



# Household- Budget Survey

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The Budget Survey is an indispensable source for figures on household expenditure in the Netherlands. Statistics Netherlands can use the results to determine how much more expensive life becomes in the Netherlands and how prosperity develops for different groups, such as families with young children, people living alone or the elderly. The National Institute for Budget Information (NIBUD) uses the results to provide information on money matters.

## What do we ask of you?

We ask you to record for one week all private expenditures on the products and services of your household, including any children living at home. For example, expenses in the supermarket, clothing stores, petrol stations, restaurants, at the market or at the hairdresser's. And of course a cup of coffee or ice cream on the terrace. Do you buy products online or abroad? These expenditures you also need to list in the app.

Fixed costs such as mortgage, rent, gas, water and electricity, monthly telephone bills and insurance do not need to be noted down.

## How do you record the expenses?

You add the expenses per day in the app. This can be done in two ways:

1. Manual entry: You note per store or seller the purchase date, all products and services such as a visit to the hairdresser and the price of each product or service.

2. Take a picture of the receipt: using the app, you can take a picture of the receipt. You only have to fill in where you bought something, on what date, the total amount of the receipt and the type of products, for example 'foodstuffs' or 'clothing'. The details of the receipt will be processed by us at the end of the survey.

No expenses one day? For the research it is also important to know that you did not buy a product or service for one day. You can indicate this in the app.

## How much time does it take you?

Previous research has shown surprisingly little. Because of the possibility to take pictures of receipts, it will cost you a few minutes per day.

## What do you get from us?

If you complete the survey, you will receive a gift card worth 30 euros at the end. The app also provides you with a clear overview of all your completed expenses.

