Cost of 12 days of Christmas increases

By Reuters

Buying a set of the gifts named in the classic holiday carol "The Twelve Days of Christmas" will cost a true love \$27,393 this year, up 7.7 percent from the 2012 price tag, according to an annual tongue-in-cheek analysis released on Monday.

Prices for most of the items in the song, including the partridge, two turtle doves, three French hens and five gold rings, remained steady from last year.

But the cost for 10 lords-a-leaping jumped 10 percent to \$5,243 and nine ladies dancing increased by 20 percent to \$7,553, PNC Wealth Management's Christmas Price Index showed.

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