

COUNTRY FACT SHEET ON RBs: LATVIA

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1991	
Name	Subsistence level consumer basket
Year of first construction	1991
State of use	Not in use
Key moments	1991: A government regulation stipulating the composition of the subsistence level consumer basket was issued Since 1991: The composition of the basket has remained unchanged; the value of the basket is regularly updated using the CPI. The data from 1998 onwards is publicly available 2014: Discontinued, as methodology was decided to be out of date. 2016, 2017, 2018: Several attempts by the Ministry of Welfare to launch a tender to create a new methodology for minimum consumption baskets for urban and rural populations. No plans, however, for reference budgets approach.
Geographical focus	Entire country
Data used	Expert knowledge
Household types	Possibly for more than one household type.
Institutions involved	Ministry of Welfare of Latvia
Key publications	n/a
Updates	n/a
Last update	2018

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