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INTRODUCTION

The Nunavik Comparative Price Index (NCPI) research project stemmed from a perceived need by the Kativik Regional Government to obtain statistical information in order to get a better understanding of the economic reality of Nunavik.

The resulting research was taken on by the *Groupe d'études inuit et circumpolaires* (GÉTIC) with as main objectives a comparison of the Nunavik with the south of the Province of Québec, as well as of the Nunavik villages between themselves. Taking into account the northern specificities, these comparisons were meant to lead to the construction of a price index comparable to similar Canadian statistical indicators. Moreover, the methods developed for the purpose of this study had to be conceived so they would be applicable to future researches.

In undertaking this ambitious task, this research relied on Statistics Canada's consumer price index methods with the added challenge of applying those well-developed statistical techniques to a reality for which they were not designed. The northern lifestyles pose a complex problem to research, with the widespread habits of the residents of meeting part of their needs by hunting and fishing, among other practices, but with the contribution of modern resources, such as monetary exchanges and industrialized goods. Thus, creating a statistical measure with this type of data is an additional challenge.

These differences in the lifestyles of the Inuit people and the inhabitants of the rest of the Province of Québec, only taking into account the spending habits related to fishing and hunting, are enough to make economic comparisons difficult. Considering for example the use of snowmobiles, which in the South are generally used as recreational vehicles, but represent in the North an indispensable tool for winter hunting and transportation, making it comparable to the use of an automobile in the South. Clothing, as another example, needs to be far better insulated, hence more often than not of better quality and of higher price, to accommodate the cold northern climate, than is required in the South. The comparison here is complicated by several factors, the fore-

most being that part of the winter clothing is fabricated by the Inuit themselves instead of purchased, but with materials bought from the south. Since the specialized materials, like fur, leather and down, required for clothing fabrication are expensive, high costs can also be associated with this activity. The differences of that kind are numerous and sometimes difficult to pinpoint because some consumer behaviours are dictated both by necessity and by preference.

The higher price of most products found in Nunavik are well known to its inhabitants, having to deal with this situation on a day-to-day basis. But by how much are those prices higher? And what items are more expensive than others? The intricate pattern woven by northern consumer habits in conjunction with modern economic dynamics asks for a precise analysis in order to render a useful portrait.

1 – METHOD

1.1 Exploratory Research and Basic Choices

A comparative price index study can be conducted in either one of the following ways: by comparing the cost of living or by comparing the consumer prices of goods and services.

The comparison of the cost of living requires first to obtain prices for the items available for consumption in a given region, then to survey in order to know the actual consumption of each of these items. A *basket* of goods can then be created according to these informations, each item of the composed basket weighing differently according to the intensity of its consumption. Following that, the same process must be repeated in the *control* region to obtain similar data, which will then be analysed.

A second method can be applied, which is the systematic comparison of prices by category of items for both regions. This means constructing several lists of the articles available to the region's consumers, sorted according to the local market best sellers, thus reflecting the local consumer preferences. The prices for the listed items can then be gathered in the two regions and constitute the necessary data for analysis.

The first phase of the research project was dedicated in part to decide between the two potential methods, which one would yield the most interesting results. This translated first into a preliminary fieldwork consisting of 9 interviews conducted with a variety of Kuujuuaq households from different socio-economic backgrounds, spanning from a single mother with income support to a two-income household and including a wide variety of income type combinations and household sizes. The main purpose of these interviews was to identify typical consumer behaviours in order to prioritize spending categories when at the same time evaluating the monetary intensity of some consumer habits. The second dimension of the preparation phase involved a review of *Statistics Canada's* methods related to consumer price index methods and their eventual applicability to the Northern reality.

Both these phases of the research project revealed that the level of resources required as well as the availability of information did not permit a comparison of the costs of living. Also, that method would require to know in detail the budgetary expenditure on consumer goods and services of the average Inuit family; previous studies provide results to that effect. But there level of precision in different areas of family expenditures is not adequate to fulfill the extended needs of a cost of living study (Duhaim 1998). The resources required to create such data are very important. In fact, to this date, even Statistics Canada has not constructed a cost of living index for the Canadian provinces; it has therefore been considered beyond the scope of this study.

In conclusion, the results obtained by comparing the cost of living of two regions can be very insightful but much more complex to produce. However, based on the preliminary fieldwork and the documentation analysis, the decision to compare prices was made in order to produce the most valid and useful comparison possible between Nunavik and the Province of Québec. While not permitting the creation of one general statistical index, the results produced by this method are much more precise, considering the objectives and limits of this research.

As for the *control* or *reference* region, the relative uniformity of prices found in the rest of the Province of Québec and especially in the urban regions by comparison with prices found in Nunavik is such that the choice of a specific region of the Province made little difference on the results of the research. Therefore, according to the availability of data in the South, the Québec City Area was chosen as the reference region.

1.2 Comparison Categories

In order to allow easier comparisons with other studies, the gathering and processing of the data were organized according to the same categories as *Statistics Canada* for similar researches. The main categories were initially: Food, Shelter, Household operations and furnishings, Clothing and footwear, Transportation, Health and personal care, Recreation, education and reading and Alcoholic beverages and tobacco products. In the

case of this study, the categories were adapted to better suit the realities of the North. Accordingly, the new categories on which are based this study are Food, Housing, Hunting and fishing, Household operations and Personal care. The correspondance between the two sets of categories is

survey form was to gather a basic list of available products at the largest available store in Kuujjuaq at the time of the research. This store was the best choice in order to gather a list of products as diversified and as complete as possible.

Figure 1
Correspondance between Statistics Canada and the NCPI Consumption Categories

Statistics Canada	Nunavik Comparative Price Index (NCPI)	Remarks
Food	Food	Includes food bought from grocery stores only.
Shelter	Housing	The word "housing" is widely used in Nunavik.
Transportation	Hunting and Fishing	In Transportation, the compared vehicles are canoes and snowmobiles.
Clothing and Footwear		
Recreation, Education and Reading		
Household Operations and Furnishings	Household Furniture and Products	
Health and Personal Care	Personal Care	Of goods and services, only goods were compared.
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	–	Alcohol unavailable locally in Nunavik; Tobacco product prices were not compared.

schematically explained in the following figure, and the differences will be exposed and justified when appropriate in the remaining of this report.

1.3 Food

Definition and Conciliation

Statistics Canada normally includes in this category both the food purchased from stores and from restaurants, but considering the scarcity of the latter in Nunavik, the price comparisons are limited to the food purchased from stores.

Data Collection

Two major grocery store chains occupy most of the food retail market in Nunavik: 14 local Cooperative Stores, from which 13 are federated into the *Fédération des coopératives du Nouveau-Québec* (FCNQ) and 1 is not federated, are established in all the villages of Nunavik, while the Northern Stores (private chain) are present in 9 villages. The first step in producing the food price

The ensuing list was constituted of information on the size, number of units and the price of 216 food, household and personal care products collected between the 6th and 9th of October 1999. The selected items appearing on this list were chosen in order to establish a varied food basket, including products from each and every section of the grocery store. The selection criteria were as following: first, to further eventual comparisons, the selected articles had to also be available in the major grocery store chains of the Quebec City area. Secondly, the products were chosen according to their popularity in the North, determined by the space they occupied on the shelves. Finally, a variety of sizes for each product were listed, to offer a better chance of finding the same products in the upcoming data gathering process in smaller villages and to help, in certain cases, take into account the northern consumer habits. The selection process was facilitated by the personnel of the selected store, who provided additional information about consumer preferences. The information collected was then sorted in a list ac-

ording to *Statistics Canada's* categories of food, household and personal care products.

To ensure that the information collected would also apply to other stores in the region, the original list was then revised. Following this process, new items were added to the list, in other cases the size or number of units were adjusted to better suit the popularity of the item, and other articles were eliminated. The list was also modified to reflect the popularity of articles in all of the Nunavik villages.

The data collection form was created by reordering the articles according to their placement in the stores and by presenting them in a simply designed form to make the task of data gathering as simple as possible. As a result, the form tries to comply with both the order of appearance of the articles in the stores and *Statistics Canada's* categorization of products (Appendix 1). Planning for the absence of different articles in some stores, blank spaces were inserted in the form so substitution products could be chosen and their pricing information written down (Appendix 2).

The next step in the research was to collect the information in 24 grocery stores of the 14 villages of Nunavik. To do so, the Makivik Corporation provided one of their regular *Income Tax Agents* to recruit two other agents and to plan their data collection itinerary according to flight schedules and availability.

The data collection agents were given an appropriate training in Kuujuaq, following a simple instruction guide. This two-page guide, included on each data collection form, provided the general information needed to gather the data and also contained many answers to eventual questions the agents might have. The training session lasted three days in November, alternating meetings, practice periods and revision.

The data collection process was conducted from the 15th to the 30th of November 1999, except for Kuujuaq, where the information was collected in the middle of January 2000.

The information gathered in Nunavik was transmitted in three steps to the researchers in Québec

City. First, the completed data collection form was faxed from each village, giving the opportunity to verify the data and if necessary, confirm with the agent still present. Secondly, the form of each visited store was photocopied, and then mailed. Finally, when the data collection was finished, the photocopies and unused forms were also sent by mail.

The data collection in the Québec City Area took place in the beginning of January 2000 in three grocery stores of various sizes and belonging to different chains. The selected stores were located in diverse parts of the Québec City Area to ensure a variation in the economic background of its customers.

A number of manipulations had to be performed on the data collected before carrying on with the actual processing, most of which had to do with standardization and elimination of the discrepancies between the information gathered from each store.

Most of these adjustments involved the substitution products, which varied widely in shape and size as well as in the multiple ways the same product information could be inscribed on the form. Some of them had to be set aside from the data processing since they presented insufficient information for comparison needs (Appendix 3). Some products were also eliminated from the analysis because they differed too widely in price with their equivalents found in the other stores, as much as by 75% more or less than the average price found in all the stores (Appendix 4). This threshold was established in order to prevent erroneously collected or entered data to falsify the results of the analysis.

An important part of this procedure also had to do with reconciling the differences in the collected data on fruits and vegetables. Since fruits and vegetables sold in Nunavik are in many cases found in cello wrapping with a single price for the numerous items in the package, for example 8 oranges or 5 kiwis, these unit prices were converted to a weight price, more easily comparable between themselves and with prices found in the Québec City Area.

1.4 Housing

Definition and Conciliation

According to Statistics Canada, the *Shelter* category includes rented and owned accommodations, including all homeowners costs, such as mortgage, property taxes, insurance premiums and maintenance and repairs, as well as water, fuel and electricity. This research will use *Housing* to designate the same category because it is a more widely used expression in Nunavik.

Data Collection

Comparing housing in Nunavik and in the Québec City Area is a process condemned to be flawed from the beginning, since there are enough differences in the nature of the constructions in the two regions to set them apart as two different kinds of buildings altogether. However, setting aside these disparities to look only at the utilization capacity in relation to the price entailed from the consumer's point of view, some comparisons are still possible.

Three types of housing exist in Nunavik: social housing, corporate housing and private homes owned by the resident household. The latter is a small but developing sector through the Private Home Ownership Program, administrated by the Kativik Regional Government. Of these, the pricing information for the social and corporate housing was readily available from the Kativik Regional Government and other similar organizations. Since the prices are uniform to any resident of Nunavik, thus applicable to all housing of this kind, no further treatment of this information was necessary.

Most of the equivalent information about apartment leasing costs for the Québec City Area was provided by *Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation* (CMHC). The leasing prices of apartments are average prices for different zones of the Québec City Area enclosing comparable types of habitations from those found in Nunavik. These reference zones for the Québec City Area were chosen according to the likelihood of finding tenants with comparable occupations and incomes to their equivalent in Nunavik. Since the

rent price informations obtained are averages for the designated zones, it can be assumed that the variety of residents occupy accommodations of varying price and quality. As this data includes accommodations with and without heating and electricity, the comparison prices for the Québec City Area might be slightly under evaluated compared to the Nunavik prices, for which the same kind of lodging includes all services. Some additional details concerning the costs of social housing in the Québec City Area were obtained from the *Société d'habitation du Québec* (SHQ).

In a separate category of their own, the privately owned houses in Nunavik can vary in price due largely to differences in construction values. Considering the small number of privately owned houses, which at the moment of writing this report was about 20 of the 2 300 houses found in Nunavik and their varying prices, a representative example was selected for the comparison's needs. The operation costs for this typical house were provided by an officer from the Home Ownership Program and include mortgage payments, taxes, electricity and heating costs. The same operation costs for a comparable house in the Québec City Area was established by first determining what a *comparable* house might be in the two reference regions. To this end, a key informant well aware of the dynamics of the house construction market in Nunavik offered information on the construction prices of a comparable house in Nunavik and in the Québec City Area. To this construction value were then applied heating and electricity, as well as mortgage payments and municipal taxes, all similar to those provided in Nunavik, based on average costs found in the Québec City Area.

1.5 Hunting and Fishing

Definition and Conciliation

The focal point of this research being the price comparison of items found in Nunavik, the expense categories established by *Statistics Canada* to define canadian spending habits tend to offer a skewed perspective of the Northern reality. Compensating for this tendency, transportation, clothing and footwear and part of the recreation, education and reading component, were regrouped for the needs of this research as a way to better

portray related expenses. This newly created category was named *Hunting and Fishing*.

In Nunavik, hunting and fishing are not viewed merely as sports, but as inextricable parts of the northern lifestyle. Therefore, an important part of a household budget is destined to be spent on the necessary equipment. Although not used for the same purpose or to the same extent in both regions, it is possible to find identical products, therefore permitting a price-by-price comparison.

Statistics Canada includes in the transportation category private automotive vehicles (does not include recreational vehicles such as snowmobiles and all-terrain) and their related costs and public transportation. However, since privately owned automotive vehicles are rare in Nunavik, only gasoline prices and the hourly rate of mechanical repairs were compared.

Clothing and Footwear, according to *Statistics Canada*, includes men, women and children's clothing and footwear, accessories and material. Because of the difference between articles of this category found in the Québec City Area and in Nunavik, where people are engaging expenses to produce them instead of buying them from stores many are hand-made, few comparisons were possible.

Finally, from the Recreation, Education and Reading category used by *Statistics Canada*, recreational vehicles (snowmobiles, all-terrain and canoes) were the only items compared in this research. The other items normally included were not compared because they are not available in Nunavik (ex: spectator entertainment), they are often purchased in the South (ex: books) or the comparison between Nunavik and the Québec City Area was not possible (ex: travel services).

Data Collection

Unlike the rest of the Province of Québec, where gasoline prices may fluctuate on a weekly basis, the Nunavik region has one fixed price all year long. The gasoline is transported by ship once every summer, after which a price is established for the year. There are two distributors for the whole region: the Shell company, who is present

in three villages (Kuujjuaq, Kangiqsualujjuaq and Quaqtaq) and the FCNQ-Petro, who is present in the eleven other villages.

The gasoline prices for Nunavik were obtained by contacting the two distributors. As for the rest of the Province, *Statistics Canada* calculates a monthly average for most major Canadian cities, including Québec City, available in "The Consumer Price Index"¹.

The hourly rates for mechanical repairs were obtained from two private garages in Kuujjuaq and two snowmobile dealerships and one general mechanics garage in the Québec City Area.

The first step in collecting information on outdoor equipment consisted of a meeting with a local northern retailer, whose expertise was lent to create a list of a certain number of commonly used articles, including such items as clothing and footwear and camping equipment. Also, following the type of articles that were pinpointed, additional products were selected from the "Northern Selections Catalogue", which is a mail-order service subsidiary to the same company (Northwest co.) which owns the Northern Store chain. Finally, the list, composed of product brand names, model numbers and prices, was then compared with outdoor equipment catalogues² of two major stores providing national postal delivery.

A similar process was used to establish a list of hunting gear. Several key informants were questioned to determine the most common types of shotguns, rifles and bullets used specifically for hunting in Nunavik. Consequently, a comparative list was created containing pricing information originating from a local dealer in Nunavik and the "Northern Selections Catalogue" for the Nunavik and the previously mentioned catalogues for the southern part of the Province.

The northern climate dictates different consumer choices concerning motorized vehicles from their southern counterparts. To deal with weather that

1 Statistics Canada, *The Consumer Price Index*, Catalogue no. 62-001-XPB.

2 *Le Baron Produits de plein air ltée*, annual catalogue 1998 and annual catalogue 2000; *Baron Sport* 1999 catalogue.

is significantly colder for a longer part of the year, the Nunavik residents rely extensively on the snowmobile to meet their need of transportation, either for local activities in the community or for long distance traveling as for hunting and fishing. Therefore, although other vehicles such as all-terrain vehicles and trucks and automobiles are also used, this research focuses on the snowmobile.

The pricing information was collected at a Kuu-juaq garage and vehicle dealership from which a detailed list with the make, model and price of 47 different snowmobiles was obtained. The list was then used to compare prices with two snowmobile dealerships from the Québec City Area. Other than supplying their prices, the dealers also gave key information on the popularity of certain models in Nunavik and the Québec City Area.

1.6 Household Furniture and Products

Statistics Canada names this category *Household Operations and Furnishings*, and includes in the operations component such items as communications, child care and domestic services, household chemical products and paper, plastic and foil supplies. The furnishings sub-group contains furniture and household textiles, household equipments, appliance and kitchen accessories. Because of the lack of availability of data on these different categories of items as well as their relatively small importance in the overall budget of the households, only part of these categories are studied in the current research.

Due to the enormous quantity and varying quality of household furniture and furnishings, price comparisons in this category, at the beginning, seemed a difficult task to accomplish. However, after narrowing the choice of articles to compare the few major components found in most households, a list was then created, including such items as a refrigerator, a range oven, a television, a living room set (Table 12). In this case, products in the North were selected from the *Northern Selections* catalogue³ and Web site⁴. The identical

or corresponding article, for in a few cases an identical product was not found, but one having characteristics similar enough to assume that they can be comparable, was then found in the *Sears* catalogue⁵.

The information collected in this category was obtained in large part from the food price survey, since the household products are mainly sold in grocery stores, in Nunavik as in the Québec City Area. This category consists of products such as cleaning products, garbage bags and paper towels (Table 11).

1.7 Personal Care

According to *Statistics Canada*, their equivalent category "Health and Personal Care" includes a number of different health care goods, such as medicinal (prescribed and non-prescribed) and pharmaceutical products and services, such as eye and dental care. In Nunavik, most medicinal and pharmaceutical products are provided free of charge by the hospital. As for eye and dental care, a few specialists travel throughout the region on a regular basis to provide the care needed. Prices for these services are relatively comparable to the south of the Province of Québec, even if their availability sometimes is not, therefore this study does not elaborate on the subject.

As with household products, personal care products available in Nunavik are found in grocery stores, and their pricing information was gathered following the same methods previously employed for food articles. Included in Personal Care Products are items such as diapers, toothpaste, soap, feminine pads (Table 13).

1.8 Other Categories

Some parts of the previously reviewed categories found in *Statistics Canada's* methods were not used in this research. This is the case, for example, of alcohol or cut flowers, which are not sold locally, but instead ordered by the residents and delivered in Nunavik by air cargo. As a rule, price

3 *Northern Selections* catalogue *Selections For The Home* (Prices in effect to December 31, 1999)

4 *Northern Selections* Web site can be found at the address: www.selections.northwest.ca

5 *Sears* Spring-Summer 2000 catalogue

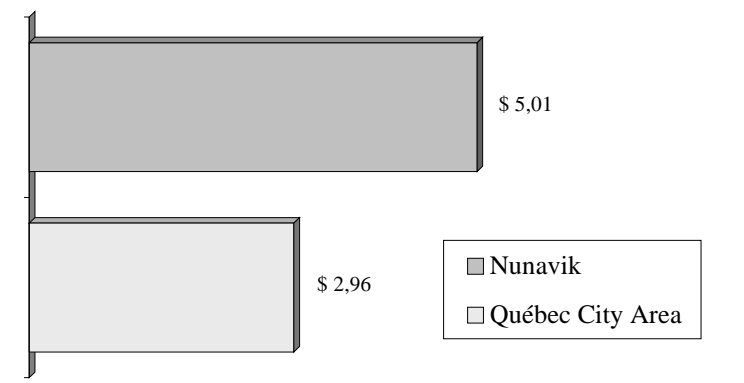
comparisons in this research always involve articles available – and purchased locally – both in Nunavik and in the Québec City Area. Other sub-categories may seem to have been overlooked, while in fact all of Statistics Canada's budgetary components were closely evaluated before they were included or discarded of this research. The main reason for which some items were not included is the lack of monetary relevance inside the Nunavik's household budget compared to the amount of work necessary to collect the data. This includes items such as books, jewelry and home exercise equipment. In these instances, the limits encompassing the objects studied in this research were dictated by the time and resources available to realize it.

