

# EXPENSES



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Expenses are one of the most important items, which have to be taken into the account, when planning an investment. It is important for an investor to have an overview of the particular costs that are connected to starting an entrepreneurship and living in Slovakia. Thus, an investment does not contain only direct costs, such as purchasing equity or the costs of its reconstruction, but also indirect costs, such as setting up or buying a company, maintenance, employee wages and others that result from everyday living.

## Costs of entrepreneurship

### 1 Costs of setting-up a company

According to the Slovak Commercial Code, there are four kinds of companies recognized: Limited Liability Company, joint-stock company, limited partnership and unlimited partnerships. However, the two most used are a limited liability company and a joint-stock company. Expenses, which are connected to the setting-up of the most common company types, are following:

#### 1.1 Law firm fees for setting-up of a new company

Type of company	Fee/EUR
limited liability company	500–1,000
joint-stock company	1,000–2,000

Source: SARIO, 2011

#### 1.2 Additional obligatory fees

Limited liability company	Fee/EUR
Minimal registered capital	331.5
Trade license register	3
Document and signature attestation	1.33 or 1.99
Notary services	1.99 per each page of the document attested 165.97 for general meeting notes attestation
Fees for official translations (if applicable)	20–80/page

Joint stock company	Fee/EUR
Central depository registration	$99.58 + (0.10 \times \text{nominal value}/331.94) \times \text{number of shares}$ <i>maximum fee is 6638,78</i>
Notary services	1.99 per each page of the document attested 165.97 for general meeting notes attestation

Minimal registered capital for Limited liability company is 331.5 EUR.

Minimal registered capital for Joint Stock company is 829.5 EUR.

Source: SARIO, 2011

#### 1.3 Opening a bank account

The most common type of account that you can open as a natural person or legal entity is a **current account**. Various banks offer several "packages" for a current bank account, which are intended for natural persons or legal entities. With these packages come various costs and services. What this type of accounts has in common is that you can deposit and withdraw finances continuously, without any time constraints. For setting up a current account for your company, you will need the company's register extract and identification documents.

## Price list of selected current account packages and operations

Packages, current accounts	Prices/EUR
<b>Basic Package</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>current account keeping in EUR</li> <li>one account statement distributed by mail in SR</li> <li>fixed date account</li> <li>inland payment operations 20 times*</li> <li>international payment card Maestro</li> <li>making accounts available through Internet banking</li> </ul>	3.29 / per month
<b>Bonus Package</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>current account keeping in EUR</li> <li>one account statement distributed by mail in SR</li> <li>progressive interest on a current account</li> <li>fixed date account</li> <li>inland payment operations 75 times*</li> <li>international payment cards 2x Maestro</li> <li>making accounts available through Internet banking</li> <li>MultiCash - software activation</li> <li>an option to purchase additional debit payment cards, Maestro, with a 50% discount</li> </ul>	11.11 / per month

\*A prepaid amount of inland payment operations in Mini and Basic packages includes: electronic and written payment orders, collecting and standing orders. For Economy, Bonus and Optimum packages: electronic payment orders. Source: UniCredit Bank Slovakia, a. s., [www.unicreditbank.sk](http://www.unicreditbank.sk), 2011

## 2 Costs of the company's maintenance and administration

Expenses connected to the administration of a company according to its location are the following:

### 2.1 Prices for rent

Offices	
Region	Price/EUR/m <sup>2</sup> /year
Bratislava	120 - 150
Trnava	90 - 110
Trenčín	55-110
Nitra	70 - 110
Žilina	53 - 100
Banská Bystrica	66 - 133
Košice	55 - 120
Prešov	50 - 100

Source: SARIO, 2011

Industrial halls	
Region	Price/EUR/m <sup>2</sup> /
Bratislava	35 - 60
Trnava	25 - 60
Trenčín	25 - 55
Nitra	25 - 60
Žilina	15 - 50
Banská Bystrica	31 - 74
Košice	40 - 65
Prešov	25 - 45

Source: SARIO, 2011

## 2.2 Prices for a purchase

Industrial halls	
Region	Price/EUR/m <sup>2</sup>
Bratislava	350 - 700
Trnava	250 - 450
Trenčín	230 - 550
Nitra	200 - 650
Žilina	230 - 650
Banská Bystrica	217 - 655
Košice	350 - 650
Prešov	300 - 600

Source: SARIO, 2010

## 2.3 Prices of water and sewage systems in 2011

There are several water companies operating in Slovakia, each of which supplies a certain area of Slovakia's territory.

