



**United Republic of Tanzania  
Ministry of Agriculture  
Agricultural Marketing Section**

Weekly Market Bulletin

05 – 09 September, 2022

**Key Messages**

**Food crops:** Wholesale prices for food crops have increased at different rates compared to price levels last week. Prices of rice, bulrush millet, finger millet, beans, sorghum and maize have increased by an average of 5.4%, 4.1%, 4.1%, 4.1%, 3.1%, and 0.9% respectively, while average price of round potatoes have decreased by 2.8%.

**Horticulture:** Prices for horticultural crops fluctuated at different rates between 01<sup>st</sup>- 07<sup>th</sup> September, 2022. Prices of watermelon, green pepper have increased by 3.8% and 1.4% respectively, while prices for tomato, pineapple, onion and cucumber have decreased by 5.1%, 4.6%, 4.1% and 1.6% respectively.

**Cocoa:** Total sales were 1,872,641 kilograms with a total value of TZS 7.5 billion for the week ended 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2022.

**Cotton:** Total sales were 146,760,659 kilograms for the week ended 04<sup>th</sup> September, 2022.

**Tobacco:** Total sales were 60,854,733.26 kilograms with a total value of USD 108.8 million for the week ended 04<sup>th</sup> September, 2022.

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

Previous week	29 Aug- 02 Sept, 2022	Current week	05-09 September, 2022					
	Week	Maize	Rice	Beans	Sorghum	Bulrush millet	Finger millet	Round Potato
	Current	93,400	224,500	223,700	122,000	130,600	163,900	79,300
	Previous	92,600	212,300	214,500	118,200	125,300	157,200	81,500
	<b>Change</b>	<b>▲ 0.9%</b>	<b>▲ 5.4%</b>	<b>▲ 4.1%</b>	<b>▲ 3.1%</b>	<b>▲ 4.1%</b>	<b>▲ 4.1%</b>	<b>▼ 2.8%</b>

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	89,500	242,500	255,000	68,800	85,300	130,000	79,300
	Previous	91,000	240,500	255,000	68,500	85,500	129,500	79,000
	Change	▼1.7%	▲0.8%	▶0.0%	▲0.4%	▼0.2%	▲0.4%	▲0.4%
Arusha	Current	99,000	225,000	200,000	77,500	77,500	122,500	77,500
	Previous	99,000	225,000	200,000	77,500	77,500	124,500	77,500
	Change	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▼1.6%	▶0.0%
Dar es Salaam	Current	108,000	235,000	267,500	110,000	115,000	175,000	101,000
	Previous	120,000	220,000	230,000	110,000	115,000	175,000	100,000
	Change	▼11.1%	▲6.4%	▲14.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▲1.0%
Lindi	Current	112,500	230,000	230,000	160,000	-	-	102,500
	Previous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Change							
Morogoro	Current	95,700	230,000	235,000	160,000	165,000	177,500	87,500
	Previous	89,500	230,000	235,000	160,000	165,000	177,500	87,500
	Change	▲6.5%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%
Tanga	Current	120,000	230,000	235,000	110,000	168,000	194,500	72,500
	Previous	125,000	235,000	235,000	130,000	150,000	200,000	70,000
	Change	▼4.2%	▼2.2%	▶0.0%	▼18.2%	▲10.7%	▼2.8%	▲3.4%
Mtwara	Current	85,000	215,000	220,000	100,000	-	180,000	72,500
	Previous	85,000	217,500	232,500	100,000	-	180,000	72,500
	Change	▶0.0%	▼1.2%	▼5.7%	▶0.0%		▶0.0%	
Iringa	Current	80,000	210,000	200,000	100,000	150,000	150,000	70,000
	Previous	73,500	195,000	200,000	100,000	150,000	150,000	61,000
	Change	▲8.1%	▲7.1%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▲12.9%
Ruvuma	Current	70,500	210,000	210,000	-	-	100,000	79,000
	Previous	67,500	200,000	205,000	-	-	115,000	79,000
	Change	▲4.3%	▲4.8%	▲2.4%				▶0.0%
Tabora	Current	82,500	205,000	225,000	145,000	-	185,000	85,000
	Previous	83,800	207,500	225,000	145,000	-	185,000	95,000
	Change	▼1.6%	▼1.2%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%		▶0.0%	▼11.8%
Rukwa	Current	72,500	170,000	190,000	-	-	170,000	67,500
	Previous	70,000	175,000	190,000	-	-	167,500	68,800
	Change	▲3.4%	▼2.9%	▶0.0%			▲1.5%	▼1.9%

