



WFP South Sudan Weekly Market Price Bulletin

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1. EXCHANGE RATES

The South Sudan Pound (SSP) recorded a slight appreciation after months of stability, while the reference rate remained unchanged from last week. In Juba, the parallel market exchange rate stood at SSP 5,950 per US dollar, against the reference rate of SSP 4,528. This has narrowed the premium between the two rates from 35 to 31 percent, still reflecting persistent unmet demand for US dollars and the inability of the formal sector to meet the demands. Year-on-Year the SSP depreciated by 23 and 42 percent on the parallel market and at banks, respectively.

Figure 1. Exchange rates in Juba (SSP/US\$)

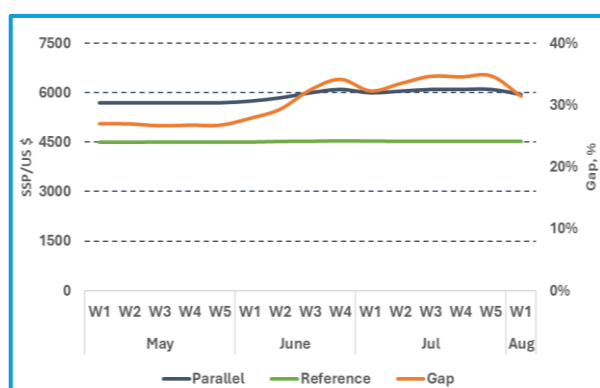


Table 1. Exchange rates in the state markets

SSP 5,900/US\$	SSP 6,100/US\$	SSP 6,150/US\$	SSP 6,300/US\$
Chukudum*	Bunj	Wau	Wanjok
Renk	Malakal **	Kuajok	Aweil
Yida	Rubkona **	Tonj	
Juba	Warrap		
Kapoeta South*	Wunrok		
Pariang	Abyei		
	Bor **		
*SSP 5,800/US\$	**SSP 6,000/US\$		

2. FOOD BASKET COSTS

The monthly per capita cost of the standard food basket stood at SSP 116,200 on average, a 5 percent increase within a week and 19 percent higher than a month ago. Although exchange rates appreciated slightly, food basket costs remained high and have increased in some locations, weakening the purchasing power of households already stretched by multiple shocks and exacerbating their economic vulnerability.

Markets in Abyei, Yida, Makpandu and Juba witnessed rises in food basket costs between 15 and 30 percent week-on-week,

while Malakal and Wau had relatively smaller increases of around 10 percent. The intensification of seasonal rains has impacted the availability of goods in these markets, creating scarcity and pushing up prices. In Juba, where the exchange rate has appreciated and road access is not a challenge, the increase in the food basket cost could be attributed to other factors including local taxes. The ongoing conflict in Fangak continues to hamper normal trade movement, making Old Fangak the most expensive of all markets in the country, with

a food basket costing three times the national average. Other markets with food basket costs above the national average included Rubkona, Juba, Malakal, Chukudum and Bunj. Over the past month, food basket costs rose by between 15 and 40 percent in Makpandu, Rubkona, Abyie and Juba, while prices changed less in other markets. Compared to April 2023, before the onset of the crisis in Sudan, the average cost of a food basket across markets increased eight-fold.

Table 2. Cost of food basket (SSP/capita/month)

State	Market	Cost of Basket in SSP				Percent changes compared to		
		Pre-crisis in Sudan (April 2023 - Week 2)	Jul w1	Jul w5	Aug w1	Pre-crisis in Sudan	Jul w1	Jul w5
Central Equatoria	Juba	15,229	135,193	138,343	159,771	949%	18%	15%
Northern Bahr el Ghazal	Aweil Center	12,591	100,586	104,871	99,686	692%	-1%	-5%
	Wanjok	12,591	90,064	90,064	91,714	628%	2%	2%
Upper Nile	Malakal	18,450	120,771	119,486	130,200	606%	8%	9%
	Bunj	15,321	116,486	116,486	116,580	661%	0%	0%
	Kodok			94,050	94,050			0%
	Renk	20,117	105,654	106,479	106,479	429%	1%	0%
Unity	Rubkona	10,123	127,777	167,357	167,357	1553%	31%	0%
Ruweng Administration Area	Yida	14,606		89,850	115,457	690%		28%
Western Bahr el Ghazal	Wau	15,962	92,936	92,786	102,107	540%	10%	10%
Western Equatoria	Makpandu	9,808	76,971	91,736	108,836	1010%	41%	19%
	Yambio	11,334	89,250	86,700	86,700	665%	-3%	0%
Jonglei	Bor	16,832	104,057	99,771	92,486	449%	-11%	-7%
	Old Fangak			351,300	351,300			0%
	Akobo	15,463	78,373	79,875	77,057	398%	-2%	-4%
Warrap	Kuajok	12,161	86,914	91,200	91,200	650%	5%	0%
	Tonj	12,161	87,814	91,200	95,486	685%	9%	5%
	Wunrok		90,364	92,775	96,150		6%	4%
Eastern Equatoria	Torit	12,306	82,293	91,221	91,221	641%	11%	0%
	Kapoeta South	10,594	72,493	74,250	74,250	601%	2%	0%
	Chukudum (Budi)		118,372	120,514	120,514		2%	0%
Abyei Administration Area	Abyei	12,266	69,836	67,633	87,128	610%	25%	29%
South Sudan		14,219	97,220	111,019	116,169	717%	19%	5%

