



Weekly Market Price Bulletin

Azraq and Zaatari Refugee Camps

Country Context

Inflation

Annual **+ 0.5%**
Monthly **+ 0.98%**

April 2020 - DoS (JOR) Based on Co-consumer Price Index.

Population

10.5 Million in 2019
By Department of Statistics -JOR.

Unemployment Rate

19% in Q4 2019, compared to 18.7% in Q4 2018

By Department of Statistics -JOR.

GDP Growth Rate

Jordan's economy grew by 2% year-on-year in 2019 and projected to contract significantly to -3.5% in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic (forecast¹)

By World Bank - JOR.

Foreign Exchange Reserves

Foreign Exchange Reserves in Jordan decreased by 1.68% to 12,035.9M JOD in April from 12,241.8M JOD in March 2020

By Central Bank -JOR.

Food Inflation

The cost of food in Jordan increased by 2.6% in February 2020 as compared to the same month in previous year

By Department of Statistics -JOR.

National Market Prices

In April, national market prices for most vegetables and fruits decreased by 2 to 12% except for tomatoes which increased by 13%. Prices for staple commodities remained stable while prices for eggs & chicken saw slight fluctuations, between -4 to 2%.

+ 2%
Egg

- 12%
Onion

- 4%
Chicken

- 10%
Potato

+ 13%
Tomato

| Commodity/Item | Unit | Avg Weekly Prices | | | Percentage Change* | | |
|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------|----------|--------------------|------|------|
| | | 22-30 APR | 1-7 MAY | 8-14 MAY | 1M | 3M | 6M |
| Exchange Rate | USD/JOD | 0.71 | 0.71 | 0.71 | 0% | 0% | 0% |
| Petroleum Products | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Diesel | JOD/L | 0.47 | 0.40 | 0.40 | -15% | -34% | -33% |
| Cooking gas | JOD/16 Kg Cylinder | 7 | 7 | 7 | 0% | 0% | 0% |
| Petrol gasoline (90) | JOD/L | 0.63 | 0.55 | 0.55 | -12% | -29% | -28% |

* Percentage Change are as of 8-14 May 2020, compared to previous months
Data source: Ministry of Interior, Trade and Supply - Jordan.

Highlights

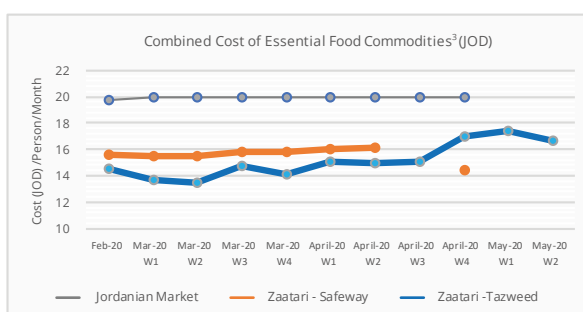
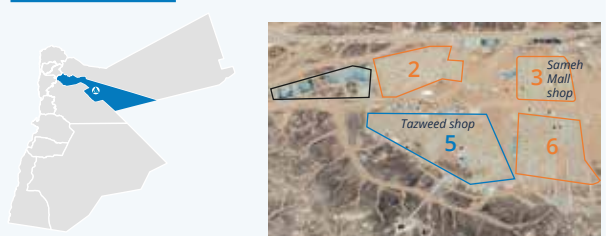
► In the 2nd week of May, prices for most vegetables in both Azraq and Zaatari camps remained stable with a slight decrease from last week. Prices of tomatoes and onions experienced a significant increase, by 19% in Azraq camp, but remain within the price ceilings set by the government.

► The prices for the cheapest available staple commodities² remain stable from last week except for lentils which witnessed a moderate increase in both camps by 3 to 10%. Both lentils and bulgur show considerable long-term price increases (between 28 and 47% over the past 6 months).

Zaatari Camp



Azraq Camp



1 By World Bank assuming significant slowdown in the global and reduced domestic demand during 2020, <http://pubdocs.worldbank.org/en/914661554825485360/mpo-jor.pdf>, accessed on 5 May 2020

2 Staple commodities include bulgur, lentils, rice, sugar, veg, oil and wheat flour

3 Essential food commodities include bulgur, cheese, cucumber, eggs, pasta, lentils, rice, sugar, salt, veg, oil and chicken

Zaatari Camp

In Zaatari camp, prices of vegetables remained unchanged from last week, except for cucumbers which showed a significant decrease of 30%. Prices for the cheapest available staple commodities and eggs remained stable. The price of lentils witnessed a moderate increase, by 10%, but has been rising steadily during the past 6 months. Likewise, the price of chicken showed a moderate decrease, by 19%.

