

Medieval price list

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Browsing my files, I found this price list. I achieved it from Bent C Dalager (bcd@pvv.unit.no) from the Rolemaster Mailing List. Because many've asked about something like this, I send it - maybe you'll find it useful.

These prices are from the XVth century (about 1450).

- 1 pound (L) = 20 shillings (s)
- 1 crown = 5 shillings
- 1 shilling = 12 pence (d)
- 1 penny = 4 farthings
- 1 mark = 13s 4d = 240 d pence (d)
- 1 crown = 60 pence (d)
- 1 mark = 200 pence (d)

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Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Acid, strong	30d	0.05	Apothecary	per ounce
Acid, weak	6d	0.05	Apothecary	per ounce
Accommodation, dorm	1d	n/a	Innkeeper	per day
Accommodation, room	6d	n/a	Innkeeper	per day
Ailettes, cour-boulli	15d	0.5	Armorer	coverage: Sh
Ailettes, plate	75d	2.3	Armorer	coverage: Sh

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Ale	0.25d	1	Innkeeper	per pint
Ale, cask	250d	280	Innkeeper	
Ale, hogshead	72d	70	Innkeeper	
Amber	16d	n/a	Jeweller	per ounce
Ambergris	180d	n/a	Whaler	per ounce
Anchor, boat	12d	20	Shipwright	
Anchor, ship	100d	100	Shipwright	
Apples (see: Fruit)				
Armillary sphere	720d+	50	Metalsmith	
Arrowheads	6d	0.5	Fletcher	per dozen
Arrows	15d	1	Fletcher	per dozen
Arrows, anti-armor(1)	3d	0.1	Fletcher	Each
Arrows, blunt(2)	6d	1	Fletcher	per dozen
Arrows, edged(3)	4d	0.1	Fletcher	Each
Arrows, incendiary(4)	3d	0.1	Fletcher	Each
Arrows, whistling(5)	2d	0.1	Fletcher	Each

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Astrolabe	320d+	2	Shipwright	+20 to piloting EML
Awnings	18d	n/a	Tentmaker	
Axe, wood	12d	2	Metalsmith	
Axle	6d	15	Metalsmith	
Backpack, frameless	18d	2	Hideworker	15 lbs. cap.
Backpack, frame	30d	3	Hideworker	30 lbs. cap.
Bacon	2d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Bag, canvas, lg.	5d	3	Tentmaker	20 lbs. cap.
Bag, canvas, sm.	2d	1	Tentmaker	10 lbs. cap.
Ball and chain	60d	4	Metalsmith	
Ball, lead	4d	1	Metalsmith	
Ball, leather	4d	1	Hideworker	
Barley	5d	10	Foodmerchant	per bale
Barrel, cask	40d	24	Woodcrafter	32 gal. cap.
Barrel, hogshead	15d	6	Woodcrafter	8 gal. cap.
Basket	2d	1	Thatcher	

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Bastard sword	180d	5	Metalsmith	
Battleaxe	100d	6	Metalsmith	
Battlesword	230d	8	Metalsmith	
Beads, clay	5d	0.1	Potter	per dozen
Beads, copper	7d	0.1	Metalsmith	per dozen
Beads, glass	12d	0.1	Glassblower	per dozen
Beads, wooden	3d	0.1	Woodcrafter	per dozen
Beans	0.25d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Bear, trained	300d+	n/a	Animal Trainer	
Beartrap	20d	4	Metalsmith	
Bed, wooden frame	50d	n/a	Woodcrafter	
Bed, four post	200d	n/a	Woodcrafter	
Beef	2d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Beer	0.25d	1	Innkeeper	per pint
Beer, cask	250d	280	Innkeeper	
Beer, hogshead	72d	70	Innkeeper	

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Beeswax	1d	n/a	Beekeeper	per pound
Bells, small	1d+	0.5	Metalsmith	
Bells, hand	5d+	1	Metalsmith	
Bells, temple	200d	50+	Metalsmith	
Belt, leather	10d	1	Hideworker	
Beltpouch, buckram	5d	0.5	Clothier	5 lb. capacity
Beltpouch, silk	35d	0.5	Clothier	5 lb. capacity
Blanket, light	10d	3	Clothier	
Blanket, heavy	20d	8	Clothier	
Blanket, horse	12d	4	Ostler	
Block and tackle	6d	2	Woodcrafter	
Books	10+1d	1+.02	Scribe	base + per page
Bookshelves	2d	1	Woodcrafter	per foot of storage
Boots, calf	38d	2.9	Clothier	coverage: Ft Cf
Boots, knee	44d	3.3	Clothier	coverage: Kn Cf Ft
Boss gore	12d	1	Metalsmith	

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Bottle, glass	6d	0.5	Glassblower	one quart capacity
Bottle, perfume	5d	0.1	Glassblower	one ounce capacity
Bowl, ceramic	3d	0.5	Potter	
Bowl, copper	6d	0.5	Metalsmith	
Bowl, pewter	4d	0.5	Metalsmith	
Bowl, wooden	2d	0.5	Woodcrafter	
Bowstring	2d	0.05	Ropemaker	
Branding iron	18d	1	Metalsmith	
Brandy, per glass	4d	n/a	Innkeeper	
Brandy, hogshead	1800d	n/a	Innkeeper	
Brass	3d	n/a	Miner	per pound
Brazier	100d	25	Metalsmith	
Bread, rye	0.25d	0.25	Foodmerchant	per loaf
Bread, wheat	0.5d	0.25	Foodmerchant	per loaf
Breastplate, kurbul	60d	2.2	Armorer	coverage: Tx Bk
Breastplate, plate	300d	9.0	Armorer	coverage: Tx Bk

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Bridle	12d	2	Ostler	
Broadsword	150d	3	Metalsmith	
Bronze	4d	n/a	Miner	per pound
Broom	1d	1	Thatcher	
Brush, wooden	3d	0.25	Woodcrafter	
Bucket, wooden	4d	1	Woodcrafter	
Bucket, copper	10d	2	Metalsmith	
Buckler	24d	3	Metalsmith	
Buckram, cloth	10d	n/a	Clothier	per square yard
Buns	0.5d	0.25	Foodmerchant	per dozen
Butter	0.5d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Cabinet	144d	50	Woodcrafter	400 cubic feet
Cage, wood, small	7d	4	Woodcrafter	one cubic foot
Cage, wood, médium	15d	10	Woodcrafter	27 cubic feet
Cage, wood, large	30d	20	Woodcrafter	100 cubic feet
Cage, iron, small	12d	8	Metalsmith	one cubic foot

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Cage, iron, médium	25d	20	Metalsmith	27 cubic feet
Cage, iron, large	50d	40	Metalsmith	100cubic feet
Calf	60d	n/a	Farm/market	
Calf boots – see boots				
Caltrops, cavalry(6)	10d	2	Metalsmith	per square yard
Caltrops, infantry(6)	6d	1	Metalsmith	per square yard
Candles, beeswax	24d	n/a	Chandler	per pound (12 hrs.)
Candles, tallow	8d	n/a	Chandler	per pound (8 hrs.)
Candle, calibrated	10d	0.25	Chandler	Time-telling; 8 hrs.
Candleholder, hand	4d	0.5	Metalsmith	
Candlestick, iron	7d	1	Metalsmith	
Canvas	3d	3	Clothier	Per square yard
Canvas, waterproof	10d	4	Shipwright	Per square yard
Canvas stalls	24d	20	Tentmaker	
Carpet, wool	40d	12	Clothier	Per square yard
Cart, two-wheeled	80d	300	Woodcrafter	