2 – RESULTS

2.1 Food

The average price of 202 food articles found in the grocery stores of Nunavik is \$ 5,01, compared to \$ 2,96 for the same products in the Québec City Area, which represents a 69,1 % difference between Nunavik and the Québec City Area (Table 1, Figure 2). Since this calculation is made from a simple mathematical average of all the collected prices, with no weights applied to any particular article, a careful interpretation of these results is in order. These numbers must be understood as if the exact same 202 food products were bought in Nunavik and in the Québec City Area, which in reality seldom happens since consumer behaviours are rarely identical in the two regions. Additionally, in numerous cases the same product will be found in different sizes in the list, which would also doubtfully be found in an usual food basket.

Figure 2
Comparison of the Average Price of 202 Food Products between Nunavik and the Québec City Area



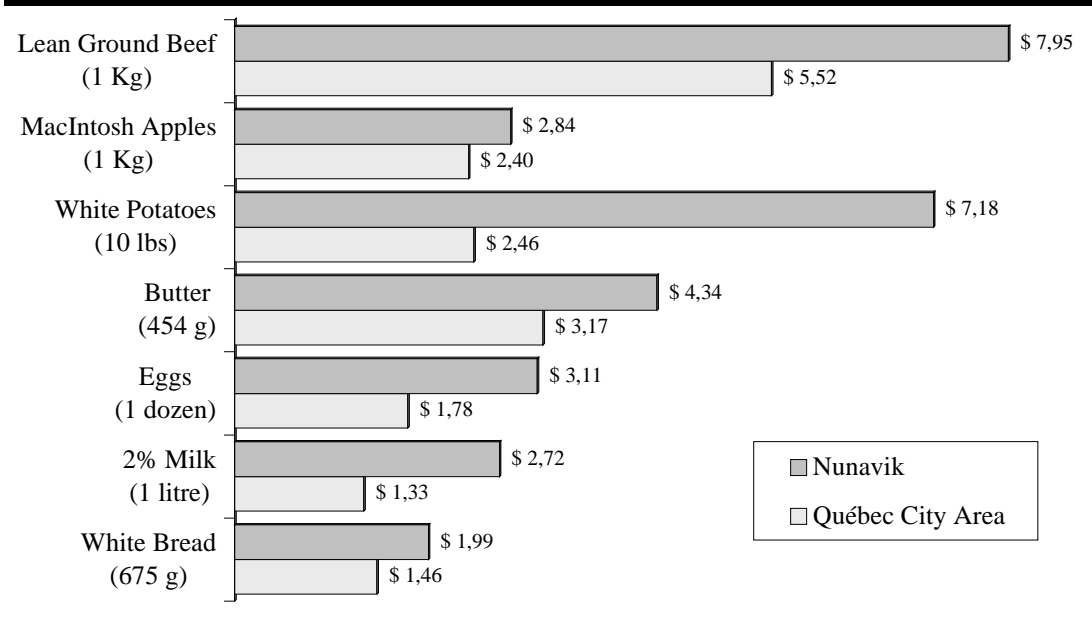
However, some of the underlying product prices to these averages can offer quite a revealing portrait of the situation prevailing in Nunavik. For example, a kilogram of lean ground beef is sold an average of \$ 7,95 in the grocery stores in Nunavik compared to \$ 5,52 in the Québec City Area. This makes for a 44,1 % difference between the

two regions, yet in Nunavik this product is sold frozen, as is the case with most meat products sold in Nunavik except in Kuujuaq, while it can generally be bought fresh in the Québec City Area. While no relation can readily be observed in the price differences between perishable and non-perishable items in Nunavik and in the Québec City Area, the role played by the FCNQ stores' price policy must not be overlooked. Present in 13 northern villages, federated Coops maintain a uniform price policy throughout Nunavik, therefore altering the ordinary market rules making of distance and volume important factors in price determination. As a result, the 274 inhabitants of Ivujivik, more than 700 kilometres away from Kuujuaq, which counts 1 726 residents and has a daily flight cargo arrival, can still obtain their dozen of eggs for the same price of \$ 3,11. This average price remains in any case 74,7 % more than the Québec City Area residents would ordinarily have to pay (\$ 1,78), but would assuredly be much more without the Coops' uniform price policy (Figure 3). The Northern

Stores, on the other hand, have stores in 9 villages of Nunavik but do not obey to similar rules of conduct. The price differences this situation induces will be discussed further in a following section addressing village-to-village comparisons in Nunavik (Figure 10).

Although prices are generally higher in Nunavik than in the Québec City Area, as suggests the average difference mentioned earlier, the disparity can vary greatly between products, sometimes going opposite to the tendency altogether. It was the case at the time of this research for such articles as pork side ribs and some fruits and vegetables. This advantage to the Nunavik's inhabitants for these articles could be attributed to factors such as seasonal price variations occurring between the data collection dates in Nunavik and in the Québec City Area, but in most cases could not be explained.

Figure 3
Price Comparison of Selected Food Products
between Nunavik and the Québec City Area



2.2 Housing

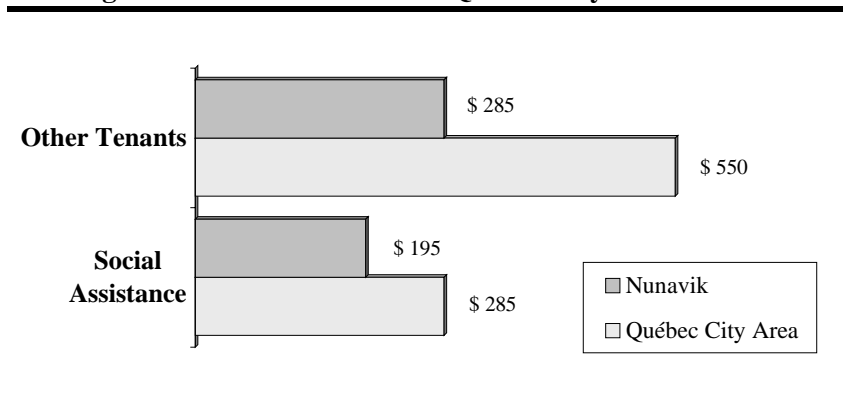
Three types of accommodations can be found in Nunavik, which are social housing, corporate housing and privately owned houses. The comparison between these three types of housing with similar accommodations in the Québec City Area will center on the monthly rent price, with the exception of the acquisition cost in the case of privately owned houses.

The most common and least expensive type of accommodation is social housing, which represents approximately 80 % of all available accommodations. Provided by the *Société d'habitation du Québec* (SHQ) according to different rent scales to social assistance recipients as well as other tenants, the monthly rent is in both cases based on the number of bedrooms.

The monthly rent price for a 3 bedroom lodging under the social housing program is

\$ 195 for social assistance recipients and \$ 285 for other tenants, include heating, electricity and municipal taxes (Figure 4). These prices are both lower, by respectively 32 % and 48 % to what Québec City Area residents would have to pay for equivalent accommodations. The equivalent accommodations for the comparison's needs for the Québec City Area are *low cost housing* (LCH) (\$ 285 / month) and the average monthly rent in a zone of the Québec City Area defined by the CMHC as *Val-Bélair, St-Émile, Loretteville, etc.*

Figure 4
Comparison of the Monthly Rent Price for Social Housing between Nunavik and the Québec City Area



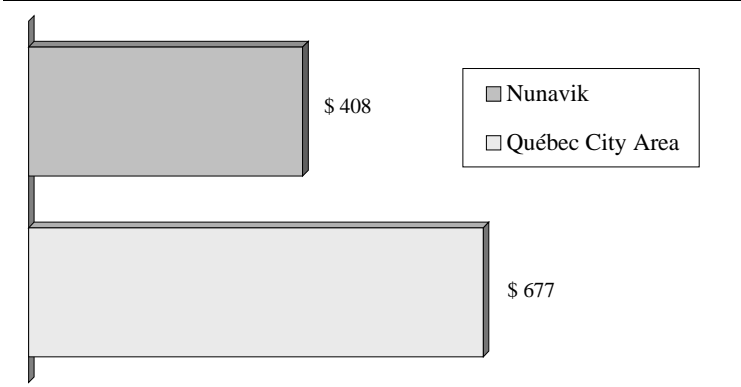
(\$ 550 / month). A detailed list of rent prices for social housing in Nunavik and their equivalent in the Québec City Area are available in *Table 2* of the accompanying tables.

Corporate housing represents approximately 18 % of available accommodations in Nunavik and is in several instances offered to employees of governmental organisms and some private companies. For example, teachers, health care professionals, law enforcement officers, employees of the Makivik Corporation, of the Kativik Regional Government, of Hydro-Québec are offered such services. In these cases, a rent is generally – but not always – perceived by the employer in exchange for the housing accommodations, to which is added a monthly taxable amount. This amount represents a part of the monthly rent the employee doesn't have to pay but is still paying in the form of income tax at the end of the year since it is considered a subsidy. In other words, while their monthly rent is relatively low, a compensatory amount is added to their annual revenue, which is then subject to taxation. Comparable accommodations these tenants would be susceptible to favour in the Québec City Area were determined to be located in an average of the zones *Québec Haute-Ville* and *Ste-Foy, Sillery, Cap-Rouge, St-Augustin*. The price difference for these types of housing was found to be 40 % lower in Nunavik than in the Québec City Area, with respective monthly averages of \$ 408 and \$ 677 (Figure 5).

Privately owned houses account for approximately 2 % of all of Nunavik's accommodations. The majority of these are subject to financial help from the *Home Ownership Program* of the Kativik Regional Government in the form of construction and operations subsidies, compensating for the price differences between Nunavik and the rest of the Province of Québec. The

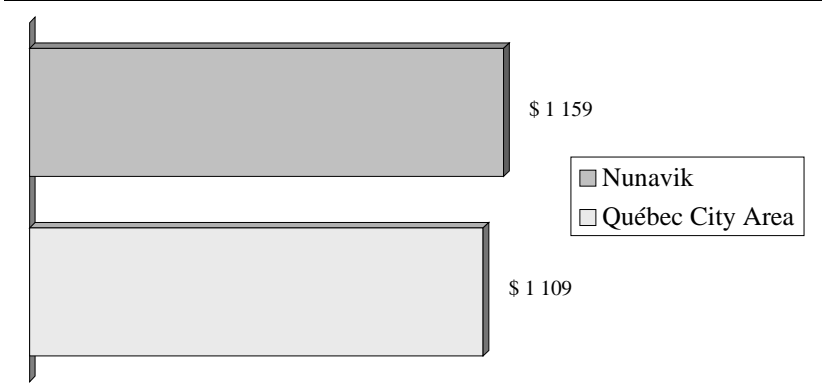
gap between these prices is in some part the result of a difference in the characteristics of houses in the two regions, for example the superior insulation needed to withstand the extreme conditions

Figure 5
Comparison of the Monthly Rent Price for Corporate Housing between Nunavik and the Québec City Area



of Northern Quebec's climate. But another important source of price difference is the remoteness of Nunavik in itself, influencing not only shipping fees for construction materials, but extra fees for salaries paid to construction workers, higher insurance costs, superior leasing prices for heavy machinery, etc. Taking into account all these added costs results in a \$ 90 000 house in the Québec City Area costing \$ 190 000 in Nunavik. Factoring in the new construction subsidy as well as additional subsidies granted for 15 years on household operations from the Home Ownership Program (see *Table 4's* methodological notes), the

Figure 6
Comparison of the Monthly Operation Costs for a Privately Owned House between Nunavik and the Québec City Area



monthly operations costs still turn out to the advantage of the Québec City Area's inhabitants. The monthly operations costs for a privately owned house in Nunavik amount to \$ 1 159, a 5 % difference with the Québec City Area, where a comparable house would cost \$ 1 109 a month (Figure 6).

2.3 Hunting and Fishing

Nothing quite depicts Nunavik's inhabitants life-style like images of traditional inuit hunting and fishing. However, as their way of life progressively changes to resemble more the rest of Québec's inhabitants, so are their hunting and fishing equipment needs. As with several other products found in the North, transport fees make for a large part of the price differences with the rest of the Province of Québec.

The *Polaris Classic Touring* was chosen for comparison as a popular model of snowmobile in Nunavik on the account of two key informant's recommendations. Sold \$ 8 025 in Kuujjuaq, which represents 5,7 % more than in the Québec City Area, where it can be bought \$ 7 495. Since Kuujjuaq is the entry point for airborne northern deliveries, additional shipping fees would have to be taken into account for any other village of Nunavik. Aside from the purchase price differences, operation costs are also significantly higher by way of the difference in gasoline prices in Nunavik (\$ 0,98) compared to the Québec City Area (\$ 0,57) (Table 7). To this must be added

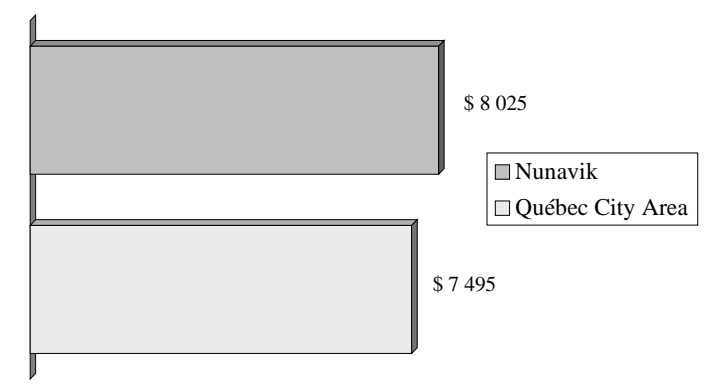
the costs for parts and repair prices incurred as a consequence of the more intensive use made of these vehicles in Nunavik. Hourly rates for mechanical repairs were found to be 13,6 % lower in Kuujjuaq compared to the Québec City Area, at \$ 38 / hour against \$ 44 (Table 8). No generalization can however be suggested by this hourly rate for the rest in Nunavik, due to insufficient data on the subject.

The prices of other types of vehicles commonly found in Nunavik such as four-wheelers have not been compared because of the limits in time and resources available to this research. Comparable regional price differences can however be expected since these products are very likely to obey similar pricing rules, being sold by the same distributors, delivered by comparable means and amounting to comparable total prices. Motorized canoes represent a different situation; as they are not a mass marketed product in the Québec City Area (few people in an urban region have use for 24 foot canoes), they have to be ordered and shipped in the same way as for Nunavik's inhabitants. The price differences in the case of this product could only be attributed to varying shipping fees according to distance.

Camping equipment represents another area where northern reality dictates different consumer behaviour than in the Québec City Area. Amongst the diversity of camping and outdoor products available to southern customers, their needs, more often than not recreational, will bring them to buy *different* products than the northern customers. Also, these articles being used more extensively in Nunavik than in the Québec City Area, their replacement rate is expected to be much higher, adding to the financial burden of price differences.

Keeping this situation in mind, comparable camping equipment products were found to be 34,7 % more expensive in Nunavik, with an average price on selected products of \$ 50,70 in the North against an average of \$ 37,36 for the same products in the Québec City Area (Table 9). A similar situation was observed with the average price of guns

Figure 7
Comparison of the Price of a Popular Snowmobile Model between Kuujjuaq and the Québec City Area

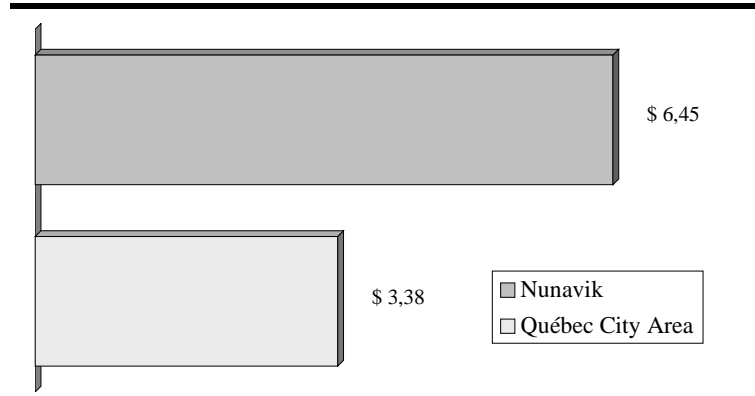


and bullets, which was \$ 316,84 in Nunavik, a 23,8 % difference with the Québec City Area where the same products averaged a price of \$ 256,02 (Table 10).

2.4 Household Furniture and Products

Being widely and easily available in Québec City Area's and the Nunavik's grocery stores, *Home Products* prices were collected within the Food Price Survey Form. The average price of the 26 articles collected in Nunavik is \$ 6,45, while the same products have an average price of \$ 3,38 in the Québec City Area (Figure 8). Of the products

Figure 8
Comparison of the Average Price of 26 Household Products between Nunavik and the Québec City Area



compared, Royale Bathroom Tissu (8 rolls), is sold for an average of \$ 6,75 in Nunavik, and in the Québec City Area, the average price is \$ 3,79, representing a 78,1 % difference. Meanwhile, ABC Powder Detergent (2,2 kg) costs \$ 10,03 on average in Nunavik, and \$ 5,29 in the Québec City Area, making an 89,6 % difference. Both examples have a lesser difference than the 90,6 % average between the two regions, which can be explained by other more expensive articles such as Javex Bleach (3,6 litres) which costs an average of \$ 5,39 in Nunavik, compared to \$ 1,76 in the Québec City Area, representing a significant 207,1 % difference (Table 11).

The Home Furniture category contains household furniture and appli-

ances. The main reason this sub-group has been redefined is because of the great difficulty encountered when trying to compare household furnishings, who besides from being useful objects, are more often chosen for their aesthetic appearance. Even then, identifying identical articles available in Nunavik and in the Québec City Area is not simple. After having chosen a number of items deemed to be present in most northern and southern stores, it was determined that the same set of appliances and furniture is sold for a total price of \$ 4 850 in Nunavik, while it is sold \$ 4 170 in the Québec City Area, representing a 16 % difference (Table 12). Furthermore, the

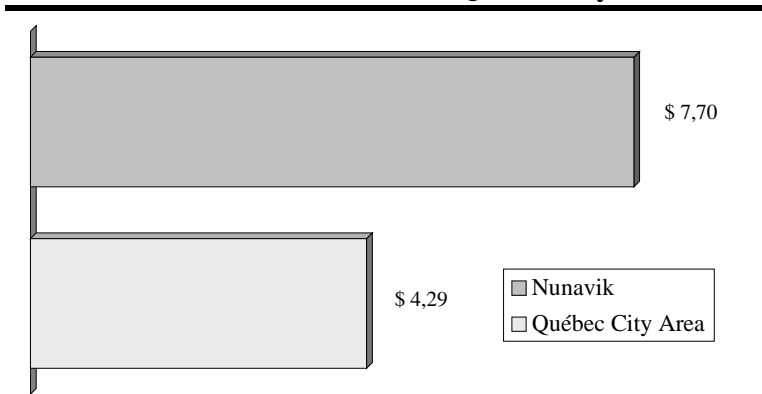
least expensive shipping costs are included in the Nunavik price. Sealift delivery is usually available a few times each summer at a rate of approximately \$ 0,60 per pound. Large items are shipped only by boat but smaller articles can be received faster by air for an extra charge.

2.5 Personal Care

Personal care services in Nunavik are rare, leaving only the products themselves to be compared. Consequently, 19 personal care products, available in grocery stores in Nunavik and in the Québec City Area were compared.

The average price in Nunavik is \$ 7,70, while in the Québec City Area the average price is \$ 4,29, which represents a 79,5 % difference between the two regions (Figure 9).