Region	Water/EUR/m <sup>3</sup> (excl. 20% VAT)	Distribution/EUR/m <sup>3</sup> (excl. 20% VAT)	Sewage/EUR/m <sup>3</sup> (excl. 20% VAT)
Bratislava and surroundings	0.8964	0.6274	0.8625
Trnava and surroundings	0.6879	0.5741	0.9422
Trenčín and surroundings	0.8929	0.5477	0.9416
Nitra and surroundings	1.0	0.6622	0.7685
Žilina and surroundings	0.7495	0.3764	0.8640
Banská Bystrica and surroundings	0.9693	0.6307	0.9625
Košice and Prešov regions	1.2415	0.7502	0.8326

Source: respective water companies, 2011

## 2.4 Prices of electricity in 2011

The electricity market in Slovakia is fully liberalized. Allows very rapid and flexible switching of electricity suppliers (and other energies as well) for end users – households and entrepreneurs. Price paid by end consumers consists of several items. Generally you can divide all fees into 2 categories: price for electricity and for distribution. But as end consumer you can only negotiate with electricity supplier on the price for the electricity as all other fees are stated by the Regulatory Office for Network Industries.

### Západoslovenská energetika, a.s. (ZSE)

Západoslovenská energetika, a.s. supplies electric power via its own distribution networks in the western part of Slovakia: Bratislava region, Trnava region, Trenčín region and Nitra region.

### Stredoslovenská energetika, a.s. (SSE)

Stredoslovenská energetika, a.s. operates in the central part of Slovakia: Žilina region, Banská Bystrica region and a part of the Trenčín region.

### Východoslovenská energetika, a.s. (VSE)

Východoslovenská energetika, a.s. operates in the eastern part of Slovakia: Košice region, Prešov region and a part of Banská Bystrica region.

### Electricity prices-small industrial users

Supplier	Tariff*	Supply/EUR/kWh (excl. 20% VAT)	Distribution/EUR/kWh (excl. 20% VAT)
ZSE	High	0.0893	0.0455 – 0.0762
	Low	0.0602	0.0266 – 0.02974
SSE	High	0.07577 – 0.08967	0.0754 - 0.1118
	Low	0.04117 – 0.05757	0.0374 - 0.0467
VSE	High	0.0647 - 0.0785	0.0217 - 0.0817
	Low	0.0446 - 0.0662	0.0081 - 0.0344

Source: ZSE – [www.zse.sk](http://www.zse.sk); SSE – [www.sse.sk](http://www.sse.sk); VSE – [www.vse.sk](http://www.vse.sk); 2011

\* Please note that the electricity prices are approximate, variable and depend on your individual needs, preferences and the agreement you make with the energy company. Companies offer different packages with various prices. Some packages contain only a high rate – the rate is the same year-round and all day long. Some packages contain a dual rate – high rate (mainly during working times) and a low rate (mainly during the evenings and at weekends - however, the times of the low rate are specified in more detail in the packages).

These tariffs only describe the supply and distribution of the energy for EUR/kWh. However, to these costs, you must add other costs that are also determined by the company, e.g. a fixed monthly cost for the point of supply or a monthly cost for the type of circuit breaker.

## 2.5 Prices of gas in 2011

Gas prices are composed from a fixed monthly rate and variable rate for the consumed gas. There are four tariff types for small commercial companies and organisations:

**M1:** The tariff is suitable for off-take points, whose off-take the quantity for 12 consecutive calendar months, which amounts to the range from 0 to 2 110 kWh, (approximately from 0 to 200 m<sup>3</sup> inclusive).