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Cauldron, iron	10d	30	Metalsmith	15 gal. capacity
Chain, light	1d	1	Metalsmith	per foot; 150 lb. max.
Chain, médium	3d	3	Metalsmith	per foot; 500 lb. max.
Chain, heavy	5d	5	Metalsmith	per foot; 1500 lb. max.
Chair	12d	4	Woodcrafter	
Chalk, bulk	1d	n/a	Mason	per pound
Chalk, powder	4d	n/a	Mason	per pound
Chalk, sticks	10d	n/a	Scribe	per pound
Charcoal	0.5d	n/a	Charcoaler	per pound
Cheese	1d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Chicken	2d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Chicken, live	6d	n/a	Farm/market	
Chisel	6d	n/a	Metalsmith	
Cider	0.25d	1	Innkeeper	per pint
Cider, cask	300d	n/a	Innkeeper	
Cider, hogshead	80d	n/a	Innkeeper	

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Club	12d	3	Metalsmith	
Coal	2d	n/a	Charcoaler	per pound
Coffin	9d	50	Woodcrafter	
Coins, gold	n/a	0.006-0.05	Minter	
Coins, silver	n/a	0.002-0.02	Minter	1/160 pounds average
Coins, debased	n/a	0.001-0.02	Minter	
Comb	2d	0.1	Woodcrafter	
Comb, horse	3d	0.25	Ostler	
Contract	12d+	n/a	Litigant	
Copper	2d	n/a	Miner	per pound
Coudes, kurbul	10d	0.4	Armorer	coverage: El
Court appearance	12d+	n/a	Litigant	per day
Courtesan	12d+	n/a	Courtesan	per evening
Cow	115d	n/a	Farm/market	
Cowl/hood, beaver	27d	1.0	Clothier	coverage: Sk Nk

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Cowl/hood, buckram	9d	0.3	Clothier	coverage: Sk Nk
Cowl/hood, ermine	60d	0.8	Clothier	coverage: Sk Nk
Cowl/hood, leather	12d	0.9	Clothier	coverage: Sk Nk
Cowl/hood, linen	6d	0.3	Clothier	coverage: Sk Nk
Cowl/hood, quilt	24d	1.2	Clothier	coverage: Sk Nk
Cowl/hood, russet	18d	0.4	Clothier	coverage: Sk Nk
Cowl/hood, sealskin	30d	0.8	Clothier	coverage: Sk Nk
Cowl/hood, serge	7d	0.4	Clothier	coverage: Sk Nk
Cowl/hood, silk	55d	0.4	Clothier	coverage: Sk Nk
Cowl/hood, worsted	28d	0.5	Clothier	coverage: Sk Nk
Cowl, long, mail	135d	4.5	Armorer	coverage: Sk Nk Sh
Cowl, long, ring	63d	3.2	Armorer	coverage: Sk Nk Sh
Cowl, long, scale	90d	5.4	Armorer	coverage: Sk Nk Sh
Cowl, short, mail	90d	3.0	Armorer	coverage: Sk Nk
Cowl, short, ring	42d	2.1	Armorer	coverage: Sk Nk
Cowl, short, scale	60d	3.6	Armorer	coverage: Sk Nk

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Crab	1d	n/a	Fishmonger	per pound
Cream	6d	8	Foodmerchant	per gallon
Crossbow	60d	5	Metalsmith	
Crossbow bolts	20d	1	Metalsmith	per dozen
Crowbar	9d	2	Metalsmith	
Cuirass, kurbul	120d	4.4	Armorer	coverage: Ab Tx Ch Bk
Cuirass, plate	600d	18.0	Armorer	coverage: Ab Tx Ch Bk
Cup, ceramic	1d	0.25	Potter	
Cup, copper	3d	0.25	Metalsmith	
Cup, pewter	2d	0.25	Metalsmith	
Cup, wooden	0.75d	0.25	Woodcrafter	
Dagger	24d	1	Metalsmith	
Deed	18d	n/a	Litigant	
Dog, trained	24d+	n/a	Animal trainer	
Dog, sled	50d+	n/a	Animal trainer	
Donkey	150d	n/a	Ostler	

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Drum, hand	20d	2	Woodcrafter	
Drum, bass	50d	8	Woodcrafter	
Duck	2d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Duck, live	9d	n/a	Foodmerchant	
Dye, average	30d	n/a	Clothier	Ounce (green, brown)
Dye, rare	100d+	n/a	Clothier	per ounce (blue, red)
Dye, very rare	160d+	n/a	Clothier	ounce (purple, orange)
Eggs	2d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per ounce
Embalming	200d+	n/a	Embalmer	
Falcastra	60d	6	Metalsmith	
Falchion	120d	4	Metalsmith	
Falcon, trained	120d+	5	Animal trainer	
Feathers	6d	n/a	Fowler	per pound
Fetters	6d	5	Locksmith	
Fighting claw	12d	1	Metalsmith	
Firewood	0.5d	n/a	Charcoaler	per pound

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Fish, cod	1d	n/a	Fishmonger	per pound
Fish, dried	2d	n/a	Fishmonger	per pound
Fish, eel	0.75d	n/a	Fishmonger	per pound
Fish, herring	0.5d	n/a	Fishmonger	per pound
Fish, mackerel	0.25d	n/a	Fishmonger	per pound
Fish, pike	1d	n/a	Fishmonger	per pound
Fish, salmon	2d	n/a	Fishmonger	per pound
Fish, salted	2d	n/a	Fishmonger	per pound
Fish, trout	2d	n/a	Fishmonger	per pound
Fishhooks	2d	0.1	Metalsmith	per dozen
Fishing line	2d	0.1	Ropemaker	per ten feet
Five-leaf	8d+	n/a	Apothecary	per ounce
Flagon, pottery	4d	1.5	Potter	
Flagon, wood	3d	1	Woodcrafter	
Flail, grain	12d	2	Metalsmith	
Flint and steel	3d	0.5	Metalsmith	

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Flour, rye	0.25d	n/a	Miller	per pound
Flour, wheat	0.5d	n/a	Miller	per pound
Flute, wooden	3d	0.5	Woodcrafter	
Flute, iron	18d	1	Metalsmith	
Fruit, apples	0.25d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Fruit, berries	0.75d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Fruit, dried	+50%	n/a	Foodmerchant	to basic price
Fruit, grapes	1d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Fruit, pears	0.5d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Fruit, raisins	1.5d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Fruit, plums	0.75d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Furs (see Hides)				
Gambeson, quilt	228d	11.4	Armorer	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th
Gauntlets, leather	10d	0.8	Clothier	coverage: Ha
Gauntlets, ring	35d	1.8	Armorer	coverage: Ha
Gauntlets, mail	75d	2.5	Armorer	coverage: Ha

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Glaive	54d	8	Metalsmith	
Glass, drinking	12d+	0.75	Potter	
Glass, stained	12d	1	Glassblower	Per square foot
Glass, window	3d	1	Glassblower	Per square foot
Gloves, buckram	8d	0.3	Clothier	coverage: Ha
Gloves, leather – see gauntlets				
Gloves, russet	15d	0.3	Clothier	coverage: Ha
Gloves, silk	46d	0.3	Clothier	coverage: Ha
Glue	3d	1	Apothecary	per pint
Goat	2d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Goat, live	10d	n/a	Farm/market	
Goblet, pewter	3d	1	Metalsmith	
Gold	6400d	n/a	Miner	per pound
Goose	3d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Goose, live	9d	n/a	Farm/market	
Grainflail	12d	2	Metalsmith	

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Grant of arms	5000d+	n/a	Herald	
Grapple, light	10d	1	Metalsmith	supports 150 lb.
Grapple, heavy	35d	2	Metalsmith	supports 300 lb.
Grease	2d	n/a	Chandler	per pound
Great Helm, plate	225d	6.8	Armorer	coverage: Sk Fa Nk
Greaves, cour-boulli	60d	2.2	Armorer	coverage: Cf
Greaves, plate	300d	9.0	Armorer	coverage: Cf
Grindstone	24d	50	Mason	
Habergeon, mail	645d	21.5	Armorer	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr
Habergeon, scale	430d	25.8	Armorer	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr
Halfhelm, kurbul	30d	1.1	Armorer	coverage: Sk
Halfhelm, plate	100d	3.0	Armorer	coverage: Sk
Halfhelm, ring	28d	1.4	Armorer	coverage: Sk
Ham	2d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Hammer, utility	6d	2	Metalsmith	
Handaxe	70d	3	Metalsmith	

