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Highlights

o The national average price of a standard reference food basket remains relatively stable in July 2019 and is SYP 24,652 (USD 57 at the official exchange rate).

o The national average informal exchange rate continues to increase in July reaching SYP 597/USD 1, up 1.4 percent m-o-m. The Syrian Pound has depreciated on the informal market by 36 percent compared to July 2018 levels.

o The price of a standard referential food basket in Rukban is SYP 64,460 in July 2019 which is 161 percent higher than the national average for the same month and 182 percent higher than the average in Damascus.

o ToT between livestock and wheat flour is 412 kg/sheep (up four percent m-o-m) highlighting an improvement in purchasing power for livestock owners who could buy on average four percent more kgs of wheat compared to June 2019.

o Five governorates report m-o-m percent decreases in diesel prices with a further five governorates reporting no change in m-o-m diesel prices.

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Standard Food Basket

In July 2019, the national average price of a reference standard food basket¹ remains stable at SYP 24,652 compared to June (Chart 1). The reference national average food basket price has remained relatively stable over the past six to 12 months (up by four percent since July 2018).

Throughout Syria, five out of 14 governorates report an increasing average reference food basket price in July, with the highest month-on-month (m-o-m) increase in As-Sweida (up seven percent) followed by Rural Damascus (up five percent). Three governorates report no month-on-month (m-o-m) change and six more governorates report a decrease in the average reported reference food basket price (Quneitra, Lattakia, Homs and Dar'a down by one percent; Aleppo down by two percent and Al-Hasakeh down by 12 percent) - Figure 1.

Lowest reported average food basket price in July is in Al-Hasakeh at SYP 22,600, followed by Damascus at SYP 22,835 and by Aleppo at SYP 23,190. Conversely, the highest average food basket price is still reported in Deir-ez-Zor at SYP 28,390, followed by Ar-Raqqa at SYP 26,460 then Dar'a at SYP 26,170.

The year-on-year (y-o-y) trend shows that price increases continue to be observed across most governorates. The y-o-y food basket national average increase was four percent compared to July 2018 with nine out of 14 governorates witnessing an increase in the average food basket price. The largest y-o-y increases in average food basket price are recorded in Al-Hasakeh (16 percent), Ar-Raqqa (14 percent) and As-Sweida (10 percent). On the other hand, Deir-ez-Zor, Lattakia and Quneitra reported a y-o-y average food basket price decrease of six percent. A y-o-y decrease of one percent is reported in Damascus.

Chart 1: National min., max. and average food basket cost, SYP

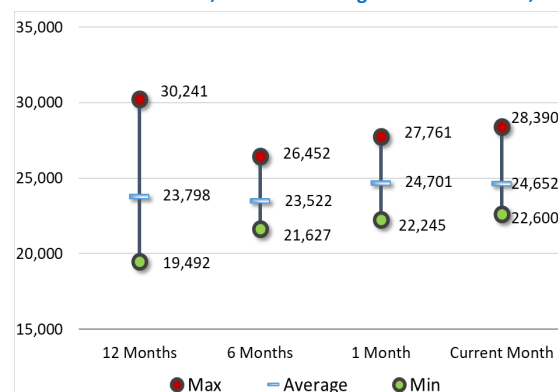
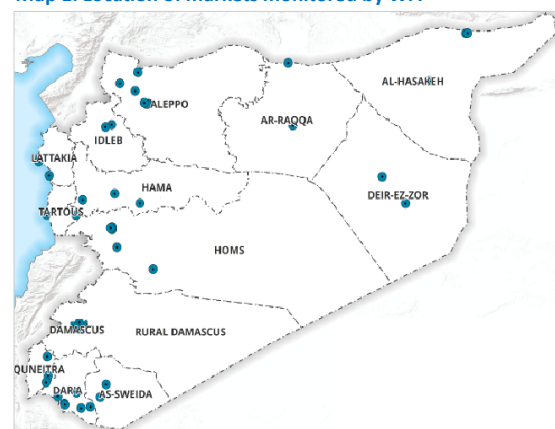


Figure 1: Food basket cost and changes, SYP

Governorate	Price July 2019	1 month change	6 months changes	12 months changes
Aleppo	SYP 23,190	-2%	6%	3%
Damascus	SYP 22,835	0%	6%	-1%
Dar'a	SYP 26,170	-1%	9%	5%
Deir-ez-Zor	SYP 28,390	2%	7%	-6%
Hama	SYP 24,570	0%	-2%	9%
Al-Hasakeh	SYP 22,600	-12%	4%	16%
Homs	SYP 24,580	-1%	-1%	7%
Idlib	SYP 23,990	1%	4%	5%
Lattakia	SYP 25,290	-1%	4%	-6%
Ar-Raqqa	SYP 26,460	1%	9%	14%
Rural Damascus	SYP 23,300	5%	3%	0%
As-Sweida	SYP 24,425	7%	10%	10%
Tartous	SYP 25,190	0%	5%	5%
Quneitra	SYP 24,165	-1%	3%	-6%
Average	SYP 24,655	0%	5%	4%

Map 1: Location of markets monitored by WFP



1. The standard food basket is a group of essential food commodities. In Syria, the food basket is set at a group of dry goods providing 1,930 kcal a day for a family of five during a month. The basket includes 37 kg bread, 19 kg rice, 19 kg lentils, 5 kg of sugar, and 7 litres of vegetable oil

Rukban food security situation

Rukban is a makeshift settlement in Syria near the northeast of Jordan, close to the Syria-Iraq border (Map 2). In early 2019 there were an estimated 40,000 people remaining in Rukban.

Between February – April 2019, WFP through SARC assisted the return of around 15,000 people from Rukban with the provision of ready-to-eat (RTE) meals. Under 15,000 people are currently (July 2019) estimated to still be stranded in Rukban.

In July 2019 WFP conducted a rapid food security assessment using a representative sample, which found the food security situation to be dire in Rukban. Over 94 percent of the interviewed people were found to be food insecure (14,100 people in need out of 15,000). Out of these, 65 percent (9,165 people) were moderately food insecure and 35 percent (4,935 people) were severely food insecure.

The percentage of interviewed households reporting inadequate food consumption (poor & borderline food consumption score), an indicator measuring food intake over seven days before the survey, increased from 88 percent in March/April to 93 percent in July. Furthermore, in July, 96 percent of respondents reported resorting to emergency coping strategies, compared to 43 percent in March/April. The increase is likely a result of limited financial access to purchasing food which is further evidenced by a very low household food expenditure share out of total expenditure. High food prices and the multiple priority needs for households (such as paying back loans/credit, cooking fuel/firewood and buying water) has meant that households in Rukban are sacrificing food intake faced with limited financial options.

Many families reported consuming on average one meal per day with bread, rice and bulgur being the top three staples. Most families reported not eating meat in the past one to two years and children did not consume milk or other dairy products except occasionally local cheese. Widely used negative consumption-based coping strategies include: relying on less preferred food, limiting meal portion sizes and reducing number of meals per day. Around half of the interviewed households reported skipping entire days without eating at least once in the seven days prior to the survey.

