

# United Republic of Tanzania Ministry of Agriculture Agricultural Marketing Section

#### **Weekly Market Bulletin**

24 - 28 April, 2023

# **Key Messages**

**Food crops**: Wholesale prices for food crops this week have been varying at different rates compared to price levels last week. Price of round potatoes and beans increased by 1.7% and 0.5% respectively, while prices of maize, sorghum and rice decreased by 2.7%, 0.9% and 0.8% respectively. Prices of bulrush millet and finger millet remain unchanged.

Horticulture: The period of 21<sup>st</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2023 prices for horticultural crops in various markets have changed at different rates. Prices of pineapple cucumber, onion, water melon and green pepper increased by 16.1%, 10%, 4.4%, 3.4% and 1.2% respectively. While price of tomatoes decreased by 3.3%.

**Cocoa:** Total sales were 8,915,256.0 kilograms with a total value of TZS 39.49 billion for the week ended 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2023.

Coffee: Total sales were 79,319,407 kilograms with a total value of USD 225.96 million for the week ended 27<sup>th</sup> April, 2023.

Cashew nut: Until 28th March, 2023 trade season total sales of raw cashew nut was 176,686,889 kilograms with a total value of TZS 328 billion.

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

Previous week	17 - 21 Apr, 2	.023	Current week	24 - 28 Apr, 2023				
	Week	Maize	Rice	Beans	Sorghum	Bulrush millet	Finger millet	Round Potato
National Assumes	Current	104,500	301,300	274,800	142,800	142,500	159,700	103,300
National Average	Previous	107,300	303,800	273,300	144,100	142,500	159,700	101,500
	Change	<b>▼</b> 2.7%	<b>▼</b> o.8%	<b>▲</b> 0.5%	<b>▼</b> 0.9%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	<b>▲</b> 1.7%



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	89,500	335,000	280,000	90,000	-	-	120,000
	Previous	103,000	335,000	280,000	100,000	127,000	167,500	104,000
	Change	<b>▼</b> 15 <b>.</b> 1%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	<b>▼</b> 11.1%			<b>▲</b> 13.3%
Arusha	Current	105,000	275,000	255,000	95,000	102,500	117,500	95,000
	Previous	104,000	275,000	260,000	95,000	102,500	117,500	95,000
	Change	<b>1.</b> 0%	▶0.0%	▼2.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%
Dar es Salaam	Current	111,000	295,000	315,000	150,000	130,000	165,000	75,300
	Previous	108,000	288,300	316,700	150,000	130,000	165,000	73,300
	Change	<b>▲</b> 2.7%	▲ 2.3%	▼ 0.5%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	<b>▲</b> 2.7%
Morogoro	Current	103,500	280,000	267,500	142,500	105,000	165,000	83,300
	Previous	103,500	280,000	267,500	142,500	105,000	165,000	83,000
	Change	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▲ 0.4%
Mtwara	Current	110,000	330,000	300,000	150,000	-	150,000	200,000
	Previous	105,000	340,000	280,000	150,000	-	150,000	200,000
	Change	<b>4.5</b> %	▼3.0%	<b>▲</b> 6.7%	▶0.0%		▶0.0%	▶0.0%
Iringa	Current	120,000	315,000	285,000	150,000	190,000	170,000	65,000
	Previous	120,000	315,000	285,000	150,000	190,000	170,000	65,000
	Change	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶0.0%
Ruvuma	Current	105,000	300,000	290,000	-	-	-	90,000
	Previous	110,000	312,500	290,000	-	-	-	91,000
	Change	<b>V</b> 4.8%	<b>▼</b> 4.2%	▶0.0%				▼1.1%
Tabora	Current	79,000	295,000	260,000	165,000	-	195,000	95,000
	Previous	95,000	295,000	260,000	165,000	-	195,000	95,000
	Change	<b>V</b> 20.3%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%		▶ 0.0%	▶0.0%
Rukwa	Current	82,500	285,000	215,000	-	-	150,000	-
	Previous	87,500	290,000	210,000	-	-	150,000	-
	Change	▼ 6.1%	▼1.8%	<b>▲</b> 2.3%			▶0.0%	
Mwanza	Current	122,500	295,000	295,000	-	175,000	-	97,500
	Previous	125,000	295,000	295,000		-	-	95,000
	Change	<b>V</b> 2.0%	<b>▶</b> 0.0%	▶ 0.0%				<b>▲</b> 2.6%
Kagera	Current	106,000	300,000	265,000	200,000	185,000	175,000	95,000
	Previous	106,000	310,000	265,000	200,000	185,000	175,000	95,000
	Change	▶ 0.0%	▼3.2%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶ 0.0%	▶0.0%
Kilimanjaro	Current	120,000	310,000	270,000			150,000	120,000
	Previous	120,000	310,000	270,000			150,000	120,000
	Change	▶0.0%	▶0.0%	▶0.0%			▶0.0%	▶0.0%