Notes: The standard food basket includes 15kgs of cereals, 1.5kgs of pulse, 0.9kg of cooking oil and 0.15kg of salt. The national average for the previous week(s) and the pre-crisis period in Sudan remains unchanged, regardless of the monitoring coverage during the reporting week.

3. STAPLE FOOD PRICES

The availability of white sorghum was rated below normal in Abyei, Yida, Chukudum and Old Fangak markets due to seasonal access challenges, coupled with insecurity in the case of Old Fangak. In Western Equatoria,

seasonal harvests have eased the availability of staples – maize and cassava – improving farming households' access to food from own production and minimizing their dependence on markets.

During the first week of August, white sorghum prices in Old Fangak remained unchanged at SSP 70,000/malua (3.5 kg). Prices of white sorghum in Rubkona, Chukudum and Juba ranged between SSP 20,000/malua and SSP 30,000/malua, while in the remaining monitored markets, prices were between SSP 12,000/malua in Renk and SSP 17,000/malua in Wau. White sorghum prices increased by between 15 and 20 percent week-on-week in Juba, Wau, Yida and Abyei markets.

4. PRICES OF IMPORTED FOODS

As compared to last week, prices of imported food items have remained stable in most markets. However, wheat flour and maize flour prices increased in Kuajok by 15 percent and 10 percent, respectively. Additionally, wheat flour prices rose by 15 percent in Yida. In Old Fangak, the availability of imported food items was very minimal, and prices stayed at elevated

levels. Prices of wheat flour were the highest in Rubkona (SSP 16,200/kg), followed by Malakal (SSP 12,000/kg), Bunj (SSP 10,000/kg) and Renk (SSP 9,000/kg). In the remaining monitored markets, wheat flour prices ranged between SSP 5,000/kg and SSP 6,000/kg. Sugar prices were highest in Old Fangak (SSP 19,000/kg), followed by Rubkona (SSP 17,200/kg), Budi (SSP 15,000/kg), and Malakal (SSP 14,000/kg).

