

III. LIVING EXPENSES IN VUKOVAR

COST OF LIVING

Accommodation

Monthly costs of private accommodation vary from 100 EUR to 200 EUR. (a room, an apartment or a furnished private house).

The rental prices are usually around 100 EUR plus overheads which depend on the number of people living together.

According to the information obtained from students the overheads can be in winter additional EUR 100 (the biggest expenditure is heating), and in spring and summer and autumn months the rates can be about EUR 40 per person. Heating (gas), water, internet and utility fees are included in the directives, while those who live in residential buildings pay for the staircase cleaning (EUR 4) and housing (around EUR 15).

Food and Drink

The students mostly eat at Pleter restaurant and take food over the X-card (The average lunch is about two EUR). Incoming students from programme countries have the right to subsidized nutrition while the incoming students from partner countries still do not have it.

Every student must have a student identity card ("iksica") in order to get meals at a reduced price. Before leaving the restaurant, a student must show his / her "iksica" to a cashier and pay for the meal.

Student recommendations for restaurants in the centre of the town that have affordable prices: Fast Food Escape, Pizzeria Chiara, the restaurant Old Tower and the restaurant Vukovar House in the forest park Adica.

The restaurant meal average price is € 6, beer 15 kn – € 2.0, a cup of coffee 8 kn – € 1.06, Coke 10 kn – € 1.3, hamburger 15 kn – € 2.0, pizza 35 kn – € 4,66.

There are many small and big shops and supermarkets in Vukovar and one indoor market in the centre of the city.

MONEY

The official currency of the Republic of Croatia is called **Kuna** (HRK). Banknotes are issued in the following denominations: 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500 and 1000 HRK. Smaller values are issued as coins (1, 2 and 5 Kuna), and 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 and 50 Lipas. One Kuna is equivalent of 100 Lipas. Currency may be exchanged in banks, exchange offices and post offices in accordance with the valid exchange rate. Euro cheques can be exchanged in banks. Cash can be withdrawn from ATM machines with internationally valid debit cards.

Exchange Rates:

1 EUR = 7, 5 HRK

1 US\$ = 6, 5 HRK

Credit cards

Most restaurants and shops accept all major credit cards (American Express, Diners, Eurocard / MasterCard and Visa). Foreign currency can be exchanged in banks, exchange offices, post offices and in most tourist agencies and hotels.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Local transport

Monthly student's card for city bus is € 7, 5.

TAXI

TAXI SLUŽBA VUKOVAR

Taxi Cammeo

The total month additional costs (for food, transportation, coffee) are around 130-200 EUR.

POSTAL AND TELEPHONE SERVICES

The post offices in the city centre are open Monday to Friday, from 7 a.m. to 20 p.m., and Saturdays from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Post stamps can be bought at the post offices or at kiosks.

HP – Hrvatska pošta

Ul. Josipa Jurja Strossmayera 4, 32000, Vukovar

Vukovar postal code is HR-32000

The international telephone access code for Croatia is +385. The area code for Vukovar is 032. Omit zero (zero) in 032 when dialling from abroad. For international calls, you can call either from the post office or public telephone booths. Phone cards in the value of 25, 50, 100 or 200 HRK can be bought in all post offices and kiosks and used in every telephone booth in Croatia. Croatia is currently hosting many GSM networks like T-Mobile Croatia (network code 098), VIP (network code 091), TOMATO (network code 092), TELE2 (network code 095) and BONBON (network code 097). Pre-paid mobile services are provided by all these operators.

Important telephone numbers

Emergency alert: 112

Police: 192

Fire brigade: 193

Ambulance: 194

Information centre: 9985

Road assistance (HAK): 9987

Information service

– Railway: 060 33 34 44

– Bus: 060 33 44 66

PHARMACIES

Pharmacies are all over the city centre and you can easily locate them by their green cross.

Pharmacies in Vukovar

HEALTH SERVICES

Emergency Ambulance Vukovar

Sajmište 1
32000 Vukovar Hrvatska

General Hospital Vukovar

Županijska ul. (across the College)
35, 32000, Vukovar

DRINKING WATER

Water is drinkable and of a high quality in the public water supply system throughout the country.

ELECTRICITY

Voltage 220 V, frequency 50 Hz