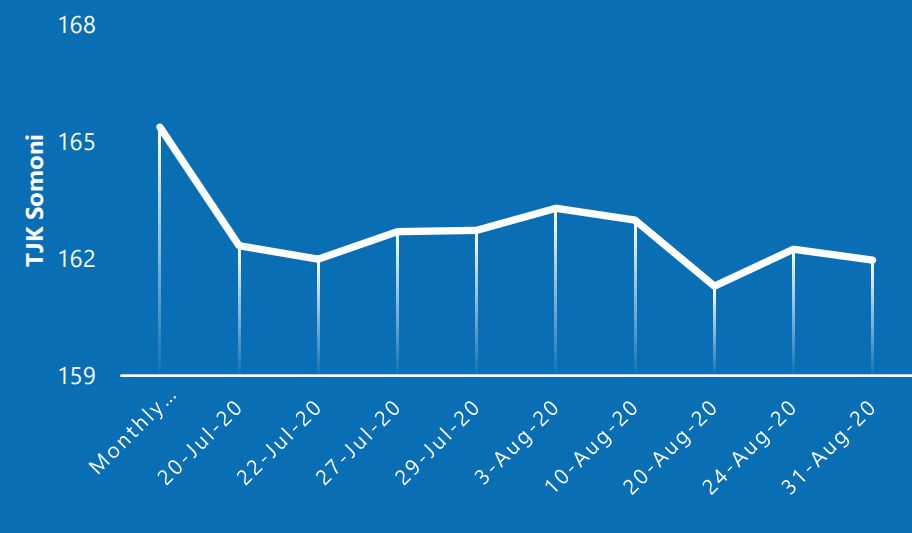


Tajikistan Weekly Market Situation Update, # 24

Week of 31 August 2020

Highlights

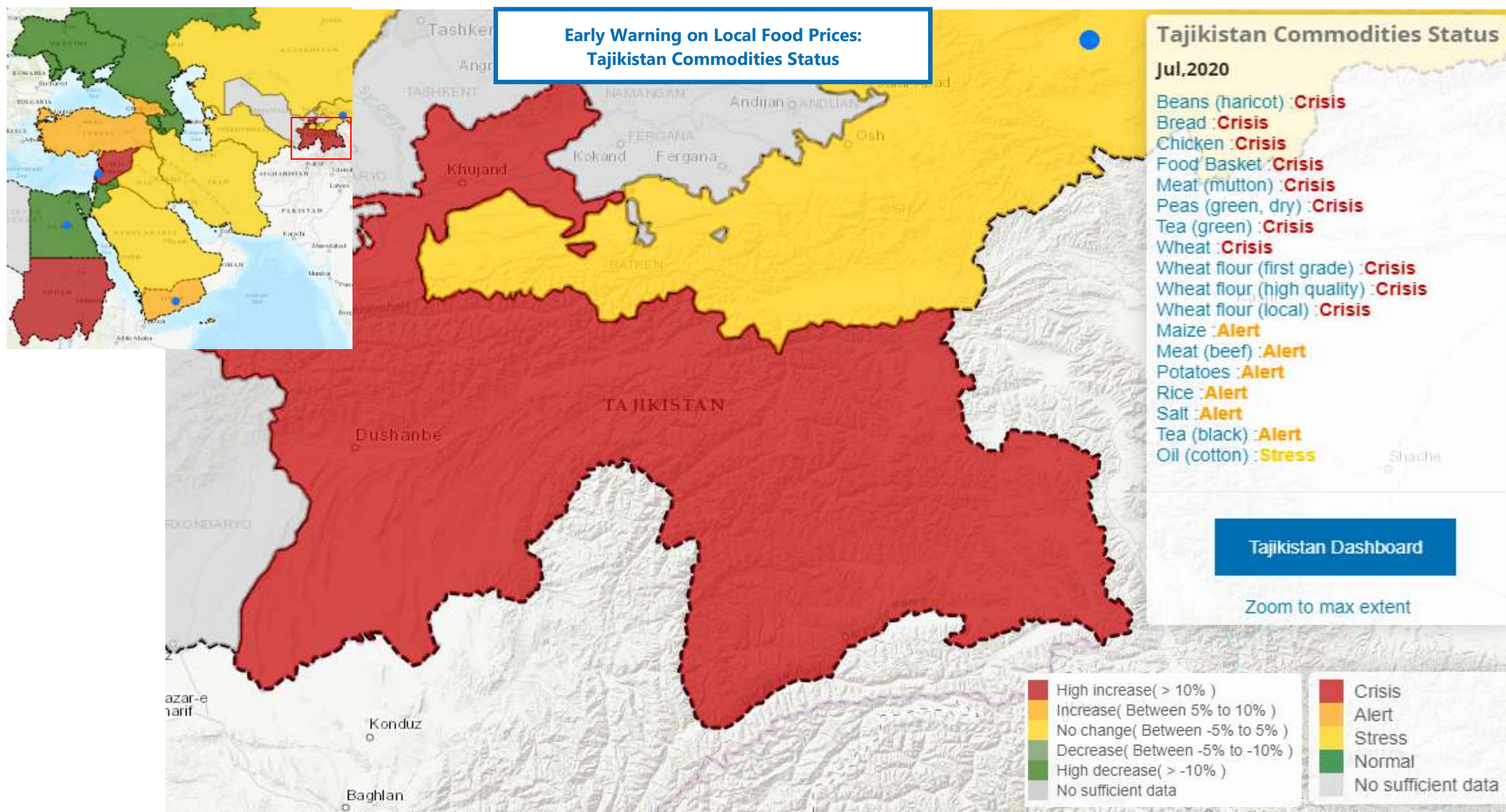
- Staple food commodities were available in all monitored food markets during the reporting week.
- Murghab and Gharm central markets reported an increase in the supply of fruits, melons, and watermelons, as farmers ensure their remaining harvest is sold before the arrival of cold weather.

