

# **Budgeting activity tracker**

Track your spending to learn how much money you could find to save each month.

FOR MONTH OF:

Finding extra money to save becomes easier when you know exactly what you're spending each month. As a rule of thumb, your essential expenses (things you need to have) should not exceed 50% of your take-home pay. See how you're doing by filling out your average monthly expenses and income below (in local currency).

ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME	MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD TAKE-HOME PAY
MONTHLY ESSENTIAL EXPENSES (THINGS YOU NEED TO HAVE)	<b>1 Tip:</b> You may want to review bank and credit card statements.
Housing	Prescriptions
Mortgage	Excess
Rent	Other
Property/Council Tax	HEALTHCARE SUBTOTAL
Home Insurance	<b>TIP:</b> If you only have annual costs for healthcare, that's OK. Simply add them up and divide by 12 to get your monthly figure.
Electricity	Transport
Water	Car Loan or Lease Payment
Gas	Car Insurance
Internet / TV	Registration / Tax
Phone / Mobile	Routine Maintenance
Other	Petrol
HOUSING SUBTOTAL	Taxis / Buses / Subway etc.
Groceries	Other
Food	TRANSPORT SUBTOTAL
Other	Debt & Monthly Obligations
FOOD SUBTOTAL	Credit Card Debt (recurring payment plan)
Healthcare	Student Loans
Insurance Premiums	Loans, Taxes, Borrowing
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Alimony & Other Obligations

Other

DEBT & MONTHLY OBLIGATIONS SUBTOTAL

## **Child & Dependent Care**

Support for Children (eg. daycare)

Support for Parent(s) / Grandparent(s)

Other Obligations

CHILD & DEPENDENT CARE SUBTOTAL

TOTAL MONTHLY ESSENTIAL EXPENSES

**TIP:** Your essential expenses should not exceed 50% of your take-home pay.

#### MONTHLY DISCRETIONARY EXPENSES (THINGS YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE)

### **Personal Care**

Hair, Cosmetics etc.

Clothing

Dry Cleaning

Other

PERSONAL CARE SUBTOTAL

#### Gifts

Gifts (such as birthdays, holidays etc.)

Charitable Donations

Other

**GIFTS SUBTOTAL** 

**Recreational** 

**Travel and Vacations** 

Club Memberships (eg. gym)

Hobbies

Other

**RECREATIONAL SUBTOTAL** 

**Entertainment** 

Cinema/Theatre/Sports Events

Dining Out

Other

**ENTERTAINMENT SUBTOTAL** 

TOTAL MONTHLY DISCRETIONARY EXPENSES

**Tip:** Since discretionary expenses are nice-to-haves, tough choices here could benefit your bottom line.

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TOTAL MONTHLY ESSENTIAL EXPENSES

TOTAL MONTHLY DISCRETIONARY EXPENSES

TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSES

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