Figure 9
Comparison of the Average Price of 19 Personal Care Products between Nunavik and the Québec City Area



When examining the specific products, a better idea of the differences can be understood. For example, a tube of Crest Regular Toothpaste (75 ml) costs an average of \$ 2,06 in the North, while the average cost in the South is \$ 1,06, which represents a difference of 94,8 %. Another basic item, in this case Ivory Soap (270 g) costs on average \$ 2,09 in Nunavik and in the Québec City Area, only \$ 1,29, representing a 62,1 % difference (Table 13).

Finally, in the Nunavik region, where the population grows almost three times faster⁶ than in the Province of Québec, baby items are a much-needed necessity. The average price in Nunavik for a large package of Pampers diapers is \$ 29,71, while in the Québec City Area the same package is sold for \$ 15,99. Although this product has a lower price difference than other products with only 85,8 % more in Nunavik, the monetary value and the purchase volume of this item makes it a very expensive article to purchase.

2.6 Comparison between Villages in Nunavik

The comparison between the 14 villages of Nunavik is based on the pricing information collected during the food price survey about food, household and personal care products.

The list of compared products in these three categories is slightly different than the one used for the comparisons between Nunavik and the Québec City Area. This is because more identical products were found between the villages of Nunavik than when comparing Nunavik and the Québec City Area. Consequently, the replacement products gathered in the spaces provided on the forms for this purpose had to be used to compare the Nunavik and the Québec City Area, which was not necessary for the comparison between the villages of Nunavik. In other words, since many products originally listed on the form were not found in both Nunavik and the Québec City Area, these comparisons were based on a smaller number of articles, and not necessarily the same as for

Figure 10
Price Comparison of Selected Food Products between the 14 Villages of Nunavik



the comparison between the villages of Nunavik, which explains the differences in the averages between the two comparisons.

A larger selection of grocery products can be obtained in Kuujjuaq since this village, as few

⁶ The Nunavik birth rate is 30,1 live births/1000 compared to 11,9 in the Province of Québec. Source: Makivik Corporation, *Nunavik at a Glance*, 1999.

others, is linked to Montreal by daily airplane flights. For the same reason, certain other goods and services may also be available in these villages because of this situation. The availability of a larger variety of products might not be the only possible effect of this daily flight liaison, since the price comparisons between the villages of Nunavik show that prices seem to be lower in these three villages. However, no direct relation can be established according to the data available to this research because prices vary too widely from one category to the other and from one village to the next. No single factor can account for the irregularity of these price distributions, but it can be assumed that the FCNQ's price uniformization policy exerts an influence on the normal market behavior that could otherwise be observed. The cooperative practice reduces the effects of geographical and volume as well as other factors on price determination, bending at the same time the usual rules of the economic market. Therefore, the results for this part of the comparison will keep with general observations and must be interpreted carefully. A more comprehensive study on this specific question would undoubtedly shed light on the intricate dynamics of this complex market.

Five villages, Akulivik, Aupaluk, Ivujivik, Quaqtac and Tasiujaq, were integrated for the comparison's needs in order to respect the confidentiality agreement according to which the published data would not divulge pricing information from a specific store. For the other villages, prices gathered from all of the stores available were combined to create average prices per village.

Comparing the prices of food products between the villages, a variation of \$ 0,98 can be observed between the lowest average price of the surveyed food products of \$ 4,52 in Puvirnituc and the highest price of \$ 5,50 for the average price between the villages of Akulivik, Aupaluk, Ivujivik, Quaqtac, Tasiujaq (Figure 10), making for a general average price for all villages and food products of \$ 5,09 (Table 14).

The highest price for household products was found in the village of Inukjuak (\$ 5,10), while the lowest was in Puvirnituc (\$ 3,97). The average of the 23 surveyed products in this category is \$ 4,40 (Table 15).

The 23 surveyed Personal Care products had an average price in all villages of \$ 6,07, the most expensive being Kangiqsualujjuac with \$ 6,77 and the least expensive is Salluit with an average price of \$ 5,51 (Table 16).

With 244 compared products, the food category is most probably more reliable than the household products and personal care products, which both contained 23 compared articles. However, the variation in the order of the villages from the most expensive to the least in these three categories shows that there is little regularity in the results for these villages.

DISCUSSION

The first observation following the analysis of the results is that for all compared categories, with the exception of housing, items are more expensive in Nunavik. While these price comparisons are both valid and useful to give a better understanding of the Nunavik's economic reality, they do not fully reveal how much more costly life in Nunavik can be.

The foremost disadvantage Nunavik's residents must face is the absence of a consumer market such as those of the Québec City Area can benefit from. The unavailability of choices of retailers and of products severely limits the Nunavik consumers' spending options. Faced with the obligation to purchase items at the time and price at which they become available, part of the local economy is diverted to mail ordering outside the region. Considering the shipping fees associated with such practices, Nunavik's residents are not advantaged if we compare them to the Québec City Area's consumers. Other diffuse but significant differences stand out on closer examination as well. For one, the proportion of the household expenses dedicated to the purchase of food products is much higher in Nunavik, with about 44 % of the total budget (a proportion often observed in third-world countries)⁷, compared to only 12 % in the Québec City Area⁸. Considering the price differences observed between food products in Nunavik and in the Québec City Area, these proportions add even more to already important price disparities.

Additionally, Nunavik residents cannot choose to purchase large quantities of a product while it is on sale, a situation which is common at retailers of other regions. Moreover, the supply being irregular in Nunavik, the freshness, hence the quality of certain food products is sometimes an issue.

7 Duhaime G. (sous la direction de). 1998. *La contamination de l'écosystème arctique de l'Est canadien. Programme Éco-Recherche Avativut/Ilusivut. Les impacts socio-économique de la contamination de la chaîne alimentaire au Nunavik*. Coll. Recherche. University Laval. 187 p.

8 Statistique Canada. 1997. *Dépenses des familles*. Catalogue n° 62F0031XDB

When making important purchases, such as home appliances, the consumers of Nunavik cannot avail themselves of the warranties usually associated with such purchases when the items present defects or malfunctions. In most cases, such products cannot be repaired in Nunavik because of the absence of skilled technicians; some items have to be replaced. Also, when purchasing larger goods, the Nunavik residents must wait for the annual sealift to receive them, or else pay higher shipping fees to have them delivered by air cargo. The annual sealift also imposes a constraint on local economies, rendering certain goods, like clothing and footwear, available only for a short time in the year, at the moment of their arrival.

As we mentioned earlier, the choice limitations faced by the Nunavik inhabitants towards store and product variety, the northern climate and lifestyle also dictate consumer behaviours, thus limiting again the consumer's options. Living in a cold climate, it is necessary for the residents to purchase and fabricate very resistant clothing that can withstand the very harsh and longer winters, adding to the costs they must already face.

In Nunavik, hunting and fishing require equipments that are expensive to purchase. Items such as snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles and canoes with outboard motors are necessary in order to travel to hunting and fishing areas. When living in a urban area like Québec City, residents do not need such equipment to go to work and can if they *choose* to do so, rely on public transportation for a minimal fee to reach their destination.

In the case of communication services, the residents of Nunavik must pay long-distance phone prices for all calls outside their own community due to the considerable distance between each village, and between the Nunavik and the rest of the Province of Québec. In light of the dispersion of the families throughout Nunavik on one hand and the frequency to which travel is required to obtain medical services on the other hand, the costs associated to long-distance communications can be very high. Since there is no Internet Service Provider (ISP) that accomodates the Nunavik villages inhabitants locally, internet is only available to them through long-distance calls to ISPs located in the South of the Province of Québec.

Distance is also involved where postal service charges are concerned, since among other reasons, mail order shopping is a simple alternative to the lack of availability of local merchants.

While all of the aforementioned factors are detrimental to Nunavik's inhabitants spending capacity, others exert the opposite effect. Differences too numerous to examine in this research between the Nunavik and the Québec City Area's lifestyles bring forward different sets of priorities to the two region's inhabitants.

As an example, the workplace environment and social obligations in Nunavik rarely impose a dress code as strict as the Province of Québec's other inhabitants are used to, neither does the Nunavik's residents ordinary needs in day-to-day clothes change much with the passing of the seasons. The fabrication of clothing by the Nunavik's inhabitants also has to be considered since it contributes to reduce some expenses related to clothing needs.

The Inuit also have an advantage over the rest of the Province of Québec's inhabitants on the matter of prescribed medications, which the Inuit obtain for free from the Government as a part the James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement.

A last example concerns housing, for which most of the Nunavik's residents do not have to pay insurances since their houses are not their personal property. Moreover major appliances do not have to be bought since they are often part of the rent.

The general picture revealed by this research is that the cost of living is most probably higher in Nunavik than in the rest of the Province of Québec. On this matter, the effect of lower revenues in Nunavik must be taken into account with the higher prices found in most of the comparison categories examined earlier. The Nunavik's households have an average income⁹ of about \$ 46 627 compared to the average Province of Québec's household income of \$ 49 261, but that difference does not take into account the number

of persons in these households. Since the Nunavik's household includes an average of 4.4 persons, compared to 2.6 in the rest of the Province, the greater number of persons between which the income is divided in Nunavik results in an individual income almost half the average individual income of the Province of Québec. Furthermore, government transfer payments to individuals, in the form of social support or old age pensions for example, are applied according to the same scales in Nunavik as in the Québec City Area.

In other words, the cost of living, already assumed to be much higher in Nunavik than in the rest of the Province of Québec, must also be faced in this region with lower average incomes.

Taking all of these elements into account, the vital role of the low housing costs in the economy of Nunavik cannot be overlooked. As an important part of the household's budgets, yet which presents lower prices by comparison to the rest of the Province, the costs of housing undeniably helps Nunavik's inhabitants cope with the higher prices found for almost all other product categories.

This picture is completed by the importance of hunting and fishing in Nunavik, which are often perceived only as traditional activities. It is however probable that these activities also contribute to lower the price of food products for the households by providing them with an alternative source of food¹⁰ In this perspective, hunting and fishing could be understood as more than traditional activities, these practices being the consequence of economic rationality.

The Nunavik's economic differences with the rest of the Province of Québec have to be understood as more than monetary and financial because they take their source in cultural and symbolic specificities.

9 Makivik Corporation. 1999. *Nunavik at a Glance*, p. 11.

10 Duhaime G. (sous la direction de). *Op. cit.*

CONCLUSION

The initial intention behind the Nunavik Comparative Price Index (NCPI) research project, which was to get a better understanding of the economic reality of Nunavik, has certainly been realized. The substantial amount of data collected throughout this research and which was subsequently analysed contributes to offer a much clearer picture on this matter.

The first of the main objectives of this research, the comparison of the Nunavik with the south of the Province of Québec, was more easily fulfilled than the second part, which was the comparison of the Nunavik villages between themselves. The difficulties involved in this aspect of the research should be the starting point of new research developments on the subject.

Although the ideal method to accomplish these comparisons would have been to compare the cost of living in both regions, the price comparison method was preferred over it for methodological as well as practical reasons. However, at this point, with the methods already developed for the purpose of this study, a few more steps would be necessary to further achieve a cost of living comparison, and should be considered as future research projects.

In some instances, partial results were in part attributable to the limits offered by the price comparison analysis applied to the Nunavik's reality. In any case, this method remains a valuable instrument to observe economic differences between Nunavik and the Québec City Area, in spite *and* because of all the factors that cannot be accounted for in such a comparison.

Additional difficulties were also encountered in the hunting and fishing category, where the efforts invested did not permit, within the limits of this research, to obtain very refined comparisons, for instance taking into account life cycle of certain items such as snowmobiles or firearms as well as encompassing all of the country food production costs. On the subject of housing, numerous comparison difficulties were encountered when trying to compare the Nunavik accommodations to those available in the rest of the Province.

While some operation costs were successfully compared, additional efforts should be invested into developing more precise comparisons.

The question also remains unresolved about some lower prices found in the Nunavik's grocery stores by comparison to the Québec City Area's. Such matters reveal limits in the methods used in this research as well as the complexity of studied reality.

The tools developed during this research will be available to further use in the future. However, at this point of the research, it was not possible to fully automate a computerized form which would produce synthetic results automatically every year. This vision remained unattainable because of the complexity the comparisons, and would require a complete household budget research in order to be realized.

As a conclusion, this research succeeded in realizing price comparisons, but not cost of living comparisons. It should be necessary to make a comparison of all expense categories in all the villages. However, this study has the merit to identify more clearly where lie the research needs and point out more precise objectives, while at the same time showing where additional methodological developments would be required.

The purpose of all these efforts remain to offer better price comparisons, and eventually adequate cost of living comparisons, in order to help improve the decision-making processes, and in the end make better decisions.

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TABLES

Table 1 - Price Comparison of 202 Food Products in Nunavik and in the Québec City Area

Main Food Product Categories Secondary Food Product Categories Characteristics of Products	Price Average in Nunavik Grocery Stores (\$)	Price Average in the Québec City Area Grocery Stores (\$)	Difference between Nunavik and the Québec City Area (%)
1 - Meat - Fresh or Frozen			
Beef			
Lean ground beef "Family format" (Kg)	4,79	5,00	-4,25
Lean ground beef (Kg)	7,95	5,52	44,15
T-bone steak (Kg)	25,78	16,66	54,78
Chicken			
Chicken breast boneless skinless (Kg)	15,09	13,91	8,46
Chicken drumsticks (Kg)	6,51	3,51	85,56
Chicken legs back on (Kg)	6,38	2,83	125,52
Chicken thighs (Kg)	6,60	1,96	237,56
Chicken whole grade "A" (Kg)	6,95	4,25	63,52
Chicken Wings (Kg)	8,10	5,48	47,95
Pork			
Pork butt (Kg)	9,51	6,37	49,26
Pork loin chops (Kg)	12,17	8,50	43,15
Pork Side Ribs (Kg)	6,85	7,68	-10,85
2 - Fresh Fruit			
Apples			
Granny Smith (Kg)	3,79	3,21	18,07
MacIntosh (Kg)	2,84	2,40	18,00
Red Delicious (Kg)	3,86	3,51	10,15
Bananas			
Dole (Kg)	2,66	1,18	126,23
Grapes			
Green - seedless (Kg)	8,92	8,06	10,71
Red - seedless (Kg)	4,53	8,80	-48,55
Oranges			
Oranges - Clementine (Kg)	5,80	2,69	115,38
Oranges (Kg)	3,26	2,14	51,96
Other Fruits			
Kiwis (Kg)	6,35	7,57	-16,17
Plums (Kg)	3,79	5,49	-30,97
Watermelon (Kg)	3,50	2,51	39,40

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3 - Fresh vegetables			
Carrots			
Bag (2 lbs)	1,80	1,02	76,03
Bag (5 lbs)	1,73	1,84	-6,25
Mini-Carrots (454 g)	2,48	1,79	38,76
Celery			
Stalk (1 stalk)	2,28	2,09	9,09
Green Cabbage			
(Kg)	1,96	1,23	59,57
Green Peppers			
(Kg)	5,58	3,65	52,94
Lettuce			
Iceberg (1)	1,89	1,99	-4,89
White onions			
Bag (2 lbs)	1,52	1,06	44,14
Bag (5 lbs)	1,79	1,76	1,90
White Potatoes			
Bag (10 lbs)	7,18	2,46	192,39
Bag (5 lbs)	4,11	1,56	163,90

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4 - Dairy products and eggs			
Butter			
Average	4,34	3,17	36,91
Eggs			
Average	3,11	1,78	74,72
Evaporated Milk			
Carnation (385 ml)	1,92	1,09	75,77
Margarine			
Becel (454 g)	3,56	2,41	47,78
Milk 2 %			
Lactancia Pur Filter (1 litre)	2,72	1,33	105,16
Lactancia Pur Filter (2 litres)	5,08	2,59	96,27
Natrel Ultra Milk (1 litre)	2,72	1,33	104,72
Milk 3,25 %			
Lactancia Pur Filter (1 litre)	2,59	1,38	88,34
Lactancia Pur Filter (2 litres)	5,31	2,69	97,44
Natrel Ultra Milk (1 litre)	2,77	1,38	101,03
Partly skimmed milk 2%			
Grand Pré (1 litre)	2,41	1,44	67,66
Processed Cheese Slices			
Kraft Singles (16 slices) (500 g)	6,83	3,92	74,02
Kraft Singles (24 slices) (500 g)	6,91	3,92	76,05

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5 - Frozen Products			
Batter-coated weiners			
Pogo (4)	4,73	2,76	71,45
Chicken Wings			
Flamingo - B.B.Q. (730 g)	13,31	10,49	26,88
Fish & Chips			
Bluewater (650 g)	7,59	4,59	65,36
Highliner (600 g)	5,77	3,19	80,88
Fish Sticks			
Blue Water (700 g)	6,05	3,89	55,53
Highliner (700 g)	6,32	4,19	50,84
Frozen dinners			
Stouffer's - Chicken Chow Mein (241 g)	4,54	3,16	43,93
Stouffer's - Pastaria Lasagna Casserole (255 g)	7,49	2,11	254,98
Swanson - Chicken Nuggets (284 g)	4,94	3,29	50,15
Swanson - Fried Chicken (312 g)	5,27	3,09	70,42
Swanson - Salisbury Steak (295 g)	5,09	3,09	64,72
Frozen French Fries			
McCain - Supercrisps (750 g)	4,39	1,99	120,60
McCain - Superfries (1 Kg)	4,39	2,14	105,02
McCain - Superfries (1,5 kg)	5,47	2,99	82,94
McCain - Superfries Strait Cut (1 kg)	3,90	1,99	95,98
Frozen Pizzas			
McCain - Deep & Delicious Pepperoni (4) (410 g)	5,61	2,99	87,74
McCain - Pizza Pockets Pepperoni or Deluxe (400 g)	5,31	3,09	71,94
McCain - Pizza Premiere Deluxe (705 g)	9,90	5,92	67,14
Grilled Fillets			
Bluewater (215 g)	4,63	3,16	46,79

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6 - Canned meat and meat preparations			
Luncheon meat			
Kam - Original (340 g)	4,00	2,49	60,64
Klik - "Our premium pork" (340 g)	3,94	2,59	52,17
Wieners			
Hygrade (450 g)	4,44	2,21	101,02
Maple Lodge Farms (smoked chicken flavor) (450 g)	4,10	1,44	184,49
7 - Fish and other marine products			
Flaked white tuna in water			
Clover Leaf (170 g)	3,28	1,74	88,71
Sardines			
Brunswick - Canadian sardines in soya oil (106 g)	1,32	0,78	70,14
8 - Bakery and other cereal products			
Baking Powder			
Magic (225 g)	4,22	3,01	40,34
Magic (450 g)	6,48	4,99	29,95
Barge Pilot Biscuits			
Cookies			
Christie - Chips Ahoy! (400 g)	5,09	2,92	74,10
Christie - Favorites (450 g)	5,31	2,99	77,65
Christie - Pirate (400 g)	5,06	2,99	69,27
David - Strawberry Tarts (350 g)	3,95	2,69	47,00
Leclerc - Wafers (Strawberry or other) (400 g)	3,20	1,99	60,80
Crackers			
Christie - Premium Plus Crackers (225 g)	2,70	1,94	39,07
Christie - Premium Plus Crackers (450 g)	4,00	2,39	67,45
Christie - Ritz Crackers (250 g)	3,90	2,56	52,71
Christie - Ritz Crackers (450 g)	5,81	3,69	57,56
Pilot Biscuits			
Marven's - Flaky Pilot Biscuits (350 g)	4,04	2,69	50,09
White Bread			
Gailuron (450 g)	1,99	1,46	36,30
Pom (675 g)	2,63	1,61	63,35

