

Estimated expenses of a family with three children under the age of 5 in the Klang Valley

RM10,000

- Net monthly household income

RM3,000

- (3 x RM1,000)
- Childcare

RM1,500

- House mortgage

RM900

- Car loan

RM500

- Fuel and toll

RM900

- Maid

RM1,000

- Groceries

RM600

- Utilities

RM8,400*

- Total expenses

***This is not inclusive of money that should be set aside for education, health, savings or any other contingencies**

Source: Based on calculations by Dr Siti Nor Awang, senior lecturer, Department of Anthropology & Sociology, Universiti Malaya.