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Harness, horse	25d	8	Ostler	
Harness, ox	18d	7	Hideworker	
Harp	300d	20	Harper	
Harpoon	40d	5	Metalsmith	
Hat/cap, beaver	18d	0.7	Clothier	coverage: Sk
Hat/cap, buckram	6d	0.2	Clothier	coverage: Sk
Hat/cap, ermine	40d	0.5	Clothier	coverage: Sk
Hat/cap, leather	8d	0.6	Clothier	coverage: Sk
Hat/cap, russet	12d	0.3	Clothier	coverage: Sk
Hat/cap, sealskin	20d	0.5	Clothier	coverage: Sk
Hat/cap, serge	5d	0.3	Clothier	coverage: Sk
Hat/cap, silk	36d	0.3	Clothier	coverage: Sk
Hat/cap, worsted	19d	0.3	Clothier	coverage: Sk
Hatchet	6d	2	Metalsmith	
Hauberk, long, mail	900d	30.0	Armorer	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th Kn
Hauberk, long, ring	420d	21.0	Armorer	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th Kn

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Hauberk, long, scale	600d	36.0	Armorer	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th Kn
Hauberk, short, mail	855d	28.5	Armorer	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th
Hauberk, short, ring	399d	19.9	Armorer	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th
Hauberk, short, scale	570d	34.2	Armorer	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th
Hay	1d	n/a	Thatcher	per pound
Hide, beaver	30d	2	Hideworker	
Hide, calf	16d	4	Hideworker	
Hide, deer	6d	4	Hideworker	
Hide, ermine/sable	30d	2	Hideworker	
Hide, exotic	120d+	n/a	Hideworker	
Hide, horse	10d	4	Hideworker	
Hide, lamb	3d	2	Hideworker	
Hide, otter/weasel	24d	2	Hideworker	
Hide, ox	12d	4	Hideworker	
Hide, pig	5d	2	Hideworker	
Hide, rabbit	1d	0.75	Hideworker	

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Hide, reindeer	16d	4	Hideworker	
Hide, seal	24d	2	Hideworker	
Hide, sheep	4d	4	Hideworker	
Hoe	3d	2	Metalsmith	
Holy symbol, brass	12d+	0.2	Metalsmith	
Holy symbol, iron	18d+	0.2	Metalsmith	personal
Holy symbol, wood	8d+	0.1	Woodcrafter	personal
Honey	2d	2	Foodmerchant	per pint
Hoods – see cowls				
Horn, hunting	20d	1	Hideworker	
Horn, musical	72d	1	Metalsmith	
Horn, narwhal	60d	n/a	Whaler	per pound
Horse, cart	225d	n/a	Ostler	
Horse, plough	285d	n/a	Ostler	
Horse, riding	440d	n/a	Ostler	
Horse, war	720d+	n/a	Ostler	

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Horsemeat	1.5d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Horseshoe	1d	0.75	Metalsmith	
Incense	12d	n/a	Perfumer	per pound
Ink, black	24d	8	Lexicographer	per gallon
Ink, blue	32d	8	Lexicographer	per gallon
Ink, green	32d	8	Lexicographer	per gallon
Ink, brown	40d	8	Lexicographer	per gallon
Ink, red	48d	8	Lexicographer	per gallon
Inkwell, copper	12d	1	Metalsmith	
Inkwell, glass	30d	1	Glassblower	
Iron, pig	0.05d	n/a	Miner	per pound
Ivory	75d	n/a	Jeweller	per pound
Jar, ceramic, small	4d	1	Potter	one quart capacity
Jar, ceramic, large	8d	2	Potter	two quart capacity
Jar, glass, small	9d	1	Glassblower	one quart capacity
Jar, glass, large	18d	2	Glassblower	two quart capacity

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Javelin	36d	3	Metalsmith	
Keys	2d+	0.1	Locksmith	
Kite, toy	4d+	1	Woodcrafter	
Kite, crewed	250d	40	Woodcrafter	130 lb. capacity
Kite shield	72d	7	Metalsmith	
Knee boots – see boots				
Kneecops, kurbul	75d	2.3	Armorer	coverage: Kn
Knife, kitchen	10d	1	Metalsmith	
Knight shield	60d	5	Metalsmith	
Lace	50d	n/a	Clothier	per yard
Ladder, 8 feet	6d	5	Woodcrafter	
Lamb	3d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Lamb, live	6d	n/a	Farm/market	
Lamp, glass(7)	24d	2	Chandler	
Lance	120d	8	Metalsmith	
Lantern, metal(7)	12d	1	Chandler	

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Lard	1d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Lead	0.25d	n/a	Miner	per pound
Leather, tanned	12d	n/a	Hideworker	per square yard
Leggings, beaver	207d	7.8	Clothier	Hp Gr Th Kn Cf Ft
Leggings, buckram	69d	2.3	Clothier	Hp Gr Th Kn Cf Ft
Leggings, leather	92d	6.9	Clothier	Hp Gr Th Kn Cf Ft
Leggings, linen	46d	2.3	Clothier	Hp Gr Th Kn Cf Ft
Leggings, mail	690d	23.0	Armorer	Hp Gr Th Kn Cf Ft
Leggings, quilt	230d	8.3	Clothier	Hp Gr Th Kn Cf Ft
Leggings, ring	322d	16.1	Armorer	Hp Gr Th Kn Cf Ft
Leggings, russet	141d	3.2	Clothier	Hp Gr Th Kn Cf Ft
Leggings, sealskin	230d	6.0	Clothier	Hp Gr Th Kn Cf Ft
Leggings, serge	54d	3.2	Clothier	Hp Gr Th Kn Cf Ft
Leggings, silk	419d	3.2	Clothier	Hp Gr Th Kn Cf Ft
Limestone, powdered	3d	n/a	Mason	per pound
Linen, coarse	4d	n/a	Clothier	Per square yard

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Linen, fine	25d	n/a	Clothier	Per square yard
Lock	8d+	0.25	Locksmith	
Lockbox, small	12d+	3	Locksmith	5 lb. capacity
Lockbox, large	24d+	5	Locksmith	20 lb. capacity
Lockpick set, small	18d	0.5	Metalsmith	+0 to lockcraft EML
Lockpick set, large	40d	1	Metalsmith	+20 to lockcraft EML
Longbow	36d	3	Fletcher	
Longknife	96d	1	Metalsmith	
Longshirt, cloth	50d	2.55	Clothier	Fo El Ua Sh Th Ab Hp Gr
Longshirt, leather	100d	7.55	Clothier	Fo El Ua Sh Th Ab Hp Gr
Longshirt, quilt	200d	10	Clothier	Fo El Ua Sh Th Ab Hp Gr
Longshirt, ring	350d	17.45	Armorer	Fo El Ua Sh Th Ab Hp Gr
Lute	200d	3	Woodcrafter	
Lyre	120d	3	Metalsmith	
Mace	84d	4	Metalsmith	
Maps	12d+	n/a	Cartographer	