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9 - Pasta products			
Macaroni			
Catelli (500 g)	2,08	1,12	85,57
Catelli (900 g)	3,53	1,84	91,54
Macaroni & cheese			
Kraft - Kraft Dinner "The original" (225 g)	1,73	1,08	60,58
Kraft - Thick & Creamy Deluxe Cheddar (400 g)	4,12	2,76	49,46
Pasta in Sauce			
Betty Crocker - Hamburger Helper - Beef Noodle (200 g)	3,83	2,36	62,57
Chef Boyardee - Beefaroni (425 g)	2,48	1,39	78,19
Chef Boyardee - Beefaroni (850 g)	4,03	2,39	68,54
Heinz - Alpha-getti (398 ml)	1,90	0,97	95,97
Spaghetti			
Catelli (500 g)	2,23	1,12	98,64
Catelli (900 g)	3,53	1,84	91,64
10 - Cereal grains and other cereal products			
Cake Mix			
Betty Crocker - SuperMoist Cake Mix (510 g)	3,01	1,66	81,86
Duncan Hines - MoistDeluxe Cake Mix (515 g)	2,97	1,76	69,23
Cereals			
General Mills - Cheerios Cereals (300 g)	4,66	2,89	61,28
General Mills - Cheerios Cereals (425 g)	5,70	2,99	90,75
Kellogg's - Froot Loops Cereals (275 g)	4,90	3,26	50,48
Kellogg's - Variety Pack (275 g)	6,07	3,99	52,14
Post - Honey Comb Cereals (275 g)	4,92	3,29	49,50
Post - Honey Comb Cereals (400 g)	6,33	2,99	111,81
Flour			
Five Roses - All-purpose Flour White (2,5 Kg)	6,95	3,62	91,81
Five Roses - All-purpose Flour White (10 kg)	18,99	7,92	139,71
Robin Hood - All-purpose White Flour (10 kg)	16,99	8,49	100,12
Robin Hood - All-purpose White Flour (2,5 kg)	6,50	3,84	69,27
Instant Rice			
Dainty - Instant Flavor Rice (Beef, Chinese) (350 g)	2,46	1,06	132,81
Kraft - Minute Rice (350 g)	3,03	2,19	38,45
Kraft - Minute Rice (700 g)	5,68	3,49	62,61
Uncle Ben's - Instant Rice 5 minutes (700 g)	5,62	3,46	62,56

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11 - Fruit Juice			
Juice			
Del Monte - Apple Juice (1 litre)	2,99	1,09	174,31
Oasis - Apple Juice (960 ml)	2,50	1,34	86,27
Juice Boxes			
McCain - Orange juice (juice box) (3 X 250 ml)	2,20	0,99	121,76
Rougemont - Juice Box (3 X 200 ml)	1,43	0,99	44,44
12 - Canned fruits and fruit preparations			
Apple Sauce			
Mott's - Homestyle Apple Sauce (398 ml)	1,91	1,19	60,42
Mott's - Homestyle Apple Sauce (796 ml)	5,02	1,66	203,22
Fruit Cocktail			
Del Monte - Chunky Fruit Cocktail (zip-top can) (284 ml)	1,94	1,29	50,13
Del Monte - Fruit Cocktail (796 ml)	4,75	2,69	76,58
Del Monte (398 ml)	2,62	1,89	38,62
Fruit cups			
Del Monte - 4 cans (568 ml)	4,77	2,76	72,88
Multichoix - 4 cans (568 ml)	3,83	2,29	67,11
Mandarine Oranges			
Tropic (284 ml)	1,84	1,09	68,81
Peaches			
Del Monte - Peach halves in light syrup (398 ml)	2,68	1,89	41,85
Del Monte - Sliced peaches (540 ml)	3,12	2,15	45,12
Strawberry Jam			
E.D. Smith (250 ml)	3,79	2,39	58,58
Habitant - Pure Strawberry Jam (250 ml)	3,04	1,96	55,46
Kraft - Pure Strawberry Jam (250 ml)	3,59	2,36	52,16
Kraft - Pure Strawberry Jam (500 ml)	6,27	3,69	69,93

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13 - Other vegetables and vegetable preparations			
Canned Stew			
Puritan - Meatball Stew (680 g)	4,25	2,39	77,99
Kernel corn (Canada choice)			
Green Giant - Niblets (341 ml)	1,94	1,00	94,05
Peas "Canada choice"			
Del Monte (284 ml)	1,28	0,84	52,38
Del Monte (398 ml)	2,04	1,14	79,24
14 - Condiments, spices and vinegar			
Mayonnaise			
Kraft - Real Mayonnaise (500 ml)	4,80	2,74	75,24
Mustard			
French's - Prepared Mustard (500 ml)	2,74	1,89	44,86
French's - Prepared Mustard Squeezable (250 ml)	2,34	1,64	42,53
Schwartz - Prepared Mustard (500 ml)	2,03	1,29	57,36
Schwartz - Prepared Mustard Squeezable (375 ml)	2,66	1,29	105,81
Salad Dressing			
Kraft - Miracle Whip (500 ml)	4,57	2,79	63,82
Kraft - Miracle Whip (1 litre)	8,29	4,66	78,02
Tomato Ketchup			
Heinz (375 ml)	3,08	2,12	45,01
Heinz (1 litre)	5,91	3,39	74,48
15 - Sugar and sugar preparations			
Hot Chocolate Mix			
Carnation - Hot Chocolate Mix " Rich chocolate" (sachets) (10 x 28 g)	3,32	2,19	51,51
Natural Granulated Sugar			
Lantic (1 kg)	3,00	1,95	53,64
Lantic (2 kg)	4,29	2,62	63,55
Lantic (4 kg)	8,46	4,82	75,34
Popsicle			
Good Humor - Assorted Ice Pops (24 x 75 ml)	13,86	3,89	256,30

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16 - Coffee and tea			
Ground Coffee			
Maxwell House (300 g)	6,42	3,89	65,11
Nabob Coffee co. (250 g)	5,69	3,99	42,69
Nabob Coffee co. (300 g)	6,61	4,29	54,00
Instant coffee			
Nescafé (50 g)	4,71	2,99	57,53
Nescafé (200 g)	9,94	4,99	99,27
Taster's choice (150 g)	11,82	6,59	79,40
Orange Pekoe Tea			
Red Rose (72 bags)	6,33	3,79	67,09
Salada (36 bags)	3,65	2,34	55,98
Salada (72 bags)	6,48	3,92	65,25
Tetley (72 bags)	6,45	3,99	61,77
17 - Fats and oils			
Shortening			
Crisco - All Vegetable shortening (454 g)	3,00	1,82	64,32
Tenderflake - Pure Lard (454 g)	2,55	1,52	67,57
Vegetable Oil			
Crisco (946 ml)	5,63	3,56	58,39
Crisco (1,89 litres)	8,74	4,99	75,22
18 - Soup			
Canned Tomato Soup			
Aylmer (284 ml)	1,97	0,47	322,14
Campbell's (284 ml)	1,38	0,73	89,21
Dried Soup			
Lipton - Chicken noodle soup mix (2 pouches) (166 g)	2,52	1,76	43,26
Lipton - Chicken noodle soup mix (4 pouches) (338 g)	4,68	2,76	69,60
Lipton - Soupsworks (110 g)	3,78	2,62	44,15
Instant noodles			
Gattuso - Instant snack in a cup (65 g)	1,48	0,96	54,50
Mr. Noodles (85 g)	,67	0,33	103,60
Ramen (85 g)	,84	0,35	140,00

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19 - Infant or junior foods			
Baby food			
Heinz (128 ml)	1,18	0,57	107,16
Baby Formula			
Enfalac - Infant Formula Liquid Concentrate (385 ml)	4,27	2,79	53,03
Enfalac - Instant Formula Powder (370 g)	14,05	8,99	56,31
Enfalac - Iron Fortified Infant Formula Powder (400 g)	14,99	9,99	50,05
20 - Other food preparations			
Coffee Whitener			
Carnation - Coffee Mate Coffee Whitener Substitute (125 g)	2,77	1,99	39,20
Carnation - Coffee Mate Coffee Whitener Substitute (500 g)	5,71	3,66	56,02
Fruit Drink Crystals			
Kool-Aid - Sugar sweetened drink mix (135 g)	1,37	0,99	38,38
Kool-Aid - Sugar sweetened drink mix (600 g)	5,19	3,39	53,10
Tang - Orange flavor crystals (276 g)	1,90	1,16	63,94
Tang - Orange flavor crystals (613 g)	5,09	3,66	39,29
Instant Pudding			
Jell-O (106 g)	1,49	0,99	50,51
Jell-O (113 g)	1,41	0,99	42,42
Jell-O (170 g)	1,84	1,52	20,51
Jelly Powder			
Jell-O (85 g)	1,01	0,59	71,19
Microwave Popping Corn			
Orville Redenbacher's (3 X 99 g)	4,15	2,16	92,38
Peanut Butter			
Kraft (500 g)	5,15	3,09	66,68
Skippy (500 g)	5,33	2,99	78,20
Squirrel (500 g)	5,03	2,86	76,21
Potato Chips			
Econochoice (170 g)	1,99	0,99	101,01
Humpty Dumpty - Doodles Cheese Sticks (190 g)	3,19	1,69	88,71
Humpty Dumpty - Doodles Cheese Sticks (320 g)	3,49	2,79	25,09
Humpty Dumpty - Regular Premium Chips (170 g)	3,14	1,49	110,50
Humpty Dumpty - Regular Premium Chips (340 g)	2,99	2,59	15,44
Pringles (190 g)	3,30	1,96	68,68

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<u>Secondary Food Product Categories</u> Characteristics of Products	(\$)	(\$)	(%)
21 - Non-alcoholic beverages			
Fruit Drinks			
Fruité - Drink (Grape) (2 litres)	3,62	2,09	73,43
McCain - Frozen Fruit Punch (Orange) (355 ml)	1,92	0,82	133,52
Sunny Delight - Citrus Beverage Florida Style (1,89 litres)	5,98	2,39	150,21
Sunny Delight - Citrus Beverage Florida Style (8 X 200 ml)	6,04	3,99	51,46
Soft Drinks			
Coke - Case (24 cans) (355 ml)	32,98	7,05	367,76
Coke (2 litres)	4,62	1,39	232,37
Pepsi - Case (24 cans) (355 ml)	32,83	7,05	365,70
Pepsi (2 litres)	5,20	1,39	273,81
Average	5,01	2,96	69,30

Table 2 - Comparison of the Monthly Rental Price of Social Housing in Relation with the Type of Accommodation and the Number of Bedrooms between Nunavik and the Québec City Area

Number of Bedrooms	Nunavik		Québec City Area ¹				
	Social Housing for income support recipients (\$)	Social housing for workers (\$)	L.C.H. (\$)	Rented apartments ²			
				Québec Basse-Ville, Vanier (\$)	Québec Des Rivières, Anc.-Lorette (\$)	Val-Bélair, St-Émile, Loretteville, etc. (\$)	Grand Beauport, Boischatel, Î. O. etc. (\$)
1 bedroom	112,00	146,00		378,00	420,00	466,00	369,00
2 bedrooms	162,00	210,00	284,75	455,00	520,00	578,00	442,00
3 bedrooms	195,00	285,00	284,75	512,00	562,00	550,00	495,00
4 bedrooms ³	199,00	323,00		528,00	668,00	654,00	538,00

Sources:

Rent price for social housing in Nunavik: data from the Municipal Housing Bureau, 1999;

Apartments in the Québec City Area: CMHC, Data on the monthly rent price of apartments in the Québec City Area, 1999.

L.C.H.: Denise Gilbert and Yves Bolduc, Société d'habitation du Québec, 1999.

Notes:

1 - Prices for the Quebec City Area, except for Low Cost Housing (L.C.H.) are average monthly rent prices for the designated zones of the table. Accordingly, some tenants in these accommodations are income support recipients and others are low income workers, but the proportions and respective rent prices for these two populations are not factored in the present calculations.

2 - The average monthly rent price consists of apartments leased both with and without heating and electricity costs included;

3 - The average monthly rent price of 4 bedroom apartments in the Québec City Area is calculated based on apartments of 4 bedrooms *and more*;

Table 3 - Comparison of the Monthly Rental Price of Corporate Housing in Relation with the Number of Bedrooms between Nunavik and the Québec City Area

Number of Bedrooms	Nunavik Corporate Housing (K.R.G., K.R.D.C., N.H.B.S.S.)			Québec City Area Rented Apartments ²			Difference between Nunavik and the Québec City Area (%)
	Rent (\$)	Monthly Taxable Amount ¹ (\$)	Total Monthly Rent (\$)	Québec Haute-Ville (\$)	Ste-Foy, Sillery, Cap-Rouge, St-Augustin (\$)	Average Monthly Rent (\$)	
1 bedroom	171,00	176,96	347,96	579,00	466,00	522,50	-33,4
2 bedrooms	214,00	154,51	368,51	663,00	578,00	620,50	-40,6
3 bedrooms	296,00	111,71	407,71	725,00	628,00	676,50	-39,7
4 bedrooms ³	340,00	88,74	428,74	821,00	673,00	747,00	-42,6

Sources:

Rent price for corporate housing in Nunavik: Kativik Regional Government, May 1997;

Apartments in the Québec City Area: CMHC, Data on the monthly rent price of apartments in the Québec City Area, 1999.

Notes:

1 - According to a taxation level of 52,2% (Provincial and Federal combined), consequent with a revenue of \$ 70 000 for 1999;

2 - The average monthly rent price consists of apartments leased both with and without heating and electricity costs included;

3 - The average monthly rent price of 4 bedroom apartments in the Québec City Area is calculated based on apartments of 4 bedrooms *and more*;

Table 4 - Comparison of the Monthly Operation Cost of a Private House in Nunavik and in the Québec City Area

	Nunavik ¹ (\$)	Québec City Area ²				Average Québec City Area (\$)	Difference between Nunavik and the Québec City Area (%)
		Québec Basse-Ville, Vanier (\$)	Québec Des Rivières, Anc.-Lorette (\$)	Val-Bélair, St-Émile, Loretteville, etc. (\$)	Grand Beauport, Boischâtel, Î. O. etc. (\$)		
Monthly Operation Cost	1 159	956	1 109	1 023	1 071	1 040	11,5

Calculation methods used for this price comparison:

1- This monthly operation cost is for a house of a \$ 185 000 value, for which the following factors are taken into consideration:

Purchase grant of 104 000 \$;

A 15 year mortgage with a 8,0 % interest rate and a 5 % payment;

Municipal taxes (75% subsidized), heating and electricity included.

2- Based on the average selling price of houses for each zone as calculated by the CMHC for the fourth quarter of 1999, the following costs were added:

A 15 year mortgage with a 8,0 % interest rate and a 5 % cash down;

Municipal taxes, established on an average taxation level for the Québec City Area;

Heating and electricity costs from the ministère de l'Énergie et des Ressources naturelles.

Table 5 - Price Comparison of the Purchase Cost of a New House between Nunavik and the Québec City Area

	Nunavik¹ (\$)	Quebec City Area² (\$)	Difference between Nunavik and the Québec City Area (%)
Purchase cost of a new house	81 000	87 632	-7,6

1 - The selected house for the comparison's needs has a value of \$ 185 000, from which is subtracted a purchase subsidy of \$ 104 000 (a typical grant for a household of 5 children with a yearly income of \$ 60 000). The resulting value is \$ 81 000.

2 - A reliable informant established a comparative selling price of \$ 90 000 in the Québec City Area for a similar \$ 190 000 new house in Nunavik. This comparison factor was applied to the original \$185 000 house the following way:

$$\$ 185\,000 \times \frac{\$ 90\,000}{\$ 190\,000} = \$ 87\,632$$

Table 6 - Comparison of Snowmobile Prices between Kuujjuaq and the Québec City Area
Polaris Snowmobiles

Model Number	Model Name	Kuujjuaq ¹			Québec City Area			Difference between Nunavik and the Québec City Area (%)
		Dealer's retail price (\$)	Taxes (\$)	Total price (\$)	Dealer's retail price (\$)	Taxes (\$)	Total price (\$)	
Popular models in Nunavik								
S00ST6BS	Trail Touring	7470,00	1005,17	8475,17	6895,00	1035,97	7930,97	6,86
S00ST4BS	Classic Touring	8025,00	1088,56	9113,56	7495,00	1126,12	8621,12	5,71
S00SU4BS	Indy Widetrack	9032,00	1239,86	10271,86	8595,00	1291,40	9886,40	3,90
S00ST6ES	Indy 600 Touring	9197,00	1264,65	10461,65	8795,00	1321,45	10116,45	3,41
Popular models in the Québec City Area								
S00ST6BS	Trail Touring	7470,00	1005,17	8475,17	6895,00	1035,97	7930,97	6,86
S00ST4BS	Classic Touring	8025,00	1088,56	9113,56	7495,00	1126,12	8621,12	5,71
S00SU4BS	Indy Widetrack	9032,00	1239,86	10271,86	8595,00	1291,40	9886,40	3,90
S00ST6ES	Indy 600 Touring	9197,00	1264,65	10461,65	8795,00	1321,45	10116,45	3,41
Other models								
S00LD3AS	Indy 340 Deluxe	5764,00	748,85	6512,85	4895,00	735,47	5630,47	15,67
S00LT3AS	Indy 340 Touring	5894,00	768,38	6662,38	5095,00	765,52	5860,52	13,68
S00SD5BS	Sport Touring	6750,00	896,99	7646,99	5995,00	900,75	6895,75	10,89
S00SR5BS	Indy Trail RMK	7627,00	1028,76	8655,76	6795,00	1020,95	7815,95	10,74
S00SB5BSA	Supersport Blue	6665,00	884,22	7549,22	5995,00	900,75	6895,75	9,48
S00SB6BS	Supersport White	6665,00	884,22	7549,22	5995,00	900,75	6895,75	9,48
S00SB4BS	Indy 500	7088,00	947,78	8035,78	6395,00	960,85	7355,85	9,24
S00SR5AS	Indy 500 RMK	8135,00	1105,09	9240,09	7395,00	1111,10	8506,10	8,63
S00SR6DS	Indy 600 RMK	8810,00	1206,51	10016,51	8095,00	1216,27	9311,27	7,57
S00SB5AS	Indy 500 XC	7731,00	1044,39	8775,39	7095,00	1066,02	8161,02	7,53
S00SR7AS	Indy 700 RMK	9312,00	1281,93	10593,93	8695,00	1306,42	10001,42	5,92
S00SB6AS	Indy Triumph	8443,00	1151,37	9594,37	7895,00	1186,22	9081,22	5,65
S00SD4BS	Indy 500 Classic	8020,00	1087,81	9107,81	7495,00	1126,12	8621,12	5,65
S00SP5CS	Indy 500 XC SP	8193,00	1113,80	9306,80	7695,00	1156,17	8851,17	5,15
S00SP6ES	Indy 600 XC SP	8777,00	1201,55	9978,55	8295,00	1246,32	9541,32	4,58
S00SP7AS	Indy 700 XC SP	8986,00	1232,95	10218,95	8495,00	1276,37	9771,37	4,58
S00SD6DS	Indy 600 XC Deluxe	8945,00	1226,79	10171,79	8495,00	1276,37	9771,37	4,10
S00SS7AS	Indy 700 SKS	9112,00	1251,88	10363,88	8695,00	1306,42	10001,42	3,62
S00SD7AS	Indy 700 XC Deluxe	9417,00	1297,71	10714,71	8995,00	1351,50	10346,50	3,56
S00SB8AS	Indy 800 XCR	10702,00	1490,78	12192,78	10595,00	1591,90	12186,90	0,05
099SU4DS	Indy Transport	7048,00	941,77	7989,77	—	—	—	—
Average		8072,32	1095,67	9167,99	7536,67	1132,38	8669,05	5,76

1 - The retail price in Kuujjuaq includes the transport fees, which are \$ 780 per snowmobile.

