

Grocery Store Prices¹

TABLE 1

Checkbook's price comparison scores for our market basket of items

	For complete market basket of 154 items	Allowing for substitution of the cheapest brand for about one-sixth of the items	Seeking cheapest way to buy items, allowing any size ²	For produce only	For produce only, allowing any size ²	For meat only	For meat only, allowing any size ²	For nonperishables only	For nonperishables only, allowing any size ²	Variety—percent of items found in store	
										For complete market basket	For market basket, allowing any size ²
AVERAGES	\$100	\$95	\$84	\$100	\$89	\$100	\$88	\$100	\$79	82%	86%
Surveyed Grocery Stores											
PriceRite, 2042 Daniel Stuart Sq, Woodbridge, VA	\$81	\$73	\$76	\$78	\$74	\$89	\$83	\$80	\$75	54%	65%
Walmart Supercenter, 11181 Lee Hwy, Fairfax, VA	\$82	\$75	\$76	\$78	\$74	\$90	\$81	\$82	\$76	85%	89%
Walmart Supercenter, 99 H St NW, Washington, DC	\$87	\$82		\$88		\$92		\$82		68%	
SuperTarget, 9900 Sowder Village Sq, Manassas, VA	\$90	\$83	\$86	\$96	\$94	\$103	\$102	\$85	\$81	87%	90%
Target, 3100 14th St NW, Washington, DC	\$91	\$86		\$106		\$101		\$86		79%	
Wegmans, 11620 Monument Dr, Fairfax, VA	\$95	\$91	\$86	\$105	\$88	\$102	\$87	\$91	\$84	72%	75%
Food Lion, 12675 Laurel Bowie Rd, Laurel, MD	\$96	\$90		\$82		\$88		\$101		81%	
ShopRite, 12028 Cherry Hill Rd, Silver Spring, MD	\$97	\$93		\$97		\$84		\$102		99%	
Giant, 5400 Westbard Ave, Bethesda, MD	\$100	\$96	\$94	\$99	\$96	\$102	\$101	\$101	\$92	89%	92%
Giant, 1454 Chain Bridge Rd, McLean, VA	\$102	\$98		\$97		\$93		\$107		84%	
Shoppers, 6360 Seven Corners Center, Falls Church, VA	\$102	\$96	\$95	\$110	\$105	\$102	\$96	\$101	\$92	94%	95%
Weis, 9270 All Saints Rd, Laurel, MD	\$102	\$98		\$112		\$96		\$102		90%	
Harris Teeter, 2425 N Harrison St, Arlington, VA	\$103	\$96		\$87		\$113		\$104		94%	
Giant, 1280 East West Hwy, Silver Spring, MD	\$105	\$100		\$101		\$98		\$108		87%	
Safeway, 5000 Bradley Blvd, Bethesda, MD	\$111	\$105	\$105	\$120	\$114	\$99	\$96	\$112	\$104	94%	96%
Safeway, 5821 Crossroads Center Way, Falls Church, VA	\$111	\$103		\$109		\$108		\$112		95%	
Safeway, 1100 4th St SW, Washington, DC	\$111	\$103		\$108		\$112		\$110		97%	
Snider's Super Foods, 1936 Seminary Rd, Silver Spring, MD	\$112	\$108		\$111		\$107		\$115		93%	
Whole Foods, 1440 P St NW, Washington, DC	\$118	\$123		\$107		\$150		\$113		19%	
Surveyed Warehouse Clubs											
Costco, 10925 Baltimore Ave, Beltsville, MD	— ³	— ³	\$69	— ³	\$81	— ³	\$75	— ³	\$60	12%	40%
Sam's Club, 610 N Frederick Rd, Gaithersburg, MD	— ³	— ³	\$70	— ³	\$74	— ³	\$80	— ³	\$63	3%	48%
BJ's, 101 S Van Dorn St, Alexandria, VA	— ³	— ³	\$78	— ³	\$92	— ³	\$79	— ³	\$67	8%	61%

FOOTNOTES:

¹The data reflect only the specific store checked; others might score differently. Note that there may be quality variation in fresh

meats, produce, or cheapest brand items. See article text and the box on page 87 for explanations of research methods and dates.

²Data for this column were collected only for some of the stores.

³Insufficient data.

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