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Marbles, stone	5d	1	Tinker	per dozen
Marbles, glass	10d	1	Tinker	per dozen
Mast	6d	n/a	Shipwright	per foot
Maul	24d	7	Woodcrafter	
Mead	0.25d	1	Innkeeper	per pint
Mead, cask	250d	280	Innkeeper	
Mead, hogshead	72d	70	Innkeeper	
Meal, cold	0.75d	n/a	Innkeeper	
Meal, hot	1d	n/a	Innkeeper	
Meat, jerked	+33%	n/a	Foodmerchant	To base cost
Meat, smoked	+25%	n/a	Foodmerchant	To base cost
Mercenary, light	15d	n/a	Mercenary	per day
Mercenary, medium	35d	n/a	Mercenary	per day
Mercenary, heavy	60d	n/a	Mercenary	per day
Milk, cow	3d	8	Foodmerchant	per gallon
Milk, goat	2d	8	Foodmerchant	per gallon

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Milk, sheep	2d	8	Foodmerchant	per gallon
Mirror, bronze	12d	2	Metalsmith	
Mirror, iron	20d	2	Metalsmith	silver-coated
Mittens, mail – see gauntlets				
Morningstar	48d	5	Metalsmith	
Mule	200d	n/a	Ostler	
Mutton	1d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Nails	2d	n/a	Metalsmith	per pound
Needle and thread	3d	0.05	Clothier	5 ft./thread
Net, combat	48d	4	Ropemaker	
Net, fishing	5d	2	Shipwright	Per square yard
Nunchaku	12d	1	Metalsmith	
Oar	5d	1	Shipwright	
Oatcakes	0.25d	0.75	Foodmerchant	per dozen
Oatmeal	0.25d	n/a	Miller	per pound
Oats	2d	n/a	Miller	per pound

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Oil, cooking	3d	12	Chandler	per gallon
Oil, lamp	12d	12	Chandler	per gallon
Oil, whale	12d	12	Whaler	per gallon
Oil, rose	20d	n/a	Perfumer	per ounce
Oil, myrtle	25d	n/a	Perfumer	per ounce
Oil, cinnamon	60d	n/a	Perfumer	per ounce
Olives	8d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Opiates	100d+	n/a	Apothecary	per ounce
Ox	100d	n/a	Farm/market	
Oysters	0.5d	n/a	Fishmonger	per pound
Paint	20d	12	Chandler	per gallon
Palanquin	100d+	40	Woodcrafter	
Pan, copper	12d	2	Metalsmith	
Parchment	2d	0.25	Lexicographer	Per square foot
Pen, metal	4d	0.1	Lexicographer	
Pen, quill	2d	0.05	Lexicographer	

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Pen, wood	1d	0.1	Lexicographer	
Perfume	6d+	n/a	Perfumer	per ounce
Pewter	3d	n/a	Metalsmith	per pound
Pheasant	2d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Pick	8d	4	Metalsmith	
Pie, fruit	0.75d	0.5	Foodmerchant	
Pie, meat	1d	0.5	Foodmerchant	
Pig	24d	n/a	Farm/market	
Pike	96d	12	Metalsmith	
Pipe, smoking	2d	0.25	Potter	
Pipes	60d	0.5	Woodcrafter	
Pitchfork	6d	3	Metalsmith	
Pitons, iron	6d	2	Metalsmith	for six; 200 lbs. cap.
Plate, tin	2d	0.5	Metalsmith	
Plate, pewter	5d	0.5	Metalsmith	
Plough, metal blade	72d	12	Metalsmith	

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Plough, wood blade	48d	10	Woodcrafter	
Poleaxe	80d	7	Metalsmith	
Pork	2d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Prostitute	2d	n/a	Prostitute	per night
Purse, buckram	9d	0.75	Clothier	Tem lb. capacity
Purse, silk	60d	0.75	Clothier	Tem lb. capacity
Quarterstaff	24d	4	Woodcrafter	
Quill	1d	0.02	Lexicographer	
Quiver	8d	1	Hideworker	
Rabbit	1d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Razor	6d	0.25	Metalsmith	
Rerebraces, cour-boulli	30d	1.1	Armorer	coverage: Ua
Rerebraces, plate	150d	4.5	Armorer	coverage: Ua
Robe, beaver	356d	13.4	Clothier	ElFoUaShTxAbHpGrThKnCf
Robe, buckram	119d	4.0	Clothier	ElFoUaShTxAbHpGrThKnCf
Robe, ermine	786d	10.3	Clothier	ElFoUaShTxAbHpGrThKnCf

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Robe, linen	51d	2.6	Clothier	ElFoUaShTxAbHpGrThKnCf
Robe, russet	242d	5.5	Clothier	ElFoUaShTxAbHpGrThKnCf
Robe, sealskin	395d	10.3	Clothier	ElFoUaShTxAbHpGrThKnCf
Robe, serge	93d	5.5	Clothier	ElFoUaShTxAbHpGrThKnCf
Robe, silk	719d	5.5	Clothier	ElFoUaShTxAbHpGrThKnCf
Robe, worsted	373d	6.3	Clothier	ElFoUaShTxAbHpGrThKnCf
Rope, hemp, light	1d	0.25	Ropemaker	per foot; supp. .
Rope, hemp, heavy	2d	0.35	Ropemaker	per foot; supp. .
Rope, silk	5d	0.1	Ropemaker	per foot; supp. .
Roundshield	42d	6	Metalsmith	
Runestones	40d	3	Mason	per set
Russet cloth	12d	n/a	Clothier	Per square yard
Rye	1.5d	n/a	Miller	per pound
Sack, linen, large	1d	0.25	Tentmaker	50 lb. capacity
Sack, linen, small	0.5d	0.1	Tentmaker	20 lb. capacity
Sack, buckram	2d	0.25	Tentmaker	25 lb. capacity

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Saddle, riding	80d	4	Ostler	
Saddle, war	240d	10	Ostler	
Sagely knowledge	varies(8)	n/a	Sage	
Sai (parrying dagger)	36d	2	Metalsmith	
Salt, rock	1d	n/a	Salter	per pound
Salt, sea	0.5d	n/a	Salter	per pound
Sandals	8d	1	Hideworker	
Saw, hack	10d	2	Metalsmith	
Saw, two-person	20d	4	Metalsmith	
Scabbard, dagger	12d	0.5	Hideworker	
Scabbard, sword	24d	1	Hideworker	
Scales	72d+	3	Metalsmith	
Scallions	0.25d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Scones	0.5d	1.5	Foodmerchant	per dozen
Scythe	24d	4	Metalsmith	
Seal, signet	36d	0.25	Lexicographer	

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Seaweed	6d	n/a	Fishmonger	per pound
Serge cloth	6d	n/a	Clothier	Per square yard
Sheep	12d	n/a	Farm/market	
Shirt, beaver	194d	7.3	Clothier	Ua Sh Th Ab Hp Gr
Shirt, buckram	65d	2.2	Clothier	Ua Sh Th Ab Hp Gr
Shirt, ermine	428d	5.6	Clothier	Ua Sh Th Ab Hp Gr
Shirt, leather	120d	6.5	Clothier	Ua Sh Th Ab Hp Gr
Shirt, linen	43d	2.2	Clothier	Ua Sh Th Ab Hp Gr
Shirt, quilt	172d	8.6	Armorer	Ua Sh Th Ab Hp Gr
Shirt, ring	301d	15.0	Armorer	Ua Sh Th Ab Hp Gr
Shirt, russet	132d	3.0	Clothier	Ua Sh Th Ab Hp Gr
Shirt, sealskin	215d	5.6	Clothier	Ua Sh Th Ab Hp Gr
Shirt, serge	51d	3.0	Clothier	Ua Sh Th Ab Hp Gr
Shirt, silk	391d	3.0	Clothier	Ua Sh Th Ab Hp Gr
Shirt, worsted	203d	3.4	Clothier	Ua Sh Th Ab Hp Gr
Shoeing, horse	2d	n/a	Ostler	per shoe

