

Survey Report

Cost of Living for Students in Trabzon



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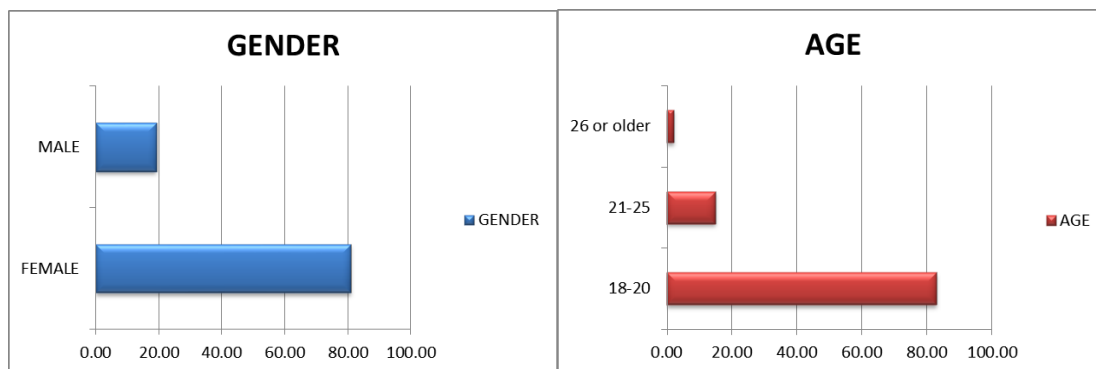
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## Introduction

This survey reports on cost of living for students in Trabzon, in other words, whether Trabzon is expensive or cheap for students who study at Karadeniz Technical University. The main focus in this survey is to state financial attitudes and observations of students, who have not been in Trabzon before, when they have come to Trabzon for the first time.

## Participants

47 Turkish students from Karadeniz Technical University, Department of English Language and Literature participated in the survey. They are prep class students and aged from 18 to 26. Their gender and age rates were indicated below.

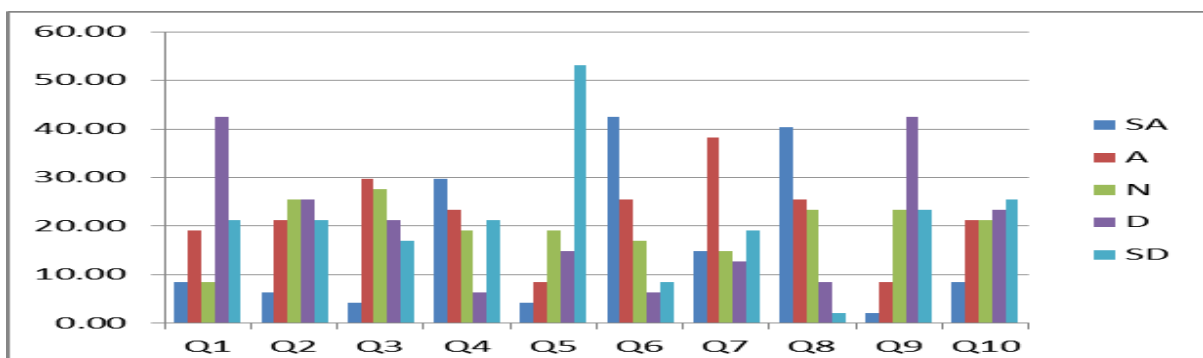


## Instruments

A Likert scale response was employed in this study (See Appendix 1). 10 items in the questionnaire were designed, ranging from SA (strongly agree) to SD (strongly disagree). Questions were divided into six groups according to their contents. These are Food, Accommodation, Clothing, Transportation, Personal Care, and Entertainment. The data were analyzed using the Microsoft Excel 2010.

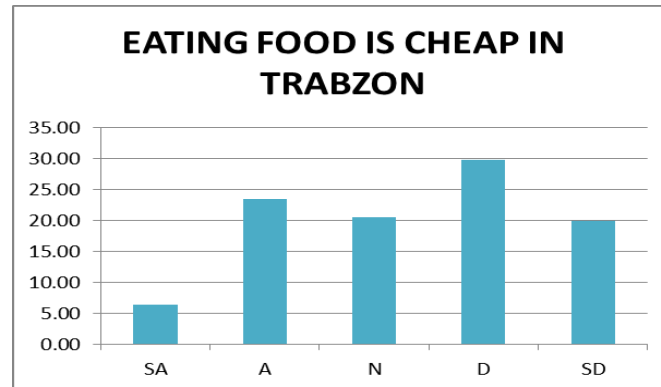
## Results

You can see the results of all questions in the survey at the table below.



