



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

**Weekly Market Bulletin**

**08 – 12 August, 2022**

**Key Messages**

**Food crops:** Wholesale prices for food crops have changed at different rates compared to price levels last week. Prices of sorghum, finger millet, beans, rice and bulrush millet have increased by an average of 9.3%, 7.7%, 6.1%, 2.5% and 0.4% respectively, while average price of maize and round potato have decreased by 5.8% and 2.7% respectively.

**Horticulture:** The period of 05<sup>th</sup>- 10<sup>th</sup> August, 2022 price for horticultural crops changed at different rates. Prices of cucumber, green pepper, water melon and pineapple have increased by 4.8%, 3.5%, 0.3% and 0.3% respectively, while prices for tomatoes and onion have decreased by 2% and 0.4% respectively.

**Cocoa:** Total sales were 1,052,590 kilograms with a total value of TZS 4.2 billion for the week ended 08<sup>th</sup> August, 2022.

**Cotton:** Total sales were 110,324,536 kilograms for week ended 07<sup>th</sup> August, 2022.

**Tobacco:** Total sales were 59,618,156.71 kilograms with a total value of USD 106 million for the week ended 07<sup>th</sup> August, 2022.

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

Previous week	01 - 05 August, 2022	Current week	08 - 12 August, 2022					
	<b>Week</b>	<b>Maize</b>	<b>Rice</b>	<b>Beans</b>	<b>Sorghum</b>	<b>Bulrush millet</b>	<b>Finger millet</b>	<b>Round Potato</b>
<b>National Average</b>	Current	82,900	210,500	206,100	121,600	123,800	166,200	80,800
	Previous	87,700	205,200	193,500	110,300	123,300	153,400	83,000
	<b>Change</b>	▼5.8%	▲2.5%	▲6.1%	▲9.3%	▲0.4%	▲7.7%	▼2.7%

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	89,000	235,000	214,000	63,000	85,000	147,500	75,000
	Previous	88,500	232,500	214,000	63,000	85,000	147,500	75,000
	<b>Change</b>	▲ 0.6%	▲ 1.1%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%
Arusha	Current	90,000	225,000	190,000	72,500	72,500	122,500	77,500
	Previous	93,800	225,000	175,000	72,500	72,500	122,500	87,500
	<b>Change</b>	▼ 4.2%	▶ 0.0%	▲ 7.9%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▼ 12.9%
Lindi	Current	77,500	225,000	210,000	180,000	-	200,000	92,500
	Previous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Change</b>							
Morogoro	Current	80,100	215,000	220,000	150,000	150,000	187,500	85,000
	Previous	87,500	225,000	190,000	120,000	120,000	180,000	82,500
	<b>Change</b>	▼ 9.2%	▼ 4.7%	▲ 13.6%	▲ 20.0%	▲ 20.0%	▲ 4.0%	▲ 2.9%
Tanga	Current	96,500	200,000	200,000	102,300	102,500	153,500	85,000
	Previous	96,500	200,000	200,000	102,300	102,500	153,500	83,000
	<b>Change</b>	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▲ 2.4%
Mtwara	Current	76,000	220,000	205,000	100,000	-	180,000	72,500
	Previous	78,000	220,000	205,000	100,000	-	-	72,500
	<b>Change</b>	▼ 2.6%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%			
Iringa	Current	70,000	200,000	200,000	100,000	150,000	150,000	90,000
	Previous	70,000	195,000	200,000	100,000	150,000	150,000	85,000
	<b>Change</b>	▶ 0.0%	▲ 2.5%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▲ 5.6%
Ruvuma	Current	61,500	195,000	180,000	-	-	-	80,000
	Previous	61,000	190,000	185,000	-	-	-	82,500
	<b>Change</b>	▲ 0.8%	▲ 2.6%	▼ 2.8%				▼ 3.1%
Tabora	Current	82,500	205,000	225,000	145,000	-	185,000	95,000
	Previous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Change</b>							
Rukwa	Current	60,500	180,000	190,000	-	-	155,000	70,000
	Previous	65,000	140,000	187,500	-	-	155,000	70,000
	<b>Change</b>	▼ 7.4%	▲ 22.2%	▲ 1.3%			▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%