**Table 6 - Comparison of Snowmobile Prices between Kuujuaq and the Québec City Area
Yamaha Snowmobiles**

Model Number	Model Name	Kuujuaq ¹			Québec City Area			Difference between Nunavik and the Québec City Area (%)
		Dealer's retail price (\$)	Taxes (\$)	Total price (\$)	Dealer's retail price (\$)	Taxes (\$)	Total price (\$)	
Popular models in Nunavik								
BR250TD	Bravo Long Track	4716,00	591,38	5307,38	3750,00	563,44	4313,44	23,04
ET410TRD	Enticer 2	6508,00	860,63	7368,63	5750,00	863,94	6613,94	11,41
PZ500MLD	Moutain Lite 500	7255,00	972,87	8227,87	6595,00	990,90	7585,90	8,46
VK540ED	Viking 3	8583,00	1172,40	9755,40	8295,00	1246,32	9541,32	2,24
Popular models in the Québec City Area								
ET410TRD	Enticer 2	6508,00	860,63	7368,63	5750,00	863,94	6613,94	11,41
VT500XLD	Venture XL	7338,00	985,34	8323,34	6750,00	1014,19	7764,19	7,20
VT600D	Venture 600	9098,00	1249,78	10347,78	8695,00	1306,42	10001,42	3,46
SRX700SD	SRX 700	10544,00	1467,04	12011,04	10200,00	1532,55	11732,55	2,37
VK540ED	Viking 3	8583,00	1172,40	9755,40	8295,00	1246,32	9541,32	2,24
VT700D	Venture 700	10077,00	1396,87	11473,87	9800,00	1472,45	11272,45	1,79
Other models								
CS340ED	Ovation	5678,00	735,92	6413,92	4849,00	728,56	5577,56	15,00
PZ500D	Phazer 500	6425,00	848,16	7273,16	5695,00	855,67	6550,67	11,03
VX500D	Vmax 500	7338,00	985,34	8323,34	6695,00	1005,92	7700,92	8,08
VX500DXD	Vmax 500 Deluxe	7919,00	1072,63	8991,63	7300,00	1096,83	8396,83	7,08
SX500D	SX500-R	8002,00	1085,11	9087,11	7395,00	1111,10	8506,10	6,83
VT480TFD	Venture TF	7873,00	1065,72	8938,72	7295,00	1096,07	8391,07	6,53
VT500D	Venture 500	8293,00	1128,83	9421,83	7750,00	1164,44	8914,44	5,69
VX700D	Vmax 700	8832,00	1209,81	10041,81	8495,00	1276,37	9771,37	2,77
VX700DXD	Vmax 700 Deluxe	9330,00	1284,64	10614,64	9000,00	1352,25	10352,25	2,53
SX600D	SX600-R	8583,00	1172,40	9755,40	8295,00	1246,32	9541,32	2,24
VX600DXD	Vmax 600 Deluxe	8666,00	1184,87	9850,87	8395,00	1261,35	9656,35	2,01
SX700D	SX700-R	9164,00	1259,70	10423,70	8900,00	1337,23	10237,23	1,82
MM600PD	Mountain Max 600	—	—	—	7995,00	1201,25	9196,25	—
MM700PD	Mountain Max 700	—	—	—	8900,00	1337,23	10237,23	—
Average		8011,10	1086,47	9097,57	7581,55	1139,13	8720,67	4,32

1 - The retail price in Kuujuaq includes the transport fees, which are \$ 780 per snowmobile.

Table 7 - Comparison of Gasoline Price between Nunavik and the Québec City Area

	Nunavik¹ (\$)	Québec City Area² (\$)	Difference between Nunavik and the Québec City Area (%)
Unleaded Gasoline Pump Price (self-service)	0,98	0,57	71,9

1 - Average gasoline price in the 14 villages of Nunavik (11 FCNQ dealers and 3 Shell dealers)

2 - Average unleaded gasoline price (self-service) from January to December 1999, from Statistics Canada's *Consumer Price Index*, January 2000 (cat no. 62-001-XPB)

Table 8 - Comparison of the Hourly Rate for Mechanical Repairs in Kuujuuaq and in the Québec City Area

Vehicle Type	Kuujuuaq (\$)	Québec City Area		Difference between Kuujuuaq and the Québec City Area (%)
		Snowmobile Dealers ¹ (\$)	General Mechanics Garage (\$)	
Snowmobiles	38,00	44,00	—	-13,64
Trucks	48,00	—	53,00	-9,43

1 - Average hourly rate of 2 snowmobile dealers from the Québec City Area.

Table 9 - Price Comparison for Hunting and Fishing Gear between Nunavik and the Québec City Area

Article Categories Articles	Model Number	Nunavik		Québec City Area		Difference between Nunavik and the Québec City Area (%)
		Store 1 or 2 (\$)	Northern Catalogue ¹ (\$)	LeBaron Catalogue (\$)	Baron Sport Catalogue (\$)	
Fishing rods						
Zebco	202	15,99		8,63		85,28
Zebco	404	27,99		14,54		92,50
Lamps						
Coleman liquid combustible lantern	286A700T	85,99	82,39	68,94	68,99	22,08
Coleman fluorescent lantern (double tube)	5348H700		62,69	54,94		14,11
Chaufferette						
Coleman propane chaufferette Focus 3	5443-701C		56,79		39,99	42,01
Butane Propane Mix Camping Gaz						
220 g (7 3/4 ounces)	CV-270	5,49		5,72	5,47	-1,88
450 g (1 lb)	CV-470	5,99		7,27	6,99	-15,99
Flashlight						
Rayovac Sportsman (with 2 D batteries)		14,98			13,79	8,63
Fishing bait						
Williams Trophy II		6,89		4,99		38,08
Daredevil Klicker 1 oz	2616	7,89		5,13	5,22	52,46
Lucky Strike St-Laurent	186300	3,89			1,83	112,57
Sleeping bags						
Woods "Marksman 8" 42"X87" (-26° C)	798-7069		233,40		167,40	39,43
Boots						
Acton Igloo	5577-11	132,98		92,42	99,99	38,23
Average			50,70		37,63	34,75

1 - Shipping fees for Northern catalogue orders are included in the amounts shown in this column.

Table 10 - Price Comparison for Guns and Bullets between Nunavik and the Québec City Area

Article Categories Articles	Model Number	Nunavik		Québec City Area	Difference between Nunavik and the Québec City Area (%)
		Store 1 or 2 (\$)	Northern Catalogue ¹ (\$)	LeBaron Catalogue ² (\$)	
Rifles					
Remington 700 BDL 243			805,39	<i>682,45</i>	18,0%
Winchester 22 Hornet (45 Gr. Soft Point) 500 Centrefire Rifle Cartridge	X22H1	43,95		<i>27,36</i>	60,6%
Winchester Super X - 20 centerfine rifle cartridges - 303 British 180 Gr. Power Point (S.P.)	X303B1	20,50		<i>16,27</i>	26,0%
Winchester 80 Gr. Point Soft X-243 1 (20 shots)	X2431	20,95		<i>15,27</i>	37,2%
Shotguns					
Winchester Ranger Field, 12 gauge	1300	679,99		<i>329,94</i>	106,1%
Browning, Modèle auto-5, semi-automatique "Léger calibre 12 Invectro Plus"			905,99	<i>941,94</i>	-3,8%
Winchester Super X Drylok Super Steel - 12 gauge, 2 3/4 inches, Mag DR EQ, 1 1/8 oz, 2 steel shots - 25 shots (cartridges)	XS12	27,99		<i>15,94</i>	75,6%
Winchester Super X - Drylok Super Steel - 12 gauge, 2 3/4 inches, Mag. DR EQ, 1 1/8 ounces, 65 plated steel pellet, BBB steel shot	XSC12BBB	29,99		<i>18,99</i>	57,9%
Average			316,84	256,02	23,8%

1 - Shipping fees for Northern catalogue orders are included in the amounts shown in this column.

2 - Italics prices in the LeBaron column indicate information is from the 1998 catalogue.

Table 11 - Price Comparison of 26 Household Products in Nunavik and in the Québec City Area

Main Household Product Categories Secondary Household Product Categories Characteristics of Products	Price Average in Nunavik Grocery Stores (\$)	Price Average in the Québec City Area Grocery Stores (\$)	Difference between Nunavik and the Québec City Area (%)
23 - Cleaning Products			
Bleach			
Javex (3,6 litres)	5,39	1,76	207,10
Dishwashing Liquid			
Sunlight (500 ml)	3,02	1,89	60,04
Sunlight (950 ml)	4,86	2,45	98,56
Disinfecting Cleaner			
Comet (400 g)	2,09	0,98	113,81
Fabric Softener			
Bounce (40 sheets)	4,89	3,32	47,22
Bounce (80 sheets)	8,56	5,82	46,91
Glass Cleaner			
Johnson's - Windex Glass Cleaner with Amonia-D (765 ml)	5,36	3,58	49,95
Johnson's - Windex Glass Cleaner with Amonia-D (950 ml)	5,69	3,56	59,84
Powder Detergent			
ABC (1,2 kg)	5,14	3,39	51,62
ABC (2,2 kg)	10,03	5,29	89,58
ABC (3,3 kg)	17,86	6,69	166,92
Sunlight (4 litres)	8,77	4,36	101,33
Sunlight (12 litres)	23,49	9,59	144,94

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Main Household Product Categories Secondary Household Product Categories Characteristics of Products	Price Average in Nunavik Grocery Stores (\$)	Price Average in the Québec City Area Grocery Stores (\$)	Difference between Nunavik and the Québec City Area (%)
24 - Paper Products			
Aluminum Foil			
Alcan (25 feet)	2,88	1,54	86,69
Reynold's (25 feet)	3,92	1,69	132,15
Bathroom tissu			
Royale - Two-ply (192 extra long sheets per roll) (4 rolls)	4,07	2,49	63,32
Royale - Two-ply (192 extra long sheets per roll) (16 rolls)	12,69	6,49	95,53
Royale - Two-ply (192 extra long sheets per roll) (8 rolls)	6,75	3,79	78,10
Facial tissues			
Kleenex - 2 ply facial tissues (150 units)	2,07	1,29	60,35
Kleenex - 2 ply facial tissues (250 units)	4,90	1,99	146,23
Kleenex - Pocket packs (15 two-ply tissues) (8 packs)	3,15	2,26	39,59
Garbage bags			
Glad - Easy-tie (10 bags)	3,91	2,49	56,96
Glad - Kitchen Catcher's white garbage bags (12 bags)	2,18	1,36	60,52
Papertowels			
Bounty - 64 2 ply sheets per roll (2 units)	3,16	2,59	22,14
Bounty - 96 2 ply sheets per roll designs (2 units)	8,49	4,92	72,44
Table Napkins			
Hi-Dri - One-ply table napkins (150 units)	4,31	2,39	80,13
Average	6,45	3,38	90,57

Table 12 - Price Comparison of 13 Furniture and Household Appliances between Nunavik and in the Québec City Area

<u>Main Article Categories</u> Brand and Model	Size (Weight)	Nunavik			Québec City Area	Difference between Nunavik and the Québec City Area (%)
		Northern Catalogue (\$)	Transport (\$)	Total cost (\$)	Sears Catalogue (\$)	
Refrigerators						
GE 15.5 cu. Ft Refrigerator	60,25"H x 31"W x 29,5"D (239 lbs)	799,00	143,40	942,40		17,95
Kenmore 15,5 cu. Ft Refrigerator	59,75"H x 31"W x 29,5 "D				799,00	
GE 17,6 cu. Ft "Bottom Mount" Refrigerator	66,25"H x 31"W x 28" D (235 lbs)	1449,00	141,00	1590,00		22,31
Kenmore 17,6 cu. ft "Bottom Mount" Refrigerator	65,75"H x 31"W x 28" D				1299,99	
GE 20 cu. Ft "Side by Side" Refrigerator	67"H x 31,5"W x 30,25" D (300 lbs)	1599,00	180,00	1779,00		4,65
Kenmore 19,7 cu. ft "Side by Side" Refrigerator	67"H x 32"W x 31" D				1699,99	
Washers and driers						
Maytag "Colonne de lavage" "Full-size stacked Washer, Dryer"	73"H x 27,5"W x 27,5" D (340 lbs)	1599,00	204,00	1803,00	1599,99	12,69
Maytag Laveuse Neptune "Laundry team" Washer	43,75"H x 27"W x 28,5"D (190 lbs)	1749,00	114,00	1863,00	1779,99	4,66
Maytag Sécheuse Neptune "Laundry Team" Dryer	43,25"H x 27"W x 28,5"D (135 lbs)	799,00	81,00	880,00	849,99	3,53
Television sets						
RCA 13" Color TV	(25 lbs)	199,99	15,00	214,99	199,99	7,50
Sony 27" Trinitron Stereo TV	(83 lbs)	849,99	49,80	899,79	799,99	12,48
Sony 27" Stereo Color TV	(95 lbs)	999,99	57,00	1056,99	899,99	17,44
RCA 32" Stereo Television	(120 lbs)	899,99	72,00	971,99	849,99	14,35
RCA 32" Color TV with Picture in Picture	(120 lbs)	999,99	72,00	1071,99	999,99	7,20
Living room set						
Good quality Country Style living room set - Sofa Dynasty Furniture - Country Syle Sofa	82" x 35" x 34" (200 lbs)	699,00	120,00	819,00	499,99	63,80
Good quality Country Style living room set - Loveseat Dynasty Furniture - Country Syle Loveseat	60" x 35" x 34" (60 lbs)	349,00	36,00	385,00	469,99	-18,08
Average				1098,24	980,68	11,99

Table 13 - Price Comparison of 19 Personal Care Products in Nunavik and in the Québec City Area

Main Personal Care Product Categories Secondary Personal Care Product Categories Characteristics of Products	Price Average in Nunavik Grocery Stores (\$)	Price Average in the Québec City Area Grocery Stores (\$)	Difference between Nunavik and the Québec City Area (%)
22 - Baby Products			
Baby Oil			
Johnson's (414 ml)	5,11	3,49	46,35
Diapers			
Huggies - Ultratrim Diapers (36 diapers)	33,99	15,99	112,57
Pampers - Baby-Dry Jumbo (36 diapers)	29,71	15,99	85,80
25 - Hygiene Products			
Feminine Pads			
Always - Maxi pads (24 pads)	7,25	4,39	65,13
Always - Pantliners (48 liners)	6,61	4,24	55,80
Kotex - Maxi (24 pads)	7,75	4,39	76,54
Stayfree - Prima Ultra Thin Overnight (16 pads)	6,79	4,14	63,94
Stayfree - Ultra Thin Maxi (18 pads)	7,01	4,26	64,59
Mouthwash			
Scope (1 litre)	10,49	4,74	121,31
Soap Deodorant Bars			
Irish Spring (270 g)	3,50	2,19	60,00
Ivory (270 g)	2,09	1,29	62,06
Ivory (4 large size) (508 g)	4,09	2,44	67,62
Lever 2000 (2 X 95 g)	3,14	1,99	58,02
Tampons			
Tampax Tampons (Regular) (10 units)	4,05	2,99	35,61
Tampax Tampons (Regular) (20 units)	7,08	4,79	47,81
Toothpaste			
Aquafresh - Toothpaste Regular (75 ml)	1,91	1,14	67,88
Close-Up - Red Gel (100 ml)	1,83	1,09	68,15
Colgate - Regular (75 ml)	1,90	0,94	101,77
Crest - Toothpaste with Fluoristat (Regular) (75 ml)	2,06	1,06	94,83
Average	7,70	4,29	79,49

Table 14 - Price Comparison of 244 Food Products in the villages of Nunavik

Main Food Product Categories <u>Secondary Food Product Categories</u> Characteristics of Products	Inukjuak	Kangiqsuatujuaq	Kangirsuk	Kangirsujuaq	Kuujuuaq	Kuujuaraapik	Puvirnituq	Salluit	Umiujaq	Other Villages ¹	Average Village Price
	1 - Meat - Fresh or Frozen										
Beef											
Beef eye of round roast (Kg)					13,29						13,29
Lean ground beef "Family format" (Kg)					4,79						4,79
Lean ground beef (Kg)	7,62	7,92	8,87	7,61	8,25	7,80	7,62	7,62	7,77	7,79	7,89
T-bone steak (Kg)	26,76	27,17	27,61	26,80	13,69	24,31	27,59	26,24	26,55	26,34	25,30
Chicken											
Chicken breast boneless skinless (Kg)	15,32		13,92	14,39	16,99	16,00					15,32
Chicken drumsticks (Kg)		6,38	8,99		5,85	6,65	6,40	6,36	7,16	6,24	6,75
Chicken legs back on (Kg)		5,23			6,20				6,16	7,43	6,25
Chicken thighs (Kg)	6,36	6,49	6,49	8,02	6,36	6,36	6,36	7,17	6,35	6,36	6,63
Chicken whole grade "A" (Kg)	7,37	7,37	7,05	6,68	6,39	6,68	7,19	6,38	7,37	7,37	6,98
Pork											
Pork butt (Kg)	9,17	9,17			7,39	14,00	9,17	9,17	9,17	9,17	9,55
Pork loin chops (Kg)		11,05	13,50		12,01				11,57	12,81	12,18
2 - Fresh Fruit											
Apples											
Granny Smith (Kg)		4,07		3,83	3,58		3,35	4,99		3,00	3,80
MacIntosh (Kg)	3,32	2,44	2,85		3,14	2,05	3,45	2,03		2,69	2,75
Red Delicious (Kg)	3,77	3,91	4,99	4,48	3,89		3,34	3,34		3,52	3,90
Bananas											
Dole (Kg)	2,07	3,79	2,16	3,38	2,98	4,18	2,04	2,00	2,27	2,92	2,78
Grapes											
Green - seedless (Kg)	8,56	9,28		12,78	9,06		7,28	8,39			9,23
Green - with seeds (Kg)			12,60		8,57	10,28			9,50	9,56	10,10
Red - seedless (Kg)		5,67			3,38						4,53
Red - with seeds (Kg)	6,48	6,79	6,98			7,93	6,23	6,73	6,95	5,62	6,72
Oranges											
Oranges - Clementine (Kg)			7,18		5,43	5,99	5,18		3,85		5,53
Oranges - Tangerine (Kg)							5,19				5,19
Oranges (Kg)	3,80	2,57	4,27	4,00	3,35	3,76	3,30	3,07	2,39	2,90	3,34
Other Fruits											
Kiwis (Kg)	5,83	4,90	6,50	5,83	10,38	6,18	6,50	6,32	6,32	6,23	6,50
Plums (Kg)		3,79									3,79
Watermelon (Kg)						3,98			4,47	2,05	3,50

1 - Akulivik, Aupaluk, Ivujivik, Quaqtaq, Tasiujaq.

