



## Weekly Market and Supply Chain Update

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### Key messages

- ◆ Transport services in the main supply corridor linking Mogadishu and Jowhar are facing some challenges and disrupted in some locations due to floods caused by recent Deyr rains.
- ◆ In the capital Mogadishu, heavy Deyr rains have rendered a number of roads impassable leading to scarcity of fresh produce in the market. However, prices of imported food items remain stable.
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- Consumer Price Index (CPI) October 2020 report published by FGS, department of statistics indicates a decrease of CPI by (-0.02%). All Groups CPI was 120.61 in the month of October 2020, compared with 120.63 in the month of September 2020. In addition, the annual inflation rate over the twelve-month period, from September 2019 to September 2020 is 3.75%.
- In Mogadishu town, heavy rains have rendered a number of roads impassable leading to scarcity of fresh produce in the market. However, prices of imported food items remain stable.
- The main road from Mogadishu to Beletweyne is still inaccessible because of the ongoing Deyr rains. Hence, vehicles transporting commodities to Beletweyne are using an alternative route along the coastline.
- The Main road linking Balcad to Jowhar was cut off by flash floods. Rains subsided this week and passenger transportation and small cars are using a diversion road to reach Mogadishu. However the road and the diversion is still inaccessible to transport trucks.
- In Jowhar, there is an increase of retail prices of imported food items (rice, pasta, sugar, wheat flour and vegetable oil) by (6% to 26%) with wheat flour recording the highest increase due to flash floods that affected the main corridor linking Mogadishu and Jowhar.
- In Beletweyne, there is mild increases of retail prices by 10-11% of white maize, vegetable oil and dates.

#### Galmuduug

- Retail prices of local cereals (white maize, red white sorghum) are stable in most markets compared to last week except in Dhusamaarreb market where prices increased slightly by less than 5%. Local Cereal availability has improved in most markets in Galmudug.
- In Galkayo market, local cereals (white maize and red sorghum) wholesale prices decreased by (-10%) compared to last week, however retail prices remained the same as last week.
- In Hobyo town, prices of key commodities remains high due to the impact of heavy rains that rendered a number of roads impassable.
- In Guriel, Abudwaq and Adado, camel milk prices increased from \$1.50 to \$1.80 (20%) per litre compared to last week.
- Export quality goat prices have remained stable in most markets compared to last week
- In Galkayo, exchange rate between the Somali Shilling and the USD is fluctuating between 40,000 and 38,000 SO SH per USD.
- In Galkayo, vegetable prices either decreased slightly (<2%) or remained the same compared to last week, except tomato prices, which increased by 30% compared to last week.
- Fuel prices remained stable and the same for four weeks in a row in most markets in Galmudug. For instance in Galkayo, diesel is currently trading at \$0.5 and petrol at \$0.55 per litre.

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### Somaliland

- Despite the civil unrest in Ethiopia, cross border between Ethiopia and Somaliland is normal, situation is unpredictable, supply of fruits and vegetables is ongoing and most prices remained the same as last week. For instance, in Hargeisa, prices of potatoes decreased slightly from 8,800 to 8,700 SL SH (1%), tomatoes, onions, garlic, and carrots remained the same as last week at 6,100 SL SH., 6,750 SL SH, 8,800 SL SH, and 5,000 SL SH respectively. In addition, watermelons are still out of stock.
- Prices of local cereals such as sorghum and white maize are increasing due to scarcity in most markets. For instance in Burao, market white sorghum increased from 7,000 to 9,000 SL SH (29%) while white maize from 7,000 to 10,000 SL SH (43%) per Kg.
- Fuel prices remain the same as last week in most markets and are low. For instance in Hargeisa, diesel is currently trading at 4,200 SL SH and petrol 5,000 SL SH. per litre.
- In most markets in Somaliland, camel milk prices remained the same for three weeks in a row but is high. For instance in Hargeisa and Burco, price of camel milk remained at 9,000 SL SH per litre.
- In Hargeisa, export camel prices slightly decreased from \$694 to \$690 per head and local goat prices is the same as last week at \$72 per head.
- Prices of imported food items remained stable in most markets due to normal supply from the port of the Berbera to downstream markets.
- The Somaliland Shilling remained stable against the USD. For instance, in Hargeisa, the exchange rate between local currency and USD is 8,500 SL SH. per USD.

### South West

- In Diinsoor, insurgents (A.S) have intensified their activities by blocking roads to and from the town, displacing communities near the town and burning of some settlements near the town to cut supplies of milk and animal products to the town. Camel milk prices remained the same as last week at \$1.5 per litre but still high.
- In Diinsor, retail prices of dry beans, pasta and sugar increased by 7% to 9% compared to last week and are very high. This is attributed to restriction of movements of goods, in and out of the district by insurgents (A.S) and supply of essential food items in by air transport only.
- In Diinsoor, fuel prices decreased compared to last week but still very high, both diesel and petrol prices decreased from \$2.5 to \$2.0 (-20%) per litre.
- In Baidoa, petrol prices decreased slightly compared to last week; however, diesel prices remain the same and is low. Diesel is currently trading at \$0.73 and petrol decreased slightly from \$1.0 to \$0.77 (-23%) per litre.
- In Baidoa, there was a slight supply disruption caused by ongoing Deyr rains, which damaged the key supply corridor linking Mogadishu and Baidoa. Suppliers are still using boats to transfer goods and people across the damaged road section. Consequently, prices of wheat flour, rice and vegetable oil increased by 3% to 21% with rice recording the highest increment.
- In Baidoa, the exchange rate between the Somali Shilling and USD remained the same at 26,000 SO SH. per USD.

### Puntland

- No rains were reported from all the regions across Puntland this week, all roads are accessible and transport services are normal. In addition, Cross border supply to local markets is moving on smoothly.
- Exchange rate between Somali Shillings and USD remain the same as last week fluctuating between 40,000 and 41,000 SO SH. per USD.
- In Garowe and Bossaso, livestock prices decreased by (-15%) in local markets compared to last week due to improved supply.
- Camel milk prices remain the same as last week in most markets in Puntland, prices may decrease due to expected calving in the next few months.
- Fruits and vegetables prices remain the same in markets across Puntland compared to last week but are high due to scarcity.
- Fuel prices remain the same for three weeks in a row in major markets of Bossaso, Garowe and Qardho following the global trend.
- Prices of imported food items remained the same as last week in many markets due to constant supply from the port.

### Jubaland

- Heavy rains swept a bridge between Afgooye and Tixsille towns affecting supply flow of food commodities into Gedo region. Doolow and Luuq are the most affected.
- In Kismayu market, prices of essential food commodities remained stable owing to steady supplies from catchment markets.
- In Dhobley, the roads linking Dhobley (Somalia) and Liboi (Kenya) was inaccessible due to heavy rains. This has led to supply-demand imbalance in the market.
- The Doolow Ado (Ethiopia) / Doolow Somalia border is now accessible for cross-border trade movement after COVID-19 movement restrictions were temporarily lifted.
- Operations in the port of Kismayo are normal and movement of commodities to the downstream markets is going on smoothly.

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