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Monthly Budget Planner Workbook

Take Control of Your Money with a Simple Monthly Budget & Financial Planning System

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Welcome

A budget is more than a list of numbers—it is a plan for using your money intentionally.

Many people know how much they earn but are unsure where their money goes each month. This planner helps you organise your income, expenses, savings, and financial goals so you can make informed decisions and build healthier financial habits over time.

Whether you are employed, self-employed, freelancing, running a business, or managing a household, this planner provides a practical system you can review every month.

Learning Outcomes

By completing this planner each month you will:

✅ Understand where your money goes

✅ Create a realistic monthly budget

✅ Identify unnecessary spending

✅ Track savings progress

✅ Monitor debt repayment

✅ Build stronger financial habits

Before You Begin

This Month

Month:

Year:

My Main Financial Goal

☐ Build Emergency Fund

☐ Save for Education

☐ Reduce Debt

☐ Start Investing

☐ Increase Income

☐ Save for a Business

☐ Buy a Home

☐ Other

Why is this my priority?

Monthly Financial Snapshot

Rate yourself before the month begins.

Area	Rating
Budgeting	⭐⭐⭐☆☆
Saving	⭐⭐☆☆☆
Spending Control	⭐⭐⭐☆☆
Debt Management	⭐⭐☆☆☆

Area	Rating
Financial Confidence	⭐⭐⭐☆☆

Income Planner

Monthly Income Sources

Source	Expected	Actual
Salary	______	______
Freelancing	______	______
Business	______	______
Online Income	______	______
Investments	______	______
Other	______	______

Total Monthly Income

Expected:

Actual:

Difference:

Monthly Budget

Essential Expenses

Category	Budget	Actual
Housing	____	____
Utilities	____	____
Food	____	____
Transport	____	____
Healthcare	____	____
Education	____	____

Lifestyle Expenses

Category	Budget	Actual
Entertainment	____	____
Shopping	____	____
Eating Out	____	____
Hobbies	____	____

Budget Health Check

After completing your budget, answer:

Did I spend within my plan?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If not, what caused the difference?

Expense Tracker

Date	Description	Category	Amount
______	______	______	______
______	______	______	______
______	______	______	______

(Additional pages can be included for daily tracking.)

Savings Planner

Savings Goals

Goal	Target	Saved So Far	Remaining
Emergency Fund	______	______	______
Vacation	______	______	______
Education	______	______	______
Business	______	______	______

Savings Habit Tracker

Week	Goal Met?
Week 1	☐
Week 2	☐
Week 3	☐
Week 4	☐

Debt Payoff Planner

Debt	Balance	Monthly Payment	Target Date
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Reflection

What step can I take this month to reduce my debt?

Bills & Subscriptions

Bill	Due Date	Amount	Paid
Electricity	_____	_____	☐
Internet	_____	_____	☐
Phone	_____	_____	☐
Streaming	_____	_____	☐
Insurance	_____	_____	☐

Spending Analysis

Where did most of my money go?

Which expenses added the most value?

Which expenses could I reduce next month?

Mini Case Study

Maria's Story

Maria believed she had no money left to save each month. After tracking her spending for one month, she realised that several small, recurring purchases were adding up to a significant amount. By reducing only a few discretionary expenses, she was able to begin contributing regularly to an emergency fund.

Key Lesson: Tracking spending creates awareness, and awareness often leads to better decisions.

Emergency Fund Planner

Target Amount

Current Balance

Remaining Goal

Monthly Contributions

Month	Amount Saved
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Monthly Financial Review

Wins This Month

1. ______________________________
2. ______________________________
3. ______________________________

Challenges

Lessons Learned

Next Month Action Plan

My Top Three Priorities

1. ______________________________
2. ______________________________
3. ______________________________

One Habit I Will Improve

Financial Progress Dashboard

Rate yourself after completing the month.

Area	Before	After
Budgeting	⭐⭐⭐☆☆	⭐⭐⭐⭐☆

Area	Before	After
Saving	⭐⭐☆☆☆	⭐⭐⭐⭐☆
Spending Control	⭐⭐⭐☆☆	⭐⭐⭐⭐☆
Debt Management	⭐⭐☆☆☆	⭐⭐⭐☆☆
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Monthly Completion Checklist

☐ Created a monthly budget

☐ Tracked my expenses

☐ Paid important bills on time

☐ Saved money

☐ Reviewed my spending

☐ Planned for next month

Congratulations

You have completed your Monthly Budget Planner.

Remember that budgeting is not about perfection—it is about making informed decisions, learning from each month, and improving over time. Reuse this planner every month to build lasting financial habits and track your progress toward your goals.