There was a sudden reduction in the recorded average price of a reference food basket in Rukban in February 2019 compared to November 2018 prices. The 55 percent reduction in price was likely a result of the general food assistance provided to Rukban residents in February 2018. Nevertheless, since February the price of an average reference food basket has steadily increased to SYP 64,460, up 62 percent over five months, reaching similar levels as recorded in November 2018 (Chart 2).

The average reference food basket price in Rukban is now 161 percent higher than the national average in the same month and 182 percent higher than in Damascus. The price of rice in Rukban (SYP 713/kg) is 46 percent higher than the national average and 62 percent higher than the average price in Damascus just 300 kms away, highlighting the impact of limited trade and high demand on food prices. Furthermore, the price of commercial bread (SYP1,040 SYP/1.3kg) is 752 percent above the national average and 940 percent above the average price in Damascus for the same month (July 2019) - Chart 3. As a result, WFP in coordination with SARC, is preparing GFA distributions in Rukban in August/September 2019.

Map 2: Rukban settlement on the Syrian-side of the border with Jordan

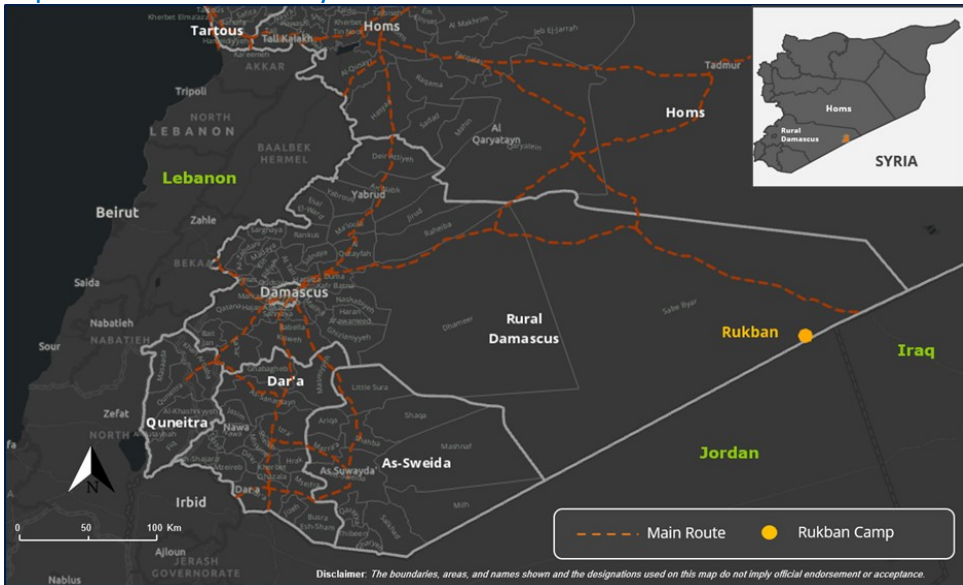


Chart 2: Reference Food Basket Prices (Rukban, Damascus & National Average)

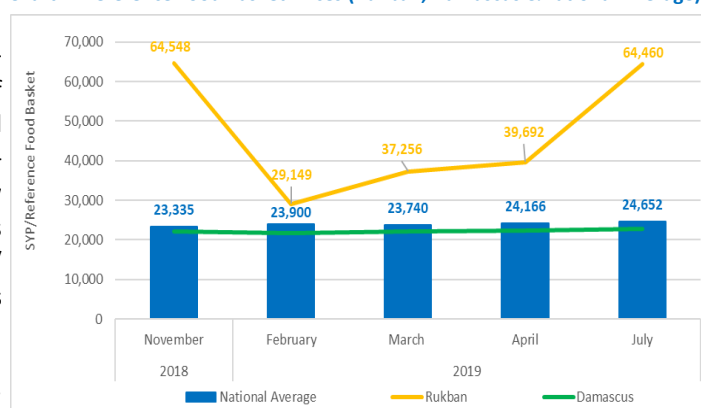
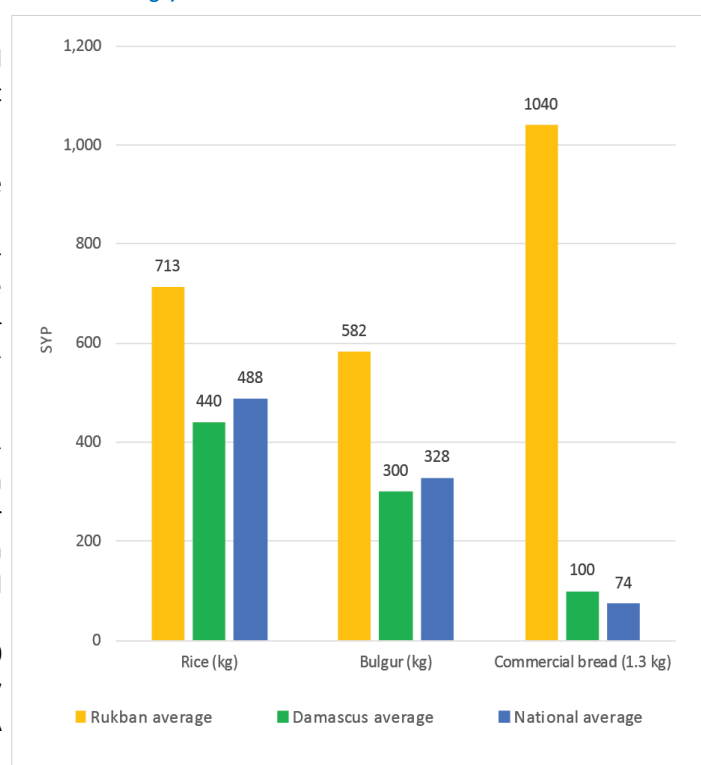


Chart 3: July prices comparison (Rukban average, Damascus average and National Average)



Retail prices of staple cereals

Wheat Flour

In July 2019, the national average retail price of wheat flour across Syria's main markets decreases to SYP 279/Kg, down by approximately 3 percent m-o-m. Deir-ez-Zor reported the highest m-o-m decrease by 14 percent, followed by Hama at 13 percent then Al-Hasakeh at 10 percent. The highest average recorded wheat price was in As-Sweida at SYP 373/Kg with As-Sweida also reporting the highest m-o-m increase at 13 percent. Broken down by accessibility, hard-to-reach areas report a decrease of six percent m-o-m yet have the highest retail price at SYP 294/Kg (Chart 4). Idleb, reported the lowest wheat flour price at SYP 183/Kg.

Rice

The national average retail price of Egyptian white rice is SYP 488/Kg in July 2019, a decrease of one percent from last month. The highest average price was reported in Ar-Raqqa at SYP 573/Kg and the lowest average price was reported in Idleb at SYP 367/Kg. The highest m-o-m price increase is reported in As-Sweida at 17 percent followed by Rural Damascus at six percent, while the biggest decrease is in Al-Hasakeh at 23 percent. Accessible areas reported the highest average price at SYP 501/Kg with a decrease by one percent from last month, while hard-to-reach areas reported the largest m-o-m increase by three percent (Chart 5).

