



United Republic of Tanzania
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WEEKLY MARKET BULLETIN

September 27-October 01, 2021

Key Messages

Overall, the National average wholesale prices of major food crops increased compared to their levels a week earlier (table 1). Some variations in the prices of crops were observed across the markets (Table2).

Prices for maize, rice, beans, sorghum, bulrush millet and finger millet increased by 2.7%, 4.7%, 1.2%, 4.6%, 6.3% and 1.9% respectively. On the other hand, price of round potatoes declined by 4.3%.

Cotton: Total sales were 144,011,169 kilograms for the week ended 19th September.

Coffee: Total sales were 26,653,288 kilograms with a total value of USD 57.9 mil for the week ended 24th Sept, 2021

Pigeon peas: Total sales were 3,169,976 kilograms with a total value of TZS 4.2 billion for the week ended 22nd September, 2021.

Table 1: National weekly average wholesale prices (TZS/100 kg bag)

Weekly Wholesale Market Price Averages								
Previous week	September 20-24			Current week	September 27- Oct 01			
National Average Week	Maize	Rice	Beans	Sorghum	Bulrush millet	Finger millet	Round Potato	
Current	44,900	145,400	162,800	93,900	112,200	155,100	58,800	
Previous	43,700	138,500	160,900	89,600	105,100	152,200	61,300	
Change	▲ 2.7%	▲ 4.7%	▲ 1.2%	▲ 4.6%	▲ 6.3%	▲ 1.9%	▼ 4.3%	

Table 2: Regional weekly average wholesale market prices (TZS/100 kg bag)

Region	Week	Maize	Rice	Beans	Sorghum	Bulrush millet	Finger millet	Round Potato
Dodoma	Current	43,500	140,000	185,000	50,000	54,500	121,500	53,300
	Previous	44,500	144,300	185,300	49,000	53,500	121,300	53,000
	Change	▼ 2.3%	▼ 3.1%	▼ 0.2%	▲ 2.0%	▲ 1.8%	▲ 0.2%	▲ 0.6%
Arusha	Current	47,500	162,500	160,000	63,500	72,500	132,500	42,500
	Previous	47,000	162,500	155,000	62,500	72,500	NA	42,500
	Change	▲ 1.1%	▶ 0.0%	▲ 3.1%	▲ 1.6%	▶ 0.0%		▶ 0.0%
Dar es Salaam	Current	51,800	166,700	205,000	87,500	82,500	162,500	55,200
	Previous	49,300	151,700	201,700	87,500	82,500	162,500	55,000
	Change	▲ 4.8%	▲ 9.0%	▲ 1.6%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▲ 0.4%
Tanga	Current	50,000	120,000	150,000	85,000	100,000	170,000	43,000
	Previous	46,000	120,000	150,000	85,000	100,000	170,000	45,000
	Change	▲ 8.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▼ 4.7%
Ruvuma	Current	27,500	170,000	140,000	NA	NA	NA	73,500
	Previous	26,500	170,000	140,000	NA	NA	NA	75,000
	Change	▲ 3.6%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%				▼ 2.0%
Iringa	Current	32,000	160,000	145,000	90,000	NA	150,000	45,000
	Previous	32,300	160,000	162,500	90,000	NA	135,000	55,000
	Change	▼ 0.9%	▶ 0.0%	▼ 12.1%	▶ 0.0%		▲ 10.0%	▼ 22.2%
Rukwa	Current	31,000	112,500	147,500	NA	NA	125,000	52,500
	Previous	31,500	100,000	166,300	NA	NA	140,000	60,000
	Change	▼ 1.6%	▲ 11.1%	▼ 12.7%			▼ 12.0%	▼ 14.3%

Region	Week	Maize	Rice	Beans	Sorghum	Bulrush millet	Finger millet	Round Potato
Kagera	Current	58,000	127,000	130,000	87,500	105,000	155,000	57,500
	Previous	57,500	125,000	125,000	86,300	105,000	155,000	57,500
	Change	▲ 0.9%	▲ 1.6%	▲ 3.8%	▲ 1.4%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%
Mara	Current	62,500	105,000	195,000	62,500	190,000	190,000	92,500
	Previous	62,500	105,000	175,000	70,000	190,000	190,000	91,300
	Change	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▲ 10.3%	▼ 12.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▲ 1.3%
Manyara	Current	46,000	150,000	135,000	74,000	90,000	125,000	52,000
	Previous	43,000	150,000	135,000	70,000	90,000	125,000	47,500
	Change	▲ 6.5%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▲ 5.4%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▲ 8.7%
Shinyanga	Current	45,500	125,000	175,000	125,000	125,000	135,000	85,000
	Previous	43,500	125,000	175,000	115,000	105,000	115,000	85,000
	Change	▲ 4.4%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▲ 8.0%	▲ 16.0%	▲ 14.8%	▶ 0.0%
Mtwara	Current	40,000	165,000	162,500	60,000	NA	180,000	57,500
	Previous	40,000	155,000	165,000	58,800	NA	180,000	57,500
	Change	▶ 0.0%	▲ 6.1%	▼ 1.5%	▲ 2.0%		▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%
Kilimanjaro	Current	52,500	175,000	150,000	120,000	140,000	NA	70,000
	Previous	52,500	175,000	150,000	120,000	140,000	NA	70,000
	Change	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%		▶ 0.0%
Kigoma	Current	47,200	95,000	137,500	90,000	85,000	145,000	45,000
	Previous	44,600	100,000	138,800	95,000	97,500	150,000	45,000
	Change	▲ 5.5%	▼ 5.3%	▼ 0.9%	▼ 5.6%	▼ 14.7%	▼ 3.4%	▶ 0.0%
Tabora	Current	39,000	102,500	170,000	145,000	NA	175,000	52,500
	Previous	37,300	102,500	170,000	145,000	NA	175,000	52,500
	Change	▲ 4.4%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%		▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%