Wheat flour (first grade)	Rice	Potatoes	Onion	Vegetable & Cotton Oil
<p>Prices for wheat flour first grade remained stable in most markets while increasing in Murghab and Khorog ranging from 1-2 percent, compared to previous week.</p> <p>Comparing the current reporting week to the monthly averages of July 2020, prices for wheat flour decreased in Bokhtar, Dushanbe and Istaravshan markets in the range of 2-4 percent. Meanwhile, prices for this commodity increased in Khorog, Khujand, Murghab and Kulob markets in the range of 0.1-15 percent.</p>	<p>Compared to previous week, rice prices remained stable in most monitored markets. Decrease was reported in Khorog and Dushanbe markets, ranging from 1-10 percent, while an increase was reported in Istaravshan market by 10 percent.</p> <p>Compared to July 2020 monthly averages, prices for rice increased in Khorog and Murghab by 9 percent while decreasing by 10 percent in Khujand, Bokhtar and Dushanbe.</p>	<p>Markets in Khorog, Khujand, Dushanbe and Isfara reported decreases in prices for potatoes ranging from 2-25 percent, while its price increased in Gharm and Murghab markets ranging from 8-11 percent. In the remaining markets, prices stayed stable compared to the previous week.</p> <p>Compared against monthly averages of July 2020, most mentioned markets reported decreases in prices of potatoes ranging from 2-38 percent while its price increased in Murghab market by 15 percent.</p>	<p>Onion prices increased in Khujand by 8 percent, while decreasing in Murghab by 20 percent. In all other monitored markets, prices remained stable compared to previous week.</p> <p>Compared to the monthly averages of July 2020, prices for onions increased in Khorog, Khujand, Bokhtar, Kulob and Dushanbe markets in the range of 30-60 percent, while decreasing in Murghab and Gharm ranging from 17-27 percent.</p>	<p>Compared to previous week, prices for vegetable oil increased in Khorog and Isfara ranging from 1-8 percent, while decreasing in Murghab by 2 percent and stayed stable in the remaining markets. Cotton oil prices decreased in Murghab and Isfara in the range of 6-8 percent and stayed stable in the remaining markets.</p> <p>Compared with the monthly average of July 2020, vegetable oil prices decreased in Dushanbe, Khujand and Bokhtar in the range of 0.5-8 percent while increasing in Khorog, Gharm, Murghab, Istaravshan and Kulob markets in the range of 6 -12 percent. In the remaining monitored markets prices stayed stable. Prices for cotton oil decreased in the range of 0.5-8 percent in Khorog, Khujand, Gharm, Isfara and Dushanbe, while increasing in Murghab and Kulob in the range of 8-11 percent.</p>
Milk & Eggs	Meat Beef & Mutton	Petrol & Diesel	STAPLE FOOD COMMODITIES PRICE CHANGE TREND	
<p>Milk prices remained stable in all monitored markets. Decreased prices were reported for eggs in Isfara by 10 percent and its prices increased in Bokhtar and Murghab markets in the range of 8-9 percent.</p> <p>Compared to the July 2020 monthly averages, prices for milk decreased in Khujand and Bokhtar in the range of 10-13 percent, while increasing in Istaravshan and Murghab ranging from 3.1-4.3 percent. Prices for eggs decreased in Kulob market by 13 percent and increased in Khujand, Bokhtar, Dushanbe and Murghab ranging from 2-14 percent. In the remaining markets prices for both commodities stayed stable.</p>	<p>Compared to the previous week, mutton prices remained stable compared to the previous week. Prices for beef decreased in Dushanbe by 2 percent and increased in Bokhtar market by 2 percent. In the remaining monitored markets prices for both commodities stayed stable.</p> <p>Compared against July 2020 monthly averages, prices increased for mutton in Bokhtar and Dushanbe markets ranging from 1-4 percent while decreasing in Khujand, Murghab and Kulob markets ranging from 1-8 percent. Beef prices increased in Bokhtar markets by 8 percent and decreased in Dushanbe, Murghab and Kulob in the range of 0.5-5 percent.</p>	<p>Decreases in prices for petrol were reported in Murghab by 6 percent while its prices increased in Khujand, Dushanbe, Gharm and Bokhtar markets by a range of 2-11 percent. Diesel prices increased in Khujand and Gharm by 2 percent, and decreased in Istaravshan and Isfara in the range of 2-3 percent, while remaining stable in all other monitored markets.</p> <p>Compared to July 2020 monthly averages, prices for petrol increased in most monitored markets in the range of 3-16 percent while remaining stable in Khorog and Isfara. Prices for diesel increased in most monitored markets by a range of 2-9 percent and decreased in Isfara and Istaravshan ranging from 6-11 percent.</p>	 <p>This graph analyses the average aggregate change of prices for ten commodities in the nine monitored markets, comparing the reporting week against the previous weeks and monthly average prices of July 2020. The food commodities included here are wheat flour (first grade), potatoes, onion, milk, eggs, vegetable and cotton oil, beef, mutton and rice.</p>	