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Shoes, leather	14d	1.1	Clothier	coverage: Ft
Shortbow	24d	2	Fletcher	
Shortsword	90d	2	Metalsmith	
Shovel	12d	3	Metalsmith	
Sickle	10d	3	Metalsmith	
Silk cloth	72d	n/a	Clothier	Per square yard
Silver	320d	n/a	Miner	per pound
Skis	42d	3	Woodcrafter	per pair
Slave, laborer	240d+	n/a	Slaver	
Slave, pleasure	300d+	n/a	Slaver	
Slave, gladiator	480d+	n/a	Slaver	
Sled, cargo	80d	150	Woodcrafter	
Snowshoes	36d	3	Woodcrafter	per pair
Soap	1d	n/a	Perfumer	per ounce
Spade	8d	2	Metalsmith	
Spear	60d	5	Metalsmith	

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Spice, Alum	16d	n/a	Spicemerchant	per ounce
Spice, Ginger	30d	n/a	Spicemerchant	per ounce
Spice, Pepper	36d	n/a	Spicemerchant	per ounce
Spice, Cinnamon	40d	n/a	Spicemerchant	per ounce
Spice, Keddryth	45d	n/a	Spicemerchant	per ounce
Spice, Camphor	50d	n/a	Spicemerchant	per ounce
Spice, Nutmeg	50d	n/a	Spicemerchant	per ounce
Spice, Frankincense	75d	n/a	Spicemerchant	per ounce
Spice, Ginseng	170d	n/a	Spicemerchant	per ounce
Spice, Marthyn	200d	n/a	Spicemerchant	per ounce
Spice, Myrrh	150d	n/a	Spicemerchant	per ounce
Spice, Nard	100d	n/a	Spicemerchant	per ounce
Spicebox	24d	1	Woodcrafter	0.5 lb. capacity
Spigot	9d	0.25	Metalsmith	
Sponges	45d	0.1	Apothecary	each
Spoon, wood	2d	0.1	Woodcrafter	

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Spoon, pewter	4d	0.1	Metalsmith	
Spurs	18d	0.25	Metalsmith	
Stabling	1d	n/a	Ostler	
Stabling, with feed	2d	n/a	Ostler	
Steel	5d	n/a	Metalsmith	per pound
Stones	0.5d	400	Mason	per eight cubic feet
Stones, fine	10d	400	Mason	per eight cubic feet
Stones, marble	20d	400	Mason	per eight cubic feet
String	2d	0.1	Weaver	10 yds. / .5 lb. strain
Sugar	60d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Sundial, bronze	225d	50	Metalsmith	
Sundial, stone	200d	100	Mason	incl. base
Surcoat, buckram	81d	2.7	Clothier	Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th Kn
Surcoat, leather	151d	8.1	Clothier	Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th Kn
Surcoat, linen	51d	2.6	Clothier	Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th Kn
Surcoat, silk	491d	3.8	Clothier	Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th Kn

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Swan	3d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Swan, live	12d	n/a	Farm/market	
Table	36d	20	Woodcrafter	
Talc, fine	10d	n/a	Apothecary	per ounce
Talc, rough	1d	n/a	Stonemason	per ounce
Tankard, pewter	4d	1	Metalsmith	
Tankard, wood	2d	1	Woodcrafter	
Tapestry	200d+	20+	Embroiderer	
Tar	9d	15	Chandler	per gallon
Tea	35d	n/a	Spicemerchant	per ounce
Tent, sleeps two	27d	8	Tentmaker	
Tent, pavilion	200d+	300	Tentmaker	
Thread, flax	1d	0.1	Weaver	per yard
Throwing axe	48d	2	Metalsmith	
Throwing dagger	20d	1	Metalsmith	
Thrusting sword	150d	3	Metalsmith	

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Tin	2d	n/a	Metalsmith	per pound
Tinderbox	6d	2	Chandler	
Torches	1d	1	Chandler	each; 2 hrs.
Tower shield	96d	8	Metalsmith	
Trident	72d	6	Metalsmith	
Trunk	24d	12	Woodcrafter	250 lb. cap.
Tunic, beaver	257d	9.7	Clothier	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th
Tunic, buckram	86d	2.9	Clothier	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th
Tunic, ermine	567d	7.4	Clothier	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th
Tunic, leather	114d	8.6	Clothier	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th
Tunic, linen	57d	2.9	Clothier	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th
Tunic, russet	174d	4.0	Clothier	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th
Tunic, sealskin	285d	7.4	Clothier	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th
Tunic, serge	67d	4.0	Clothier	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th
Tunic, silk	519d	4.0	Clothier	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th
Tunic, worsted	269d	4.6	Clothier	Ua Sh Tx Ab Hp Gr Th

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Twine	4d	0.2	Ropemake	10 yds. / .5 lb. strain
Undertunics – see tunic				
Urn, five gallon	12d	7	Potter	
Vambraces, cour-boulli	25d	0.9	Armorer	coverage: Fo
Vambraces, plate	125d	3.8	Armorer	coverage: Fo
Vase	4d	3	Potter	
Veal	3d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Vegetables, cabbage	0.5d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Vegetables, carrots	0.5d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Vegetables, lentils	0.25d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Vegetables, peas	0.25d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Vegetables, tomatos	0.5d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Vellum	2d	0.1	Lexicographer	Per square foot
Venison	3d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Vest, beaver	122d	4.6	Clothier	coverage: Sh Tx Ab
Vest, buckram	41d	1.4	Clothier	coverage: Sh Tx Ab

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Vest, ermine	269d	3.5	Clothier	coverage: Sh Tx Ab
Vest, leather	54d	4.1	Clothier	coverage: Sh Tx Ab
Vest, linen	27d	1.4	Clothier	coverage: Sh Tx Ab
Vest, russet	83d	1.9	Clothier	coverage: Sh Tx Ab
Vest, sealskin	135d	3.5	Clothier	coverage: Sh Tx Ab
Vest, serge	32d	1.9	Clothier	coverage: Sh Tx Ab
Vest, silk	246d	1.9	Clothier	coverage: Sh Tx Ab
Vest, worsted	127d	2.2	Clothier	coverage: Sh Tx Ab
Vetches	1d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Wagon, four-wheeled	220d	400	Woodcrafter	
Waterclock	1000d+	200	Locksmith	
Waterproofing	+50%	n/a	Clothier	for clothing/cloth
Warflail	60d	5	Metalsmith	
Warhammer	90d	5	Metalsmith	
Wax, candle	2d	n/a	Chandler	per pound
Wax, sealing	4d	n/a	Chandler	per pound

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Whalebone	6d	n/a	Whaler	per pound
Wheat	1.5d	n/a	Foodmerchant	per pound
Wheel	18d	10	Woodcrafter	
Wheel, iron rimmed	30d	12	Woodcrafter	
Wheelbarrow	10d	12	Woodcrafter	200 lb. cap.
Whip	12d	2	Hideworker	
Will	24d	n/a	Litigant	
Wine	0.75d	n/a	Innkeeper	per glass
Wine, cask	420d	280	Innkeeper	
Wine, hogshead	120d	70	Innkeeper	
Wineskin, small	6d	0.5	Hideworker	one quart capacity
Wineskin, médium	9d	1	Hideworker	one gallon capacity
Wineskin, large	12d	2	Hideworker	four gallon capacity
Wire, copper	2d	0.1	Metalsmith	per foot
Wood, Ash	12d	200	Timberwright	per
Wood, Birch	4d	200	Timberwright	per

Item	Cost	Weight	Maker/seller	Notes
Wood, Cedar	8d	200	Timberwright	per
Wood, Elm	10d	200	Timberwright	per
Wood, Fir	12d	200	Timberwright	per
Wood, Larch	6d	200	Timberwright	per
Wood, Maple	14d	200	Timberwright	per
Wood, Oak	16d	200	Timberwright	per
Wood, Pine	8d	200	Timberwright	per
Wood, Spruce	6d	200	Timberwright	per
Wood, raw	4d	225	Farm/market	
Worsted, cloth	24d	n/a	Clothier	per square yard

Rare knowledge: 75d (reading dead languages, descriptions of foreign lands, old history)

Very rare knowledge: 200d (reading ancient dead languages, descriptions of the farthest reaches of the known world, ancient history)

Dangerous/illicit knowledge: 500d+ (reading magical texts, descriptions of poisons, heretical theological speculation)

Coinage: the basic unit was the penny (d). 12 pennys made one shilling (s), and 20 shillings made one pound (£) sterling. (So we're talking silver, not gold). There was also a coin called the Mark, which equalled 13s.4d, or 2/3 of a pound. There were gold coins, called nobles or royals, worth originally 6s.8d, and later 10s, and half-nobles worth 5s. A farthing = 2s.6d.