Bulgur

The national average price of bulgur is SYP 328/Kg which is an increase of three percent from June 2019. The highest m-o-m increase in price was reported in Rural Damascus (up 11 percent), followed by Ar-Raqqa (up 9 percent), while the highest price is in As-Sweida (SYP 510/Kg). On the other hand, the highest decrease in bulgur price is in Tartous (down 5 percent), while the lowest price was reported in Idleb (SYP 242/Kg). Hard-to-reach areas reported the highest average bulgur prices by accessibility at SYP 344/Kg with an increase of nine percent from last month (Chart 6).

Bread

In July 2019, nine governorates reported public bread price of SYP 50/bundle (1.3kg) while four governorates report an average of SYP 85/bundle. The national average price of public bread (government subsidized bread) increased by six percent m-o-m to reach SYP 74/bundle in July 2019 while it increased by five percent since January 2019 and decreased by nine percent from July 2018 (Chart 7). Dar'a reports the highest public bread price at SYP 106/bundle, followed by Aleppo at SYP 103/bundle. Hard-to-reach areas report a decrease in public bread prices by 11 percent from last month. Additionally, the national average price of commercial bread across Syrian markets is SYP 122/bundle (1.3 kg), reducing by two percent m-o-m (Chart 8); however, remaining 65 percent higher than the average national subsidized bread price. For commercial bread, Idleb recorded the highest price at SYP 225/bundle followed by Aleppo at SYP 221/bundle. Hama, Homs and Tartous continue to report the lowest average price of commercial bread at SYP 75/bundle.

Chart 4: Retail Prices of Wheat Flour, SYP

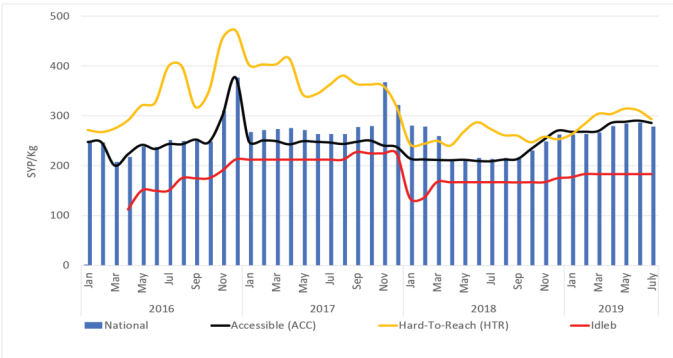


Chart 5: Retail Prices of Rice, SYP

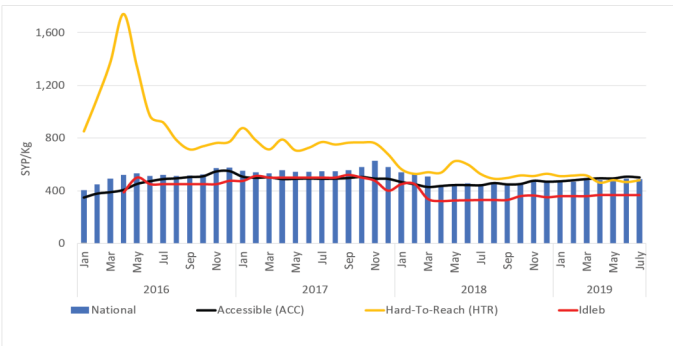


Chart 6: Retail Prices of Bulgur, SYP

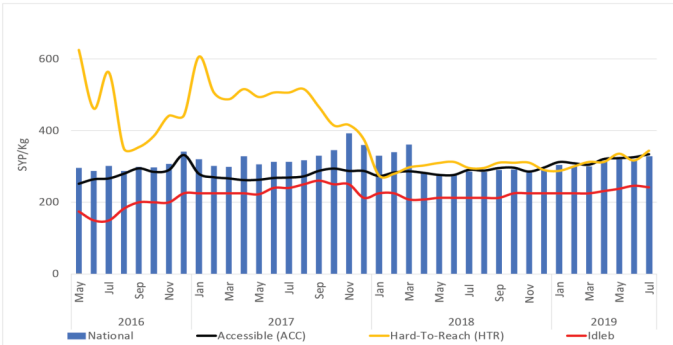


Chart 7: Retail Prices of Subsidized Bread, SYP

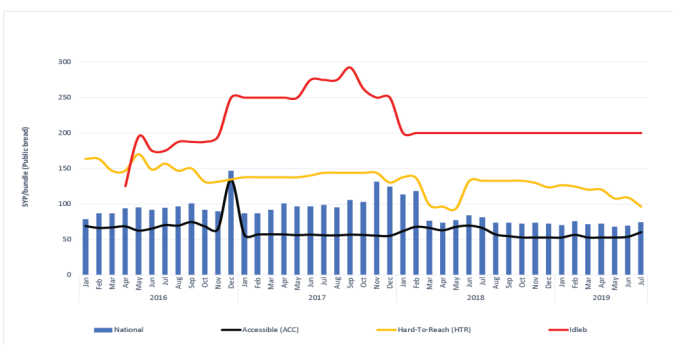
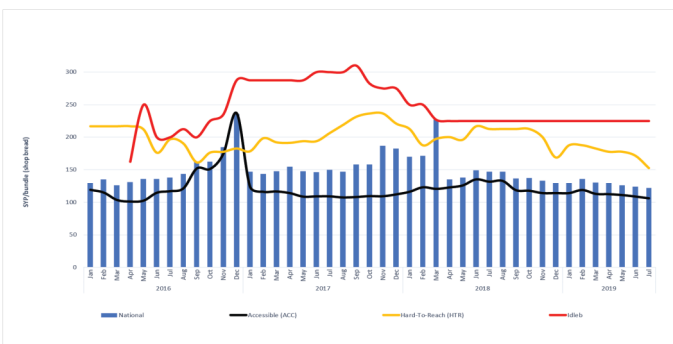


Chart 8: Retail Prices of Commercial Bread, SYP



Source: WFP Field Offices

Exchange rates

The official exchange rate between the Syrian Pound and the US Dollar has remained unchanged at SYP 434 since late 2017. Meanwhile the national average informal market exchange rate continues its increase. In July, the national average informal exchange rate is SYP 597/USD, up 1.4 percent from June 2019 (Table 1). Since July 2018, the Syrian Pound has depreciated by 36 percent on the informal market. Reasons behind the continued depreciation of the Syrian Pound vs. USD are multi-fold and are primarily thought to relate to low USD reserves in country and increased sanctions on Syria's key trading partners, hereby alimending volatility and uncertainty on the country's financial market. Additionally, the yearly rate of change for the currency depreciation on the informal market is increasing. The y-o-y percent change is 36 percent in July compared to 34 percent in June and 31 percent in May, highlighting a worsening economic outlook for local consumers.