Rates of the tariff type M1	Price/EUR (excl. 20% VAT)
Fixed monthly rate (EUR/month)	2.86
Rate for the consumed gas (EUR/kWh)	0.0617

Source: SPP a.s., [www.spp.sk](http://www.spp.sk), 2011

**M2:** The tariff is suitable for off-take points, whose off-take quantity for 12 consecutive calendar months amounts to the range from 2,110 kWh to 17,935 kWh, (approximately from 200 to 1,700 m<sup>3</sup> inclusive).

Rates of the tariff type M2	Price/EUR (excl. 20% VAT)
Fixed monthly rate (EUR/month)	5.32
Rate for the consumed gas (EUR/kWh)	0.0476

Source: SPP a.s., [www.spp.sk](http://www.spp.sk), 2011

**M3:** The tariff is suitable for off-take points whose off-take quantity for 12 consecutive calendar months amounts to a range from 17,935 kWh to 68,575 kWh, (approximately from 1,700 to 6,500 m<sup>3</sup> inclusive).

Rates of the tariff type M3	Price/EUR (excl. 20% VAT)
Fixed monthly rate (EUR/month)	7.82
Rate for the consumed gas (EUR/kWh)	0,0459

Source: SPP a.s., [www.spp.sk](http://www.spp.sk), 2011

**M4:** The tariff is suitable for off-take points whose off-take quantity for 12 consecutive calendar months amounts to at least 68,575 kWh (approximately from 6,500 m<sup>3</sup>).

Rates of the tariff type M4	Price/EUR (excl. 20% VAT)
Fixed monthly rate (EUR/month)	22.55
Rate for the consumed gas (EUR/kWh)	0.0433

Source: SPP a.s., [www.spp.sk](http://www.spp.sk), 2011

If the customer's actual yearly gas off-take exceeds 60,000 m<sup>3</sup>, they are considered as a large customer. The price for gas in this category is not exactly defined. It is up-dated monthly, in which the rate for the performance, or possibly the capacity, is being defined individually for each off-take point and is dependent on the ordered quantity and amount of the daily maximum. There are two possible price structures: three-component price (fixed monthly rate (EUR/month) + rate for performance (EUR/m<sup>3</sup>) + rate for taken gas (EUR/kWh) and two-component price (rate for capacity (EUR/m<sup>3</sup>) + rate for taken gas (EUR/kWh)).

## 2.6 Prices of communication

Most communication providers offer several packages that are aimed at households and several packages are aimed at businesses with various monthly fees.

### A) Fixed network operators

There are several fixed network operators, among which T-Com is the largest. The cost for calling per minute depends on what calling package you have and may also depends on where you call (city, inter-city or international), when you call (day-time, night-time, weekends or holidays) as well as which network you call (T-Com, another fixed network or a mobile network).

The following are three examples of selected business calling packages offered by **T-Com**:

Prices are in EUR and excl. 20% VAT		Biznis Uni 150	Biznis Uni 50	Biznis Slovakia
<b>Installation fee</b>		33.16	33.16	33.16
<b>Monthly fee</b>		24.86	14.90	29.84
<b>Free minutes</b>		150	50	0
<b>Calls within a city</b>	High traffic	0.063	0.063	Free of charge
	Low traffic			
	Weekend traffic			
<b>Inter-city calls</b>	High traffic	0.063	0.063	Free of charge
	Low traffic			
	Weekend traffic			
<b>Calls to mobile networks</b>	High traffic	0.163	0.196	0.196
	Low traffic			0.163
	Weekend traffic			0.163
<b>International calls - fixed network</b>	Zone 0 and 1	0.130	0.130	0.130
	Zone 2	0.329	0.329	0.329
	Zone 3	0.661	0.661	0.661
	Zone 4	1.988	1.988	1.988
<b>International calls - mobile network</b>	Selected countries of zones 0, 1 and 2	0.395	0.395	0.395

Zone 0 - Czech republic, Hungary, Poland, Germany and Austria

Zone 1 - Belgium, Denmark, France, Netherlands, Ireland, Norway, Russia, USA, Spain, Italy, Sweden, UK, etc.

