

Move Budget Calculator

Work out exactly how much you need before you book anything.

Fill in the yellow boxes with your numbers. Everything else calculates automatically when used as a spreadsheet — or use it as a manual planning sheet.

BEFORE YOU FLY

Category	Minimum (£)	Comfortable (£)	Your Number (£)
Flights (one-way)	300	700	
Travel insurance (annual)	80	200	
Travel adapter + accessories	20	50	
Pre-move document costs (visa etc)	0	500	
Luggage	0	150	
SUBTOTAL	400	1600	= _____

LANDING COSTS (FIRST WEEK)

Category	Minimum (£)	Comfortable (£)	Your Number (£)
SIM card / eSIM setup	10	30	
Transport card top-up	20	50	
Airport to accommodation	10	50	
Groceries and basics (week 1)	60	120	
Household essentials (bedding etc)	80	250	
Misc / forgotten items	50	150	
SUBTOTAL	230	650	= _____

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HOUSING

Category	Minimum (£)	Comfortable (£)	Your Number (£)
First month rent	600	1200	
Security deposit (5 weeks)	700	1400	
Admin / holding fees	0	200	
SUBTOTAL	1300	2800	= _____

GAP PERIOD (UNTIL FIRST PAY)

Category	Minimum (£)	Comfortable (£)	Your Number (£)
Monthly food budget x 6 weeks	240	420	
Transport x 6 weeks	80	200	
Phone bill x 2 months	20	60	
Entertainment / social	60	200	
Unexpected expenses	100	300	
SUBTOTAL	500	1180	= _____

EMERGENCY BUFFER (NON-NEGOTIABLE)

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Emergency fund (minimum 1 month costs)	500	1500	
GRAND TOTAL	Minimum	Comfortable	Your Total
Everything above combined	~£2,700	~£5,730	£ _____

■ Whatever your total is, add 20%. Unexpected costs are guaranteed — the only question is what they'll be.

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