

# United Republic of Tanzania Ministry of Agriculture Agricultural Marketing Section

#### **Weekly Market Bulletin**

12 - 16 December, 2022

### **Key Messages**

Food crops: Wholesale prices for food crops this week have been changing slightly at different rates compared to price levels last week. Prices of beans, sorghum, rice and finger millet increased by an average of 1.6%, 0.4%, 0.2% and 0.1% respectively. Prices of bulrush millet, maize and round potatoes decreased by 1.3%, 0.6% and 0.2% respectively.

Horticulture: The period of 1st -07<sup>th</sup> December, 2022 price for horticultural crops have changed at different rates compared to price levels last week. Price of pineapple, watermelon, tomato and onion have increased by 11.1%, 7.7%, 6.4% and 2.9% while prices of green pepper and cucumber have decreased by 4.1% and 2.4% respectively.

**Cocoa:** Total sales were 6,919,206 kilograms with a total value of TZS 29 Billion for the week ended 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2022.

**Coffee:** Total sales were 40,839,373 kilograms with a total value of USD 111.5 million for the week ended 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2022.

Cashew nut: Until 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2022 trade season total sales of raw cashew nut was 145,813,365 kilograms with a total value of TZS 274.3 Billion.

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

Previous week	05-09 Dece	mber, 2022	Current week	12-16 December, 2022				
	Week	Maize	Rice	Beans	Sorghum	Bulrush millet	Finger millet	Round Potato
National Average	Current	109,000	274,700	287,800	125,700	141,100	171,200	91,100
National Average	Previous	109,600	274,100	283,300	125,200	143,000	171,000	91,300
	Change	<b>▼</b> o.6%	▲ 0.2%	<b>▲</b> 1.6%	▲ 0.4%	<b>▼1.</b> 3%	▲ 0.1%	▼0.2%



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	110,800	308,000	300,000	85,100	101,000	149,000	90,000
	Previous	114,900	308,000	291,300	84,900	100,000	148,000	90,000
	Change	▼3.7%	▶0.0%	<b>▲</b> 2.9%	▲ 0.2%	<b>▲</b> 1.0%	<b>▲</b> 0.7%	▶0.0%
Arusha	Current	112,500	310,000	290,000	87,500	87,500	115,500	92,500
	Previous	111,500	310,000	290,000	87,500	89,000	122,000	87,500
	Change	▲ 0.9%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	<b>▼</b> 1.7%	<b>▼</b> 5.6%	<b>▲</b> 5.4%
Dar es Salaam	Current	123,800	268,800	330,000	115,000	120,000	177,500	86,500
	Previous	122,500	268,800	330,000	115,000	120,000	195,000	90,100
	Change	<b>▲</b> 1.1%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▼9.9%	<b>▼</b> 4.2%
Morogoro	Current	105,500	262,500	277,500	190,000	190,000	195,000	90,000
	Previous	105,500	262,500	277,500	190,000	190,000	195,000	90,000
	Change	▶0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%
Tanga	Current	125,500	269,500	284,000	100,000	-	180,000	95,000
	Previous	125,500	269,500	284,000	100,000	-	180,000	95,000
	Change	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%		▶0.0%	▶0.0%
Mtwara	Current	85,000	290,000	290,000	120,000	-	200,000	150,000
	Previous	85,000	275,000	280,000	100,000	-	180,000	150,000
	Change	▶0.0%	<b>▲</b> 5.2%	<b>▲</b> 3.4%	<b>▲</b> 16.7%		<b>▲</b> 10 <b>.</b> 0%	▶0.0%
Iringa	Current	100,000	280,000	285,000	150,000	190,000	150,000	70,000
	Previous	100,000	270,000	285,000	150,000	190,000	150,000	70,000
	Change	▶0.0%	<b>▲</b> 3.6%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%
Ruvuma	Current	85,000	300,000	295,000	-	-	-	92,500
	Previous	82,500	300,000	295,000	-	-	-	92,500
	Change	<b>▲</b> 2.9%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%				▶0.0%
Tabora	Current	114,000	250,000	295,000	145,000	-	185,000	95,000
	Previous	111,000	250,000	295,000	145,000	-	185,000	95,000
	Change	<b>▲</b> 2.6%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%		▶0.0%	▶ 0.0%
Rukwa	Current	97,500	210,000	210,000	-	-	190,000	67,500
	Previous	102,500	200,000	210,000	-	-	177,500	67,500
	Change	▼ 5.1%	<b>4.8</b> %	▶0.0%			<b>▲</b> 6.6%	▶0.0%



