135.2	131.8	132.6	131.2	131.0	119.4	118.8	121.8	124.0	125.8	123.0	118.6
Butter, creamery.....	1 lb.	25.5	27.7	31.9	35.4	38.5	48.0	53.8	63.0	74.8	73.9	72.9	72.3	72.5	66.8	66.3	66.8	68.4	69.1	66.5	65.3
Cheese, old.....	1 lb.	16.1	17.6	18.5	23.7	26.0	33.0	33.3	38.3	40.9	40.7	40.7	40.2	40.2	40.4	40.6	40.8	40.8	41.2	40.7	40.0
Cheese, new.....	1 lb.	14.6	15.7	17.5	21.6	24.2	30.4	31.0	36.1	38.1	38.0	38.2	37.7	37.8	38.2	38.4	38.9	38.8	38.6	38.4	37.9
Bread, plain white.....	15 lb.	55.5	58.5	66.0	70.3	74.8	104.4	116.5	118.5	120.5	136.5	136.5	136.5	138.0	144.0	144.0	145.5	145.5	144.0	141.0	133.5
Bread, family.....	10 lb.	25.0	28.0	33.0	39.6	41.7	64.2	67.5	67.2	74.0	76.0	76.0	77.0	80.0	84.0	84.0	84.0	83.0	80.0	75.0	70.0
Rolled oats.....	5 lb.	18.0	19.5	21.0	25.5	24.6	30.5	39.4	38.3	40.0	40.5	41.5	42.0	41.5	42.5	44.0	44.5	44.0	42.5	40.0	38.8
Rice, good, medium.....	2 lb.	10.4	10.6	10.4	11.1	13.1	16.2	22.7	26.0	30.4	31.6	32.2	33.4	34.2	33.6	34.2	34.0	33.4	33.2	33.0	30.5
Beans, hand picked.....	2 lb.	8.6	9.4	10.8	14.9	19.5	29.8	33.6	24.3	23.2	23.2	23.4	23.8	23.8	24.0	22.2	24.4	23.6	23.4	22.2	21.8
Apples, evaporated.....	1 lb.	9.9	7.7	11.5	11.9	13.4	15.6	22.3	24.2	26.2	27.9	28.7	29.9	29.2	29.2	29.1	29.5	29.5	29.2	28.5	28.2
Prunes, medium.....	1 lb.	11.5	9.6	9.9	12.5	13.1	15.4	18.0	21.9	25.7	26.0	27.0	27.5	27.6	27.5	27.2	27.9	27.2	27.4	26.6	26.1
Sugar, granulated.....	4 lb.	21.6	22.0	24.0	31.9	35.8	39.9	45.0	49.1	62.0	64.4	72.8	78.0	86.8	90.4	93.6	100.0	92.4	86.4	64.0	53.6
Sugar, yellow.....	2 lb.	10.0	9.8	10.8	14.4	16.6	18.5	20.9	22.9	28.6	30.4	33.8	36.8	40.8	42.0	43.4	46.8	43.8	40.8	30.8	25.2
Tea, black.....	1 lb.	8.2	8.3	8.7	9.4	9.9	11.5	14.3	15.8	16.0	16.3	16.4	16.4	16.5	16.5	16.4	16.5	16.4	15.7	15.7	15.1
Tea, green.....	1 lb.	8.7	8.7	9.1	9.7	10.2	11.3	13.7	15.6	16.7	16.9	16.9	17.0	17.0	16.9	16.8	17.0	17.1	17.0	16.5	16.1
Coffee.....	1 lb.	8.6	8.8	8.9	9.7	9.9	10.1	10.9	13.1	14.7	15.0	15.2	14.8	15.1	15.2	15.4	15.6	15.6	15.1	15.4	15.2
Potatoes.....	2 pk.	24.1	28.0	30.3	33.8	58.7	89.2	69.1	71.7	103.0	130.3	140.3	159.5	204.9	216.9	197.4	126.9	81.2	69.4	73.2	75.3
Vinegar, white wine.....	1 pt.	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.3	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
All Foods.....	—	\$ 5.480	\$ 5.956	\$ 6.954	\$ 7.866	\$ 8.783	\$ 11.420	\$ 13.014	\$ 13.882	\$ 15.295	\$ 15.769	\$ 15.981	\$ 15.993	\$ 16.649	\$ 16.915	\$ 16.841	\$ 16.424	\$ 15.951	\$ 15.833	\$ 15.318	\$ 14.839
Starch, laundry.....	1 lb.	c. 2.9	c. 3.0	c. 3.1	c. 3.2	c. 3.3	c. 4.0	c. 4.7	c. 4.8	c. 4.7	c. 4.7	c. 4.6	c. 4.8	c. 4.8	c. 4.9	c. 5.0	c. 5.0	c. 4.9	c. 4.9	c. 4.8	c. 4.8
Coal, anthracite.....	1-16 ton	39.5	45.2	48.1	52.7	46.0	67.0	74.9	80.3	87.8	90.1	92.8	94.4	99.5	101.6	105.0	110.0	118.3	125.3	127.2	125.9
Coal, bituminous.....	1-16 ton	31.1	32.3	35.0	36.8	39.4	52.7	59.6	62.4	65.2	65.9	66.8	67.7	70.0	72.6	76.6	81.3	85.6	90.7	93.8	92.3
Wood, hard, best.....	1-16 cord	32.5	35.3	38.8	36.8	42.9	52.9	70.6	77.0	80.6	76.5	77.5	79.7	79.5	81.7	82.2	82.0	83.1	83.7	87.0	87.8
Wood, soft.....	1-16 cord	22.6	25.5	29.4	30.8	30.8	38.9	52.2	57.0	62.5	58.8	59.4	61.4	60.7	62.1	63.3	64.1	66.2	66.1	67.4	69.1
Coal oil.....	1 gal.	24.0	24.5	24.4	23.3	23.0	25.0	27.3	28.6	31.0	32.4	33.1	31.4	35.6	36.6	37.2	38.3	39.2	39.9	39.9	40.5
Fuel and lighting.....	—	\$1.947	\$1.628	\$1.757	\$1.824	\$1.923	\$2.365	\$2.846	\$3.055	\$3.271	\$3.237	\$3.296	\$3.373	\$3.453	\$3.546	\$3.643	\$3.757	\$3.924	\$4.056	\$4.153	\$4.156
Rent.....	1 month	\$2.367	\$2.885	\$4.050	\$4.122	\$4.035	\$4.320	\$4.720	\$5.198	\$5.540	\$5.660	\$5.690	\$5.928	\$6.289	\$6.300	\$6.384	\$6.371	\$6.452	\$6.523	\$6.615	\$6.623
Grand total.....	—	\$ 9.373	\$ 10.499	\$ 12.792	\$ 13.844	\$ 14.784	\$ 18.145	\$ 20.627	\$ 22.182	\$ 24.153	\$ 24.713	\$ 25.013	\$ 25.342	\$ 26.439	\$ 26.813	\$ 26.918	\$ 26.602	\$ 26.376	\$ 26.461	\$ 26.134	\$ 25.666

1Month of December.