Zone 2 - Argentina, Australia, China, Israel, Japan, Hong Kong, Croatia, Mexico, New Zealand, etc.

Zone 3 - Bolivia, Brazil, Egypt, Haiti, India, Pakistan, etc.

Zone 4 - Ethiopia, Iraq, Cuba, Nepal, etc.

Source: Slovak Telekom a.s., [www.t-com.sk](http://www.t-com.sk), 2011

### B) Mobile network operators

There are three general mobile network providers operating in Slovakia: Orange, T-mobile and Telefonica O2. The cost of calling per minute depends on calling package you use, where you make your calls to (domestic, EU or international), time of calls (day-time, night-time, weekends or holidays) as well as which network your calls head for (your mobile provider's network, another mobile provider's network or a fixed network).

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Following are the examples of business packages:

### Orange

Prices are in EUR	Biznis 150 + Night	Biznis 150 + Day	Biznis 300 + Nonstop	Biznis 1000 + Nonstop
Monthly fee	29.99	39.99	59.99	99.99
Free minutes	150	150	300	1000
Price per minute after spending free minutes	0.1310	0.1310	0.1109	0.0907

Note: all the provided tariffs may be combined with advantageous packages of extra minutes and sms.

Source: Orange Slovensko, a. s., [www.orange.sk](http://www.orange.sk), 2011

### T-Mobile

Prices are in EUR	Podnikatel' 90	Podnikatel' 150	Podnikatel' 300	Podnikatel' 600	Podnikatel' 1200
Monthly fee	19.99	31.99	54.99	99.99	139.99
Free minutes	150	250	500	1 000	2 000
Price per minute after spending free minutes	0.2118	0.1816	0.1310	0.1008	0.1008

Note: all the provided tariffs may be combined with advantageous packages of extra minutes and sms.

Source: T-mobile Slovensko a. s., [www.t-mobile.sk](http://www.t-mobile.sk), 2011

### Telefonica O2

Prices are in EUR	O2 Fair
Monthly fee	0
Free minutes	0
Price per minute	0.13
Price for calling after 3 <sup>rd</sup> minute (only valid to the O2 Slovakia network)	0
Prepaid 100 minutes	10
Prepaid 100 minutes (only valid to O2 Slovakia network)	3
Prepaid 100 sms (valid to all domestic and Czech networks)	5

Source: Telefonica O2 Slovakia s. r. o., [www.sk.o2.com](http://www.sk.o2.com), 2011

## C) Internet providers

There are national and regional Internet providers. Many providers offer Internet packages either with unlimited Internet access or with limited Internet access (usually limited by the number of downloaded MB.) In each case, you pay a monthly fee (which depends on the data volume and on the connection speed). In case you have unlimited Internet access, you only pay a monthly fee. In case you have limited access, you have a predetermined number of megabytes that you can download. If you download more data, you have to pay per each additional MB. The average price for unlimited Internet access is € 10–30 (speed 2 MB–10 MB).

## 2.7 Road tax in 2011

A road tax is levied only on those vehicles that are used for, or in connection with, business activities. The road tax also applies to those taxable persons who use motor vehicles for both private and business purposes. It is a local tax and is slightly different in each region.

### A) Personal cars

The road tax is determined by the capacity of an engine.

Capacity of engine	Tax/year/EUR
< 900 cm <sup>3</sup> (incl.)	56.42 – 67.18
900 – 1,200 cm <sup>3</sup> (incl.)	73.02 – 88.18
1,200 – 1,500 cm <sup>3</sup> (incl.)	99.58 – 135.10
1,500 – 2,000 cm <sup>3</sup> (incl.)	129.45 – 171.61
2,000 – 3,000 cm <sup>3</sup> (incl.)	162.65 – 197.35
> 3,000 cm <sup>3</sup>	195.84 – 235.14

Source: enactments of the self-governing regions

### B) Buses and utility vehicles

The road tax is determined by the number of axles and weight.

