

# MONTHLY MARKET MONITORING BULLETIN

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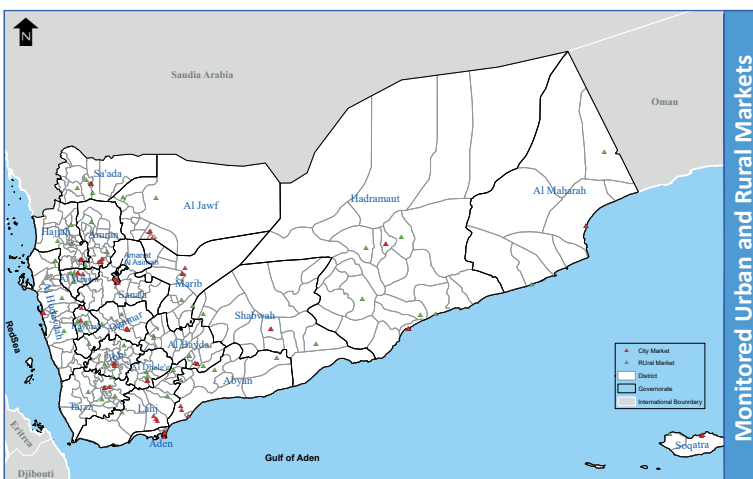


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The Market data and information is collected from twenty-one (21) governorates at the moment through the Governorate Focal Units (GFUs). The price data is collected from at least three representative market centers in the main cities and 3-4 markets in the districts (rural areas) are covered (see alongside map the market distribution). Retail prices are monitored, and collected on weekly basis from the monitored markets of the following Governorates: *Abyan, Aden, Al Dhale'e, Al Bayda, Al Jawf, Dhamar, Hadramaut Coast (Al Mukalla), Hajjah, Al Hudaydah, Ibb, Lahj, Amanat Al Asimah (Sana'a City), Shabwah, Taizz, Al Mahrah, Amran, Raymah, Al Mahwit, Marib, Sa'ada, Socatra in addition to Hadramout Valley (Sayun)* through the Governorate Focal Units (GFUs). The price data are collected from at least three representative market centers in the main cities and 3-4 markets in the rural areas (see alongside map). Commodity prices are monitored and collected on weekly basis and averaged for the month.

The district level rural markets were selected based on their representativeness in the governorate. Comprehensive market mapping was done and importance of each rural market was established in a consultative manner to capture locally produced commodities and linkages to the city markets. Three or four markets are selected to represent rural markets within a governorate. The rural markets also capture the supply chain of imported commodities reaching the rural areas and the price differences. This Bulletin provides easy to use tables and charts that show monthly prices trends. It also allows users to compare the current prices with the previous months, one year and the pre-crisis prices of February 2015. Further, it gives comparison of prices between governorate main city markets and rural markets, which are further analyzed to give national prices estimates of key imported food commodities, locally produced cereals and fuel commodities.



## KEY HIGHLIGHTS

### Globally:

The FAO Food Price Index (FFPI) averaged 180.5 points in February 2020, down 1.9 points (1.0 percent) from January but still 13.5 points (8.1 percent) higher than in February 2019. The FAO Cereal Price Index averaged 167.8 points in February, down 1.5 points (0.9 percent) from January. International prices of wheat mostly increased in January with the benchmark US wheat (No.2 Hard Red Winter, f.o.b.) rising for the fourth consecutive month and averaging USD 237 per ton, more than 5 percent higher than in December. (FPMA – FAO 12/02/2020).

### Fuel Commodities:

Apart from the cooking gas, prices of Diesel and Petrol in February remained stable as of the previous month. At the moment the official prices of a liter of Petrol and Diesel in Marib and Al Jawf are still much lower by 109 % and 169% (3,500 YER /20Lt) and (3,200 YER/20Lt) respectively compared to the rest of the governorates (7,300 YER/ 20 Lt) and (8,600 YER / 20 Lt).

### Imported Food Commodities:

Compared to the previous month prices of basic food commodities were higher in February. For the second month in a row, Sugar continued to have the highest increase by 7.3%, followed by 4.5% for the Non-Basmati Rice, nearly 4% for Wheat Flour 2.8% for Wheat Grains and by less than 2% for the Basmati Rice. However, and despite the remarkable supply of the monitored imported food commodities, the price spike was influenced partly by liquidity crisis and uncontrolled fluctuation of exchange rate observed between the governorates of south and north.

