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Highlights

- In the week 1 of December 2021, the prices of the food items were significantly higher than the last week of June (before the recent conflicts and political change).
- The price of most food items negligibly changed compared to the fourth week of November, mainly due to Afghani currency devaluation and decreased supply.
- Average weekly price of diesel increased by 0.4%, continued to rise hitting a new record high of 72.1 AFN/L, due to exchange rate fluctuations and decreased supply.
- Both casual labour/wheat and pastoralist ToT slightly deteriorated by 2.4% and 1.8% respectfully as price of wheat went up, sheep price negligibly decreased and unskilled labour wages fell.
- Exchange rate continued to rise hitting a new record high at 96.1 AFN/USD.

Main Food Commudities/Food Access indicators	Price/rate & Changes (%)				
	1st Week of December 2021	Compared to last week of June 2021		Compared to the 4th week of November 2021	
WHEAT (Kg)	39.2	31.1%	A	1.4%	•
WHEAT FLOUR - High price (Kg)	45.2	34.2%	A	0.2%	
WHEAT FLOUR - Low price (Kg)	41.3	35.0%	A	-0.2%	
RICE HIGH QAULITY (Kg)	95.8	7.7%	A	0.6%	
RICE LOW QAULITY (Kg)	53.4	6.8%		-0.4%	
COOKING OIL (Kg)	171.3	27.6%	A	0.1%	
PULSES (Kg)	102.3	9.7%	A	0.9%	
SALT (Kg)	14.3	6.4%		-1.0%	
SUGAR (Kg)	62.6	23.6%	A	0.6%	
DIESEL (LITER)	72.1	36.5%	A	0.4%	•
ONE YEAR ALIVE FEMALE SHEEP (HEAD)	7751	1.8%		-0.3%	•
LABOUR UNSKILLED/DAY	279	-9.4%	V	-1.0%	
LABOUR SKILLED/DAY	585	-8.9%		0.0%	
# OF DAYS WORK AVAILABLE/WEEK	1.4	-40.9%	V	0.0%	
EXCHANGE RATE	96.1	20.5%	A	0.3%	
CASUAL LABOUR/WHEAT	7.2	-30.6%	V	-2.4%	
PASTORALIST TOT	198.0	-23.0%	Y	-1.8%	

Average weekly prices changes









+0.6%













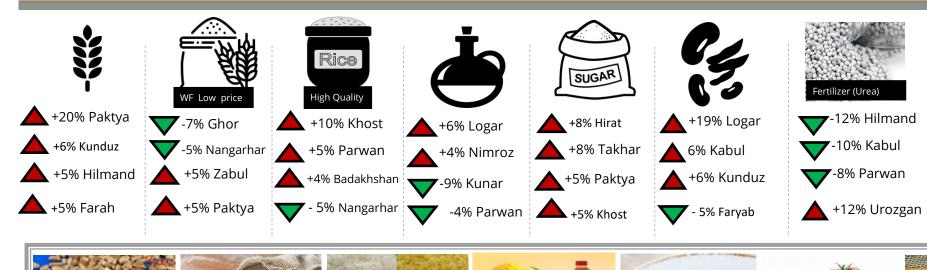
+0.6% +0.9% +0.4% +0.3%

+6% Paktya

+4% Baghlan

+3% Laghman

- 6% Kandahar

















Casual Labour/Wheat ToT

Casual labour/wheat ToT slightly declined by 2.4%. The weekly ToT remained 31.0% below the number of last week of June 2021, before recent conflicts and political changes.

This ToT declined in few provinces including Badghis (27%), Paktya and Zabul (17%), Kunduz (6%), Hilmand, Farah and Urozgan (5%), Baghlan (3%), Kandahar (2%) and Takhar (1%), due to increased in the price of wheat and decreased labour wage in Badghis and Zabul.

Exchange rate

Exchange rate slightly increased by 0.3% and the quotation reached at 96.1 AFN per USD. The rate mainly went up in Hirat and Badghis (2%), Kabul, Parwan, Hilmand, Sari Pul, Ghor and Kunar (1%), Farah, Takhar, Zabul, Badakhshan, Urozgan, Samangan, Kunduz, Faryab, Baghlan, Balkh, Wardak, Bamyan, Daykundi, Paktika and Paktya less than 1% and decreased in Khost and Nimroz (1%), Nangarhar and Laghman less than 1%.

Pastoralist ToT

The national average number of pastoralist ToT declined this week by 1.8%. This number is 23.0% below the number of the last week of June 2021. Increased wheat price and decreased sheep price contributed to the main driver of ToT deterioration in few provinces including Paktya (17%), Urozgan (7%), Kunduz (6%), Hilmand and Farah (5%), Nimroz (4%), Baghlan (3%), Paktika, Kandahar and Badghis (2%), Takhar and Ghazni (1%).