#### With one or two axles

Weight/tonnes	Tax/year/EUR
< 1 (incl.)	56 – 89
1 – 2 (incl.)	98 – 154
2 – 4 (incl.)	164 – 230
4 – 6 (incl.)	244 – 336
6 – 8 (incl.)	324 – 445
8 – 10 (incl.)	215 – 559
10 – 12 (incl.)	492 – 668
12 – 14 (incl.)	610 – 836
14 – 16 (incl.)	736 – 1004
16 – 18 (incl.)	857 – 1993
18 – 20 (incl.)	979 – 1339
20 – 22 (incl.)	1147 – 1562
22 – 24 (incl.)	1310 – 1789
24 – 26 (incl.)	1471 – 2011
26 – 28 (incl.)	1635 – 2234
28 – 30 (incl.)	1799 – 2456
> 30 (incl.)	1962 – 2679

Source: enactments of the self-governing regions

#### With three axles

Weight/tonnes	Tax/year/EUR
< 15 (incl.)	446 – 613
15 – 23 (incl.)	533 – 1230
23 – 29 (incl.)	1021 – 1730
29 – 35 (incl.)	1390 – 2347
35 – 37 (incl.)	1352 – 2569
37 – 40 (incl.)	2046 – 2792
> 40 (incl.)	2203 – 3015

Source: enactments of the self-governing regions

#### With four axles

Weight/tonnes	Tax/year/EUR
< 23 (incl.)	571 – 781
23 – 29 (incl.)	697 – 1285
29 – 35 (incl.)	1063 – 1898
35 – 40 (incl.)	1551 – 2347
> 40 (incl.)	1174 – 2570

Source: enactments of the self-governing regions

### 3 Construction works

This information is important in case an investor would like to purchase or build office space, production and warehousing space, or land. In the following tables, there are specified estimated average real-estate construction prices.

Construction works	Estimated costs/EUR
Costs for project documentation	7 % of final costs
Roads (depends on the material)	110 EUR/m <sup>2</sup>
Sewerage external (depends on the pipe diameter)	450 EUR/m
Water mains (depends on the pipe diameter)	580 EUR/m
Electricity (high voltage line)	110 EUR/m
Industrial halls (according to the construction material)	140 EUR/m <sup>3</sup>
Industrial buildings	215 EUR/m <sup>3</sup>
Office buildings	320 EUR/m <sup>3</sup>
Rough landscaping	70 EUR/m <sup>3</sup>
Final landscaping	18 EUR/m <sup>2</sup>
Structural steel (with assembly)	6 EUR/kg
Brickwork	240 EUR/m <sup>3</sup>
Concrete floors	150 EUR/m <sup>3</sup>
Reinforced concrete structures	360 EUR/m <sup>3</sup>
Pre-cast concrete structures	420 EUR/m <sup>3</sup>
Cladding + roofing w/o insulation	40 EUR/m <sup>2</sup>
Cladding + roofing w/insulation	75 EUR/m <sup>2</sup>

Source: SARIO, 2011

### 4 Immigration costs

There are several fees that are associated with the relocation and/or immigration process and that have to be paid to the Slovak authorities upon the submission of an application. They are listed in the table shown below.