Cereal wholesale prices

In July, the national average wholesale price of cereals remained unchanged for wheat grain (SYP 208,308/MT), while it decreased by three percent for rice (SYP 386,179 MT) and increased by eight percent for bulgur (SYP 277,003 MT). Using the Syrian Central Bank's official exchange rate of SYP 434 per USD, this translates to US\$ 480/MT for wheat grain, US\$ 890/MT for Egyptian white rice and US\$ 638/MT for bulgur grain (Table 2). In comparison, the wholesale price of wheat on international markets is US\$ 196/MT, 59 percent lower than in Syria.

Diesel and butane gas prices

Diesel prices continue decreasing reaching SYP 301/litre, down 11 percent from last month (Chart 9). Five governorates reported m-o-m percent decreases in diesel prices with a further five governorates reporting no change on m-o-m diesel prices, highlighting possible relaxed pressure around diesel price levels. Dar'a reported the highest decrease from last month (down by 27 percent) followed by Aleppo (down by 25 percent) and Quneitra (down by 21 percent). Moreover, lowest average diesel prices were reported in Al-Hasakeh (SYP 82/litre) where the price of diesel is consistently well below the national average price. The highest average price for diesel is reported in As-Sweida at SYP 642/litre which is more than twice the national average. Broken-down by accessibility, the lowest average diesel price is found in hard-to-reach areas at SYP 221/litre (down by 2 percent from last month). Accessible areas reported the highest average diesel price at SYP 315/litre (down by 12 percent from last month). Idleb reported an increase of six percent compared to last month, reaching SYP 288/litre.

The national average price of one butane gas cylinder refill remains relatively unchanged m-o-m (SYP 4,103). Prices have dropped by 13 percent since January 2019 due to reduced demand on butane gas during summer months. Accessible areas reported SYP 3,893/refill (down one percent m-o-m), hard-to-reach areas reported SYP 4,513/refill (up three percent m-o-m), while Idleb remains stable at SYP 5,650/refill (Chart 10).

Table 1: Informal market exchange rate, 1 USD to SYP

Governorate	July 2019	% change (m-o-m)	% change (y-o-y)
Aleppo	594	1.6%	35%
Al-Hasakeh	604	2.9%	37%
Ar-Raqqa	604	4.8%	37%
As-Sweida	600	1.4%	36%
Damascus	599	1.7%	34%
Dar'a	589	0%	41%
Deir-ez-Zor	598	3%	NA
Hama	600	0.7%	37%
Homs	600	0.8%	37%
Idleb	603	2.9%	36%
Lattakia	598	-0.4%	37%
Quneitra	592	0.7%	35%
Rural Damascus	592	0.4%	33%
Tartous	593	-0.8%	33%
National average	597	1.4%	36%
Official rate	434	0%	0%

Table 2: National average wholesale prices for wheat, bulgur and rice, SYP and USD using official exchange rate, 1 MT

Commodity (1 MT)	July Prices (SYP)	July Prices (USD)	% Change (m-o-m)
Wheat grain	208,308	480	0%
Bulgur	277,003	638	8%
Rice	386,179	890	-3%

Chart 9: Diesel Price

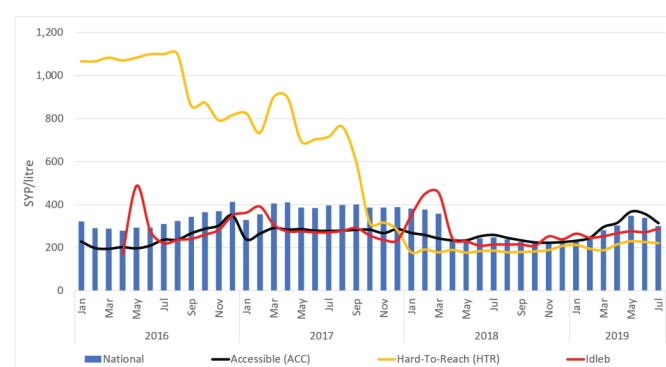
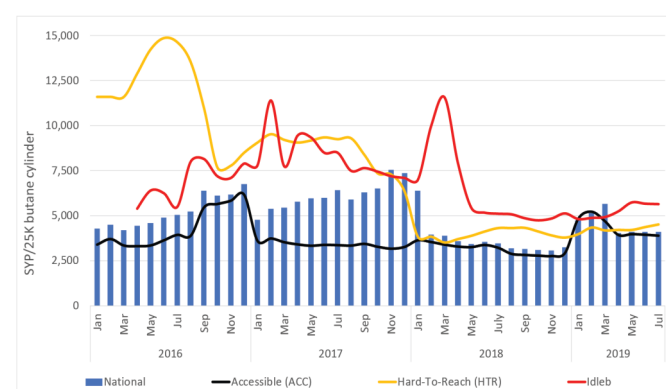


Chart 10: Butane Gas price



Terms of Trade (ToT)²

ToT between wage labour and wheat flour

The national average non-skilled labour wage is SYP 2,422 in July 2019 (up four percent m-o-m). The wage rate is 21 percent above its y-o-y level and 16 percent above the levels recorded in January 2018 (Chart 11).

Seven out of 14 governorates reported unchanged m-o-m daily unskilled wage levels in July. Daily non-skilled wages were reported highest in Aleppo (SYP 5,125/day, up by 24 percent m-o-m), followed by Tartous (SYP 4,000/day, unchanged m-o-m) and are still the lowest in Al-Hasakeh at SYP 1,450/day followed by As-Sweida at SYP 1,492/day (up one percent m-o-m).

Between December 2016 and July 2018, the continued increase in casual labour wage rates and the general reduction in wheat flour prices saw a progressive improvement in the casual labourer's purchasing power vis-à-vis wheat flour. However, since July 2018, wheat prices have been outpacing the increase in labour wages. Thus, by July 2019, the national average daily unskilled labour could only purchase 8.7 kg of wheat flour, representing a fall of 7 percent y-o-y (Chart 12).

ToT between sheep and wheat flour

In July 2019, the national average price of a two-year old alive male sheep increased to SYP 115,016/sheep, up one percent m-o-m (Chart 13). Dar'a continues to report the highest average price across Syria at SYP 150,000/sheep (down one percent m-o-m) followed by Lattakia at SYP 137,000/sheep (down two percent m-o-m) and Tartous at SYP 134,250/sheep (down two percent m-o-m).

Al-Hasakeh continues to report the lowest average price for an alive two-year old male sheep at SYP 83,333 (up one percent m-o-m) followed by Deir-ez-Zor at SYP 87,083 (up four percent m-o-m) and Aleppo at SYP 89,908 (down 9 percent m-o-m). The increases across the country in sheep prices coincide with preparing for Eid Al Adha when there is an increase in the demand for sheep. Eid Al Adha takes place from 11 August to 14 August 2019.