XVth century incomes

- The Dukes of York, Buckingham, and the Earl of Warwick — the Donald Trumps of their day — made between £4,000 and £6,000 per year.

- Minimum income to be an official like justice of the peace — £20 (from land, not trade, etc.).
- Minimum income needed to vote in a county election = 40s/year from land.

Basic wages

- Agricultural Laborer — about 4d./day.
- Building worker — 5–6d. per day.
- Soldiers' wages:
- A knight — 2s. per day.
- A man-at-arms — 1s. per day.
- An archer — 6d. a day.
- A large, fortified manor house/castle with all the ammenities: (top of the line) — £6,000.
- A one-bay cottage — £3.4s.

XVth century food prices

Food	Price
Wheat	5s.8d. per quarter (a quarter tun, or 64 (wine) gallons, or 8 bushels)
Oats	2-3s a quarter
Salt	5d. per bushel
Eggs	5d. per hundred
Pepper	2s. per lb.
Sugar	1s.6d. per lb.
Raisins	3d. per lb.
Candles	1d. per lb.
Milk	1d. per gallon

Food	Price
Beer	1d. per gallon
Red wine	10d. per gallon
Cattle	9-11s. each
Sheep	1-2s. each
Pigs	2-3s.6d. each

List of medieval prices

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The list of medieval prices which follows is by no means complete or thoroughly researched; I merely extracted references from some of the books I have, and I thought others might like to inspect it. The sources I used are listed at the end. If an item is listed several times, it is because I had several references I wished to record.

Money goes as follows:

- (£) = 20 shillings (s) (solidus)
- 1 crown = 5 shillings
- 1 shilling = 12 pence (d)(denarius)
- 1 penny = 4 farthings
- 1 mark = 13s 4d

The French Livre, sou, and denier are equivalent to the pound, shilling and penny (Latin liber, solidus, and denarius, I believe, which is where the weird English abbreviations come from).

For ease, I've divided this list into the following sections: tools, horses, food and livestock, books and education, buildings, cloth and clothing, armor, weapons, marriage, funerals, travel, miscellaneous goods, and wages.

Of course, a price list is a misleading guide to a feudal economy, because so many goods were either produced within a household, or supplied by a lord. Retainers could get money, but they would also get food, lodging, weapons (sometimes), and cloth. Knights Templar were provided with clothes, horses, and armor.

Tools

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
2 yokes	4s	c1350	3	170
Foot iron of plough	5d	"	"	"
3 mason's tools (not named)	9d	"	"	"
1 spade and shovel	3d	1457	"	"
1 axe	5d	"	"	"
1 augur	3d	"	"	"
1 vise	13s 4d	1514	5	27-28
Large biciron	60s	"	"	"
Small biciron	16s	"	"	"
Anvil	20s	"	"	"
Bellows	30s	"	"	"
Hammers	8d-2s 8d	"	"	"
2 chisels	8d	"	"	"
Complete set of armorer's tools	£13 16s 11d	"	"	"
Spinning Wheel	10 d	1457	3	170

Horses

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
War Horse	up to 50s	12 cen	(?) 7	30
War Horse	up to £80	13 cen	3	72
Knight's 2 horses	£10	1374	"	76
High-grade riding horse	£10	13th cen	"	72
Draught horse	10s-20s	13th cen	"	"

Note: Horse prices varied dramatically; for instance, they doubled between 1210 and 1310. (3, p. 37).

Food And Livestock

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Wine:				
Best Gascon in London	4d/gallon	1331	2	194
Best Rhenish in London	8d/London	"	"	"
Wine:				
Cheapest	3d-4d/gal	Late 13 cen	3	62
Best	8d-10d/gal	"	"	"
Ale (beer comes later):				

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Good	1.5d/gal	14 cen	2	201
Médium	1d/gal	"	"	"
Poor	.75d/gal	"	"	"
Ale:				
First-rate	1-1.25d/gal	1320-1420	3	58
Second-rate	.75-1d/gal	"	"	"
Ale (best):				
Somerset	.75d	1338	3	210
London	1.25d	"	"	"
Beer, good	1d/quart	late 16 cen	8	xx
Dried Fruit (eg raisins, dates, figs, prunes), almonds, rice	1-4d/lb, up to 6d rare	14 cen(?)	3	62-63
Spices (cinnamon, cloves, mace, pepper, sugar, etc).	1-3s/lb	"	"	"
Pepper	4s/lb	mid 13 cen	9	218
Pepper	6d/.5lb	1279-1280	3	11
Saffron	12s-15s/lb	14 cen(?)	3	62-63

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Cow (good)	10s	12 cen(?)	7	30
Cow	9s 5d	mid 14th	1	99
Cow	6s	1285-1290	3	206
Ox	13s 1.25d	mid 14 cen	1	99
Sheep	1s 5d	"	"	"
Wether:				
Somerset	9d-10d	1338	3	210
London	1s 5d	"	"	"
Pig:				
Somerset	2s	1338	3	210
London	3s	"	"	"
Fowl	1d	"	"	"
2 Chickens	1d	14 cen	4	78
2 Dozen Eggs	1d	"	"	"
Goose (in London)	6d (legal) 7d-8d asked	1375	2	198

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
cheese	3s 4d	late 13 cen	3	114
Salted herring (wholesale)	5-10/1d	1382	2	198- 199
Salt conger	6d each	1422- 1423	3	69
Oats:				
Somerset	1s/quarter	1338	"	210
London	2s 2d per quarter	"	"	"
Cost of feeding a knight's or merchant's household per year	£30-£60, up to £100	15 cen	3	199

Related Note: around 1380, these are the average costs per day of feeding people on an estate (**3**, p. 65): lord, 7d; esquire, 4d; yeoman, 3d; and groom, 1d.

Books And Education

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Monastery School	£2 (approx) per year	1392-1393	3	75
Schoolmaster at Croyden:				
Board	2s/week*	1394	2	186
Instruction	13s 4d/year	"	"	"
Oxford:				

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Board	104s/year	1374	"	"
Clothing	40s/year	"	"	"
Instruction	26s 8d/year	"	"	"
University:				
Minimum	£2-£3/year	Late 14 cen	3	75
Student of good birth	£4-£10/year	"	"	"
Fencing Instruction	10s/month	Late 16 cen	8	xx
7 Books	£5 (approx)	1479	3	76
126 Books	£113	1397	3	77
To Rent a book	.5d-1d per pecia**	mid 13 cen	9	172

* Source says 2s/day. This is not only insanely high, but the text also claims that the board was the same as at —i.e., 2s/week or 104s/year.

** A pecia is 16 columns of 62 lines of 32 letters, i.e., 31,744 letters, or about 7500–8000 words. Rental period is not specified, but I would guess a year; books were rented to be copied, and copying the Bible took 15 months. See **9**, p. 172.