WORK PERMIT	fee/EUR
Work Permit – local contract	free of charge
Work Permit – international assignment	free of charge
<b>IMMIGRATION AND OTHER SERVICES EU NATIONALS</b>	
EU ID registration	4.50
EU ID change of address	4.50
Labour Office Registration	free of charge
<b>APPLICATIONS FOR A TEMPORARY RESIDENCE PERMIT FOR THE PURPOSE OF:</b>	
Entrepreneurship	232
Employment	165.50
Seasonal work	33
Study and special activities	99.50
Family reunion	132.50
Performing professional duties in civil services of the armed forces	66
<b>TEMPORARY RESIDENCE PERMIT NON EU NATIONALS - COUNTRIES WITH VISA</b>	
Same charges apply as for the previous section. In this case, these are to be paid, however, directly to the Slovak Embassy in the applicant's country of residence	
<b>APPLICATIONS FOR A PROLONGATION OF A TEMPORARY RESIDENCE PERMIT</b>	
Entrepreneurship	132.50

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Employment	99.50
Seasonal work	16.50
Study and special activities	33
Family reunion	66
Performing professional duties in civil services of the armed forces	33
<b>VISA</b>	
Schengen Visa	60
Schengen Visa for a child aged 6 to 12	35
Verification of invitation	33
<b>IMMIGRATION ADVANTAGED FOREIGNER</b>	
First permanent residence permit	165

Source: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Slovak Republic, [www.foreign.gov.sk](http://www.foreign.gov.sk), Migration Information Centre, <http://mic.iom.sk/en.html>, 2011

There are **further costs** associated with the immigration process; these include translation fees, notary fees, official fees paid to embassies and authorized offices as well as the fee for a required health check.

### Estimated example of additional fees:

TYPE	Fee/EUR (excl. 20% VAT)
Translation (one page)	20–80*
Signature verification	0.5
Foreign language copy verification (one page)	7
Slovak language copy verification (one page)	3
Slovak Criminal record official fee	3
Slovak Business Register excerpt	6.50/ 0.33**
Slovak Cadastre Excerpt	3
Health check (depending on case and health centre)	Up to 250

\*price per page depends on the language, speed of translation and pages to translate

\*\* electronic form

Source: SARIO, 2011

Please note that, in Slovakia, there are several relocation companies that are able to assist you with your relocation. Their services are charged.

## Costs of living

### 5 Costs of accommodation

The expenses for accommodation can be divided into the costs for **buying or renting an apartment** and the costs for **staying in a hotel**. The costs for buying/renting a place to live are primarily influenced by two factors: the location and age of the apartment. There is a price gap when buying or renting an apartment in different regions, larger cities and villages as well as in the city and the rest of the city. The most expensive city is Bratislava.

#### 5.1 Buying an apartment

Year, term	Slovakia	Regions (Price is in EUR for m <sup>2</sup> )							
		Bratislava	Trnava	Nitra	Trenčín	Žilina	Banská Bystrica	Košice	Prešov
2011	1 291	1 726	850	620	685	790	791	941	826

Source: National Bank of Slovakia, [www.nbs.sk](http://www.nbs.sk), 2011

#### 5.2 Renting a 2 or 3-bedroom apartment

Year, term	Regions (Price is in EUR for month)								
	Bratislava		Trnava	Nitra	Trenčín	Žilina	Banská Bystrica	Košice	Prešov
	city center	other parts							
2011	450 – 2,000	450 – 2,300	250 – 1200	166 – 1,400	220 – 850	270 – 1,000	200 – 1,000	250 – 1,400	220 – 1160

Source: [www.reality.sk](http://www.reality.sk), 2011

#### 5.3 Real estate agency fees

If you decide to buy or rent an apartment through a real estate agency, the fees for its services are following: purchase of an apartment – 2% of the apartment's price, rent of the apartment – price for 1 or 2 months rent.

#### 5.4 Hotel prices

	Bratislava	Other cities
Prices/ EUR	35 - 680	15 - 130

Source: [SARIO](http://SARIO), 2011

\* Please note that the lowest price is the price for lower class hotels, eventually hostels or other types of accommodation, and the highest price is for the highest class hotels (e.g. for Hotel Carlton in Bratislava).