In July 2019, the ToT between an alive two-year old male sheep and wheat flour is 412 kg/sheep (up four percent m-o-m). Highlighting an improvement in the exchange for livestock owners who could buy on average four percent more kgs of wheat compared to June 2019.

To note, both wheat flour prices and livestock prices have seen significant increases in 2018 and 2019. The wheat harvest season concluded in July 2019 which would have consequently meant a decrease in the price. However, the increase in the price of wheat flour across the country is largely driven by increasing transport costs, and depreciation in the currency making imports more expensive. Additionally, the increase in livestock prices is largely due to the increasing demand for livestock preparing for Eid.

Chart 11: Daily wage for unskilled labour, SYP

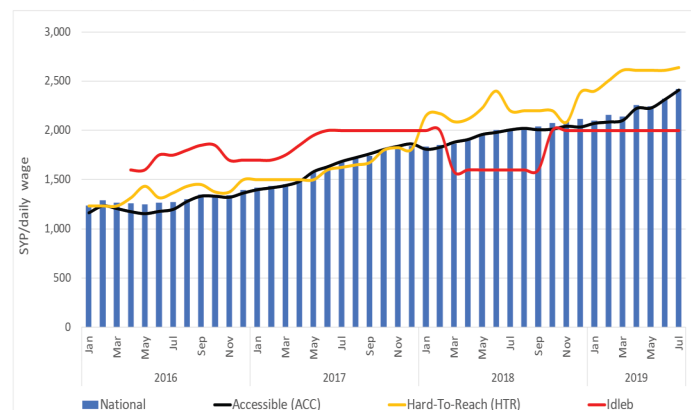


Chart 12: Terms of Trade (ToT) between wheat flour and wage labour

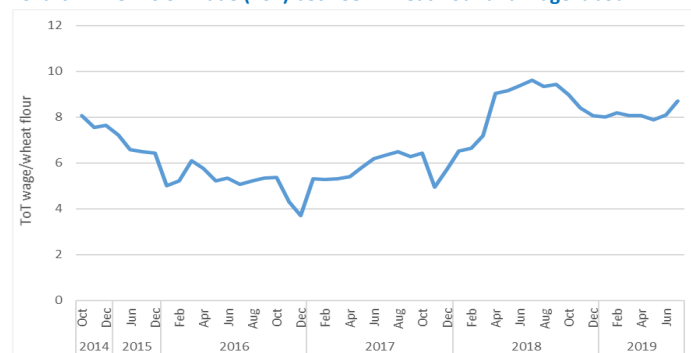


Chart 13: Price of livestock, SYP/one 2Y old sheep

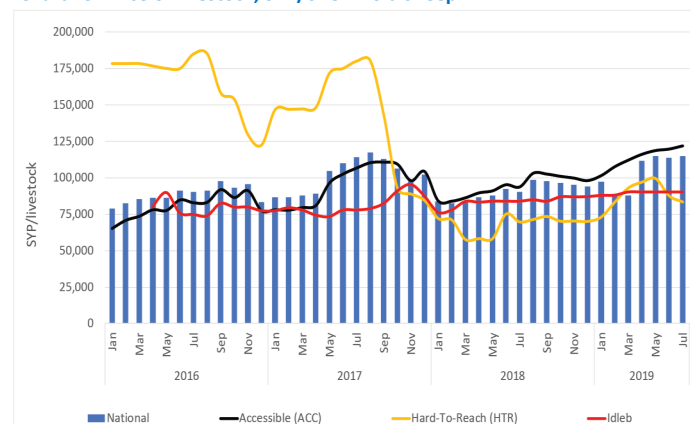
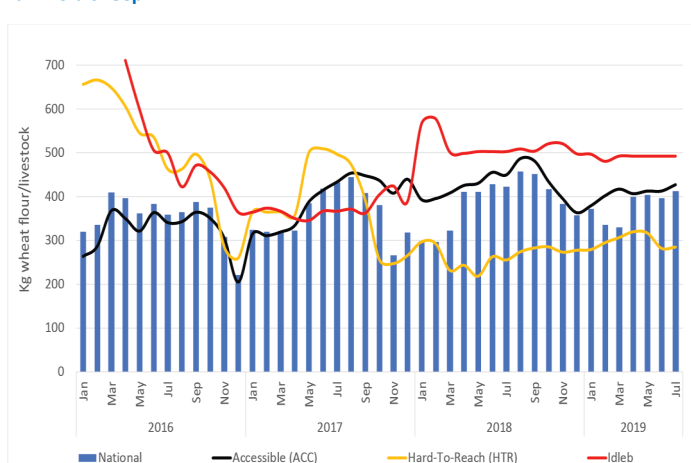


Chart 14: Terms of Trade (ToT) between wheat flour and the price of a 2Y old sheep



Source: WFP Field Offices

2. The ToT are proxy indicators of the purchasing power of households that rely on livestock and/or casual labour as their main source of income for the purchase of cereals from local markets. ToT are important components of food security analysis. Changes in the terms of trade between wages/livestock and staple food commodities are indicative of the trends in purchasing power and the impact on the food security situation of households dependent on food purchases through income from daily wage labour and/or the sale of livestock.