Region	Week	Maize	Rice	Beans	Sorghum	Bulrush millet	Finger millet	Round Potato
Kigoma	Current	122,000	240,000	280,000	120,000	120,000	150,000	80,000
	Previous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Change							
Shinyanga	Current	112,500	280,000	325,000	95,000	95,000	130,000	85,000
	Previous	112,500	275,000	325,000	95,000	95,000	125,000	85,000
	Change	▶ 0.0%	<b>▲</b> 1.8%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	<b>▲</b> 3.8%	▶0.0%
Mwanza	Current	133,800	281,300	300,000	_	181,300	200,000	105,000
	Previous	137,500	280,000	300,000		175,000	-	110,000
	Change	<b>▼</b> 2.7%	▲ 0.5%	▶0.0%				<b>▼</b> 4.5%
Kagera	Current	122,500	285,000	255,000	175,000	185,000	165,000	92,500
	Previous	119,500	292,500	245,000	185,000	185,000	185,000	88,800
	Change	<b>▲</b> 2.4%	<b>▼</b> 2.6%	<b>▲</b> 3.9%	▼5.7%	▶0.0%	<b>▼</b> 12 <b>.</b> 1%	<b>4.</b> 0%
Njombe	Current	85,000	285,000	300,000	-	-	210,000	75,000
	Previous	85,000	285,000	225,000	-	-	210,000	75,000
	Change	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	<b>▲</b> 25.0%			▶0.0%	▶0.0%

**Source:** Ministry of Investment, Industry and Trade, 2022

#### Notes:

- ✓ Unit of measurement: for food crops are in TZS per 100kg.
- ✓ The symbols ( $\blacktriangle$   $\blacktriangledown$ ) depict the direction of price changes. ( $\blacktriangle$ ) price increased; ( $\blacktriangledown$ ) price decreased; ( $\blacktriangleright$ ) no change in price.
- √ (-) means data not available.



Table 3: Average Retail prices (TZS) for Horticulture products for a week of 01st -07th December, 2022

Region	Tomato (40 Kg Crate)	Onion (100 Kg Sack)	Watermelon (Kg)	Pineapple (Kg)	Green Pepper (50 Kg Sack)	Cucumber (100 Kg Sack)
Nairobi	47,667	70,889	704	770	29,944	95,333
Mombasa	42,167	91,667	660		40,333	88,000
Zanzibar	20,000	90,000	700	800	125,000	80,000
Dar es salaam	45,000	100,000	400	283	97,222	116,667
Morogoro	56,000	143,333	500	1,500	66,667	77,778
Dodoma	43,667	83,333	733	833	71,667	83,333
Shinyanga	36,667	68,333	750	517	26,389	56,667
Mwanza	29,000	100,000	633	683	28,333	50,000
Arusha	35,333	88,333	617	667	46,667	123,333
Tanga	34,500	90,000	650	675	38,750	62,500
Lindi	27,000	116,667	625	700	35,000	53,750
Mtwara	25,000	120,000	400	500	50,000	105,000
Mbeya	42,000	91,667	607	877	48,000	122,667
Current average	37,231	96,479	614	734	54,152	85,771
Previous average	34,982	93,780	570	661	56,478	87,859
Change	<b>▲</b> 6.4%	<b>▲</b> 2.9%	<b>▲</b> 7.7%	<b>▲</b> 11.1%	<b>▼</b> 4.1%	<b>▼</b> 2.4%

Source: TAHA, 2022

Table 4: Cocoa sales for 2022/23 trade season ending 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2022

District Council			Amount sold (Kgs)	Average price (TZS/Kgs)	Total (TZS)
Kyela (Kg)	Busokelo (Kgs)	Rungwe (Kgs)			
5,138,990	1,289,211	491,005	6,919,206	4,312.24	29,054,914,085

**Source:** Tanzania Cooperative Development Commission, 2022



Table 5: Coffee sales (by varieties) for 2022/23 trade season ending 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2022

Type of Coffee	Auction		Direct exports		Local roast		Total	
	KGS	USD	KGS	USD	KGS	USD	KGS	USD
Mild Arabika	3,744,917	13,790,717.39	8,829,310	40,279,206.01	77,356	196,127.70	12,651,583	54,266,051.10
Hard Arabika	35,500	133,614.00	1,915,200	4,109,888.64	-	1	1,950,700	4,243,502.64
Robusta	380,090	914,250.36	25,547,524	51,519,786.44	309,476	533,400.33	26,237,090	52,967,437.13
Total	4,160,507	14,838,581.75	36,292,034	95,908,881.09	386,832	729,528.03	40,839,373	111,476,990.88

Source: Tanzania Coffee Board, 2022

Table 6: Raw Cashew nut sales for 2022/23 trade season ending 12<sup>nd</sup> December, 2022

Union	Amount (Kgs)	Minimum price (TZS)	Maximum price (TZS)	Value (TZS)
TANECU	24,765,881	1,955	1,939	48,206,094,117
MAMCU	52,774,959	1,945	1,700	99,715,554,716
LINDI MWAMBAO	13,707,954	1,726	1,726	24,038,184,613
RUNALI	34,200,778	1,945	1,850	65,894,414,017
CORECU	9,059,559	1,716	1,707	16,237,018,104
TAMCU	11,186,915	1,760	1,720	20,093,449,255
UKICU	117,319	1,720	1,720	201,788,680
Total	145,813,365	1,824	1,766	274,386,503,502

**Source:** Tanzania Cashew Board, 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 then select the service

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