

COUNTRY FACT SHEET ON RBs: HUNGARY

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	1991-2014	2014	2015
Name	Subsistence minimum	Reference budget for social participation	Pilot project for the development of a common methodology on Reference Budgets in Europe
Year of first construction	1991	2014	2015
State of use	Program terminated by the HCSO, continued by an NGO	In use for cross-national research	In use for cross-national research
Key moments		<p>2012: Start of the project.</p> <p>2012 - 2014: Compiling the baskets</p> <p>October 2013: Collecting the prices for food budget</p> <p>January 2014: Test focus group</p> <p>February - March 2014: Focus group discussions</p> <p>April 2014: Collecting the prices for clothing, food, health and personal hygiene.</p> <p>Summer 2014: Collecting the prices for other baskets</p> <p>Autumn 2014: Calculating the full budget</p> <p>Winter 2015: Calculating the poverty line based on the reference budget</p>	<p>12/2013: Start of European Reference Budgets Network project (run by CSB & Applica, Belgium)</p> <p>2014: review of guidelines & literature and expert consultations for the development of the Food Basket, Personal & Health Care, and preparation guideline on Rest and Leisure.</p> <p>March 2015: Three Focus Groups in Budapest</p> <p>April 2015: Pricing procedure for the Food and Personal & Health Care baskets.</p> <p>May 2015: Final Results for the Healthy Food Basket, Personal and Health Care. Finalised R&L Guideline</p>
Geographical focus	Entire country	Budapest	Budapest
Data used	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expert knowledge - (Inter) national or regional guidelines - Household Budget Survey 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expert knowledge - Other survey data - Focus group decisions - (Inter)national or regional guidelines 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expert knowledge - Other survey data - Focus group decisions - (Inter)national or regional guidelines
Household types	<p><i>Hholds with active age</i></p> <p>1 adult</p> <p>1 adult, 1 child</p> <p>1 adult, 2 children</p> <p>2 adults</p> <p>2 adults, 1 child</p> <p>2 adults, 2 children</p> <p>2 adults, 3 children</p> <p>2 adults, 4 children</p>	<p>Adults at active age (30-50 years old) and children in primary and secondary education:</p> <p>(1) a single person (man/woman);</p> <p>(2) a couple;</p> <p>(3) a single woman with a child (boy, 10 years old)</p>	<p>1) a single person household (man/woman);</p> <p>2) a single parent household (woman) with 2 children;</p> <p>3) Couple (man & woman), plus 2 children (boy 10 y old, primary school; girl 14y old, secondary education).</p>

	3 adults 3 adults, 1 child 3 adults, 2 children 3 adults, 3 children 3 adults, 4 children <i>Hholds with person above retirement age</i> 1 adult 2 adults 3 adults	(4) a couple with 2 children (one boy, 10 years old and one girl, 14 years old).	
Institutions involved	Hungarian Central Statistical Office	Six institutions involved, run by CSB, Belgium. in HUN: TÁRKI and National Institute of Farmacy and Nutrition	54 institutions involved, run by CSB and Applica in HUN: TÁRKI
Key publications	annual data releases	see below	see below
Updates	on an annual basis	no	no
Last update	In 2014 for 2013 (always ex-post)	2014	2015

Reference: EU Platform on Reference Budgets (2018). Country fact sheet on reference budgets in Hungary, September, 2018, Antwerp: EPRB.

All available publications about RBs in Hungary

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Luchkina, L. (1993). *On Poverty and Defining the Subsistence Minimum*, pp.74-85.