Table 3. Market Price of Main Commodities in Syrian Pounds: October 2018

Commodity	Governorate	Current Price	Price change	Price change	Price change	Average Change	Average Change	Average Change	Commodity	Governorate	Current Price	Price change	Price change	Price change	Average Change	Average Change	Average Change
			1M (%)	6 M (%)	12 M (%)	1M	6 M	12 M				1M (%)	6 M (%)	12 M (%)	1M	6 M	12 M
Bread Public (1.3 kg)	Aleppo	103	-16	-1	-1	↓	↓	↓	Date (kg)	Aleppo	975	2	17	18	↑	↑	↑
	Damascus	50	-	-	-	↔	↔	↔		Damascus	942	-2	-	0	↓	↔	↑
	Dar'a	106	55	70	-17	↑	↑	↔		Dar'a	913	-1	8	11	↓	↑	↑
	Deir-ez-Zor	50	-	-43	-50	↔	↓	↓		Deir-ez-Zor	942	-3	9	1	↓	↑	↑
	Hama	50	-	-	-	↔	↔	↔		Hama	1,000	-	11	25	↔	↑	↑
	Al-Hasakeh	63	25	25	25	↑	↑	↑		Al-Hasakeh	767	-	21	29	↔	↑	↑
	Homs	50	-	-	-	↔	↔	↔		Homs	1,000	-	11	25	↔	↑	↑
	Idleb	200	-	-	-	↔	↔	↔		Idleb	767	-15	5	7	↓	↑	↑
	Lattakia	50	-	-	-	↔	↔	↔		Lattakia	1,000	-	-	3	↔	↔	↑
	Quneitra	50	-	-	-57	↔	↔	↓		Quneitra	914	2	4	5	↑	↑	↑
	Ar-Raqqa	68	-	4	4	↔	↑	↑		Ar-Raqqa	850	-	21	34	↔	↑	↑
	Rural Damascus	50	-	-25	-	↔	↓	↔		Rural Damascus	1,000	-	9	12	↔	↑	↑
	As-Sweida	50	-	-	-	↔	↔	↔		As-Sweida	1,221	1	20	29	↑	↑	↑
Tartous	50	-	-	-	↔	↔	↔	Tartous	1,000	-	-	14	↔	↔	↑		
Bread Shops (1.3 kg)	Aleppo	221	-9	-12	-14	↓	↓	↓	Diesel (L)	Aleppo	275	-25	-9	3	↓	↓	↑
	Damascus	100	-	-	-	↔	↔	↔		Damascus	369	1	52	87	↑	↑	↑
	Dar'a	125	-29	-25	-33	↓	↓	↓		Dar'a	314	-27	18	-21	↑	↑	↓
	Deir-ez-Zor	130	-9	-26	-42	↓	↓	↓		Deir-ez-Zor	230	-9	10	3	↓	↑	↑
	Hama	75	-	-	-	↔	↔	↔		Hama	225	-	-	-	↔	↔	↔
	Al-Hasakeh	150	-	-	-	↔	↔	↔		Al-Hasakeh	82	-	-4	-13	↔	↓	↓
	Homs	75	-	-	-	↔	↔	↔		Homs	225	-	-	-	↔	↔	↔
	Idleb	225	-	-	-	↔	↔	↔		Idleb	288	6	9	35	↑	↑	↑
	Lattakia	100	7	33	33	↑	↑	↑		Lattakia	300	-	37	50	↔	↑	↑
	Quneitra	82	2	26	-55	↑	↑	↓		Quneitra	417	-21	94	-5	↓	↑	↓
	Ar-Raqqa	125	-	-	-	↔	↔	↔		Ar-Raqqa	115	12	19	61	↑	↑	↑
	Rural Damascus	100	-	-	-	↔	↔	↔		Rural Damascus	385	-	37	89	↔	↑	↑
	As-Sweida	100	14	-	-	↑	↔	↔		As-Sweida	642	-11	83	83	↓	↑	↑
Tartous	75	-	-	-29	↔	↔	↓	Tartous	388	2	82	82	↑	↑	↑		
Bulgur (kg)	Aleppo	338	5	34	37	↑	↑	↑	Dollar exchange rate (in the parallel market, \$1)	Aleppo	594	2	17	35	↑	↑	↑
	Damascus	300	-1	1	3	↓	↑	↑		Damascus	599	2	20	34	↑	↑	↑
	Dar'a	300	4	4	5	↑	↑	↑		Dar'a	589	-	20	41	↔	↑	↑
	Deir-ez-Zor	363	1	21	13	↑	↑	↑		Deir-ez-Zor	598	3	20			↑	↔
	Hama	325	4	-12	-3	↑	↓	↓		Hama	600	1	17	37	↑	↑	↑
	Al-Hasakeh	340	1	27	48	↑	↑	↑		Al-Hasakeh	604	3	21	37	↑	↑	↑
	Homs	325	2	-15	-3	↑	↓	↓		Homs	600	1	18	37	↑	↑	↑
	Idleb	242	-2	7	14	↓	↑	↑		Idleb	603	3	21	36	↑	↑	↑
	Lattakia	335	-1	-11	12	↓	↓	↑		Lattakia	598	-0	19	37	↓	↑	↑
	Quneitra	287	4	9	1	↑	↑	↑		Quneitra	592	1	18	35	↑	↑	↑
	Ar-Raqqa	354	9	22	31	↑	↑	↑		Ar-Raqqa	604	5	21	37	↑	↑	↑
	Rural Damascus	315	11	-	9	↑	↔	↑		Rural Damascus	592	0	19	33	↑	↑	↑
	As-Sweida	510	7	57	70	↑	↑	↑		As-Sweida	600	1	21	36	↑	↑	↑
Tartous	325	-5	-9	8	↓	↓	↑	Tartous	593	-1	19	33	↓	↑	↑		
Butane Cylinder (25 kg)	Aleppo	3,917	-	-49	14	↔	↓	↑	Eggs (carton)	Aleppo	1,038	6	-14	17	↑	↓	↑
	Damascus	3,533	-3	8	28	↓	↑	↑		Damascus	1,075	-3	-9	7	↓	↓	↑
	Dar'a	3,275	-2	-20	-22	↓	↓	↓		Dar'a	988	-	-17	1	↔	↓	↑
	Deir-ez-Zor	3,050	-	6	3	↔	↑	↑		Deir-ez-Zor	1,217	1	5	4	↑	↓	↑
	Hama	6,500	-	-19	141	↔	↓	↑		Hama	1,200	-1	-11	3	↓	↓	↑
	Al-Hasakeh	2,467	2	7	8	↑	↑	↑		Al-Hasakeh	1,254	-0	-1	26	↓	↓	↑
	Homs	6,500	-	-	141	↔	↔	↑		Homs	1,200	-10	-12	-	↓	↓	↔
	Idleb	5,650	-0	17	10	↓	↑	↑		Idleb	967	-7	-9	21	↓	↓	↑
	Lattakia	4,500	-1	45	55	↓	↑	↑		Lattakia	1,350	-3	2	16	↓	↑	↑
	Quneitra	2,750	-6	-5	-52	↓	↓	↓		Quneitra	1,106	-	-0	21	↔	↔	↑
	Ar-Raqqa	4,517	0	20	-1	↑	↑	↓		Ar-Raqqa	1,246	2	1	35	↑	↑	↑
	Rural Damascus	3,567	-	-18	27	↔	↓	↑		Rural Damascus	992	-7	-14	3	↓	↓	↑