### 6 Transportation costs

#### 6.1 Fuel

Fuel	Average price/EUR
95-octane petrol	1,438
98-octane petrol	1,544
diesel	1,349
LPG	0,696

Source: Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic, [www.statistics.sk](http://www.statistics.sk), 2011

## 6.2 Taxi

City	initial fee/EUR	call price/EUR/km	city tax/EUR/km
Bratislava	0.98 – 1.66	0.47 – 1.19	0.69 – 1.16
Other cities	0.33 – 1.00	0.33 – 1.00	0.66 – 1.16

Most of the companies charge a minimum fare of 3 EUR.

Source: [SARIO](#), 2011

## 6.3 Car rental

Class of the car	price/EUR/day *
low class	22-35
middle class	28-85
high class	60-160

\*Prices may vary depending upon the amount of days a car is intended to be rented: the longer a car rental lasts, the lower the price of rent may be.

Source: [SARIO](#), 2011

## 6.4 Public transportation in selected cities

Cities + selected type of ticket	Price/EUR	Discount (mainly for children, students and seniors)
<b>Bratislava</b>		
15 min, without the possibility to change the line	0.50	0.25
60 min, with possibility to change the line	0.70	0.35
<b>Trnava</b>		
1-ride ticket	0.50	0.30
1-ride ticket when paying with a chip card	0.40	0.20
<b>Trenčín</b>		
1-ride ticket	0.50	0.35
1-ride ticket when paying with a chip card	0.39	0.25
<b>Banská Bystrica</b>		
1-ride ticket	0.60	0.40
1-ride ticket when paying with a chip card	0.43	0.20
<b>Nitra</b>		
1-ride ticket	0.60	0.30
1-ride ticket when paying with a chip card	0.40	0.20
<b>Košice</b>		
1-ride ticket, 4 stops, without the possibility to change the line	0.40	0.20
1-ride ticket when paying with a chip card, 4 stops, without the possibility to change the line	0.37	0.17

Source: [www.imhd.sk](http://www.imhd.sk), 2011

## 6.5 Inter-city transportation

Inter-city + type of transportation	Distance/ km	Price/EUR (single ticket)	duration
Bratislava – Kosice – by train	445	17 – 22	5h - 6h 30m
Bratislava- Kosice – by bus	445	18 – 22	6h 30m – 8h 20m
Bratislava- Kosice – by plane	445	75 – 330	45 m

Source: [SARIO](#), 2011

## 6.6 Highway vignette in 2011

The tolls for using highways are paid in the form of vignettes, which can be valid for one year, one month or one week for a vehicle up to 3.5 tonnes.

<b>ONE-YEAR VIGNETTES</b>	
Vehicles up to 3.5 tonnes excluding a trailed vehicle	<b>€ 50</b>
<b>MONTH VIGNETTES</b>	
Vehicles up to 3.5 tonnes including a trailed vehicle	<b>€ 14</b>
<b>WEEK VIGNETTES</b>	
Vehicles up to 3.5 tonnes including a trailed vehicle	<b>€ 7</b>

Source: National Highway Company, [www.ndsas.sk](http://www.ndsas.sk) & [www.emyto.sk](http://www.emyto.sk), 2011

### Sanctions

In case a personal vehicle operator uses the specified sections of motorways, highways or 1<sup>st</sup> class roads without a valid vignette attached to the vehicle, a fine up to ten times amount of the vignette may be awarded.

## 6.7 Toll system in Slovakia

Toll is a defrayment for the use of Specified Road Sections based on electronically obtained data and it represents the revenue of the Toll Collection Administrator – Národná diaľničná spoločnosť, a.s. (hereinafter referred to as "NDS"). Motor vehicles with the total weight exceeding 3,5 tons or vehicle trains with the total weight exceeding 3,5 tons designed for the transport of goods or motor vehicles enabling the transport of more than nine persons including a driver are so-called Toll-liable vehicles.

Toll Rate is stipulated per 1 km of a driven distance of a Specified Road Section of highways, expressways and certain 1<sup>st</sup> class roads. It depends on a vehicle category, number of axles and emission class.