Buildings

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Rent per annum for 138 shops on London Bridge	£160 4s	1365	2	114
Rent for the three taverns with the exclusive right to sell sweet wines	£200	1365-	2	195-

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
(hippocras, clarry, piments)		1375		196
Rent cottage	5s/year	14 cen(?)	3	208
Rent craftsman's house	20s/year	"	"	"
Rent merchant's house	£2-£3/year	"	"	"
Cottage (1 bay, 2 storeys)	£2	early 14 cen	"	205
Row house in York (well built)	up to £5	"	"	"
Craftsman's house (i.e., with shop, work area, and room for workers) with 2-3 bays and tile roof	£10-£15	early 14 cen	3	205
Modest hall and chamber, not including materials	£12	1289	3	79-80
Merchant's house	£33-£66	early 14 cen	3	205
House with courtyard	£90+	"	"	"
Goldsmiths' Hall (in London, with hall, kitchen, buttery, 2 chambers)	£136	1365	2	114
Large tiled barn	£83	1309-1310	3	79
Wooden gatehouse (30' long long), barn, and drawbridge: Contract	£5 6s 8d + builder's clothing	1341	3	81
Estimated total	£16	"	"	"

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Stone Gatehouse (40' X 18'):				
with all except stone	£16 13s 4d	1313	3	79-80
estimated with stone	£30	"	"	"
Tower in castle's curtain wall	£333, £395	late 14 cen	"	"
Castle & college at Tattershall	£450/annum for 13 years	1434- 1446	"	81
Transept of Gloucester Abbey	£781	1368- 1373	3	79-80
Stonework of church (125', no tower)	£113 (contract)	13 cen(?)	"	"

Note: tithes were often calculated at 1d a week for every 20s of annual rent paid (4, p. 208).

The following are the estimates of labor that went into the tower of Langeais, a rectangular, tapering stone tower built in 992–994. The source is 6, pp. 47ff. The dimensions at the base were by ; the height was 16m (3 floors); the walls were 1.5m thick, made of two shells filled with loose rock.

- Limestone in building: about 1050 cubic meters, or 2 600 000 kg
- Wood in building: 47.5 cubic meters, or 34 600 kg
- Nails: 3 400, or 50 kg
- Mortar: 350 cubic meters. To make the mortar:
 - sand: 225 cubic meters, or 360 000 kg
 - limestone: 40 cubic meters, or 160 000 kg
 - green wood: 540 cubic meters, or 286 000 kg

Labor Costs, in Average Working Days (AWD):

- Procurement: 14 250
- Transport: 2 880
- Labor:
 - Unskilled: 63 500
 - Mason: 12 700
 - Smith: 1 600

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Fashionable gown	easily £10, up to £50	late 14 cen	2	53
Gentry:				
Shoes	4d	1470s	3	79
Boots	6d	"	"	"
Purse	1.5d	"	"	"
Hat	10d, 1s 2d	"	"	"
Craftsman's tabard and super-tunic	3s	1285-1290	3	206
Reeve's murrey (dark brown) robe	6s 4d	1349-1352	"	176
Reeve's red robe	5s 3d	"	"	"
Peasants (wealthy):				
Linen Chemise	8d	1313	3	175
Shoes	6d	"	"	"
Woolen garment	3s	"	"	"
Fur-lined garments	6s 8d	early 14 cen	"	"
Tunic	3s	"	"	"
Linen	1s	"	"	"

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Landless serfs' tunics	1d-6d	mid 14 cen	"	176
Cloth for peasant tunics	8d-1s 3d per yard	early 14 cen "	"	
Best Wool	5s/yard	1380	3	78
"Tawny and russet"	6s/yard	1479-1482	"	"
Silk	10s-12s per yard	15 cen(?)	"	"
Furs added to garment	+£2-£3 to garment	15 cen(?)	"	79
The worth of cloth provided yearly by a lord to:				
Esquires	2s 11d/yard	1289-1290	3	78
Yeomen	2s/yard	"	"	"
lesser servants	1s 7d/yard	"	"	"

Note: loose tunics take 2.25–2.5 yards. In the late 14th century, shorter doubled (lined) tunics, known as doublets, became fashionable, requiring (**3**, pp 175,176).

Armor

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Mail	100s	12 cen(?)	7	30
Ready-made Milanese armor	£8 6s 8d	1441	4	112

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Squire's armor	£5-£6 16s 8d "	"	"	
Armor for Prince of Wales, "gilt and graven"	£340	1614	5	20
Complete Lance Armor	£3 6s 8d	1590	5	185
Complete corselets	30s	"	"	"
Cuirass of proof with pauldrons	40s	"	"	"
Normal cuirass with pauldrons	26s 8d	"	"	"
Target of proof	30s	"	"	"
Morion	3s 4d	"	"	"
Burgonet	4s	"	"	"
Cuirass of pistol-proof with pauldrons	£1 6s	1624	5	189-190
Cuirass without pauldrons	£1	"	"	"
Lance Armor	£4	"	"	"
Targets of Proof	24s	"	"	"
Cuirass with cap	£4	"	"	"
Armor of proof	£14 2s 8d	1667	"	68
Bascinet	13s 4d + 3s 4d to line it	1369	"	88

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Armor in a merchant's house (leather?)	5s	1285-1290	3	206
Total Armor owned by a knight	£16 6s 8d	1374	"	76
Armor in house of Thomas of Woodstock, duke of	£103	1397	"	77
Fee for cleaning rust off corselets	5d each	1567	5	80
Fee for varnishing, replacing straps, and rivetting helmet and corselet	1s 4d	1613	5	90
Barrel for cleaning mail	9d	1467	5	79

Note: mail is chainmail; almost all the rest is plate-armor. The armor of the knight in 1374 was probably mail with some plates; same for 's. Mail was extremely susceptible to rust, and was cleaned by rolling it in sand and vinegar in a barrel. Pauldrons are shoulder plates; morions are open helmets, burgonets and bascinets closed helmets; and a target refers to any of a number different kind of shields.

Armor of proof is tested during the making with blows or shots from the strongest weapons of the time; if a weapon is listed, the armor does not claim to be proof against everything, only that it is proof up to that weapon's strength (eg pistol proof is not musket proof, but may be sword proof).

All plate armor was lined with cloth, to pad the wearer, quiet the armor, and reduce wear between the pieces. This, along with the necessary straps, was a significant amount of the expense. An armorer asking for money to set up shop in 1624 estimated production costs and profit for a number of different types of armor: I give two examples below (5, pp. 189–190).

Cuirass of proof with pauldrons:

- Plates: 5s 6d
- Finishing, rivets, and straps: 7s 6d
- Selling price 26s
- Lance armor:
- Plates 14s 5d
- Finishing, et cetera 40s
- Selling price 80s

Weapons

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Cheap sword (peasant's)	6d	1340s	3	174
Pair of wheel-lock pistols, with tools for them	£2 16s	mid 17th	4	208
Holsters for pistols	6d	"	"	"
Wheel-lock carbine	£1 10s	"	"	"
Shoulder belt for carbine	1s	"	"	"
Pair of flintlock pistols	£2 5s	"	"	"
Flintlock carbine	£1 2s	"	"	"
Musket	16s 6d-18s 6d	"	"	"

Note: Sorry, folks, that's all I found. It was mandatory in for all freemen to own certain types of weapons and armor. (In 1181 every freeman having goods worth 10 marks (1 mark = 13s 4d) had to have a mail shirt, a helmet, and a spear. All other freemen should have helmet, spear, and gambeson (quilted armor) 4, p. 39.) Later, the government stored arms and armour in churches for use; in the 13th century anyone with an income of £2–£5 (wealthy peasants) had to have bows; archery practice became compulsory on Sundays and holidays. You may know that the extreme range of the longbow was , but did you know that a statute of Henry VIII no one over 24 could practice at a range of less than ? (See 4, p. 95 and elsewhere).

Note: for guessing prices, see the section on tools (an axe for 5d). An armorer might make 24s a month; say a week to make a decent sword, and you might get a price that way. See the section on books and education for fencing instruction.

