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MARKET **A sampling of area grocery costs** **basket**

To help track the prices of common grocery items, we will be periodically recording the prices of five staples at four local supermarkets. The purpose is not to compare prices between stores, but to provide an overview of prices for basic food items over time. Discounts provided through discount cards or coupons were not considered. The prices reflect what the product would have cost at the register this past week.

Milk A half-gallon of Booth Brother's 2 percent fat milk

	Week of Dec. 15-19
City Market	\$2.49
Hannaford	\$2.89
Price Chopper	\$2.79
Shaw's	\$2.79



Peanut butter

18 oz. Jif brand extra crunchy

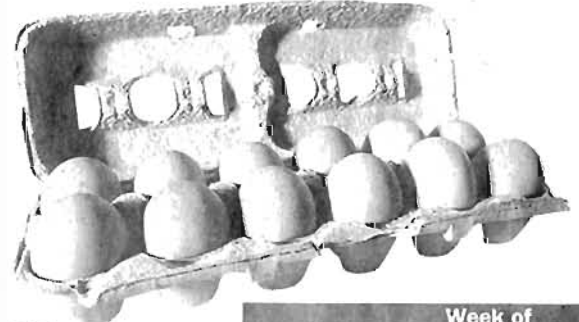
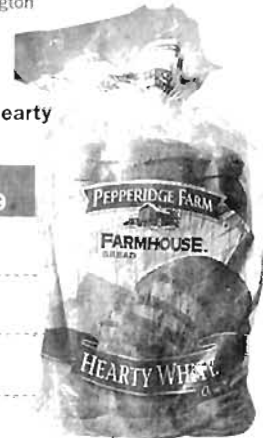
	Week of Dec. 15-19
City Market	\$2.59
Hannaford	\$2.50
Price Chopper	\$1.99
Shaw's	\$2.89



Bread

Pepperidge Farm Farmhouse Hearty White bread, one 24-oz. loaf

	Week of Dec. 15-19
City Market	\$3.99
Hannaford	\$3.00
Price Chopper	\$3.39
Shaw's	\$3.39



Cereal

A 14 oz. box of Cheerios

	Week of Dec. 15-19
City Market	\$4.19
Hannaford	\$3.49
Price Chopper	\$3.99
Shaw's	\$3.69



Eggs

One dozen large brown Shadow Cross Farm brand

	Week of Dec. 15-19
City Market	\$2.49
Hannaford	\$2.49
Price Chopper	\$2.89
Shaw's	\$2.99

STORE TOTALS

City Market:	\$15.75
Hannaford:	\$14.37
Price Chopper:	\$15.05
Shaw's:	\$15.75