Minimum costs of running a home - a basic guide

Minimum Use - per week	1 Bed	2 Bed Flat	2 Bed house	3 Bed House	4 Bed House
	Flat				
Rent *	£77.00	£85.00	£95.00	£105.00	£113.00
Council Tax * - based on band A, B,	£19.00	£19.00	£19.00	£23.00	£26.00
or C - check local authority for					
actual banding information					
Gas & Electric	£15	£20	£25	£30	£35
Water #	£7	£8	£8	£9	£10
TV licence	£2.80	£2.80	£2.80	£2.80	£2.80
Food & cleaning per person	£25	£50	£75	£100	£125
Contents Insurance >	£0.84	£0.84	£1.25	£1.58	£1.58
Mobile Phone	£2.80	£2.80	£5.60	£7.00	£9.50
Totals	£149.44	£188.44	£231.65	£278.38	£322.88

Minimum Use - per month	1 Bed Flat	2 Bed Flat	2 Bed house	3 Bed House	4 Bed House
Rent *	£333.67	£368.33	£411.67	£455.00	£489.67
Council Tax * - based on band A, B, or C - check local authority for actual banding information	£82.33	£82.33	£82.33	£99.67	£112.67
Gas & Electric	£65.00	£86.67	£108.33	£130.00	£151.67
Water #	£30.33	£34.67	£34.67	£39.00	£43.33
TV licence	£12.13	£12.13	£12.13	£12.13	£12.13
Food & cleaning per person	£108.33	£216.67	£325.00	£433.33	£541.67
Contents Insurance >	£3.09	£3.09	£5.42	£6.85	£6.85
Mobile Phone	£12.13	£12.13	£24.27	£30.33	£41.17
Totals	£647.57	£816.57	£1,003.82	£1,206.31	£1,399.15

Please Note the following:

These figures assume bill based on rateable value - do not reflect charges by water meter, which will vary by volume of water used.

> Basic sum insured of £9000, £15000, £20000; figures from Thistle Tenants & Residents Home Contents scheme

Mobile Phone - based on 1, 2, 3 or 4 mobiles, all on a basic tariff.

All the figures above are estimates; your actual costs will vary depending on things like where you live, who you get gas / electricity from, how you use your supply. They do not include entertainments, clothes, holidays etc.