	As-Sweida	2,700	-	-	-	↔	↔	↔		As-Sweida	1,188	0	-6	19	↑	↓	↑
Tartous	3,150	-3	-35	9	↓	↓	↑	Tartous	1,075	-10	-20	-3	↓	↓	↓		
Cheese (kg)	Aleppo	3,917	16	8	9	↑	↑	↑	Eggplant (1kg)	Aleppo	164	-24	-62	22	↓	↓	↑
	Damascus	3,533	-5	-4	-2	↓	↓	↓		Damascus	254	-16	-46	37	↓	↓	↑
	Dar'a	3,275	5	-5	13	↑	↓	↑		Dar'a	159	-47	-57	11	↓	↓	↑
	Deir-ez-Zor	3,050	6	-14	-14	↑	↓	↓		Deir-ez-Zor	171	-41	-38	-12	↓	↓	↓
	Hama	6,500	10	-	13	↑	↔	↑		Hama	150	-44	-71	20	↓	↓	↑
	Al-Hasakeh	2,467	6	-1	20	↑	↓	↑		Al-Hasakeh	200	-35	-46	-10	↓	↓	↓
	Homs	6,500	4	-	13	↑	↔	↑		Homs	150	-36	-72	20	↓	↓	↑
	Idleb	5,650	-3	8	5	↓	↑	↑		Idleb	198	-36	-34	41	↓	↓	↑
	Lattakia	4,500	1	5	19	↓	↑	↑		Lattakia	350	-10	-3	75	↓	↓	↑
	Quneitra	2,750	7	-4	-36	↑	↓	↓		Quneitra	173	-15	-28	11	↓	↓	↑
	Ar-Raqqa	4,517	1	-10	2	↑	↓	↑		Ar-Raqqa	196	-2	-18	-8	↓	↓	↓
	Rural Damascus	3,567	-1	-5	-3	↓	↓	↓		Rural Damascus	233	-10	-42	37	↓	↓	↑
	As-Sweida	2,700	3	6	7	↑	↑	↑		As-Sweida	156	-60	-58	-4	↓	↓	↓
Tartous	3,150	-	-7	2	↔	↓	↑	Tartous	175	-42	-46	-30	↓	↓	↓		
Chickpeas (kg)	Aleppo	433	-5	-15	-19	↓	↓	↓	Fish (tuna, canned)	Aleppo	383	2	2	-1	↑	↑	↓
	Damascus	617	-2	-1	-15	↓	↓	↓		Damascus	450	1	4	-2	↑	↑	↓
	Dar'a	513	-2	13	33	↓	↑	↑		Dar'a	738	65	76	115	↑	↑	↑
	Deir-ez-Zor	556	0	-21	-17	↑	↓	↓		Deir-ez-Zor	488	1	31	60	↑	↑	↑
	Hama	600	-12	-	-27	↓	↔	↓		Hama	490	2	9	34	↑	↑	↑
	Al-Hasakeh	492	1	1	8	↑	↑	↑		Al-Hasakeh	383	1	5	7	↑	↑	↑
	Homs	600	-14	-1	-27	↓	↓	↓		Homs	490	2	9	23	↑	↑	↑
	Idleb	408	-	0	8	↔	↔	↑		Idleb	400	-	-	4	↔	↔	↑
	Lattakia	458	5	-7	-32	↑	↓	↓		Lattakia	500	-	7	21	↔	↑	↑
	Quneitra	311	-	0	-19	↔	↔	↓		Quneitra	367	5	10	5	↑	↑	↑
	Ar-Raqqa	517	3	17	24	↑	↑	↑		Ar-Raqqa	479	17	25	25	↑	↑	↑
	Rural Damascus	542	-8	-10	-25	↓	↓	↓		Rural Damascus	440	0	7	-6	↑	↑	↓
	As-Sweida	625	-	13	4	↓	↑	↑		As-Sweida	506	2	25	27	↑	↑	↑
Tartous	450	-	-	-35	↔	↔	↓	Tartous	500	-	-	25	↔	↔	↑		
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Iodised salt (kg)	Aleppo	192	14	46	11	↑	↑	↑	Sheep 2Y old Male	Aleppo	89,908	-9	-2	-7	↓	↓	↓
	Damascus	121	2	-9	7	↑	↓	↑		Damascus	122,375	3	36	17	↑	↑	↑
	Dar'a	150	-	0	-	↔	↔	↔		Dar'a	150,000	-1	16	122	↓	↑	↑
	Deir-ez-Zor	100	-	-	0	↔	↔	↔		Deir-ez-Zor	87,083	4	45	70	↑	↑	↑
	Hama	150	0	-	0	↔	↔	↔		Hama	123,000	1	7	17	↑	↑	↑
	Al-Hasakeh	100	-	0	0	↔	↔	↔		Al-Hasakeh	83,333	1	36	58	↑	↑	↑
	Homs	150	-	0	0	↔	↔	↔		Homs	123,000	0	7	17	↔	↑	↑
	Idleb	80	0	0	-4	↔	↔	↓		Idleb	90,333	0	3	8	↔	↑	↑
	Lattakia	100	-	-13	-13	↔	↓	↓		Lattakia	137,000	-2	19	14	↓	↑	↑
	Quneitra	102	0	0	-11	↔	↓	↓		Quneitra	124,500	11	6	35	↑	↑	↑
	Ar-Raqqa	100	-	0	0	↔	↔	↔		Ar-Raqqa	99,583	8	52	64	↑	↑	↑
	Rural Damascus	117	-	0	3	↔	↑	↑		Rural Damascus	121,917	0	52	20	↔	↑	↑
	As-Sweida	133	-4	-11	-11	↓	↓	↓		As-Sweida	98,833	-2	16	8	↓	↑	↑
	Tartous	88	0	17	40	↑	↑	↑		Tartous	134,250	-2	21	10	↓	↑	↑
	Lentils (kg)	Aleppo	367	1	22	8	↑	↑		↑	Sugar (kg)	Aleppo	288	1	19	10	↑
Damascus		371	1	0	-6	↑	↔	↓	Damascus	287		-1	16	19	↓	↑	↑
Dar'a		379	-11	7	32	↓	↑	↑	Dar'a	294		1	5	6	↑	↑	↑
Deir-ez-Zor		575	0	50	23	↔	↑	↑	Deir-ez-Zor	338		8	-5	-23	↑	↓	↓
Hama		400	2	-11	-2	↑	↓	↓	Hama	265		1	10	6	↑	↑	↑
Al-Hasakeh		350	-7	18	17	↓	↑	↑	Al-Hasakeh	375		3	11	29	↑	↑	↑
Homs		400	0	-8	-2	↔	↓	↓	Homs	267		5	8	7	↑	↑	↑
Idleb		333	0	0	5	↔	↑	↑	Idleb	323		9	33	2	↑	↑	↑
Lattakia		438	-3	6	-27	↓	↑	↓	Lattakia	300		4	0	20	↑	↑	↑
Quneitra		361	0	-2	14	↔	↓	↑	Quneitra	275		1	17	4	↑	↑	↑
Ar-Raqqa		425	0	14	15	↔	↑	↑	Ar-Raqqa	354		5	8	17	↑	↑	↑
Rural Damascus		388	7	-4	-5	↑	↓	↓	Rural Damascus	270		-2	9	12	↓	↑	↑
As-Sweida		383	5	-15	-30	↑	↓	↓	As-Sweida	299		-17	18	15	↓	↑	↑
Tartous		400	0	3	-3	↔	↑	↓	Tartous	280		-3	3	14	↓	↑	↑
