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**Key Messages**

**Food crops:** Wholesale prices for food crops have changed at different rates compared to price levels last week. Prices of sorghum, maize and round potatoes have increased by 4%, 1.5 % and 0.2% respectively, while price of finger millet, bulrush millet, rice and beans have decreased by 7.7%, 2.7%, 0.6% and 0.05% respectively.

**Horticulture:** The period of 18<sup>th</sup>- 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2022 price for horticultural crops changed at different rates. Prices of watermelon, cucumber, green pepper and tomato have increased by 19.3%, 6.2%, 3.3% and 1.6% respectively, while prices for onion and pineapple have decreased by 6.7% and 1.8% respectively.

**Cocoa:** Total sales were 1,567,091 kilograms with a total value of TZS 6.3 billion for the week ended 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 2022.

**Cotton:** Total sales were 129,972,323 kilograms for week ended 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2022.

**Tobacco:** Total sales were 60,444,265 kilograms with a total value of USD 108 million for the week ended 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2022.

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

Previous week	15 - 19 August, 2022	Current week	22 - 26 August, 2022					
	Week	Maize	Rice	Beans	Sorghum	Bulrush millet	Finger millet	Round Potato
National Average	Current	89,300	209,000	208,000	120,400	119,600	149,600	82,200
	Previous	88,000	210,200	208,100	115,600	122,800	161,100	82,000
	Change	▲ 1.5%	▼ 0.6%	▼ 0.05%	▲ 4.0%	▼ 2.7%	▼ 7.7%	▲ 0.2%

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

Mkoa	Wiki	Mahindi	Mcchele	Maharage	Mtama	Uwele	Ulezzi	Viazi mviringo
Dodoma	Wiki hii	89,300	236,800	221,300	68,500	85,500	129,500	79,000
	Wiki iliyopita	86,500	232,500	210,000	66,500	85,300	127,500	79,000
	<b>Badiliko</b>	<b>▲3.1%</b>	<b>▲1.8%</b>	<b>▲5.1%</b>	<b>▲2.9%</b>	<b>▲0.2%</b>	<b>▲1.5%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>
Arusha	Wiki hii	99,000	225,000	200,000	71,000	72,500	122,500	72,500
	Wiki iliyopita	95,000	225,000	200,000	72,500	72,500	122,500	77,500
	<b>Badiliko</b>	<b>▲4.0%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>▼2.1%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>▼6.9%</b>
Dar es Salaam	Wiki hii	120,000	220,000	230,000	110,000	115,000	175,000	100,000
	Wiki iliyopita	120,000	220,000	220,000	110,000	115,000	175,000	100,000
	<b>Badiliko</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>▲4.3%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>
Lindi	Wiki hii	100,000	215,000	215,000	-	-	-	90,000
	Wiki iliyopita	100,000	220,000	212,500	-	-	-	85,000
	<b>Badiliko</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>▼2.3%</b>	<b>▲1.2%</b>				<b>▲5.6%</b>
Morogoro	Wiki hii	89,500	215,000	235,000	160,000	165,000	177,500	87,500
	Wiki iliyopita	86,700	215,000	220,000	150,000	150,000	187,500	85,000
	<b>Badiliko</b>	<b>▲3.1%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>▲6.4%</b>	<b>▲6.3%</b>	<b>▲9.1%</b>	<b>▼5.6%</b>	<b>▲2.9%</b>
Tanga	Wiki hii	105,500	205,000	200,000	102,300	102,500	153,500	77,500
	Wiki iliyopita	96,500	205,000	200,000	102,300	102,500	153,500	85,000
	<b>Badiliko</b>	<b>▲8.5%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>▼9.7%</b>
Mtwara	Wiki hii	78,000	210,000	212,500	100,000	-	180,000	72,500
	Wiki iliyopita	76,000	212,500	205,000	100,000	-	180,000	72,500
	<b>Badiliko</b>	<b>▲2.6%</b>	<b>▼1.2%</b>	<b>▲3.5%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>		<b>►0.0%</b>	
Iringa	Wiki hii	73,500	195,000	200,000	100,000	150,000	150,000	60,000
	Wiki iliyopita	75,000	195,000	200,000	100,000	150,000	150,000	90,000
	<b>Badiliko</b>	<b>▼2.0%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>▼50.0%</b>
Ruvuma	Wiki hii	62,000	200,000	185,000	-	-	125,000	77,500
	Wiki iliyopita	61,500	195,000	185,000	-	-	125,000	80,000
	<b>Badiliko</b>	<b>▲0.8%</b>	<b>▲2.5%</b>	<b>►0.0%</b>			<b>►0.0%</b>	<b>▼3.2%</b>