Marriage

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Sample peasant dowries:	13s 4d, 35s 11d, 57s,	14	3	179

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
	63s 4d	cen(?)		
For serfs, mechet (fees) to lord, depending on wealth	1s-13s 4d	14 cen(?)	3	179
Wedding feast, wealthy peasant	20s	"	"	"
Wealthy peasant wedding total	£3-£4	"	"	"
Dowry for esquire's daughter	up to £66 13s 4d	15 cen	"	84
Dowry for baron's daughter	£1000 +	"	"	"
Parents (both sets) each offered couple	£100	1385	2	154

Note: these costs will be wildly varying depending on circumstance.

Funerals

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Cheap gentlewoman's funeral (bell-ringing, clergy, food)	£7	1497	3	85
Brass monument, with a figure incised, on marble base—fitting for lesser aristocrat	£8	early 14 cen	"	"
Bishop Mitford's funeral (with 1450 guests!)	£130+	1407	"	"
Memorial Chapel for Richard Beauchamp, earl of Warwick	£2481	1439-1463	"	"
Bronze effigy on gilded tomb	£400	"	"	"

Note: Christopher Dyer gives as a rough rule of thumb 1 year's income for a funeral (**3**, p. 85)

Travel

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Queen's chariot	£400	14 cen	1	99
Lady Eleanor's chariot	£1000	14 cen	1	99
Chariot	£8	1381	3	72
Chariot maintenance	1-3s/year	14 cen	"	"
Barge	£10	"	"	"
Iron-bound cart	4s	c1350	"	170
Guide for a night	1d	14 cen	1	129
Ferry ride per horseman	1d	"	"	"
Keeping an earl's warhorse 82 days in summer	36s 9.5d	1287	3	71

Note: 1, pp 126–129, gives the following prices at an inn in 1331. For one day, 3 men with 4 servants spent: Bread, 4d; beer, 2d; wine 1.25d; meat, 5.5d; potage, .25d; candles, .25d; fuel, 2d; beds, 2d; fodder for horses, 10d. The four servants staying alone sleep 2 nights for 1d. Generally, all 7 spend 2d a night on beds; in , it is 1d per head.

Miscellaneous

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
6 silver spoons	14s	1382	2	24
2 gold rings with diamonds	£15	"	"	"

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Gold Ring with ruby	26s 8d	"	"	"
3 strings of pearls	70s	"	"	"
6 gold necklaces	100s	"	"	"
Fee to enroll an apprentice:				
with mercers (rich merchants)	2s 14 cen	"	2	111
with carpenters	1s	"	"	"
Fee to join guild at end of apprenticeship:				
with mercers	20s	"	2	111
with carpenters	3s 4d	"	"	"
Fee to join guild	6s 8d-£3	14 cen(?)	3	208
Fee to gain freedom of a town (to enjoy its exemption from feudal duties, I assume)	3s 4d-20s	14 cen(?)	3	208
To empty a cesspit in a city	6s 8d	15 cen(?)	3	209
Candles				
Somerset	1.5d/lb	1338	3	210
London	2d-2.5d/lb	"	"	"

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Candles				
Tallow	1.5d/lb	15 cen(?)	3	74
Wax	6.5d/lb	1406- 1407	"	"
Vat	4d	1457	3	170
Barrel	3d	"	"	"
Bottle	4d	"	"	"
2 buckets	1s	"	"	"
1 sheet	4d	"	"	"
1 mattress	2d	"	"	"
4 pillows	4d	"	"	"
3 boards for a bed	4d	"	"	"
2 sheets, 4 blankets	5s 8p	1349- 1352	"	"
16 bedspreads, 20 sheets, 8 featherbeds	£3 1s	1285- 1290	3	206
Duke's bed of cloth of gold, with blue satin canopy	£182 3s	1397	3	77
Table	6d	1457	3	170

Item	Price	Date	Source	Page
Chair	3d	"	"	"
Chest with necessaries thereto	2s 2d	"	"	"
2 chests	6d each	"	"	"
Metal ewer	6d	1349-1352	"	"
Brass pot	2s	"	"	"
Basin and ewer	8d	"	"	"
Basin and ewer	2s 8d	"	"	"
Towel	6d	"	"	"
Coffer	1s	"	"	"
2 stools	8d	"	"	"
Ceramic cooking pot	.5d	1340s	"	174

Note: most of these come from inventories of peasants' belongings. The fine goods would be more expensive.

Note about lighting: great houses could use of wax and tallow in a single winter night (3, p. 74). Others, not as rich, would go to sleep earlier.

Wages

Profession	Wage	Date	Source	Page
Mercenaries:				

Profession	Wage	Date	Source	Page
Knight banneret	4s/day	1316	4	78
Knight	2s/day	"	"	"
Man-at-arms or squire	1s/day	"	" "	
Regular Army				
Esquires, constables, and centenars	1s/day	1346	4	79
Mounted archers, armored infantry, hobilars, vintenars	6d/day	"	"	"
Welsh vintenars	4d/day	"	"	"
Archers	3d/day	"	"	"
Welsh infantry	2d/day	"	"	"
Captain	8s/day	late 16 cen	4	181
Lieutenant	4s/day	"	"	"
Ensign	2s/day	"	"	"
Drummer or trumpeter	20d/day	"	"	"
Cavalryman	18d/day	"	"	"
Infantry	8d/day	"	"	"
Laborer	£2/year max	c1300	3	29

Profession	Wage	Date	Source	Page
Crown revenues (at peace)	£30 000	c1300	"	"
Barons per year	£200-500+	c1300	"	"
Earls per year	£400-£11000	c1300	"	"
Sergeant at Law (top lawyer)	£300/year	1455	"	47
Chief armorer	26s 8d/month	1544	5	182
Other armorers in same shop	24s/month	1544	"	"
Except "Old Martyn" who made	38s 10d/month	1544	"	"
Apprentices in same shop	6d/day	1544	"	"
Master mason	4d/day	1351	2	24
Master carpenter	3d/day	"	"	"
Carpenters' Guild stipend to a sick member	14d/week	1333	2	156
Weavers	5d/day, no food	1407	2	146
Chantry priest per year	£4 13s 4d	1379	2	24
Squires per annum	13s 4d-£1	14 cen	1	116-117
Carters, porters, falconers, grooms, messengers	5s-8s 8d per year	14 cen	1	116-117

Profession	Wage	Date	Source	Page
Kitchen servants	2s-4s/year	14 cen	1	116-117
Boys and pages	1s-6s/year	14 cen	1	116-117
Wardens of London Bridges	£10/year	1382	2	128

Note: sheriffs of paid £300 per year, hoping to make a profit from the fines they collected.

Note: 30 adult sheep could produce about 20s of wool per year in 1299 (3, p. 114).

Note: To get a VERY ROUGH sense of money, I reproduce the following chart from Dyer (3, p. 206). These are averages of daily wages in pence.

Decade	Thatcher	Thatcher's mate
1261-70	2	-
1271-80	2.5	1
1281-90	2.25	1
1291-1300	2.5	1
1301-10	2.5	1
1311-20	3	1.25
1321-30	3	1
1331-40	3	1.25
1341-50	3	1.25

Decade	Thatcher	Thatcher's mate
1351-60	3.5	2
1361-70	3.5	2
1371-80	4.25	2.5
1381-90	4	2.25
1391-1400	4.25	2.75
1401-10	4.5	3
1411-20	4.75	3
1421-30	4.5	3
1431-40	4.5	3.25
1441-50	5.25	4
1451-60	5.5	3.25
1461-70	4.75	3.75
1471-80	5.25	3.75
1481-90	6	3.75
1491-1500	5.5	3.5
1501-10	5.75	4

Decade	Thatcher	Thatcher's mate
1511-20	5.25	4

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