Table 14 - Price Comparison of 244 Food Products in the villages of Nunavik

Main Food Product Categories Secondary Food Product Categories Characteristics of Products	Inukjuak	Kangiqsuatujuaq	Kangirsuk	Kangirsujuaq	Kuujuaq	Kuujuaapik	Puvirnituq	Salluit	Umiujaq	Other Villages ¹	Average Village Price
3 - Fresh vegetables											
Carrots											
Bag (2 lbs)	2,97	2,47		2,89	1,66	2,19	1,68		2,56	1,12	2,19
Bag (5 lbs)	1,79		1,92	1,66			1,66			1,66	1,74
Mini-Carrots (454 g)	2,37	3,97	2,25	2,77	2,25	2,37	2,37	2,25		2,32	2,55
Celery											
Stalk (1 stalk)	2,23	2,30	2,60		2,21		2,40	2,92		1,61	2,32
Green Cabbage											
(Kg)	0,90	2,97	2,69	2,82	3,38	3,44	1,57	1,05		1,04	2,21
Green Peppers											
(Kg)	6,26	4,29		8,41	5,04	3,32	5,56	4,97	6,79		5,58
Lettuce											
Iceberg (1)	3,19	2,50	2,13	2,06	1,64	1,56	1,98	1,13	1,99	1,43	1,96
White onions											
Bag (2 lbs)	1,68	1,61	1,62	1,82	1,81	1,92	1,65	1,37	1,10	1,04	1,56
Bag (5 lbs)	1,79	1,79	1,79	1,79	1,79	1,79	1,79	1,79		1,79	1,79
White Potatoes											
Bag (10 lbs)	7,35	6,91	5,95	6,91	7,32	9,44	6,91	6,91	6,91	6,86	7,15
Bag (5 lbs)	4,35	5,63	3,34	3,80	3,99	4,35	4,75	4,55	3,99	3,57	4,23

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4 - Dairy products and eggs											
Butter											
Dallaire (454 g)	4,29			4,30		3,75		4,99		6,05	4,68
Econochoice (454 g)			3,89								3,89
Lakeland (454 g)					2,49						2,49
Multichoix (454 g)	5,43	5,43			5,43		5,43	5,43		5,43	5,43
Northern (454 g)	3,99	3,75	4,99	4,09	3,99	3,65	4,59	4,89	4,59		4,28
Pur Délice (454 g)	5,66	5,66	5,66	5,66	5,66		5,66		5,66	5,63	5,66
Zel (454 g)					3,98						3,98
Eggs											
Avibro - Large brown eggs (1 dozen)										3,39	3,39
Northern - Large (1 dozen)	3,19	3,25	2,99	3,29	2,59	2,59	3,09	2,99	3,05		3,00
Northern - Medium (1 dozen)		3,05			2,59	2,50		2,59			2,68
Nutri Œuf - Large (1 dozen)	3,14	3,14	3,39		3,04	2,79	3,14	3,14	3,14	3,24	3,13
Nutri Œuf - Large Brown (1 dozen)							3,39			3,39	3,39
Nutri Œuf - Medium (1 dozen)	2,95	2,95		2,95	3,14	2,55	2,95	2,95	2,95	3,01	2,93
Œufs D'or - Large Brown Eggs (1 dozen)	3,29										3,29
Evaporated Milk											
Carnation (385 ml)	1,90	1,98	1,94	1,64	2,02	1,71	1,94	1,99	2,08	1,94	1,91
Carnation (case) (12 x 385 ml)		21,99	22,72		21,48	20,28			24,96	23,04	22,41
Margarine											
Bece! (454 g)	4,75			2,79	2,87	3,69	4,19	3,77			3,68
Golden Girl (454 g)	2,51		2,51	2,51		2,21	2,51	2,51	2,51	2,52	2,47
Multichoix (454 g)	1,54	1,54	1,54	1,54		1,36	1,54	1,54	1,54	1,54	1,52
Milk 2 %											
Lactancia Pur Filter (1 litre)		2,89	2,89		2,39	2,99	2,69	2,89	2,70	2,62	2,76
Lactancia Pur Filter (2 litres)		5,79			4,51		5,45	5,59		4,65	5,20
Natrel Ultra Milk (1 litre)	2,78	2,78			2,78	2,46		2,78			2,72
Milk 3,25 %											
Lactancia Pur Filter (1 litre)		2,89	2,99		2,39		2,85	2,45	2,19		2,63
Lactancia Pur Filter (2 litres)		5,79	5,99		4,51		5,55	5,59	5,60	4,95	5,43
Natrel Ultra Milk (1 litre)	2,90	2,91			2,99	2,27					2,77
Partly skimmed milk 2%											
Grand Pré (1 litre)	2,49	2,49	2,49	2,49	1,99	2,49	2,49	2,49	2,49	2,44	2,44
Grand Pré (case) (12 x 1 litre)	28,38		28,39	29,88			29,88	29,88		28,41	29,14
Grand Pré (case) (24 x 1 litre)		59,76	29,88		31,04	28,69			24,96	59,76	39,01
Processed Cheese Slices											
Kraft Singles (16 slices) (500 g)	6,78	6,49		6,78		5,98	7,77	6,77	6,78	6,78	6,77
Kraft Singles (24 slices) (500 g)	6,25	7,49	7,39		6,82	6,19		7,39			6,92

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5 - Frozen Products											
Batter-coated weiners											
Pogo (4)	4,73	4,76	3,97	4,88	4,53	4,39	4,76	5,28	4,49	4,85	4,66
Chicken Wings											
Schneider's - Barbecue (908 g)	16,40	15,70	14,47	15,70	14,85	12,59	17,20	18,20		16,71	15,75
Fish & Chips											
Highliner (650 g)					5,10						5,10
Fish Sticks											
Highliner (700 g)	7,44	5,89			6,63	5,19			5,89	5,89	6,15
Frozen dinners											
Stouffer's - Chicken Chow Mein (241 g)						4,15	5,19	4,29			4,54
Stouffer's - Pastaria Lasagna Casserole (255 g)						7,49					7,49
Swanson - Fried Chicken (312 g)		5,49	5,99		4,79		4,65	6,19	6,29		5,57
Swanson - Hungry Man Fried Chicken (435 g)	6,49	6,69		6,39	6,65		6,49	6,74		6,49	6,56
Swanson - Hungry Man Salisbury Steak (425 g)	6,06	5,88		6,06	6,03		6,06	5,98		6,06	6,02
Frozen French Fries											
McCain - Supercrisps (1 kg)		4,02	4,51		3,69				3,91		4,03
McCain - Superfries (1,5 kg)		4,33					6,99			5,09	5,47
Frozen Pizzas											
McCain - Deep & Delicious Pepperoni (4) (410 g)	6,01	5,99	5,49	6,01	5,09	5,15	5,95	5,35		6,01	5,67
McCain - Pizza Pockets Pepperoni or Deluxe (400 g)		5,25	5,25	5,30	5,17	4,90	4,99		5,70	5,10	5,21
McCain - Pizza Premiere Deluxe (705 g)	10,18	10,34	9,69	10,18	8,97	9,49	10,09	9,99	10,18	10,12	9,92
Grilled Fillets											
Bluewater (215 g)					4,74	4,42					4,58
6 - Canned meat and meat preparations											
Luncheon meat											
Klik - "Our premium pork" (340 g)	4,08	3,98	4,08	3,93	3,54	3,68	4,03	4,01	4,03	4,08	3,94
Wieners											
Hygrade (450 g)					4,78						4,78
Maple Leaf (450 g)	5,24		4,33		4,39	4,17	5,24	4,72		4,77	4,69
Maple Lodge Farms (smoked chicken flavor) (450 g)			5,24			3,19				3,86	4,10
7 - Fish and other marine products											
Flaked white tuna in water											
Gold Seal (184 g)					2,64						2,64
Ocean's (184 g)	3,69				3,15			2,49			3,11
Sardines											
Brunswick - Canadian sardines in soya oil (106 g)	1,36	1,36	1,32	1,31	1,25	1,23	1,34	1,36	1,39	1,32	1,32

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8 - Bakery and other cereal products											
Baking Powder											
Blue Ribbon (225 g)	3,87	3,55	3,55	3,99	3,57	3,55	3,52	3,68	3,55	3,59	3,64
Blue Ribbon (450 g)	6,80	6,85	6,91		6,91	5,54	6,57	6,27	6,89	6,95	6,63
Magic (225 g)	4,48	4,24	4,24	4,04	3,91	3,82	4,47	4,44	4,39	4,34	4,23
Magic (450 g)	7,12	6,67	6,47	4,72	5,95	5,99	6,82	7,07	7,12	6,77	6,47
Barge Pilot Biscuits											
Paulin's (450 g)		4,52	4,79		4,64	4,06	4,49	4,59		4,37	4,49
Cookies											
Christie - Chips Ahoy! (400 g)	5,18	5,06	5,09	5,06	5,18	4,68	5,03	5,08	5,03	5,24	5,06
Christie - Favorites (450 g)	5,24	5,33	5,33	5,18	5,35	4,99	5,58	5,33	5,29	5,17	5,28
Christie - Pirate (400 g)	5,18		5,49	5,08	4,99	4,46	5,43	4,76	5,19	5,03	5,07
David - Strawberry Tarts (350 g)	3,78		3,78	3,89	4,37	4,49	3,78	3,78	3,78	3,78	3,94
Leclerc - Wafers (Strawberry or other) (400 g)	3,20	3,20	3,20	3,20	3,20		3,20	3,20	3,20	3,20	3,20
Crackers											
Christie - Premium Plus Crackers (225 g)					2,82	2,49			2,69		2,67
Christie - Premium Plus Crackers (450 g)	4,09	4,08	3,99	3,99	3,98	3,74	3,99	3,99	4,08	4,05	4,00
Christie - Ritz Crackers (250 g)	3,91	3,91	3,91	3,86	3,70	3,52	4,01	3,91	4,26	4,05	3,90
Christie - Ritz Crackers (450 g)	5,88	5,98	5,98	5,96	5,25	5,26	6,38	5,96	5,59	5,96	5,82
Pilot Biscuits											
Marven's - Flaky Pilot Biscuits (350 g)	4,06			4,06			4,01	4,03		4,06	4,04
Paulin's (825 g)	7,89	7,89		7,39	5,99				7,99		7,43
White Bread											
Auger (675 g)	2,28	2,28			2,28	2,01	2,28	2,28	2,28	2,28	2,25
Northern (570 g)	1,99	2,69	2,09	1,99	1,89	1,89	2,19	1,79	2,19		2,08
Pom (675 g)	2,63	2,63			2,63		2,63	2,63	2,63	2,63	2,63
Wonder (675 g)	2,69	2,69	3,19		2,64	2,45	2,79	2,99	3,19		2,83

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9 - Pasta products											
Macaroni											
Catelli (500 g)	2,34	2,09	2,34	2,04	1,99	1,82	2,04	2,04	2,07	2,10	2,09
Catelli (900 g)	3,79	3,28	4,14	3,28	3,64	3,45	3,28	3,28	3,28	3,28	3,47
Macaroni & cheese											
Italpasta (200 g)			1,29	0,89			1,66				1,28
Kraft - Kraft Dinner "Deluxe" (350 g)					3,50	3,79			3,99		3,76
Kraft - Kraft Dinner "The original" (225 g)	1,89	1,73	1,86	1,61	1,64	1,49	1,71	1,71	1,86	1,78	1,73
Multichoix (200 g)	0,98	0,89	0,98	0,98	0,98	0,86	0,98			0,96	0,95
Pasta in Sauce											
Betty Crocker - Hamburger Helper - Beef Noodle (200 g)	3,84	3,83	3,99	3,88	3,51	3,56	3,87	3,84	3,79	4,07	3,81
Chef Boyardee - Beefaroni (425 g)	2,57	2,57	2,57	2,52	2,34	2,28	2,25	2,22	3,24	2,37	2,49
Chef Boyardee - Beefaroni (850 g)	4,89				3,27	4,35			3,68	3,95	4,03
Heinz - Alpha-getti (398 ml)	1,99	2,04	1,99	2,14	1,89	1,80	1,59	1,99	1,94	1,74	1,91
Spaghetti											
Catelli (500 g)	2,94	2,09	2,34	2,39	1,99	1,79	1,99	1,99	2,24	2,11	2,19
Catelli (900 g)		3,99	4,14	3,28	3,47	3,38	3,28	3,28	3,74	3,09	3,51
10 - Cereal grains and other cereal products											
Cake Mix											
Betty Crocker - SuperMoist Cake Mix (510 g)	3,19	2,88	3,39	3,24	2,80	2,87	3,19	2,88	3,09	2,81	3,03
Duncan Hines - MoistDeluxe Cake Mix (515 g)	3,11	3,36	3,41	2,73	2,86	2,64	3,11	2,59	3,01	2,81	2,96
Cereals											
General Mills - Cheerios Cereals (300 g)	4,29	5,90	4,69		4,56	4,09	3,99			4,94	4,64
Kellogg's - Froot Loops Cereals (275 g)	4,95	5,01	5,15	4,75	4,75	4,41	5,25	5,01	4,85	4,94	4,91
Kellogg's - Variety Pack (275 g)	6,11	6,33	6,16	6,33	5,74	5,69	6,11	6,33	6,01	6,33	6,11
Post - Honey Comb Cereals (275 g)	4,99	4,69	5,29	4,99	4,59		4,89	4,99			4,92
Flour											
Five Roses - All-purpose Flour White (10 kg)	18,00	17,98	18,00	20,35	20,00		17,00	22,50	18,50	18,07	18,93
Five Roses - All-purpose Flour White (3,5 kg)	9,82	9,82	9,82	9,81	8,99	9,82	9,82	9,82	9,25	9,88	9,68
Five Roses - All-purpose Flour White (5 kg)	9,99	10,95	8,69		12,49		10,89	11,99	14,99	11,40	11,42
Northern - All-purpose Enriched Flour (10 kg)	31,99			16,99	16,99	24,99		17,99			21,79
Northern - All-purpose Enriched Flour (5 kg)	9,99	7,49			9,99	9,99		9,15	14,99		10,27
Instant Rice											
Dainty - Instant Flavor Rice (Beef, Chinese) (350 g)	2,70	2,40	2,70	2,50	2,15	2,46	2,40	2,70	2,69	2,30	2,50
Kraft - Minute Rice (350 g)	3,13	3,13	3,08	2,98	2,67	2,99	3,08	3,08	3,13	3,05	3,03
Kraft - Minute Rice (700 g)	5,79	7,41	5,39	5,38	5,41	5,07	5,64	5,38	5,69	5,49	5,66
Uncle Ben's - Instant Rice 5 minutes (700 g)	5,89	5,89	5,89	5,89	5,89	3,98	5,89		5,79	5,93	5,67

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	11 - Fruit Juice										
Juice											
Del Monte - Apple Juice (1 litre)						2,99					2,99
Oasis - Apple Juice (960 ml)	2,25	2,98	2,55	2,35	2,54	2,30	2,31	3,05	2,33	2,40	2,51
Juice Boxes											
McCain - Orange juice (juice box) (3 X 250 ml)	1,19	3,49	1,10	2,99	2,97	3,19	1,15	1,19	2,16	1,75	2,12
Rougemont - Juice Box (3 X 250 ml)						1,53			1,73		1,63
12 - Canned fruits and fruit preparations											
Apple Sauce											
Allen's (398 ml)							1,99				1,99
Mott's - Homestyle Apple Sauce (398 ml)	1,91	1,91		1,91			1,37	2,15		1,92	1,86
Mott's - Homestyle Apple Sauce (796 ml)		5,59			5,29	4,19					5,02
Multichoix (398 ml)	1,37	1,37	1,37	1,37	1,37	1,21	1,37	1,37	1,73	1,37	1,39
Fruit Cocktail											
Aylmer (796 ml)						3,99					3,99
Del Monte - Chunky Fruit Cocktail (zip-top can) (284 ml)	1,93		1,93	1,93		1,99	1,93	1,93		1,93	1,94
Multichoix (796 ml)	3,04	3,04	2,85	3,04	3,04		3,04	3,04		3,04	3,02
Fruit cups											
Del Monte - 4 cans (568 ml)	5,10	5,15	5,15	4,45	4,40	4,66	4,65	4,86	5,00	4,64	4,80
Multichoix - 4 cans (568 ml)	3,88	3,88	3,88	3,88	3,65	3,42	3,88	3,88	3,88	3,88	3,81
Mandarine Oranges											
Clover Leaf (284 ml)	2,01	2,01	2,00	2,01	1,86	1,88	2,01	2,01	2,01	1,96	1,98
Peaches											
Del Monte - Peach halves in light syrup (398 ml)	3,09	3,19	2,59		2,99	2,85	2,99		2,49	2,02	2,78
Del Monte - Sliced peaches (398 ml)		3,09	1,99	3,14	2,99	2,89	3,19	2,99	3,09	2,50	2,87
Strawberry Jam											
Habitant - Pure Strawberry Jam (250 ml)	2,90	2,90	4,60	2,90	2,76		2,90		2,90	2,90	3,10
Kraft - Pure Strawberry Jam (250 ml)	3,64	3,64	4,20	3,64	3,26	3,40	3,64	3,71	3,64	3,47	3,62
Kraft - Pure Strawberry Jam (500 ml)	6,38	6,13	6,49	6,49	6,10	5,86	6,79	5,87	6,68	6,08	6,29

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13 - Other vegetables and vegetable preparations											
Canned Stew											
Puritan - Corned Beef Hash (400 g)	3,46	3,39	3,56	3,51	3,30	3,46	3,36	3,41	3,41	3,56	3,44
Puritan - Irish Stew - Zip Top (420 g)					2,99						2,99
Puritan - Meatball Stew (680 g)	4,99	3,99	4,01	3,99	4,07	4,28	3,99		4,50	4,38	4,24
Kernel corn (Canada choice)											
Aylmer (540 ml)					2,99	2,49					2,74
Multichoix (540 ml)		1,44	1,44			1,21					1,36
Mashed potato flakes											
Camation (350 g)	3,16	3,16	3,21	3,06	2,87	2,88	3,11	3,21	3,11	3,13	3,09
Camation (500 g)	4,25	4,21	4,21	4,21	3,91	3,72	4,23	4,21	4,20	4,21	4,14
Peas "Canada choice"											
Aylmer (398 ml)	2,19					2,09	2,19	1,89			2,09
Del Monte (398 ml)	1,91	2,22	2,20	2,15	2,07	1,78	2,00	2,20	2,15	1,87	2,05
14 - Condiments, spices and vinegar											
Mayonnaise											
Kraft - Real Mayonnaise (500 ml)	4,64	5,07	4,64	4,64	5,11	4,37	4,67	4,87	5,27	4,59	4,78
Multichoix (500 ml)					2,99					2,67	2,83
Mustard											
French's - Prepared Mustard (250 ml)		2,23				1,89					2,06
French's - Prepared Mustard (500 ml)	2,61	2,71	2,61	3,10		2,72	2,61	2,71	2,71	2,68	2,72
French's - Prepared Mustard Squeezable (250 ml)	2,36	2,21	2,36	2,61	2,39	2,10	2,61	2,36	2,31	2,18	2,35
French's - Prepared Mustard Squeezable (500 ml)		4,39			2,99	3,65	5,25				4,07
Salad Dressing											
Kraft - Miracle Whip (1 litre)					8,79	7,79					8,29
Kraft - Miracle Whip (500 ml)	5,26	4,76	4,99	4,51	4,17	4,25	4,61	4,51	4,79	4,48	4,63
Multichoix (475 ml)	2,63	2,99		2,67	2,67	2,35	2,67	2,67		2,66	2,66
Tomato Ketchup											
Heinz (1 litre)	6,33	5,36	6,18	5,85	5,46	6,17	6,32	6,41	6,19	5,70	5,99
Heinz (375 ml)	3,45	3,43	3,47	3,01	2,80	3,08	2,88	3,01	3,09	2,90	3,11
Multichoix (1 litre)		2,89	2,89		2,89						2,89
15 - Sugar and sugar preparations											
Hot Chocolate Mix											
Camation - "Rich chocolate" (sachets) (10 x 28 g)	3,22	3,35	3,47	3,32	3,15	2,96	3,51	3,27		3,41	3,29
Natural Granulated Sugar											
Lantic (1 kg)	2,99		2,99	2,99	2,67	2,90	2,95	3,45	3,18		3,01
Lantic (2 kg)	4,37	4,10	4,17	4,07	4,22	4,25	4,22	4,25	4,59	4,45	4,27
Lantic (4 kg)	8,75	8,50	8,50	8,50	8,17	8,25	8,50	8,25	8,50	8,60	8,45
Popsicle											
Good Humor - Assorted Ice Pops (24 x 75 ml)			9,99			13,20	9,99		14,16	21,96	13,86

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Table 14 - Price Comparison of 244 Food Products in the villages of Nunavik

