

# Want to move to Ireland?

## What will it cost me?

## How much will I need to bring or earn?

## What does it cost to Live in Ireland?

Everyday I hear people who want to move to Ireland. This is a big move. I recently found an article written by a couple who did just that and the details they shared on just what to expect:

“.....It’s nice to take a few weeks to catch up with old friends and family upon your return, but it’s equally important to start searching for jobs the minute you step off the plane. It could take a few months to secure something that will pay the bills.

So what are the bills? I’ll give you an average breakdown for the cost of a month’s spending in our house and this will give you an idea of what you will need. We are a family of four living in a detached 1,900 square ft home. We have a small back garden and no pets. We live in a house estate in a village in Tipperary on the Limerick border (about 15-20 minutes into Limerick City, 10 from the University and 10 from John’s work).

Here is a rough average of our monthly bills:

Mortgage: \$1,078 (€950) a month (rent can be anywhere between \$680 (€600) and \$1,020 (€900) - more expensive in Dublin)

House insurance: \$51 (€46) a month

Life insurance for both of us: \$54 (€48) a month

Light and heat: \$226 (€200) a month

Fuel for stove fire: \$34 (€30) a month

Satellite TV: \$31 (€28) a month

Trash collection: \$26 (€23) a month

Childcare cost: \$457 (€400) a month (we have a live in Au Pair from Germany but a crèche for the two kids (when not in school) was costing us \$1,191 (€1,050) a month

Car insurance: \$68 (€60) a month for both of us (we pay annually)

Monthly groceries: about \$680 (€600) a month.....”

**That’s a total of \$2,705 or \$2,300 Euro**