WEEKLY FOOD MARKET PRICE UPDATE – PERCENT CHANGE BY REGIONAL MARKETS

Commodity	Khorog, GBAO				Khujand, Sughd				Bokhtar, Khatlon				Gharm, DRS				Dushanbe				Murghob, GBAO			
	Current price in TJS	Change from previous period			Current price in TJS	Change from previous period			Current price in TJS	Change from previous period			Current price in TJS	Change from previous period			Current price in TJS	Change from previous period			Current price in TJS	Change from previous period		
		1 week	1 month	1 year		1 week	1 month	1 year		1 week	1 month	1 year		1 week	1 month	1 year		1 week	1 month	1 year		1 week	1 month	1 year
Meat (mutton)	45.0	0.0	0.0	16.0	55.0	0.0	-8.3	9.1	55.0	0.0	3.8	15.0	49	0.0	0.0	14.4	55.0	0.0	1.4	15.9	42.0	-2.3	-1.2	
Meat (beef)	45.0	0.0	0.0	19.0	48.0	0.0	0.0	-0.8	54.0	1.9	8.0	3.0	49	0.0	0.0	15.8	49.0	-2.0	-0.5	6.8	42.0	0.0	-0.9	
Chicken	24.0	0.0	0.0	5.3	23.0	4.5	7.0	9.0	26.0	4.0	10.5	-5.0	35	0.0	0.0	27.0	23.0	0.0	0.5	20.4	30.0	7.1	2.1	
Vegetable oil	15.1	0.7	11.7	3.9	13.0	0.0	-2.3	-6.3	13.5	0.0	-6.2	1.0	13.0	0.0	8.3	-14.0	12.0	0.0	-0.5	-14.2	15.0	-3.2	6.2	
Cotton Oil	14.2	0.0	-1.2	4.3	12.5	0.0	-2.1	1.3	14.0	0.0	0.0	16.7	12	0.0	-6.5	-3.1	11.5	0.0	-0.5	-3.7	16.0	-5.9	11.3	
Potatoes	5.1	-1.9	-10.7	34.0	2.5	-16.7	-37.5	24.2	3.3	0.0	-24.6	71.2	5	11.1	-9.1	106.8	3.0	-25.0	-25.0	18.3	7.1	7.7	15.5	
Cabbage	3.3	-5.7	3.9	-31.3	2.8	-6.7	12.0	12.1	3.7	5.7	45.4	24.0	3	0.0	0.0	15.4	3.0	0.0	108.7	-70.7	6.0	20.0	31.5	
Carrots	3.5	0.0	22.8	-51.0	1.6	6.7	-31.6	-12.3	2.5	0.0	18.3	-44.7	2.0	-13.0	-14.3	-33.6	2.0	-20.0	-20.0	-37.5	7.0	0.0	50.5	
Onion	2.8	0.0	31.0	-46.8	1.3	8.3	51.8	-69.7	1.6	0.0	56.1	-69.7	2.0	0.0	-16.7	-27.5	1.3	0.0	60.0	-76.3	2.0	-20.0	-27.3	
Milk	6.0	0.0	0.0	3.4	3.5	0.0	-12.5	14.3	3.6	0.0	-10.0	0.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	-25.0	4.0	0.0	0.0	-20.0	6.0	0.0	4.3	
Eggs	10.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	8.0	0.0	1.6	1.7	8.3	7.8	1.7	-3.6	8.0	0.0	0.0	-20.0	8.0	0.0	14.3	-32.0	14.0	7.7	1.8	
Sugar	7.8	0.0	4.0	-6.3	6.5	0.0	1.0	-1.8	7.0	2.9	5.3	-3.9	6.5	0.0	0.0	-4.4	6.0	0.0	-7.0	-7.3	9.0	5.9	9.1	
Tea black	33.0	0.0	9.8	36.6	35.0	0.0	1.8	-32.5	46.0	0.0	3.0	86.1	32.0	0.0	0.0	35.9	40.0	0.0	0.3	18.7	35.0	9.4	1.4	
Tea green	31.5	-1.6	9.1	15.5	38.0	0.0	10.5	-3.6	38.0	0.0	0.1	57.1	35.0	0.0	0.0	40.6	40.0	0.0	0.3	32.5	33.0	-5.7	-4.3	
Rice	11.2	-0.9	8.5	-31.6	10.5	0.0	-9.7	-5.2	10.0	0.0	-10.7	3.7	13.0	0.0	0.0	11.2	14.0	-9.7	-10.8	25.9	18.0	0.0	9.1	