### Locally Produced Products:

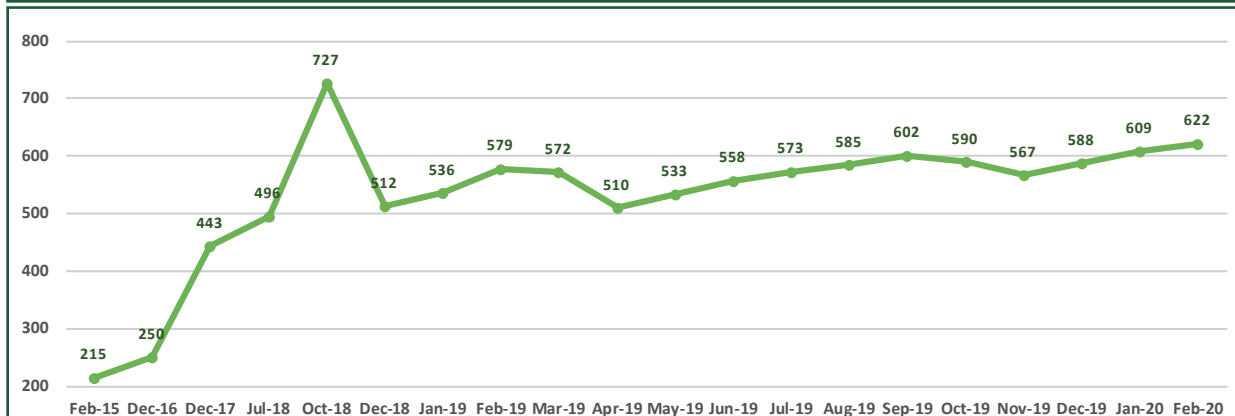
Similar to imported food commodities, prices of locally produced staples went up slightly by 1.1% for Maize and by less than 1% for Millet, Sorghum and Barley in that order. The current prices showed a sharp increase compared to one year ago by 17.5% for Wheat, above 10% for Barley and Millet, 8.6% for Maize and by 6% for Sorghum.



Central fruit and vegetable market, Craiter, Aden, Yemen ©FAO

## EXCHANGE RATE

National Monthly Average of The Unofficial Exchange Rate Trend (YER/USD)



OFFICIAL

YER  
↓  
USD

440



UNOFFICIAL

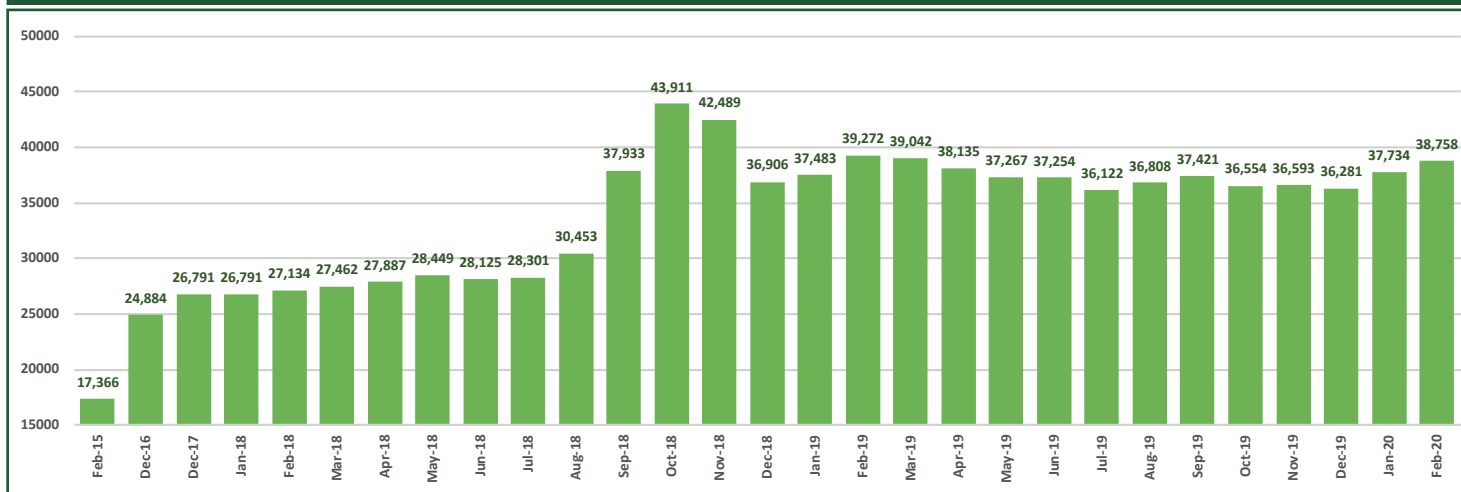
YER  
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USD

622

The local currency exchange rates against the USD dollar continued to depreciate. It recorded 622 YER / USD, recording further drop in YER value against USD by 2.2% increase compared to the previous month. Furthermore, data showed an increased trend by 41% compared to the current official rate (440 YER/USD), 7.6% higher than its value in the corresponding month last year (February 2019) and significantly by 189% when compared to the pre-crisis time. At governorate level, the current value of unofficial exchange rate exceeded 640 YER/USD across the monitored markets in Aden, Al Dhalee, Al Maharah, Hadramaut (Valley), Marib, Shabwah, and Socotra Governorates. On the other hand, Raymah recorded the lowest by 584 YER/USD.