**Source:** Ministry of Industry and Trade, 2023



#### 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 21st – 26th April, 2023

Region	Tomato	Onion	Watermelon	Pineapple	Green Pepper	Cucumber
	(40 Kg Crate)	(100 Kg Sack)	(Kg)	(Kg)	(50 Kg Sack)	(100 Kg Sack)
Nairobi	44,105	119,324	770	880	39,495	121,262
Mombasa	46,200	154,000	660	1,500	41,250	88,000
Zanzibar	81,000	201,000	767	1,300	122,833	83,200
Dar es salaam	45,000	200,000	500	400	88,889	133,333
Morogoro	45,000	110,000	567	800	61,111	83,333
Dodoma	20,000	120,000	300	1,200	47,500	42,500
Mwanza	26,500	133,333	700	875	28,500	60,000
Arusha	36,500	140,000	750	650	33,750	95,000
Mbeya	38,667	79,444	873	800	48,667	118,667
Tanga	48,000	105,833	460	817	33,333	71,667
Current week average	43,097	136,293	635	922	54,533	89,696
Previous average	44,560	130,598	614	794	53,871	81,023
Change	₹3.3%	<b>4.</b> 4%	<b>▲</b> 3.4%	<b>▲</b> 16.1%	<b>▲</b> 1.2%	<b>▲</b> 10.7%

Source: TAHA, 2023

Table 4: Cocoa sales for 2022/23 trade season ending 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2023

	LGAs				
Kyela (Kg)	Busokelo (Kgs)	Rungwe (Kgs)	Amount sold (Kgs)	Average price (TZS/Kgs)	Total (TZS)
6,846,150.0	1,510,271.0	558,835.0	8,915,256.0	4,620.96	39,492,971,435.00

**Source:** Tanzania Cooperative Development Commission, 2023



Table 5: Coffee sales (by varieties) for 2022/23 trade season ending 27<sup>th</sup> April, 2023

Type of Coffee	Auction		Direct	Direct exports Lo		al roast	Total	
	KGS	USD	KGS	USD	KGS	USD	KGS	USD
Mild Arabika	8,445,405	28,634,540	24,836,867	103,880,856	120,299	288,315	33,402,571	132,803,711
Hard Arabika	42,130	149,658	3,978,300	8,157,837	-	-	4,020,430	8,307,476
Robusta	2,258,168	5,424,739	38,961,510	78,234,873	676,728	1,193,864	41,896,406	84,853,477
Total	10,745,703	34,208,938	67,776,677	190,273,566	797,027	1,482,179	79,319,407	225,964,683

Source: Tanzania Coffee Board, 2023

Table 6: Raw Cashew nut sales for 2022/23 trade season ending 28th March, 2023

Union	Amount (Kgs)	Maximum price (TZS)	Minimum price (TZS)	Value (TZS)
TANECU	33,518,494	2,012	1,604	63,447,865,104
MAMCU	59,609,667	2,200	1,680	111,449,764,229
Lindi Mwambao	14,622,801	1,851	1,672	25,590,331,828
RUNALI	42,440,859	2,005	1,600	81,187,464,564
CORECU	10,759,505	1,900	1,520	18,796,295,755
TAMCU	15,218,006	1,905	1,600	26,929,210,718
UKICU	153,959	1,721	1,720	264,846,120
TACACU	339,519	1,751	1,719	569,336,325
DOMASICA	24,079	1,720		40,164,540
Jumla	176,686,889	2,200	1,520	328,275,279,183

Source: Tanzania Cashew Board, 2023

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 <a href="mailto:exts.kilimo.go.tz">exts.kilimo.go.tz</a> then select the service

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