Thank you for helping us collect the information on the cost of food around the world. We hope that kids from many countries will participate. We are already working with kids and school in India. We want to learn how much food costs in different parts of the world; where that food comes from; what is the quality of that food; and how does San Francisco compare to other places? Thank you for helping us!

Tim and Nick Werby

https://costofchicken.crowdmap.com
In San Francisco, the cost of food varies geographically. Some places don’t have access to cheap healthy foods, some do. We want to find out the cost of food around the world. Obviously, the cost of chicken varies geographically in both a large and small scale. The price is very different in Africa than it is in San Francisco; however, more importantly, what proportion of the average income is this price? 99¢ per pound for chicken legs at COSTCO is cheap to us. Is it as cheap as 12¢ per pound of chicken legs in Africa? 12¢ there might be a lot of money as a proportion of a total family’s income. A major factor determining the price is where these chickens come from. Those sold in most San Francisco supermarkets are produced on mega farms, thus the cost per chicken is relatively low—we can afford to buy them. What about in other places? What if you live on a family farm and raise chickens? How many chickens can you reasonably raise for your family to consume? There are many interesting questions that could be analyzed AFTER the data is collected.

What are three potential benefits of collecting information about the costs of food around the world over a period of time?

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Please use the Web Site above to enter three datapoints for the cost of food in your neighborhood.