## MINIMUM / SURVIVAL FOOD BASKET

Cost of Minimum / Survival Food Basket for 7 Persons Per Month (Trends Since Pre-Crisis [Feb-15])



### Cost of Minimum / Survival Food Basket\* for 7 Persons:

The national average cost of Minimum/survival Food Basket (MFB) in February went up to 38,758 YER (Equiv. to 62 USD) with an increase of 3% compared to previous month. It significantly increased by 123% compared to pre-crisis cost (Feb 2015) and decreased by 1% compared to the corresponding month last year (Feb 2019). The MFB cost exceeded 40,000 YER in nine governorates, where Socotra had the highest at (46,298 YER- Equiv. to 74 USD) followed by Taiz at 44,639 YER, while Al Jawf recorded the lowest cost of 31,074 YR (Equiv. to 50 USD). In fact, this price escalation resulted from the ongoing impact of changing exchange rates of YER against the USD as well.

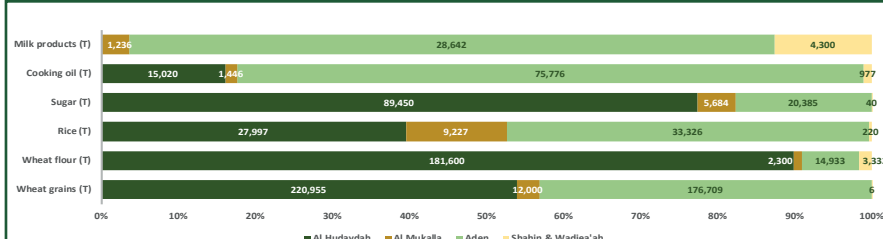
\*Composition of Yemen Minimum/Survival Food Basket for 7 persons per month (Prepared and adopted by FSAC partners): 75Kgs Wheat Flour, 10Kgs Dry Weight Beans (Red Kidney of Beans), 8 Liters Vegetable Cooking Oil (Mostly Imported), 2.5 Kgs Sugar and 1Kg Iodized Salt.



38,758 YER

## FOOD IMPORTS COMMODITIES (SEA/LAND) PORTS

During the period of (January – February), an estimated (925,561 MT) of various food items (wheat grains, wheat flour, sugar, rice, milk and cooking oil) were imported through the various maritime seaports of Aden, Al Hudaydah, Al Salif and Al Mukalla as well as the Land ports of Shahin & Wadiah. Wheat grains, Wheat flour, and Sugar constitute the major food imports by 44.3%, 21.8% and 12.5% respectively. Share of Al Hudaydah and Assailef seaports constitute 57.8% of the total imports, where during this period (January – February 2020) it received 535,022 MT of basic food commodities, of which, 24% (mainly Wheat Grains, Sugar, Rice, Cooking Oil and Kidney Beans) were imported for humanitarian assistance.



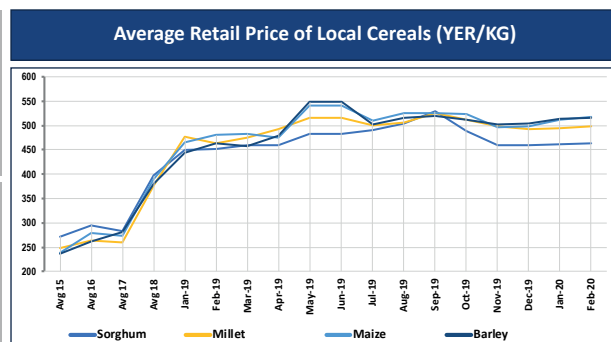
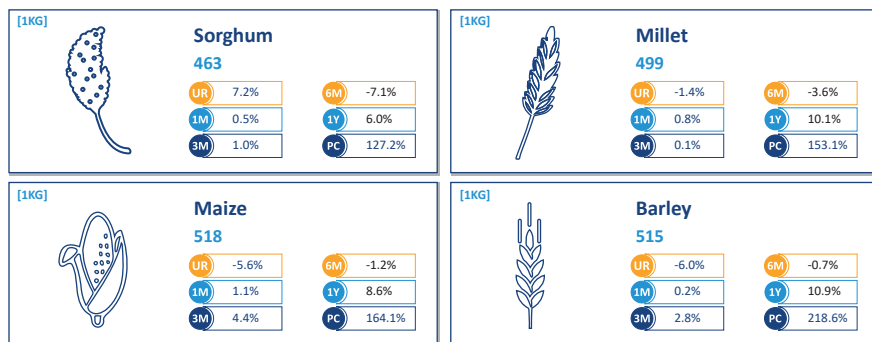
# LOCAL CEREALS