Azraq Camp

In the 2nd week of May, prices of vegetables in Azraq camp experienced slight to moderate fluctuations ranging from -7 to +19% compared to last week. Prices of the cheapest available brands of eggs, chicken and most staple commodities remained unchanged. Rice, sugar, and lentils were the exceptions, displaying slight increases of +3 to +14%. Notably, prices of bulgur and lentils are now 61% and 59% higher, respectively, as compared to 3 months ago.

| Zaatari Camp | | | | | | | Azraq Camp | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---------|-------------------|------|------|------|------|------------|--------|------|------|------|------|-------|--------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Size | Unit | Percentage Change | | | | | Trend | Price | 1 W | 1 M | 3 M | 6 M | Trend | Price | 1 W | 1 M | 3 M | 6 M | Trend |
| | | May W2 | W/W | W/W | W/W | W/M | | May W2 | W/W | W/W | W/W | W/M | | May W2 | W/W | W/W | W/W | W/M | |
| Cereals/grains/roots | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bulgur | 1 Kg | 0.75 | 0% | 10% | 28% | 35% | | 0.94 | 0% | 12% | 61% | 30% | | 0.94 | 0% | 12% | 61% | 30% | |
| Pasta (Macaroni) | 0 Kg | 0.22 | 5% | -12% | -31% | -21% | | 0.24 | 4% | 4% | -4% | -13% | | 0.24 | 4% | 4% | -4% | -13% | |
| Rice | 1 Kg | 0.83 | 0% | -21% | -16% | -10% | | 1.05 | 14% | 0% | -2% | 0% | | 1.05 | 14% | 0% | -2% | 0% | |
| Wheat Flour | 1 Kg | 0.35 | 0% | -32% | -38% | -3% | | 0.48 | 0% | 0% | -14% | -14% | | 0.48 | 0% | 0% | -14% | -14% | |
| Condiments/spices | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Salt | 0.75 Kg | 0.15 | -24% | -17% | -9% | -6% | | 0.13 | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | | 0.13 | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | |
| Legumes/nuts | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lentils | 1 Kg | 1.32 | 10% | 75% | 54% | 47% | | 1.14 | 3% | 39% | 59% | 28% | | 1.14 | 3% | 39% | 59% | 28% | |
| Fruits | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Apples | 1 Kg | 1.44 | 0% | -4% | 45% | 10% | | 1.29 | -7% | 6% | 26% | -9% | | 1.29 | -7% | 6% | 26% | -9% | |
| Meat, fish and eggs | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Eggs | 2 Kg | 2.50 | 0% | 0% | 26% | 14% | | 2.48 | 0% | 0% | 12% | 10% | | 2.48 | 0% | 0% | 12% | 10% | |
| Tuna | 0.19 Kg | 0.89 | 11% | 8% | 5% | 5% | | 0.79 | -9% | -5% | 0% | -1% | | 0.79 | -9% | -5% | 0% | -1% | |
| Whole Chicken | 1 Kg | 1.54 | -19% | -15% | -3% | -11% | | 1.64 | 0% | -16% | 10% | 8% | | 1.64 | 0% | -16% | 10% | 8% | |
| Milk and dairy products | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Milk Powder | 1 Kg | 1.99 | 0% | 9% | -12% | -33% | | 2.24 | -8% | 0% | -1% | -10% | | 2.24 | -8% | 0% | -1% | -10% | |
| Spread Cheese | 8 Pcs | 0.41 | -21% | 5% | -4% | 19% | | 0.33 | 5% | 5% | -33% | -1% | | 0.33 | 5% | 5% | -33% | -1% | |
| Oil/Fat/Butter | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Vegetable Oil | 1.8 L | 1.64 | -3% | 1% | 1% | 5% | | 1.72 | 0% | 0% | 1% | 1% | | 1.72 | 0% | 0% | 1% | 1% | |
| Sugar or sweet | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sugar | 1 Kg | 0.50 | -1% | -6% | -29% | -27% | | 0.57 | 6% | 6% | -12% | -10% | | 0.57 | 6% | 6% | -12% | -10% | |
| Vegetables/leaves/tubers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cucumber | 1 Kg | 0.35 | -30% | -31% | -37% | -13% | | 0.42 | -7% | -17% | -29% | -15% | | 0.42 | -7% | -17% | -29% | -15% | |
| Dark greens | 1 Bunch | 0.15 | 0% | 36% | 0% | 3% | | 0.15 | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | | 0.15 | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | |
| Potatoes | 1 Kg | 0.50 | 0% | 11% | 15% | -21% | | 0.40 | -11% | -12% | -21% | -38% | | 0.40 | -11% | -12% | -21% | -38% | |
| Onions | 1 Kg | 0.50 | 0% | 2% | -1% | -8% | | 0.47 | 19% | -6% | -13% | -17% | | 0.47 | 19% | -6% | -13% | -17% | |
| Tomatoes | 1 Kg | 0.50 | 0% | 25% | 49% | 54% | | 0.50 | 19% | 24% | 25% | 19% | | 0.50 | 19% | 24% | 25% | 19% | |

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- Main source of data is WFP Market price monitoring through field visits complemented by online data in WFP's Triangulation Database
 - Methodology: prices reflect the average prices of the cheapest available food commodity in the reported period