## 1. Results of survey questions about *Food*:

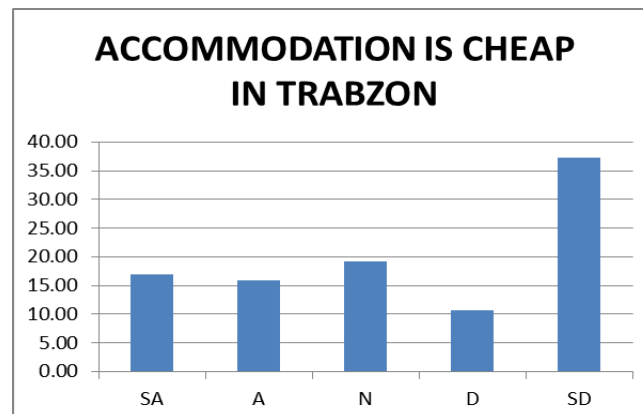
When we asked how much they agree with the statements about Food in the survey, 6.3% of the respondents indicated strong agreement, while 23.4% marked the next agreement category. Of the remaining 70.3%, 20.5% marked neutral, 29.8% marked disagreement, and 19.8 % indicated strong disagreement.



As the results showed, students who agreed the statement “eating food is cheap in Trabzon” are less than students who disagreed. We can say that eating food is expensive in Trabzon according to survey results.

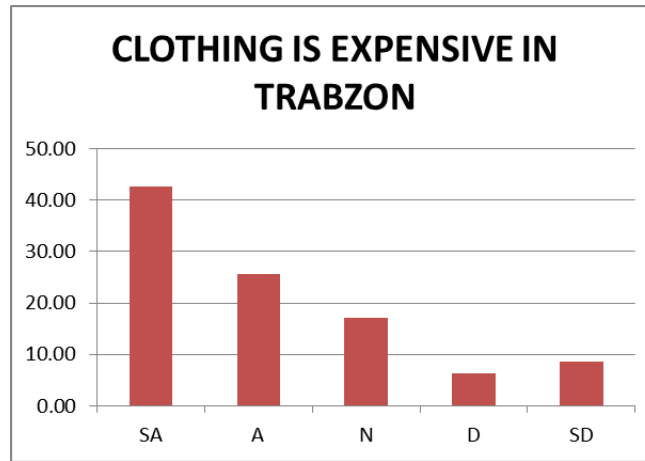
## 2. Results of survey questions about *Accommodation*:

While 33% of students agreed with the statements about accommodation, 48% of students disagreed with the statements and 19% of them were undecided.



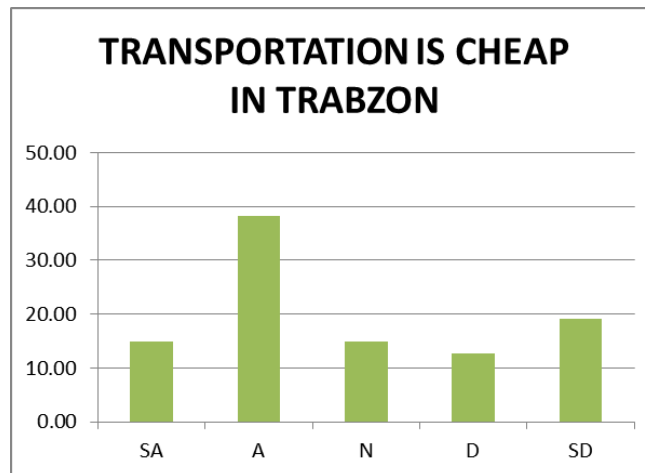
## 3. Results of survey questions about *Clothing*:

According to result of the question about clothing, clothing is expensive in Trabzon for students. While 68% of respondents said that clothing is expensive, 15% of them didn't agree with this statement and 17% of them said they were undecided.