Main Food Product Categories Secondary Food Product Categories Characteristics of Products	Inukjuak	Kangiqsuatujuaq	Kangirsuk	Kangirsujuaq	Kuujuuaq	Kuujuaraapik	Puvirnituq	Salluit	Umiujaq	Other Villages ¹	Average Village Price
16 - Coffee and tea											
Ground Coffee											
Maxwell House - Original (300 g)				6,29				6,19		6,77	6,42
Maxwell House (300 g)	6,33	6,63	6,36	6,22	6,19	6,19	6,76	6,77	5,99	6,77	6,42
Multichoix (300 g)									4,53		4,53
Nabob Coffee co. (300 g)	6,63	6,77	6,59	6,22	6,45	5,97	6,77	6,60		6,83	6,54
Instant coffee											
Nescafé (100 g)	9,99	8,21	8,21	8,21	8,25	5,25	8,21	8,00	8,10	8,21	8,06
Nescafé (200 g)		10,49				7,99	11,35				9,94
Taster's choice (150 g)	12,84	12,84		12,84	9,05	11,33	12,42	12,84	11,59	12,84	12,07
Orange Pekoe Tea											
Red Rose (72 bags)	6,61	6,61	6,51	5,89	5,82	5,87	6,81	6,71	5,99	6,55	6,34
Salada (72 bags)	6,61	7,03	5,99	6,41	5,67	6,00	6,86	7,03	6,51	6,86	6,50
Tetley (72 bags)	6,51	6,38	7,03	6,62	6,00	5,79	7,01	6,75	5,99	6,44	6,45
17 - Fats and oils											
Shortening											
Crisco - All Vegetable shortening (454 g)	3,05	3,00	3,20	3,05	3,00	3,05	2,83	3,00	2,95	2,93	3,01
Tenderflake - Pure Lard (454 g)	2,65	2,65	2,70	2,54	2,35	2,50	2,20	2,55	2,65	2,68	2,54
Vegetable Oil											
Crisco (1 litre)	7,39			5,49	5,98		5,09	5,69			5,93
18 - Soup											
Canned Tomato Soup											
Aylmer (284 ml)			1,69	2,19	1,99	1,69			2,29		1,97
Campbell's (284 ml)	1,42	1,20	1,64	1,75	1,23	1,20	1,14	1,20	1,94	1,36	1,41
Dried Soup											
Lipton - Chicken noodle soup mix (2 pouches) (166 g)	2,67	2,41	2,62	2,64	2,22	2,36	2,57	2,55	2,49	2,62	2,51
Lipton - Chicken noodle soup mix (4 pouches) (338 g)	4,86	5,10		4,86	4,21	4,29	4,86	4,86		4,72	4,72
Lipton - Soupworks (110 g)		3,95	4,00		3,24					4,11	3,82
Instant noodles											
Gattuso - Instant snack in a cup (65 g)	1,58	1,27	1,54	1,54	1,33	1,39	1,58	1,58	1,50	1,57	1,49
Mr. Noodles (85 g)	0,49	0,57	0,92	0,54	0,44	1,19	0,57	0,55	1,39	0,54	0,72
Ramen (85 g)					1,09		0,59	0,59			0,76
19 - Infant or junior foods											
Baby food											
Heinz (128 ml)	1,21	1,21	1,21	1,20	1,01	1,04	1,19	1,21	1,36	1,21	1,18
Baby Formula											
Enfalac - "Ready-to-serve" Instant Formula (235 ml)	3,50	3,11	2,92	3,11	3,10	3,08	3,11			3,06	3,12
Enfalac - Infant Formula Liquid Concentrate (385 ml)	4,67	4,05	4,05	4,05	4,15	4,23	5,15	4,05		3,96	4,26
Enfalac - Instant Formula Powder (400 g)		14,17			12,25					14,10	13,51

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	20 - Other food preparations										
Coffee Whitener											
Carnation - Coffee Mate Coffee Whitener (250 g)	4,11	4,11	5,99	4,26	3,52	3,72	4,11	5,21	5,11	4,22	4,43
Carnation - Coffee Mate Coffee Whitener (500 g)	6,02	5,82	5,74	5,74	5,64	5,38	5,72	5,74	5,74	5,65	5,72
Northern (1 kg)	6,49	6,49		6,99	5,99	8,59	5,35				6,65
Northern (500 g)	4,39	4,39	4,49	3,99	4,29	4,05	4,39	4,39	4,79		4,35
Fruit Drink Crystals											
Kool-Aid - Sugar sweetened drink mix (135 g)	1,18	1,38	1,38	1,38	1,30	1,31	1,39	1,43	1,39	1,47	1,36
Kool-Aid - Sugar sweetened drink mix (600 g)		5,39			4,99						5,19
Northern - Strawberry drink crystals (500 g)		3,99	3,59		3,57		2,99		3,79		3,59
Tang - Orange flavor crystals (276 g)	2,09	1,68	1,67	1,84	2,00	1,64	2,05	1,67	2,34	1,82	1,88
Tang - Orange flavor crystals (613 g)	5,09	5,24	5,09	5,09	5,24	4,65	5,09	5,09	5,09	5,14	5,08
Instant Pudding											
Jell-O (106 g)					1,49						1,49
Jell-O (170 g)					1,57	2,37	2,40	1,98	1,39		1,94
Jelly Powder											
Jell-O (85 g)	1,06	1,01	1,01	1,16	0,92	0,90	1,11	1,19	1,01	0,95	1,03
Microwave Popping Corn											
Orville Redenbacher's (3 X 99 g)	4,13	3,96	4,49	4,28	4,04	3,94	4,48	3,96	4,49	4,00	4,18
Peanut Butter											
Golden Boy (500 g)	3,99			4,50	4,49	3,39					4,09
Kraft (500 g)	5,27	5,14	5,12	5,12	4,70	4,77	5,87	5,09	5,54	5,13	5,17
Multichoix (500 g)	3,09	3,09		3,09	3,09	2,73	3,09	3,09	3,09	3,16	3,06
Skippy (500 g)	5,67	5,45	5,43	5,45	4,70	4,09	6,08	5,22	5,45	5,35	5,29
Squirrel (500 g)	5,42	5,07	5,22	5,22	4,44	4,90	5,07	4,91	5,39	4,96	5,06
Potato Chips											
Econochoice (170 g)					1,99						1,99
Humpty Dumpty - Doodles Cheese Sticks (190 g)	2,82	2,75	3,99	2,99	2,99	2,99	3,12	3,39	2,99	4,50	3,25
Humpty Dumpty - Doodles Cheese Sticks (320 g)					3,99				2,99		3,49
Humpty Dumpty - Regular Premium Chips (170 g)	3,39	3,35	3,12	3,07	2,89	2,99	3,49	3,39	2,64	3,38	3,17
Humpty Dumpty - Regular Premium Chips (340 g)									2,99		2,99
Multichoix (170 g)	2,25	2,75		2,25	2,45	2,25	2,25	2,25		2,25	2,34
Pringles (190 g)	3,38	3,31		3,06	3,61		3,16	3,48	3,06	3,14	3,27

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21 - Non-alcoholic beverages											
Fruit Drinks											
Fruité - Drink (Grape) (2 litres)	3,43	3,43	4,22	3,44	3,80		3,54	3,43		3,43	3,59
McCain - Frozen Fruit Punch (Orange) (355 ml)	1,81	1,71	2,06	1,72	1,95		1,71	2,06		2,06	1,88
Sunny Delight - Citrus Beverage Florida Style (200 ml)	0,73	1,02			0,81		0,73	0,89	1,01	0,73	0,84
Sunny Delight - Citrus Beverage Florida Style (547 ml)	2,75	2,29			2,08						2,37
Soft Drinks											
Coke - 1 can (355 ml)	1,45	1,37	1,35	1,40	1,25	1,38	1,38	1,41	1,64	1,47	1,41
Coke - Case (24 cans) (355 ml)	32,76	32,88	32,10	33,36	29,88	30,48		33,36	32,49	35,59	32,54
Coke (2 litres)					4,50	4,99				4,50	4,66
Multichoix - 1 can (355 ml)	1,25						1,25	1,28			1,26
Multichoix (2 litres)	4,50						3,50				4,00
Northern - 1 can (355 ml)					1,00						1,00
Northern (2 litres)					5,99						5,99
Pepsi - 1 can (355 ml)	1,40	1,37	1,35	1,40	1,25	1,38	1,38	1,41	1,64	1,47	1,40
Pepsi - Case (24 cans) (355 ml)	30,29	32,88	32,10	33,36	29,88	30,48		33,36	32,49	35,59	32,27
Pepsi (2 litres)	4,50				5,00	4,99			6,99	4,50	5,20
Average	5,14	5,33	5,35	5,10	4,86	4,89	4,52	4,97	5,30	5,50	5,09
Comparison between villages (average = 100)	100,8	104,6	105,0	100,1	95,3	95,9	88,7	97,6	104,0	107,9	100,0

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Table 15 - Price Comparison of 23 Household Products in the villages of Nunavik

Main Household Product Categories Secondary Household Product Categories Characteristics of Products	Inukjuak	Kangiqsuallujuaq	Kangirsuk	Kangirsujuaq	Kuujuuaq	Kuujuaaraapik	Puvirmituq	Salluit	Umiujaq	Other Villages ¹	Average Village Price
23 - Cleaning Products											
Bleach											
Javex (1,8 litres)	3,90	2,81	2,81	2,81	3,98	5,49	3,23	3,19	2,99	3,68	3,49
Javex (3,6 litres)	6,90	4,80	4,80	4,73	5,81	6,96	4,80	4,80	4,99	4,74	5,33
Dishwashing Liquid											
Sunlight (500 ml)	3,49	3,16	3,41	2,76	3,35	2,84	2,83	2,76	3,39	2,80	3,08
Sunlight (950 ml)	5,48	4,76	4,76	4,76	4,83	4,88	4,76	4,76	5,99	4,43	4,94
Disinfecting Cleaner											
Comet (400 g)	2,09	2,19	2,19	2,54	1,91	1,99	2,05	2,29	2,19	1,62	2,11
Fabric Softener											
Bounce (25 sheets)	4,31	4,20	4,05	3,95	4,20	3,99	4,30	4,10	4,31	4,31	4,17
Bounce (40 sheets)	4,93	4,86	4,93	5,46	4,61	4,50	4,76	4,96	4,86	5,03	4,89
Glass Cleaner											
Johnson's - Windex Glass Cleaner with Amonia-D (765 ml)		4,90		5,41	5,54	5,89					5,44
Johnson's - Windex Glass Cleaner with Amonia-D (950 ml)		4,85				6,52					5,69
Powder Detergent											
ABC (2,2 kg)	11,79	8,78	9,05	8,78	10,89	8,78	8,78	10,42	10,52	10,31	9,81
Sunlight (2 litres)	4,32	4,71	4,32	4,54	4,66	4,65	4,31	4,32	4,39	4,32	4,45

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24 - Paper Products											
Aluminum Foil											
Reynold's (25 feet)	5,59	5,99	3,09		2,95	2,79	2,94	2,99	2,99	5,98	3,92
Bathroom tissu											
Dove - Two-ply tissu paper (192 sheets per roll) (4 rolls)	2,79	2,79		2,49	1,94	2,39	2,99		2,59		2,57
Dove - Two-ply tissu paper (192 sheets per roll) (8 rolls)		5,39		4,29	4,99	4,35	5,45		5,19		4,94
Royale - Two-ply (192 extra long sheets per roll) (12 rolls)	11,49				9,99	10,99					10,82
Royale - Two-ply (192 extra long sheets per roll) (4 rolls)	3,95	3,99			3,99	3,59		4,89	3,99		4,07
Royale - Two-ply (192 extra long sheets per roll) (8 rolls)	6,89				6,79	6,39		6,99	6,69		6,75
Facial tissues											
Kleenex - 2 ply facial tissues (150 units)	2,08	2,28	1,98	1,98	2,12	1,92	2,32	2,14	1,98	1,94	2,07
Kleenex - 2 ply facial tissues (300 units)				4,19	3,99						4,09
Kleenex - Pocket packs (15 two-ply tissues) (8 packs)					3,15						3,15
Garbage bags											
Glad - Easy-tie (10 bags)	4,18	4,08	4,28	3,78	3,36	3,56	3,78	4,03	3,99	3,97	3,90
Glad - Kitchen Catcher's white garbage bags (12 bags)	2,49	2,19		2,49	2,09	2,09	1,79	2,29			2,20
Table Napkins											
Hi-Dri - One-ply table napkins (150 units)					3,69	3,49	4,45	5,59			4,31
Average	5,10	4,26	4,14	4,06	4,49	4,67	3,97	4,41	4,44	4,43	4,40
Comparison between villages (average = 100)	116,0	96,9	94,2	92,3	102,2	106,2	90,3	100,2	101,0	100,7	100,0

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Table 16 - Price Comparison of 23 Personal Care Products in the villages of Nunavik

Main Personal Care Product Categories Secondary Personal Care Product Categories Characteristics of Products	Inukjuak	Kangiqsualujuq	Kangirsuk	Kangirsujuq	Kuujuuq	Kuujuaraapik	Puvirnituq	Salluit	Umjuq	Other Villages ¹	Average Village Price
22 - Baby Products											
Baby Oil											
Johnson's (414 ml)	5,19	5,29	5,69	5,49	4,45	4,99	5,99			3,77	5,11
Diapers											
Huggies - Ultratrim Diapers (24 diapers)		16,45			14,77	13,99				16,00	15,30
Pampers - Baby-dry (34 diapers)	15,97	15,95	15,95	13,42	12,98	15,95	15,95	15,92	15,25	15,96	15,33
25 - Hygiene Products											
Feminine Pads											
Always - Maxi pads (24 pads)	7,46	7,26	7,23	7,46	6,88	6,62	7,73	7,38	7,23	7,46	7,27
Always - Pantliners (48 liners)	6,99				4,99	6,59	6,99		7,47		6,61
Always - Thin Jumbo pack (36 pads)					11,29		14,99				13,14
Stayfree - Prima Ultra Thin Overnight (16 pads)	5,76			7,47	6,57	6,68	7,23				6,74
Stayfree - Ultra Thin Maxi (18 pads)		7,45			6,80	6,69		7,29			7,06
Stayfree - Ultra Thin Regular with Wings (20 pads)			7,47		6,45	6,71					6,88
Mouthwash											
Scope (710 ml)				7,29		6,15			6,99		6,81
Soap Deodorant Bars											
Coast (3 X 141 g)								4,89			4,89
Dove (2 large bars) (2 x 135 g)		5,47									5,47
Dove (2 x 135 g)						4,65					4,65
Irish Spring (260 g)					3,10						3,10
Irish Spring (270 g)	3,49	4,84	3,49		3,16	3,25	3,35	3,49	3,19	3,62	3,54
Ivory (270 g)	1,97			1,97		1,74	1,97	1,95		1,94	1,92
Ivory (4 large size) (508 g)					4,19	3,99					4,09
Lever 2000 (2 X 95 g)	2,99	4,29	3,18	3,13	2,93	2,84	3,36	3,18	3,13	3,11	3,21
Tampons											
Tampax Tampons (Regular) (10 units)	3,69	3,70	4,49	3,81	4,29	3,49	4,02	4,49	4,49	4,02	4,05
Tampax Tampons (Regular) (20 units)					6,49	6,38		7,99	7,46		7,08
Toothpaste											
Aquafresh - Toothpaste Regular (75 ml)	1,93	1,89		1,86	1,89	1,77	1,89	2,28		1,85	1,92
Crest - Toothpaste with Fluoristat (Regular) (3 X 170 ml)	11,09				8,99						10,04
Crest - Toothpaste with Fluoristat (Regular) (75 ml)	1,89	1,89	2,18		1,94	1,85	2,09	1,78	1,93	2,58	2,01
Average	5,70	6,77	6,21	5,77	6,23	5,80	6,30	5,51	6,35	6,03	6,07
Comparison between villages (average = 100)	94,0	111,6	102,4	95,1	102,7	95,5	103,8	90,9	104,6	99,4	100,0

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APPENDIXES

Appendix 1**Number of products in each of the main categories of the food price survey**

Main categories	N. of products
1 - Meat - Fresh or Frozen	11
2 - Fresh Fruit	14
3 - Fresh vegetables	11
4 - Dairy products and eggs	25
5 - Frozen Products	15
6 - Canned meat and meat preparations	4
7 - Fish and other marine products	4
8 - Bakery and other cereal products	19
9 - Pasta products	12
10 - Cereal grains and other cereal products	15
11 - Fruit Juice	4
12 - Canned fruits and fruit preparations	16
13 - Other vegetables and vegetable preparations	12
14 - Condiments, spices and vinegar	12
15 - Sugar and sugar preparations	5
16 - Coffee and tea	11
17 - Fats and oils	4
18 - Soup	8
19 - Infant or junior foods	4
20 - Other food preparations	25
21 - Non-alcoholic beverages	14
22 - Baby Products	3
23 - Cleaning Products	13
24 - Paper Products	16
25 - Hygiene Products	15
Total	292

Appendix 2

The Food Price Survey Form

Nunavik Comparative Price Index (NCPI)

FOOD PRICE SURVEY



Survey completed by: _____

Village: _____

Name of the store: _____

Date: _____

Questionnaire # _____

General Instructions

Introduce yourself to the Manager.

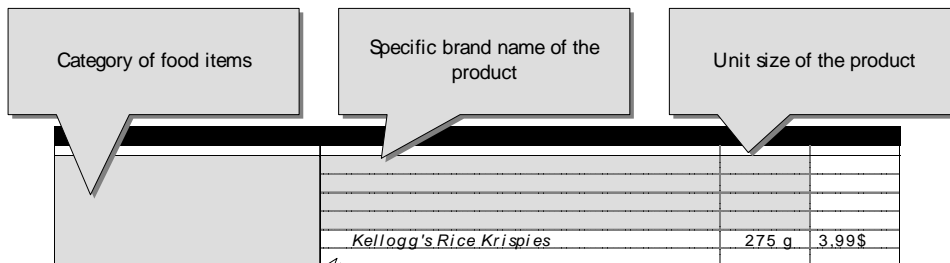
Take a shopping cart to put in the products that have no price tag or for which you could not find the price on the shelf, to bring to the cash to check the price.

Look around the store. Get a general idea of the way the products are organized.

Use a pen to fill out the questionnaire, and write only in the designated white spaces on the questionnaire.

When you are finished, bring back the items in the shopping cart.

How to complete the questionnaire



The brand name of the product

Find and write down as many prices of products that you can find in the store, following the item description and the brand name on the list.

If the product is missing...

First, find the same product, in a different size, and write it down in the white space available.

If you can't find the same article in a different size, you must identify a different product to replace it with. To do so, choose a product that is similar, in this case, a sweet cereal, by the same company (if possible), and in the smallest package available. Write down the brand name and a description of the product.

For example: if you did not find all of the cereals listed, write down another :
Kellogg's Rice Krispies.

It is important to write down as much information as possible.

Size

When you find the product on the list, write down the price that corresponds with the size mentioned on the list.

When you write down the price of the new replacement product, try to find one in the same size than on the list. If you cannot find the same size, write down the smallest one.

Price of the product

Write down the price of the product, by checking the brand name and the size (quantity) on the package or on the shelf.

Write in the regular price of the product, even if the product is on sale.

Put an X in the space when you can't find the price of the product.