Region	Week	Maize	Rice	Beans	Sorghum	Bulrush millet	Finger millet	Round Potato
Mwanza	Current	112,500	245,000	260,000		150,000	190,000	87,500
	Previous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Change							
Kagera	Current	108,500	241,000	220,000	165,000	165,000	185,000	85,000
	Previous	106,500	217,000	200,000	160,000	155,000	155,000	80,000
	Change	▲1.8%	▲10.0%	▲9.1%	▲3.0%	▲6.1%	▲16.2%	▲5.9%
Manyara	Current	103,500	280,000	225,000	100,000	100,000	125,000	115,000
	Previous	96,000	230,000	235,000	100,000	100,000	125,000	127,500
	Change	▲7.2%	▲17.9%	▼4.4%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▼10.9%
Njombe	Current	77,500	235,000	175,000	-	-	210,000	55,000
	Previous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Change							
Katavi	Current	91,500	182,500	210,000	-	-	-	65,000
	Previous	87,500	182,500	210,000	-	-	-	70,000
	Change	▲4.4%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%				▼7.7%
Mbeya	Current	79,000	230,000	245,000	168,000	-	-	46,000
	Previous	79,000	227,500	219,000	168,000	-	-	44,000
	Change	▶0.0%	▲1.1%	▲10.6%	▶0.0%			▲4.3%

Source: Ministry of Investment, Industry and Trade

**Table 3: Average Retail prices (TZS) for Horticulture products for a week of 01<sup>st</sup> -07<sup>th</sup> September, 2022**

Region	Tomato (40 Kg Crate)	Onion (100 Kg Sack)	Watermelon (Kg)	Pineapple (Kg)	Green Pepper (50 Kg Sack)	Cucumber (100 Kg Sack)
Nairobi	35,200	93,867	697	572	104,133	84,333
Mombasa	38,867	92,400	880		95,333	88,000
Zanzibar	35,000	93,333	700	833	128,333	80,000
Dar es salaam	29,333	90,000	567	500	111,111	136,667
Morogoro	37,667	110,000	450	1,000	79,167	65,000
Dodoma	25,000	86,667	700	833	73,333	45,000
Shinyanga	23,333	80,000	667	500	30,556	60,000
Mwanza	36,667	100,000	617	867	28,667	66,667
Arusha	18,333	91,667	767	800	40,000	58,333
Tanga	41,429	120,000	643	683	34,286	68,571
Lindi	18,333	91,667	767	800	40,000	58,333
Mbeya	53,000	92,778	553	933	51,000	122,667
Current average	32,680	95,198	667	757	67,993	77,798
Previous average	34,442	99,307	643	793	67,082	79,042
<b>Change</b>	▼ 5.1%	▼ 4.1%	▲ 3.8%	▼ 4.6%	▲ 1.4%	▼ 1.6%

Source: TAHA, 2022

**Notes:**

- ✓ Unit of measurement: for food crops are in TZS per 100kg.
- ✓ The symbols (▲▼▶) depict the direction of price changes. (▲) price increased; (▼) price decreased; (▶) no change in price.
- ✓ (-) means data not available.

**Table 4: Cocoa sales for 2022/23 trade season ending 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2022**

LGA			Amount sold (Kg)	Average price (TZS/Kg)	Total (TZS)
Kyela (Kg)	Busokelo (Kg)	Rungwe (Kg)			
1,505,420	275,240	91,981	1,872,641	4,033.18	7,512,152,040

Source: Tanzania Cooperative Development Commission, 2022

**Table 5: Cotton sales for 2021/22 trade season week ending 04<sup>th</sup> September, 2022**

SALES			TRANSPOTATION		
Previous weeks (KGS)	Current week (KGS)	Total (KGS)	Previous weeks (KGS)	Current week (KGS)	Total (KGS)
137,238,512	9,522,147	146,760,659	136,773,892	9,273,600	146,047,492

Source: Tanzania Cotton Board, 2022

**Table 6: Tobacco sales for 2022/2023 trade season ending 04<sup>th</sup> September, 2022**

Tobacco Type	COMPANY	CONTRACTED VOLUME (KG)	EVALUATED MARKET (CUMMULATIVE)			
			BELO	KG	VALUE (USD)	AVERAGE PRICE (USD/KG)
VFC	Alliance One Tobacco Tanzania Ltd	25,212,135	500,981	22,391,269.02	38,299,107.30	1.71
	JTI Leaf Services Ltd	14,250,000	283,184	13,555,447.65	25,809,795.72	1.90
	Premium Active Tanzania Ltd	17,500,000	308,720	13,739,608.10	24,429,296.96	1.78
	Mkwawa Leaf Tobacco Ltd	7,203,865	169,570	7,518,707.18	14,582,923	1.94
	Magefa Growers Ltd	6,033,014	72,801	3,110,290.31	4,875,936.60	1.57
<b>SUB TOTAL VFC</b>		<b>70,199,014</b>	<b>1,335,256</b>	<b>60,315,322.26</b>	<b>107,997,059.75</b>	<b>1.79</b>
DFC	Premium Active Tanzania Ltd	500,000	10,307	539,4111.00	814,335.36	1.51
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>70,699,014</b>	<b>1,345,563</b>	<b>60,854,733.26</b>	<b>108,811,395.11</b>	<b>1.79</b>

Source: Tobacco Board of Tanzania, 2022

**Table 7: 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, 2022

#### **Important updates**

- ✓ The Ministry of Agriculture has established an online market platform (M-Kilimo) to facilitate market access by farmers and traders through their mobile phones, how to access services; -
  - ❖ USSD: Dial \*152\*00# select No. 7 then Na. 2 then follow the instructions
  - ❖ Website: open [exts.kilimo.go.tz](https://exts.kilimo.go.tz) then select the service

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