Region	Week	Maize	Rice	Beans	Sorghum	Bulrush millet	Finger millet	Round Potato
Tabora	Current	82,500	205,000	225,000	145,000	-	185,000	95,000
	Previous	82,500	205,000	225,000	145,000	-	185,000	95,000
	Change	► 0.0%	► 0.0%	► 0.0%	► 0.0%		► 0.0%	► 0.0%
Rukwa	Current	61,800	172,500	190,000	-	-	170,000	72,500
	Previous	58,000	170,000	190,000	-	-	170,000	72,500
	Change	▲ 6.1%	▲ 1.4%	► 0.0%			► 0.0%	► 0.0%
Kigoma	Current	97,300	210,000	210,000	160,000	100,000	180,000	90,000
	Previous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Change							
Kagera	Current	107,500	217,500	200,000	160,000	155,000	155,000	80,000
	Previous	110,000	215,000	205,000	160,000	155,000	155,000	80,000
	Change	▼ 2.3%	▲ 1.1%	▼ 2.5%	► 0.0%	► 0.0%	► 0.0%	► 0.0%
Mara	Current	110,000	175,000	145,000	120,000	150,000	155,000	110,000
	Previous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Change							
Manyara	Current	89,300	220,000	240,000	100,000	100,000	125,000	117,500
	Previous	85,000	220,000	225,000	100,000	100,000	125,000	90,000
	Change	▲ 4.8%	► 0.0%	▲ 6.3%	► 0.0%	► 0.0%	► 0.0%	▲ 23.4%
Njombe	Current	77,500	225,000	175,000	-	-	210,000	55,000
	Previous	77,500	225,000	175,000	-	-	210,000	55,000
	Change	► 0.0%	► 0.0%	► 0.0%			► 0.0%	► 0.0%
Katavi	Current	87,500	187,500	215,000	-	-	-	75,000
	Previous	87,500	187,500	215,000	-	-	-	75,000
	Change	► 0.0%	► 0.0%	► 0.0%				► 0.0%
Mbeya	Current	78,000	227,500	245,000	168,000	-	-	68,000
	Previous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Change							

Source: Ministry of Investment, Industry and Trade

**Table 3: Average Retail prices (TZS) for Horticulture products for a week of 18<sup>th</sup> – 24<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	48,400	96,800	748	616	105,600	71,500
Mombasa	43,267	99,000	880		95,333	88,000
Zanzibar	36,000	98,333	733	933	125,000	80,000
Dar es salaam	28,500	97,500	588	500	108,333	163,333
Morogoro	36,000	106,667	1,800	1,000	66,667	70,000
Dodoma	26,667	120,000	633	767	61,667	49,000
Shinyanga	25,000	70,000	500	500	33,333	60,000
Mwanza	45,000	97,222	500	1,000	28,000	54,000
Arusha	21,667	97,222	617	800	40,000	56,667
Tanga	46,667	76,667	567		33,333	76,667
Lindi	21,667	97,222	617	800	40,000	56,667
Mbeya	45,667	86,667	593	883	49,333	122,667
Current average	35,375	95,275	731	780	65,550	79,042
Previous average	34,808	102,127	613	794	63,483	74,426
<b>Change</b>	<b>▲1.6</b>	<b>▼6.7</b>	<b>▲19.3</b>	<b>▼1.8</b>	<b>▲3.3</b>	<b>▲6.2</b>

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 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 2022**

LGA			Amount sold (Kilo)	Average price (TZS/Kg)	Total (TZS)
Kyela (Kg)	Busokelo (Kg)	Rungwe (Kg)			
1,266,720	223,930	76,441	1,567,091	4,029.50	6,268,563,540

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

**Table 5: Cotton sales for 2021/22 trade season week ending 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2022**

SALES			TRANSPORTATION		
Previous weeks (KGS)	Current week (KGS)	Total (KGS)	Previous weeks (KGS)	Current week (KGS)	Total (KGS)
121,059,707	8,912,616	129,972,323	119,682,486	9,707,233	129,389,719

**Source:** Tanzania Cotton Board, 2022

**Table 6: Tobacco sales for 2022/2023 trade season ending 21<sup>st</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	500,981	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	166,803	7,386,351.29	14,288,638.16	1.93
	Magefa Growers Ltd	6,033,014	72,074	3,085,312.17	4,847,808.10	1.57
<b>SUB TOTAL VFC</b>		<b>70,199,014</b>	<b>1,331,762</b>	<b>60,157,988.23</b>	<b>107,674,646.24</b>	<b>1.79</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>1,337,355</b>	<b>60,444,264.72</b>	<b>108,100,490.33</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](http://exts.kilimo.go.tz) then select the service

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