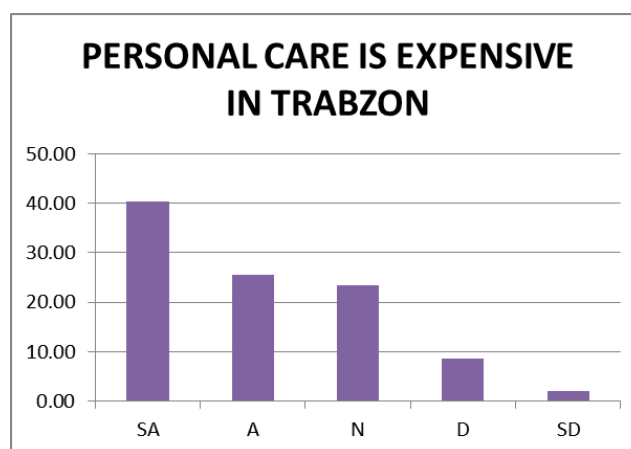


#### 4. Results of survey questions about *Transportation*:

Transportation is cheap in Trabzon for samples according to the survey results. While 53% of respondents indicated agreement, 32% of them indicated disagreement and 15% of them indicated neutral.



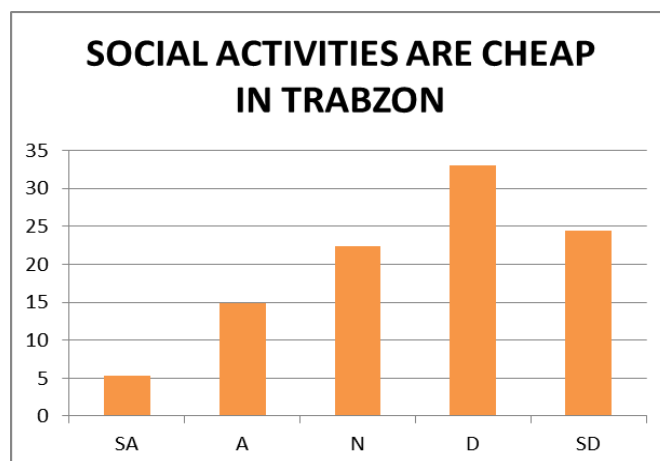
#### 5. Results of survey questions about *Personal Care*:



As cited above, a large number of the students with 66% agreed that personal care is expensive in Trabzon and 24% of them marked neutral.

## 6. Results of survey questions about *Entertainment*:

When we look at the last category (entertainment) of survey, we can easily say that Social Activities are expensive for students in Trabzon with 57.5%. While 20% of respondents marked agreement categories, 22.5% of them marked neutral.



## Conclusion

In this survey, we can say that Trabzon is an expensive city for students in terms of food, clothing, accommodation, personal care, and entertainment. While most of students think that Trabzon is expensive in terms of these, they say that Trabzon is cheap in terms of only transportation.

## Appendix 1

### STUDENT SURVEY

#### Cost of Living for Students in Trabzon

The objective of this survey is to find out whether Trabzon is expensive or not, according to the students of Department of English Language and Literature in Karadeniz Technical University.

	18-20	21-25	26 or older
• How old are you?			
	Female		Male
• What is your gender?			

**Directions:** Read each statement and then circle the response which most closely matches your current attitudes and/or beliefs about the statement. If you are unsure about a statement or the statement does not directly apply to you, you may want to circle N for neutral.

**SA** = Strongly Agree   **A** = Agree   **N** = Neutral   **D** = Disagree   **SD** = Strongly Disagree

	<b>SA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>SD</b>
1. When I go to Kalkınma District, I can eat the cheapest and best meals.					
2. In shopping centers such as Forum and Varlıbaş, eating fast food is cheap.					
3. My department canteen serves food facilities cheapishly.					
4. Dormitories are the cheapest places for students' accommodation.					
5. Whenever I want, I can rent a cheap home in Trabzon.					
6. I think that clothing is more expensive than normal prices.					
7. In Trabzon, public transportation is cheap for students.					
8. Personal care centers, especially hairdressers, are expensive in Trabzon.					
9. Social activities such as ice-skating, bowling or paintball are cheap in Trabzon.					
10. Like theatre and cinema, the most entertaining activities are cheap in Trabzon.					