Notes:

- ✓ Unit of measurement: for food crops are in TZS per 100kg.
- ✓ Commodity prices varies according to quality and variety.
- ✓ The symbols (▲▼▶) depict the direction of price changes. (▲) price increased; (▼) price decreased; (▶) no change or changes smaller than one percent.
- ✓ The indicative prices for fertilizers are retail and vary from region to region depending on the distance.
- ✓ N/A - data not available.

Source: Ministry of Agriculture (MoA) in Collaboration with the Ministry of Industry and Trade (MIT)

Table 3: Prices for rice and maize in Uganda (TZS/kg)

	Rice		Maize	
	Min. price	Max. price	Min. price	Max. price
Wholesale	1,831	1,961	490	523
Retail	1,961	2,288	850	915

Source: <https://farmgainafrica.org/> Date 01st October, 2021

Table 5: Cotton sales for 2021/22 trade season week no. 19 ending 19th September, 2021

Sales			Transportation		
Previous weeks (KGS)	Current week (KGS)	Total (KGS)	Previous weeks (KGS)	Current week (KGS)	Total (KGS)
142,726,153	1,285,016	144,011,169	142,822,682	612,315	143,434,997

Source: Tanzania Cotton Board, 2021

Table 6: Pigeon peas sales for 2021/22 season as of 22nd September, 2021

Date	District	AMCOS	Company	Amount (Kg)	TZS/Kg	TZS
11/08/2021	Namtumbo	Ushirika B	Afrisian Ginning	41,428	1,280	53,027,840
12/08/2021	Tunduru	Mtatesi	MeTL	150,000	1,300	195,000,000
	Tunduru	Mtatesi	RBST	210,251	1,290	271,223,790
18/08/2021	Namtumbo	Ushirika B	MeTL	206,517	1,320	272,602,440
	Namtumbo	Ushirika B	LENIC	200,000	1,320	264,000,000
19/08/2021	Tunduru	Asema	LENIC	300,000	1,344	403,200,000
	Tunduru	Asema	LENIC	845,498	1,340	1,132,967,320
25/08/2021	Namtumbo	Namtumbo	LENIC	819,149	1,380	1,083,734,127
16/09/2021	Tunduru	Mruji	LENIC	325,184	1,110	360,954,240
22/09/2021	Namtumbo	Ushirika B	LENIC	71,949	990	71,229,510
GRAND TOTAL				3,169,976		4,154,630,760

Table 7: Coffee sales (by varieties) for 2021/22 trade season ending 24th Sept, 2021

Type of Coffee	Auction		Direct exports		Local roast		Total	
	KGS	USD	KGS	USD	KGS	USD	KGS	USD
Mild Arabika	6,747,280	24,006,847	1,259,628	5,052,981	-	-	8,006,908	29,059,828.45
Hard Arabika	-	-	169,860	425,727	-	-	169,860	425,727.12
Robusta	-	-	18,191,344	27,969,485	285,176	408,441.68	18,476,520	28,377,926.76
Total	6,747,280	24,006,847	19,620,832	33,448,193	285,176	408,441.68	26,653,288	57,863,482.33

Source: Tanzania Coffee Board, 2021

Table 8: Planting and harvesting time for better market price for horticultural crops

Commodity	The appropriate harvesting time	The inappropriate harvesting time	Proper time for planting
Onions	Feb- July	July- Nov	Sept- Dec
Tomatoes	Jan- May	Jun- Dec	Sept- Dec
Green pepper	Feb- Apr.	Jun- Jan.	Oct – Nov
Carrot	Oct- Mar.	Apr- Sept	July- Oct
Cucumber	Feb- May	May- Jan	Dec- Jan
Round potatoes	March- Jun	Jul- Jan	Dec- Feb
Watermelon	Mar- Apr. Oct-Dec	May- Sept, Dec- Feb	Jan- Feb, Aug- Sept
Sweet pepper	Jun- Nov	Dec- May	Feb- March
Ginger	Apr- Jul	Aug - Mar	Dec- Feb

Source: TAHA, 2020

Important updates

- ✓ The Ministry of Agriculture has established an online market platform (M-Kilimo) to facilitate market access by farmers and traders. Visit [M-Kilimo -MarketPlace](#)
- ✓ Weather Forecast October-December 2021.
 - Vuli rains are expected to be below normal to normal and characterized by prolonged periods of dry spells.
 - The Vuli rainy season is expected to have a poor start in the third and fourth weeks of October 2021 with poor distribution in many areas.
 - Besides the below normal to normal rainfall condition, warmer than usual temperatures are expected across bimodal areas during the Vuli rainy season.
 - For more information visit [Tanzania Meteorological Authority](#)

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