5. FUEL PRICES

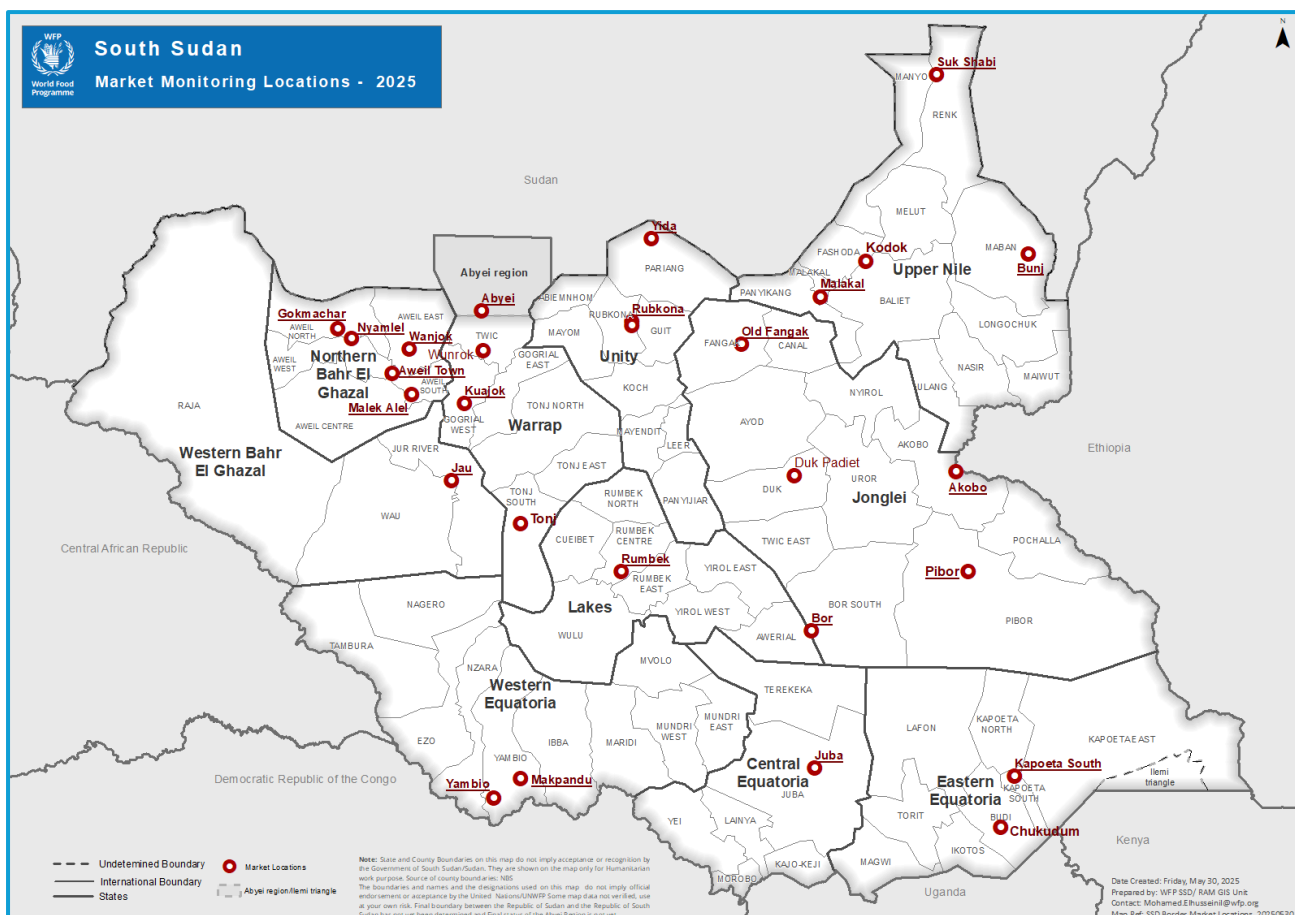
The slight appreciation of the local currency led to a drop in fuel prices in Juba and Aweil by 6 percent. Additionally, fuel prices dropped by 17 percent in Akobo due to delivery of new stocks. However, price levels in Akobo remained among the highest in monitored markets. Fuel prices increased by 6 percent in Rubkona and Wau markets. Since February 2024, fuel prices have surged both in formal and informal markets by more than 400 percent.

Table 3. Fuel prices (SSP/L)

Market	Petrol Price (SSP/L)				Percent changes compared to		
	Feb_2024	Jul w1	Jul w5	Aug w1	Feb_2024	Jul w1	Jul w5
Juba	1,593	7,600	8,000	7,500	371%	-1%	-6%
Kapoeta South	1,500	9,000	8,000	7,500	400%	-17%	-6%
Chukudum (Budi)		14,000	14,000	14,000		0%	0%
Aweil	1,874	9,500	9,500	9,500	407%	0%	0%
Wanjok	1,900	9,600	9,600	9,600	405%	0%	0%
Kuajok	2,047	9,700	9,700	9,700	374%	0%	0%
Tonj	2,100	9,700	9,700	9,700	362%	0%	0%
Malakal	4,818	30,000	27,500	27,000	460%	-10%	2%
Renk	3,500		20,000	20,000	471%		0%
Wau	1,814	9,500	9,000	9,500	424%	0%	6%
Abyei	1,250	12,000	12,000	12,000	860%	0%	0%
Yida	3,120	13,000	13,000	13,000	317%	0%	0%
Rubkona	4,000	18,000	18,000	19,000	375%	6%	6%
Akobo		30,000	30,000	25,000		-17%	-17%
Bor	1,656	8,000	8,500	8,500	413%	6%	0%
Formal	1,713	8,443	9,071	9,000	425%	7%	-1%
Informal	3,425	20,600	19,300	18,571	442%	-10%	-4%

Notes: Fuel prices for Chukudum, Malakal, Bunj, Old Fangak, Abyei and Akobo were collected in informal markets. Average fuel prices (formal and informal) for the previous week(s) and the pre-crisis period in Sudan remain unchanged, regardless of the monitoring coverage during the reporting week.

Figure 2. Market monitoring locations



Description:

The Weekly Market Price Bulletin provides an update on food price changes, which impact on the food security of vulnerable households. The WFP South Sudan Country Office monitors markets across all states in South Sudan and the Abyei market in the Abyei Administrative Area. Monthly aggregated market prices are available on WFP's [DataViz - South Sudan](#).

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