Meat (beef, kg)		Aleppo	3,950	0	0	17	↔	↔	↓	Tomato (kg)		Aleppo	113	-40	-69	-25	↓
	Damascus	4,500	1	12	11	↑	↑	↑	Damascus		267	-16	-40	61	↓	↓	↑
	Dar'a	4,450	-2	16	28	↓	↑	↑	Dar'a		147	-38	-62	27	↓	↓	↑
	Deir-ez-Zor	4,150	0	32	26	↔	↑	↑	Deir-ez-Zor		171	-39	-41	-24	↓	↓	↓
	Hama	4,800	-3	20	26	↓	↑	↑	Hama		110	-55	-75	-37	↓	↓	↓
	Al-Hasakeh	4,442	0	42	46	↔	↑	↑	Al-Hasakeh		177	-35	-49	-17	↓	↓	↓
	Homs	4,833	-2	21	27	↓	↑	↑	Homs		110	-63	-75	-37	↓	↓	↓
	Idleb	2,833	0	12	16	↔	↑	↑	Idleb		500	0	0	23	↔	↔	↑
	Lattakia	5,250	5	15	10	↑	↑	↑	Lattakia		288	-4	15	64	↓	↑	↑
	Quneitra	4,000	0	11	22	↔	↑	↑	Quneitra		159	-37	-49	-4	↓	↓	↓
	Ar-Raqqa	3,475	6	34	39	↑	↑	↑	Ar-Raqqa		235	-3	-22	2	↓	↓	↑
	Rural Damascus	4,400	-3	15	14	↓	↑	↑	Rural Damascus		229	-15	-43	53	↓	↓	↑
	As-Sweida	4,917	4	29	23	↑	↑	↑	As-Sweida		235	-29	-44	18	↓	↓	↑
	Tartous	5,000	0	5	13	↔	↑	↑	Tartous		175	-26	-44	-13	↓	↓	↓
	Milk (L)	Aleppo	242	1	4	0	↑	↑	↑		Unskilled Labor wage	Aleppo	5,125	24	92	105	↑
Damascus		248	-2	-4	-6	↓	↓	↓	Damascus	2,200		5	10	10	↑	↑	↑
Dar'a		194	-3	-6	-7	↓	↓	↓	Dar'a	1,558		-4	19	10	↓	↑	↑
Deir-ez-Zor		200	-3	-16	-27	↓	↓	↓	Deir-ez-Zor	2,458		2	17	37	↑	↑	↑
Hama		225	-10	0	9	↓	↔	↑	Hama	2,000		0	0	0	↔	↔	↔
Al-Hasakeh		292	0	5	13	↔	↑	↑	Al-Hasakeh	1,450		0	27	27	↔	↑	↑
Homs		225	0	0	13	↔	↔	↑	Homs	2,000		0	0	0	↔	↔	↔
Idleb		192	0	18	15	↔	↑	↑	Idleb	2,000		0	0	25	↔	↔	↑
Lattakia		300	0	17	20	↔	↑	↑	Lattakia	3,875		3	19	29	↑	↑	↑
Quneitra		169	12	-1	7	↑	↓	↑	Quneitra	2,000		9	9	20	↑	↑	↑
Ar-Raqqa		242	0	6	14	↔	↑	↑	Ar-Raqqa	2,450		0	8	1	↔	↑	↑
Rural Damascus		254	0	-2	0	↔	↓	↔	Rural Damascus	2,500		0	11	25	↔	↑	↑
As-Sweida		269	7	19	19	↑	↑	↑	As-Sweida	1,492		1	-15	-20	↑	↓	↓
Tartous		328	0	34	31	↔	↑	↑	Tartous	4,000		0	14	23	↔	↑	↑
Oil (L)		Aleppo	542	-2	-2	-2	↓	↓	↓	Wheat Flour (kg)		Aleppo	308	1	23	45	↑
	Damascus	654	1	12	4	↑	↑	↑	Damascus		279	-1	1	34	↓	↑	↑
	Dar'a	625	0	3	-3	↔	↑	↓	Dar'a		295	-2	1	43	↓	↑	↑
	Deir-ez-Zor	671	1	4	-4	↑	↑	↓	Deir-ez-Zor		300	-14	9	9	↑	↑	↑
	Hama	620	0	0	-1	↔	↔	↓	Hama		240	-13	-13	20	↓	↓	↑
	Al-Hasakeh	513	-11	5	14	↓	↑	↑	Al-Hasakeh		225	-10	2	-1	↓	↑	↓
	Homs	620	-6	-2	-1	↓	↓	↓	Homs		240	-6	-14	20	↓	↑	↑
	Idleb	483	0	0	6	↔	↔	↑	Idleb		183	0	4	10	↔	↑	↑
	Lattakia	650	0	0	8	↔	↔	↑	Lattakia		350	0	9	40	↔	↑	↑
	Quneitra	664	-2	20	2	↓	↑	↑	Quneitra		272	3	44	35	↑	↑	↑
	Ar-Raqqa	544	1	8	11	↑	↑	↑	Ar-Raqqa		283	3	14	18	↑	↑	↑
	Rural Damascus	642	2	16	1	↑	↑	↑	Rural Damascus		283	0	9	38	↔	↑	↑
	As-Sweida	771	5	19	28	↑	↑	↑	As-Sweida		373	13	30	66	↑	↑	↑
	Tartous	650	0	0	2	↔	↔	↑	Tartous		313	-2	-1	54	↓	↓	↑
	Parsley (packet)	Aleppo	42	-4	-34	4	↓	↓	↑		White beans (kg)	Aleppo	558	1	-17	-2	↑
Damascus		41	5	26	17	↑	↑	↑	Damascus	829		-1	6	43	↓	↑	↑
Dar'a		75	-14	-14	-20	↓	↓	↓	Dar'a	781		212	123	99	↑	↑	↑
Deir-ez-Zor		50	0	-40	-37	↔	↓	↓	Deir-ez-Zor	713		2	12	-1	↑	↑	↓
Hama		50	0	0	0	↔	↔	↔	Hama	900		13	15	57	↑	↑	↑
Al-Hasakeh		88	0	17	-13	↔	↑	↓	Al-Hasakeh	681		3	27	27	↑	↑	↑
Homs		50	0	0	0	↔	↔	↔	Homs	900		1	13	57	↑	↑	↑
Idleb		50	0	100	79	↔	↑	↑	Idleb	233		0	0	10	↔	↑	↑
Lattakia		100	0	45	100	↔	↑	↑	Lattakia	775		0	13	29	↔	↑	↑
Quneitra		35	0	8	-42	↔	↑	↓	Quneitra	828		0	60	97	↔	↑	↑
Ar-Raqqa		102	2	-2	44	↑	↓	↑	Ar-Raqqa	708		13	29	31	↑	↑	↑
Rural Damascus		45	0	64	61	↔	↑	↑	Rural Damascus	821		-1	10	51	↓	↑	↑
As-Sweida		62	6	87	54	↑	↑	↑	As-Sweida	825		-1	13	53	↓	↑	↑
Tartous		88	0	17	75	↔	↑	↑	Tartous	825		0	29	38	↔	↑	↑
Rice (kg)		Aleppo	425	0	0	2	↔	↔	↑	Yogurt (kg)		Aleppo	333	10	5	3	↑
	Damascus	440	0	7	-1	↔	↑	↓	Damascus		298	-1	-2	-2	↓	↓	↓
	Dar'a	531	-3	3	2	↓	↑	↑	Dar'a		243	-7	-7	2	↓	↓	↑
	Deir-ez-Zor	508	5	-7	-16	↑	↓	↓	Deir-ez-Zor		288	0	-30	-30	↔	↓	↓
	Hama	520	0	4	30	↔	↑										