Information on Electronic Toll Collection may be obtained also on the Customer Service Line: + 421 2 35 111 111 and on the website [www.emyto.sk](http://www.emyto.sk)

### Toll rates for using the specified roads and highways section

Vehicle category		Emission class			
		EURO 0 – II	EURO III	EURO IV, V, EEV	
<b>Lorries</b>	from 3,5 t – to 12 t	0,093 €	0,086 €	0,083 €	
	12t and more	2 axles	0,193 €	0,183 €	0,179 €
		3 axles	0,202 €	0,193 €	0,189 €
		4 axles	0,209 €	0,199 €	0,196 €
		5 axles	0,206 €	0,193 €	0,189 €
<b>Busses</b>	from 3,5 t – to 12 t	0,060 €	0,050 €	0,030 €	
	12 t and more	0,110 €	0,100 €	0,060 €	

## Toll rates for specified I.st class roads sections

Vehicle category		Emission class			
		EURO 0 – II	EURO III	EURO IV, V, EEV	
<b>Lorries</b>	from 3,5 t – to 12 t	0,070 €	0,063 €	0,063 €	
	12 t and more	2 axles	0,146 €	0,136 €	0,136 €
		3 axles	0,153 €	0,146 €	0,143 €
		4 axles	0,156 €	0,149 €	0,146 €
		5 axles	0,153 €	0,146 €	0,143 €
<b>Busses</b>	from 3,5 t – to 12 t	0,040 €	0,030 €	0,020 €	
	12 t and more	0,080 €	0,070 €	0,040 €	

Source: www.emyto.sk, 2011

## 7 Food and drink costs

Food	average price/EUR
1kg bread	1.24
200g butter	0.96
1l milk	0.73
1kg pork	4.00
1kg beef	6.00
1kg chicken	2.50
0.5l beer	0.66
0.75l quality wine	4.50
1.5l mineral water	0.50
1kg fruit	0.90 – 1.35
1kg vegetables	0.30 – 2.54

Source: SARIO, 2011

Restaurant prices	main dish/EUR	Non-alcoholic drink (0.3 l)/EUR	Beer (0.5 l)/EUR
standard restaurant	5 – 15	0.7 – 1.5	0.80 – 1.8
prestigious restaurant	15 - 50	1.5 - 6	3 - 7

Source: SARIO, 2011

## 8 Health care

In Slovakia, there is a system of health insurance and public health care provision. This means that everyone has to be insured. Health care contributions cover the major part of all health care costs. However, for some medical services, you have to pay partial or full costs. This depends on the compensation offered from your health insurance institution. The same is true for medication.

<b>Obligatory fees/EUR</b>	
Visit a doctor	0
Picking up prescribed drugs or health products	0.17/prescription
Visit of an emergency room	1.99
Transportation with an ambulance vehicle	0.07/km
<b>Examples of fees at a doctor (with health insurance)/EUR</b>	
Examination at a general practitioner	0
Preventive examination at a dentist	0
Filling at a dentist	10 - 40

Source: SARIO, 2011; [www.zzz.sk](http://www.zzz.sk), 2011

## 9 Education of your children

Please note that international schools and pre-school facilities (nursery, kindergarten and preparation year for school) are primarily concentrated in Bratislava. There are also two schools situated in Košice and one school in Trnava.

<b>Educational institutions</b>	<b>Yearly fee/EUR</b>
Pre-school facilities	3,700 - 8,000
School*	3,700 - 13,000

\*The higher the school year is the higher the fee.

Source: SARIO, 2011

## 10 Leisure time expenses

The price of leisure time activity mostly depends on in which city the activity takes place.

<b>Leisure time activity</b>	<b>entry/price/EUR</b>
Water parks	6 - 26*
Swimming pool	1.29 - 15
1 day ski pass in High Tatras	11,50 - 15
1 day golf	11 - 60
1 hour squash court	6 - 10
1 hour tennis court	5 - 10
Gym	1,5 - 15
ZOO	1.66 - 4.30**
Cinema	2.5 - 6
Theatre	2 - 20

\*price depends on the amount of hours spent and services used in the water park

Source: SARIO, 2011

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