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Nunavik Comparative Price Index (NCPI)
FOOD PRICE SURVEY

Meat - Fresh or Frozen				
ITEM	BRAND	WBGHT	SIZE	PRICE
Chicken	Chicken drumsticks		□ lb □ kg	\$
	Chicken thighs		□ lb □ kg	\$
	Chicken whole grade "A"		□ lb □ kg	\$
	Chicken breast boneless skinless		□ lb □ kg	\$
	Chicken legs back on		□ lb □ kg	\$
	Or:		□ lb □ kg	\$
Beef	Lean ground beef		□ lb □ kg	\$
	Lean ground beef "Family format"		□ lb □ kg	\$
	T-bone steak		□ lb □ kg	\$
	Beef eye of round roast		□ lb □ kg	\$
	Or:		□ lb □ kg	\$
	Or:		□ lb □ kg	\$
Pork	Pork loin chops		□ lb □ kg	\$
	Pork butt		□ lb □ kg	\$
	Or:		□ lb □ kg	\$
	Or:		□ lb □ kg	\$

Dairy products and eggs				
ITEM	BRAND	WBGHT	SIZE	PRICE
Milk 2 %	Lactancia Pur Filter		1 litre	\$
	Natrel Ultra Milk		1 litre	\$
	Or:		1 litre	\$
	Lactancia Pur Filter		2 litres	\$
	Natrel Ultra Milk		2 litres	\$
	Or:		2 litres	\$
Milk 3,25 %	Lactancia Pur Filter		1 litre	\$
	Natrel Ultra Milk		1 litre	\$
	Or:		1 litre	\$
	Lactancia Pur Filter		2 litres	\$
	Natrel Ultra Milk		2 litres	\$
	Or:		2 litres	\$
Butter	Northern		454 g	\$
	Dallaire		454 g	\$
	Multichoix		454 g	\$
	Pur Délice		454 g	\$
	Or:			\$
Processed Cheese Slices	Kraft Singles (16 slices)		500 g	\$
	Kraft Singles (24 slices)		500 g	\$
	Or:			\$
Partly skimmed milk 2%	Grand Pré		1 litre	\$
	Grand Pré (case)		24 x 1 litre	\$
	Or:			\$
Evaporated Milk	Carnation		385 ml	\$
	Carnation (case)		12 x 385 ml	\$
	Or:			\$
Eggs	Nutri Œuf - Medium		1 dozen	\$
	Northern - Medium		1 dozen	\$
	Nutri Œuf - Large		1 dozen	\$
	Northern - Large		1 dozen	\$
	Or:			\$
	Or:			\$
Margarine	Becel		454 g	\$
	Multichoix		454 g	\$
	Golden Girl		454 g	\$
	Or:			\$
	Or:			\$

Fresh Fruit				
ITEM	BRAND	WEIGHT	SIZE	PRICE
Bananas	Dole		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$
	Or:		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$
Apples	Red Delicious		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$
	MacIntosh		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$
	Granny Smith		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$
	Or:		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$
Grapes	Green - seedless		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$
	Green - with seeds		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$
	Red - seedless		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$
	Red - with seeds		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$
	Or:		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$
Oranges	Oranges		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$
	Oranges - Clementine		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$
	Oranges - Tangerine		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$
	Or:		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$
Other Fruits	Watermelon		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$
	Kiwis		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$
	Plums		<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg	\$

Fresh vegetables				
ITEM	BRAND	WEIGHT	SIZE	PRICE
White onions	Bag		2 lbs	\$
	Bag		5 lbs	\$
	Or:			\$
White Potatoes	Bag		5 lbs	\$
	Bag		10 lbs	\$
	Or:			\$
	Or:			\$
Lettuce	Iceberg		1	\$
	Or:			\$
Carrots	Bag		2 lbs	\$
	Bag		5 lbs	\$
	Mini-Carrots		183 g	\$
	Or:			\$
Celery	Stalk			\$
Green Cabbage	<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____			\$
Green Peppers	<input type="checkbox"/> lb <input type="checkbox"/> kg <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____			\$

Frozen Products				
ITEM	BRAND	WEIGHT	SIZE	PRICE
Fish Sticks	Highliner		700 g	\$
	Or:			\$
Fish & Chips	Highliner		650 g	\$
	Or:			\$
Grilled Fillets	Bluewater Seafoods		215 g	\$
	Or:			\$
Chicken Wings	Schneider's - Barbecue		908 g	\$
	Or:			\$
Batter-coated weiners	Pogo		7	\$
	Or:			\$
Frozen French Fries	McCain - Supercrisps		1 kg	\$
	McCain - Superfries		1,5 kg	\$
	Or:			\$
	Or:			\$
Frozen Pizzas	McCain - Pizza Premiere Deluxe		705 g	\$
	McCain - Deep & Delicious Pepperoni (4)		410 g	\$
	McCain - Pizza Pockets Pepperoni or Deluxe		400 g	\$
	Or:			\$
Or:			\$	

Frozen Products (continued)			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Frozen dinners	Stouffer's - Chicken Chow Mein	241 g	\$
	Stouffer's - Pastaria Lasagna Casserole	255 g	\$
	Stouffer's - Hungry Man Fried Chicken	g	\$
	Stouffer's - Hungry Man Salisbury Steak	g	\$
	Swanson - Fried Chicken	312 g	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Canned meat and meat preparations			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Wieners	Maple Lodge Farms (smoked chicken flavor)	450 g	\$
	Highgrade	400 g	\$
	Maple Leaf	450 g	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Luncheon meat	Klik - "Our premium pork"	340 g	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Fish and other marine products			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Sardines	Brunswick - Canadian sardines in soya oil	106 g	\$
	Or:		\$
Flaked white tuna in water	Ocean's	184 g	\$
	Multichoix	184 g	\$
	Clover Leaf	184 g	\$
	Gold Seal	184 g	\$
	Or:		\$
Bakery and other cereal products			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
White Bread	Northern	570 g	\$
	Wonder	675 g	\$
	Auger	675 g	\$
	Pom	675 g	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Cookies	Christie - Pirate	400 g	\$
	Christie - Favorites	450 g	\$
	Christie - Chips Ahoy!	400 g	\$
	David - Strawberry Tarts	350 g	\$
	Leclerc - Wafers (Strawberry or other)	400 g	\$
	Or:		\$
Crackers	Christie - Ritz Crackers	250 g	\$
	Christie - Ritz Crackers	450 g	\$
	Or:		\$
	Christie - Premium Plus Crackers	225 g	\$
	Christie - Premium Plus Crackers	450 g	\$
	Or:		\$
Barge Pilot Biscuits	Paulin's	450 g	\$
Or:		\$	
Pilot Biscuits	Paulin's	825 g	\$
Or:		\$	
Baking Powder	Magic	225 g	\$
	Magic	450 g	\$
	Blue Ribbon	225 g	\$
	Blue Ribbon	450 g	\$
	Or:		\$
Or:		\$	

Pasta products			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Macaroni	Catelli	500 g	\$
	Catelli	900 g	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Spaghetti	Catelli	500 g	\$
	Catelli	900 g	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Pasta in Sauce	Heinz - Alpha-getti	398 ml	\$
	Or:		\$
	Chef Boyardee - Beefaroni	425 g	\$
	Chef Boyardee - Beefaroni	850 g	\$
	Or:		\$
	Betty Crocker - Hamburger Helper - Beef Noodle	220 g	\$
	Or:		\$
Macaroni & cheese	Kraft - Kraft Dinner "The original"	225 g	\$
	Kraft - Kraft Dinner "Deluxe"	350 g	\$
	Multichoix	200 g	\$
	Italpasta	200 g	\$
	Or:		\$

Cereal grains and other cereal products			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Instant Rice	Kraft - Minute Rice	350 g	\$
	Kraft - Minute Rice	700 g	\$
	Uncle Ben's - Instant Rice 5 minutes	700 g	\$
	Dainty - Instant Flavor Rice (Beef, Chinese)	350 g	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Flour	Five Roses - All-purpose Flour White	3,5 kg	\$
	Five Roses - All-purpose Flour White	5 kg	\$
	Five Roses - All-purpose Flour White	10 kg	\$
	Northern - All-purpose Enriched Flour	5 kg	\$
	Northern - All-purpose Enriched Flour	10 kg	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Cereals	Kellogg's - Froot Loops Cereals	275 g	\$
	Post - Honey Comb Cereals	275 g	\$
	General Mills - Cheerios Cereals	300 g	\$
	Kellogg's - Variety Pack	275 g	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Cake Mix	Betty Crocker - SuperMoist Cake Mix	510 g	\$
	Duncan Hines - MoistDeluxe Cake Mix	515 g	\$
	Or:		\$

Fruit Juice			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Juice	Oasis - Apple Juice	960 ml	\$
	Del Monte - Apple Juice	1 litre	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Juice Boxes	McCain - Orange juice (juice box)	3 X 250 ml	\$
	Rougemont - Juice Box	3 X 250 ml	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$

Canned fruits and fruit preparations			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Strawberry Jam	Kraft - Pure Strawberry Jam	250 ml	\$
	Kraft - Pure Strawberry Jam	500 ml	\$
	Habitant - Pure Strawberry Jam	250 ml	\$
	Multichoix - Pure Strawberry Jam	250 ml	\$
	Or:		\$
Peaches	Del Monte - Peach halves in light syrup	398 ml	\$
	Del Monte - Sliced peaches	398 ml	\$
	Or:		\$
Fruit Cocktail	Del Monte - Chunky Fruit Cocktail (zip-top can)	284 ml	\$
	Aylmer's	796 ml	\$
	Multichoix	796 ml	\$
	Or:		\$
Mandarine Oranges	Clover Leaf	284 ml	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Apple Sauce	Mott's - Homestyle Apple Sauce	398 ml	\$
	Mott's - Homestyle Apple Sauce	796 ml	\$
	Allen's	398 ml	\$
	Multichoix	398 ml	\$
	Or:		\$
Fruit cups	Del Monte - 4 cans	568 ml	\$
	Multichoix - 4 cans	568 ml	\$
	Or:		\$

Other vegetables and vegetable preparations			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Mashed potato flakes	Camation	350 g	\$
	Camation	500 g	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Peas "Canada choice"	Aylmer	398 ml	\$
	Multichoix	398 ml	\$
	Ideal	398 ml	\$
	Del Monte	398 ml	\$
	Or:		\$
Kernel corn (Canada choice)	Aylmer	540 ml	\$
	Multichoix	540 ml	\$
	Green Giant - Niblets	398 ml	\$
	Or:		\$
Canned Stew	Puritan - Irish Stew - Zip Top	420 g	\$
	Puritan - Meatball Stew	680 g	\$
	Puritan - Corned Beef Hash	400 g	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$

Condiments, spices and vinegar			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Tomato Ketchup	Heinz	375 ml	\$
	Heinz	1 litre	\$
	Multichoix	1 litre	\$
	Or:		\$
Mayonnaise	Kraft - Real Mayonnaise	500 ml	\$
	Multichoix	500 ml	\$
	Or:		\$
Salad Dressing	Kraft - Miracle Whip	500 ml	\$
	Kraft - Miracle Whip	1 litre	\$
	Multichoix	475 ml	\$
	Or:		\$

Condiments, spices and vinegar (continued)			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Mustard	French's - Prepared Mustard	250 ml	\$
	French's - Prepared Mustard	500 ml	\$
	French's - Prepared Mustard Squeezable	250 ml	\$
	French's - Prepared Mustard Squeezable	500 ml	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$

Sugar and sugar preparations			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Natural Granulated Sugar	Lantic	1 kg	\$
	Lantic	2 kg	\$
	Lantic	4 kg	\$
	Or:		\$
Popsicle	Good Humor - Assorted Ice Pops	24 x 75 ml	\$
	Or:		\$
Hot Chocolate Mix	Carnation - Hot Chocolate Mix " Rich chocolate" (sachets)	10 x 28 g	\$
	Or:		\$

Coffee and tea			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Orange Pekoe Tea	Tetley	36 bags	\$
	Tetley	72 bags	\$
	Red Rose	72 bags	\$
	Salada	72 bags	\$
	Or:		\$
Instant coffee	Nescafé	100 g	\$
	Nescafé	200 g	\$
	Taster's choice	150 g	\$
	Multichoix	150 g	\$
	SuperC	200 g	\$
	Or:		\$
Ground Coffee	Maxwell House	300 g	\$
	Nabob Coffee co.	250 g	\$
	Or:		\$
Or:		\$	

Fats and oils			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Vegetable Oil	Crisco	1 litre	\$
	Crisco	2 litres	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Shortening	Tenderflake - Pure Lard	454 g	\$
	Crisco - All Vegetable shortening	454 g	\$
	Or:		\$

Soup			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Dried Soup	Lipton - Chicken noodle soup mix (2 pouches)	166 g	\$
	Lipton - Chicken noodle soup mix (4 pouches)	338 g	\$
	Lipton - Soupworks	110g	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Instant noodles	Gattuso - Instant snack in a cup	65 g	\$
	Mr. Noodles	85 g	\$
	Ramen	85 g	\$
	Or:		\$
Canned Tomato Soup	Aylmer	284 ml	\$
	Campbell's	284 ml	\$
	Or:		\$

Infant or junior foods			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Baby food	Heinz	128 ml	\$
	Or:		\$
Baby Formula	Enfalac - Infant Formula Liquid Concentrate	385 ml	\$
	Enfalac - "Ready-to-serve" Instant Formula	235 ml	\$
	Enfalac - Instant Formula Powder	400 g	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$

Other food preparations			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Peanut Butter	Kraft	500 g	\$
	Squirrel	500 g	\$
	Golden Boy	500 g	\$
	Multichoix	500 g	\$
	Skippy	500 g	\$
	Or:		\$
Coffee Whitener	Camation - Coffee Mate Coffee Whitener Substitute	250 g	\$
	Camation - Coffee Mate Coffee Whitener Substitute	500 g	\$
	Northern	500 g	\$
	Northern	1 kg	\$
Or:		\$	
Jelly Powder	J&J-O	85 g	\$
	Or:		\$
Instant Pudding	J&J-O	106 g	\$
	J&J-O	170 g	\$
Or:		\$	
Fruit Drink Crystals	Kool-Aid - Sugar sweetened drink mix	600 g	\$
	Kool-Aid - Sugar sweetened drink mix	135 g	\$
	Northern - Strawberry drink crystals	500 g	\$
	Tang - Orange flavor crystals	276 g	\$
	Tang - Orange flavor crystals	613 g	\$
	Or:		\$
Or:		\$	
Potato Chips	Pringles	190 g	\$
	Humpty Dumpty - Regular Premium Chips	170 g	\$
	Humpty Dumpty - Regular Premium Chips	340 g	\$
	Humpty Dumpty - Doodles Cheese Sticks	190 g	\$
	Humpty Dumpty - Doodles Cheese Sticks	320 g	\$
	Econochoice	170 g	\$
	Multichoix	170 g	\$
Or:		\$	
Or:		\$	
Microwave Popping Corn	Orville Redenbacher's	3 X 99 g	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$

Non-alcoholic beverages			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Soft Drinks	Pepsi	2 litres	\$
	Pepsi - 1 can	355 ml	\$
	Pepsi - Case (24 cans)	355 ml	\$
	Coke	2 litres	\$
	Coke - 1 can	355 ml	\$
	Coke - Case (24 cans)	355 ml	\$
	Northern	2 litres	\$
	Northern - 1 can	355 ml	\$
	Multichoix	2 litres	\$
	Multichoix - 1 can	355 ml	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$

Non-alcoholic beverages (continued)			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Fruit Drinks	McCain - Frozen Fruit Punch (Orange)	355 ml	\$
	Sunny Delight - Citrus Beverage Florida Style	200 ml	\$
	Sunny Delight - Citrus Beverage Florida Style	547 ml	\$
	Fruité - Drink (Grape)	2 litres	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Baby Products			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Diapers	Pampers - Baby-dry	34 diapers	\$
	Huggies - Ultratrim Diapers	24 diapers	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Baby Oil	Johnson's	414 ml	\$
	Or:	ml	\$
Cleaning Products			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Dishwashing Liquid	Sunlight	500 ml	\$
	Sunlight	950 ml	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Glass Cleaner	Johnson's - Windex Glass Cleaner with Amonia-D	765 ml	\$
	Johnson's - Windex Glass Cleaner with Amonia-D	950 ml	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Disinfecting Cleaner	Comet	400 g	\$
	Or:		\$
Fabric Softener	Bounce	25 sheets	\$
	Bounce	40 sheets	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Bleach	Javex	1,8 litres	\$
	Javex	3,6 litres	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Powder Detergent	Sunlight	2 litres	\$
	Sunlight	12 litres	\$
	ABC	2,2 kg	\$
	ABC	3,3 kg	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Paper Products			
ITEM	BRAND	SIZE	PRICE
Facial tissues	Kleenex Two-ply facial tissues	300 units	\$
	Kleenex Two-ply facial tissues	150 units	\$
	Kleenex - Pocket packs (15 two-ply tissues)	8 packs	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$
Table Napkins	Hi-Dri - One-ply table napkins	150 units	\$
	Or:		\$
Papertowels	Bounty - (96 two-ply sheets per roll) designs	2 units	\$
	Bounty - (64 two-ply sheets per roll)	2 units	\$
	Bounty - (64 two-ply sheets per roll)	6 units	\$
	Econochoice	2 units	\$
	Or:		\$
	Or:		\$

Appendix 3

Products eliminated from the data processing because of insufficient information

Form Number	Article	Price	Reason
2	Oranges	\$ 8,40	Missing quantity information
2	Watermelon	\$ 3,35	Missing quantity information
2	Kiwis	\$ 0,95	Missing quantity information
5	Red Delicious Apples - 1 bag	\$ 3,99	Bag weight unknown
6	Oranges – 1 bag	\$ 6,99	Bag weight unknown
9	Watermelon – 6 pieces	\$ 2,10	Weight of articles unknown
10	Macintosh Apples – 1 bag	\$ 4,49	Bag weight unknown
12	Watermelon – 5 pieces	\$ 2,12	Weight of articles unknown
13	Watermelon – 5 pieces	\$ 2,10	Weight of articles unknown
15	Mikel Fruitty Tray (Pears and Oranges)	\$ 1,84	Mixed articles, weight unknown
16	Macintosh Apples – 1 bag	\$ 3,86	Bag weight unknown
16	Oranges – 1 bag	\$ 4,86	Bag weight unknown
17	Golden Delicious Apples - 1 piece	\$ 0,49	Weight of article unknown
20	Golden Delicious Apples - 1 piece	\$ 0,56	Weight of article unknown
21	3 Red delicious & 3 Granny Smith	\$ 3,36	Mixed articles, weight unknown
22	Watermelon – 3 pieces	\$ 1,31	Weight of articles unknown
22	Large Spanish Onions - 2 pieces	\$ 2,00	Weight of article unknown
24	3 Granny Smith & 3 Red Delicious	\$ 3,15	Mixed articles, weight unknown
24	Pink Grapefruit – 1 piece	\$ 0,77	Weight of article unknown
24	Green Peppers – 1 piece	\$ 0,97	Weight of article unknown
26	Plums – 8 pieces	\$ 5,83	Weight of articles unknown

Appendix 4

Products eliminated from the data processing because of a significant price disparity

Form Number	Article	Weight / Quantity	Article price	Average price
1	Five Roses - All-purpose Flour White	5 kg	6,95	11,29 \$
2	Brunswick - Canadian sardines in soya oil	106 g	2,86	1,32 \$
2	Kraft - Kraft Dinner "Deluxe"	350 g	1,89	3,75 \$
2	Clover Leaf - Mandarin-Oranges	284 ml	0,95	1,96 \$
5	Clover Leaf - Flaked White Tuna in Water	170 g	1,99	3,52 \$
5	McCain - Orange Juice Box	3 x 250 ml	4,19	1,99 \$
5	Lipton - Chicken Noodle Soup Mix	338 g	2,59	4,77 \$
5	Javex - Bleach	3,6 l	12,99	5,45 \$
5	Econochoice – Paper Towels	2 rolls	4,79	1,73 \$
6	Carrots – bag	2 lb	3,49	1,83 \$
6	Milk - Lactancia – Pür Filter	2 litres	2,99	5,20 \$
6	Becel - Margarine	454 g	6,49	3,69 \$
6	Golden Girl - Margarine	454 g	6,49	2,69 \$
6	Javex - Bleach	1,8 l	6,49	5,01 \$
6	Dove - Two-ply bathroom tissu paper (192 sheets per roll)	8 rolls	16,49	4,84 \$
6	Aquafresh - Toothpaste Regular	75 ml	3,79	1,94 \$
9	Pepsi - Case (24 cans)	355 ml	13,49	33,56 \$
9	Coke - Case (24 cans)	355 ml	13,49	33,73 \$
10	Other Fruits – Kiwis	\$ / Kg	11,43	6,08 \$
11	Javex - Bleach	3,6 l	10,89	5,01 \$
11	Carnation - Coffee Mate Coffee Whitener Substitute	500 g	11,79	5,48 \$
11	Carrots - bag	5 lb	4,59	1,75 \$
11	Bananas - Dole	\$ / Kg	5,21	2,66 \$
12	Kraft - Minute Rice	350 g	5,67	2,89 \$
12	Good Humor - Assorted Ice Pops	24 x 75 ml	6,55	12,20 \$
14	Carnation - Coffee Mate Coffee Whitener Substitute	500 g	10,49	5,48 \$
14	Northern - All-purpose Enriched Flour	5 kg	5,99	10,32 \$
14	Javex - Bleach	1,8 l	6,39	3,47 \$
17	Chef Boyardee – Beefaroni	850 g	7,65	3,56 \$
17	Dishwashing liquid – Sunlight	500 ml	5,19	2,86 \$
17	Bananas – Dole	\$ / Kg	8,96	2,66 \$
18	Bananas – Dole	\$ / Kg	7,22	2,66 \$
18	Other Fruits – Kiwis	\$ / Kg	12,33	6,08 \$
21	Golden Girl - Margarine	454 g	4,81	2,48 \$
22	Jell-O	170 g	3,32	1,72 \$
22	Tang - Orange flavour crystals	276 g	5,49	1,80 \$
25	Reynold's – Aluminium Foil	25 feet	2,24	4,05 \$
25	Tampax Tampax (Regular)	20 units	2,89	7,28 \$

Exceptions: Cabbage, bags of Onions and instant noodles "Mr. Noodles", for which the price evidently varied according to grocery chains instead of between villages, these articles were included in the data processing.