Wheat flour first grade	5.2	1.0	1.2	26.6	5.0	0.0	2.0	45.2	4.7	0.0	-2.6	20.8	4.8	0.0	0.0	32.5	4.5	0.0	-3.7	25.7	5.6	1.8	0.7	
Salt	1.5	0.0	0.0	-25.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	50.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	-30.0	5.0	25.0	25.0	
Bread middle size (150 gr.)	4.0	0.0	0.0	33.3	2.5	0.0	-14.9	-2.0	2.3	9.5	19.9	60.0	2.5	0.0	-16.7	126.2	2.0	0.0	0.0	33.3	5.0	0.0	0.0	
Dried green peas (mosh)	15.2	-1.3	-1.5	20.6	14.0	3.7	0.9	25.0	14.0	0.0	-12.1	31.3	15.0	15.4	12.5	22.7	16.0	0.0	-0.8	32.6	17.0	0.0	-2.2	
Haricot bean (lobiyo)	17.2	-2.3	-3.5	11.2	23.0	-8.0	-23.7	144.8	13.5	-20.6	-14.4	4.9	15.0	0.0	0.0	28.8	16.0	0.0	0.0	113.3	25.0	66.7	94.2	
Chickpeas (nakhud)	19.1	0.5	-1.0	-3.8	15.0	25.0	17.6	-12.5	11.0	4.8	-14.0	-3.1	18.0	0.0	8.0	-7.6	15.0	0.0	-0.8	4.3	13.0	0.0	-5.5	
Petrol	6.4	0.0	0.0	-14.7	6.0	0.0	10.9	-25.7	5.8	7.8	6.2	-21.7	6.3	1.6	14.5	-24.7	6.0	0.0	15.9	-26.4	7.5	-6.3	2.6	
Diesel	8.0	0.0	0.0	-17.4	6.5	2.4	2.4	-20.8	6.7	0.0	3.1	-19.8	6.5	1.6	0.0	-21.7	6.4	0.0	2.4	-24.2	9.0	0.0	9.0	
Skilled labour	110.0	0.0	10.0	-36.6	100.0	0.0	25.0	14.3	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	85.0	0.0	0.0	80.9	70.0	0.0	0.0	-21.3	100.0	0.0	33.3	
Unskilled labour	90.0	0.0	12.5	0.0	60.0	0.0	4.3	91.7	50.0	0.0	-1.2	-32.5	50.0	25.0	0.0	169.7	60.0	0.0	0.0	-16.7	75.0	0.0	66.7	
Anti-bacterial wipes	3.0	0.0	0.0		1.5	0.0	0.0		2.0	33.3	24.0		1.5	0.0	0.0		4.0	0.0	0.0		4.0	0.0	0.0	
Face masks	3.0	0.0	4.3		2.5	0.0	-18.4		3.0	0.0	20.0		3.0	0.0	0.0		3.0	0.0	0.0		4.0	0.0	-5.9	
Hand sanitizer	-8.6	0.0	-8.6		22.0	0.0	-9.8		18.3	1.7	218.3		20.0	0.0	0.0		19.0	0.0	0.0		18.0	12.5	-29.1	
Soap	4.8	0.0	-14.5		4.0	0.0	-14.5		3.3	0.0	0.0		5.0	0.0	0.0		3.5	0.0	-3.4		6.0	0.0	10.3	





Source: WFP Safety Nets Alert Platform; <https://snap.vam.wfp.org/index1.php?country=Tajikistan&short=TJ>

About the Update

For the purpose of assessing potential impacts of COVID-19 on the population's food security situation, WFP Tajikistan intensified its weekly price monitoring across the country. The monitoring is conducted once a week in six major markets including Murghab, Khorog, Khujand, Bokhtar, Gharm, and Dushanbe, and three minor markets, Isfara, Istarvashan, and Kulob. The focus is on the main commodities that are consumed by the average population of the country.

For information regarding COVID-19 situation, please access the update through online map at: <http://unwfp.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/2a8a0d7799684f0bb78f6118a7477f1f>