Region	Week	Maize	Rice	Beans	Sorghum	Bulrush millet	Finger millet	Round Potato
Mwanza	Current	111,000	220,000	242,500	165,000	175,000	190,000	90,000
	Previous	107,500	225,000	230,000	165,000	175,000	190,000	87,500
	Change	▲ 3.2%	▼ 2.3%	▲ 5.2%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▲ 2.8%
Kagera	Current	111,000	215,000	200,000	160,000	155,000	155,000	80,000
	Previous	109,000	215,000	195,000	160,000	155,000	155,000	77,500
	Change	▲ 1.8%	▶ 0.0%	▲ 2.5%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▲ 3.1%
Manyara	Current	85,000	220,000	225,000	100,000	100,000	125,000	90,000
	Previous	85,000	220,000	195,000	100,000	100,000	125,000	82,500
	Change	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▲ 13.3%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▲ 8.3%
Njombe	Current	69,000	225,000	175,000	-	-	210,000	55,000
	Previous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Change							
Katavi	Current	84,500	177,500	215,000	-	-	-	75,000
	Previous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Change							

Source: Ministry of Investment, Industry and Trade

**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 3: Average Retail prices (TZS) for Horticulture products for a week of 05<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> Aug, 2022**

Region	Tomato (40 Kg Crate)	Onion (100 Kg Sack)	Watermelon (Kg)	Pineapple (Kg)	Green Pepper (50 Kg Sack)	Cucumber (100 Kg Sack)
Nairobi	-	96,800	616	550	88,000	66,000
Mombasa	55,733	101,200	623	-	102,667	84,333
Zanzibar	40,000	110,000	733	933	125,000	66,667
Dar es salaam	33,000	100,000	583	500	102,778	120,000
Morogoro	46,667	110,000	417	1,000	41,667	70,005
Dodoma	28,667	130,000	617	750	70,000	50,000
Shinyanga	25,000	75,000	500	500	25,000	60,000
Mwanza	25,000	104,167	600	850	32,000	58,000
Arusha	27,500	102,083	700	700	40,000	60,000
Tanga	51,667	73,333	536	-	38,333	72,778
Lindi	27,500	102,083	700	700	40,000	60,000
Mbeya	46,000	85,556	533	857	52,000	125,333
Current average	36,976	99,185	597	734	63,120	74,426
Previous average	37,722	99,585	595	732	60,968	70,986
<b>Change</b>	▼ 2.0%	▼ 0.4%	▲ 0.3%	▲ 0.3%	▲ 3.5%	▲ 4.8%

Source: TAHA, 2022

**Table 4: Cocoa sales for 2022/23 trade season ending 08<sup>th</sup> August, 2022**

LGA			Amount sold (Kilo)	Average price (TZS/Kg)	Total (TZS)
Kyela (Kg)	Busokelo (Kg)	Rungwe (Kg)			
854,770	138,880	58,940	1,052,590	4,023.75	4,183,114,250

Source: Tanzania Cooperative Development Commission, 2022

**Table 5: Cotton sales for 2021/22 trade season week ending 07<sup>th</sup> August, 2022**

SALES			TRANSPOTATION		
Previous weeks (KGS)	Current week (KGS)	Total (KGS)	Previous weeks (KGS)	Current week (KGS)	Total (KGS)
98,209,378	12,115,158	110,324,536	96,761,361	12,034,042	108,795,403

Source: Tanzania Cotton Board, 2022

**Table 6: Tobacco sales for 2022/2023 trade season ending 07<sup>th</sup> August, 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	500,969	22,390,357.50	38,297,814.97	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	308,230	13,702,964.30	24,368,788.68	1.78
	Mkwawa Leaf Tobacco Ltd	7,203,865	152,826	6,713,878.40	12,798,172.00	1.91
	Magefa Growers Ltd	6,033,014	68,882	2,969,232.37	4,686,438.52	1.58
<b>SUB TOTAL VFC</b>		<b>70,199,014</b>	<b>70,199,014</b>	<b>1,314,091</b>	<b>59,331,880.22</b>	<b>105,961,009.89</b>
DFC	Premium Active Tanzania Ltd	500,000	5,593	286,276.49	425,844.09	1.49
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>70,699,014</b>	<b>70,699,014</b>	<b>1,319,684</b>	<b>59,618,156.71</b>	<b>106,386,853.98</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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