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6M Current Month Vs. 6 Months Earlier

1M Current Month Vs. Previous Month  
1Y Current Month Vs. Year Earlier

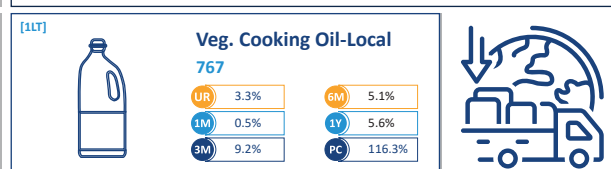
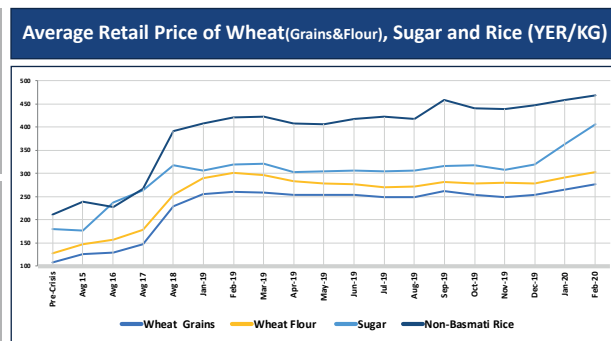
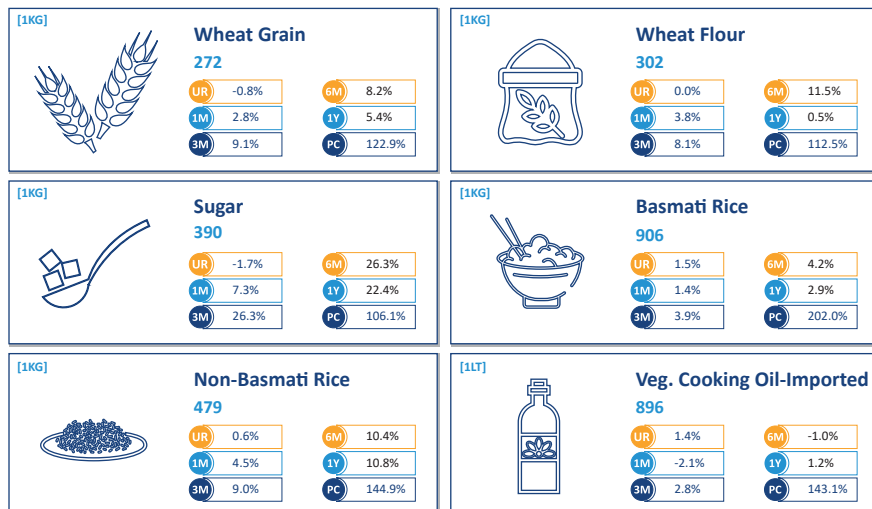
3M Current Month Vs. 3 Months Earlier  
PC Current Month Vs. Pre-Crisis

National Average Retail Prices of Local Cereals During Feb-20.



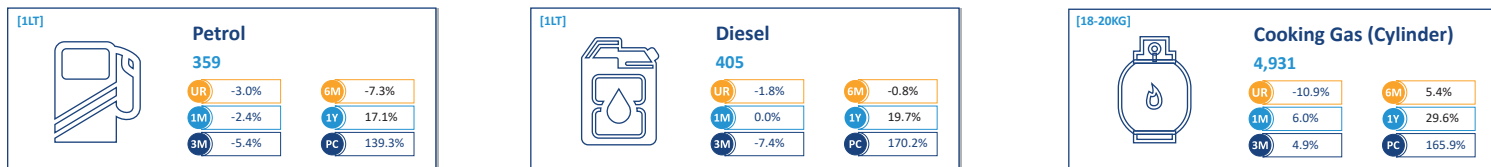
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National Average Retail Prices of Imported Commodities During Feb-20.

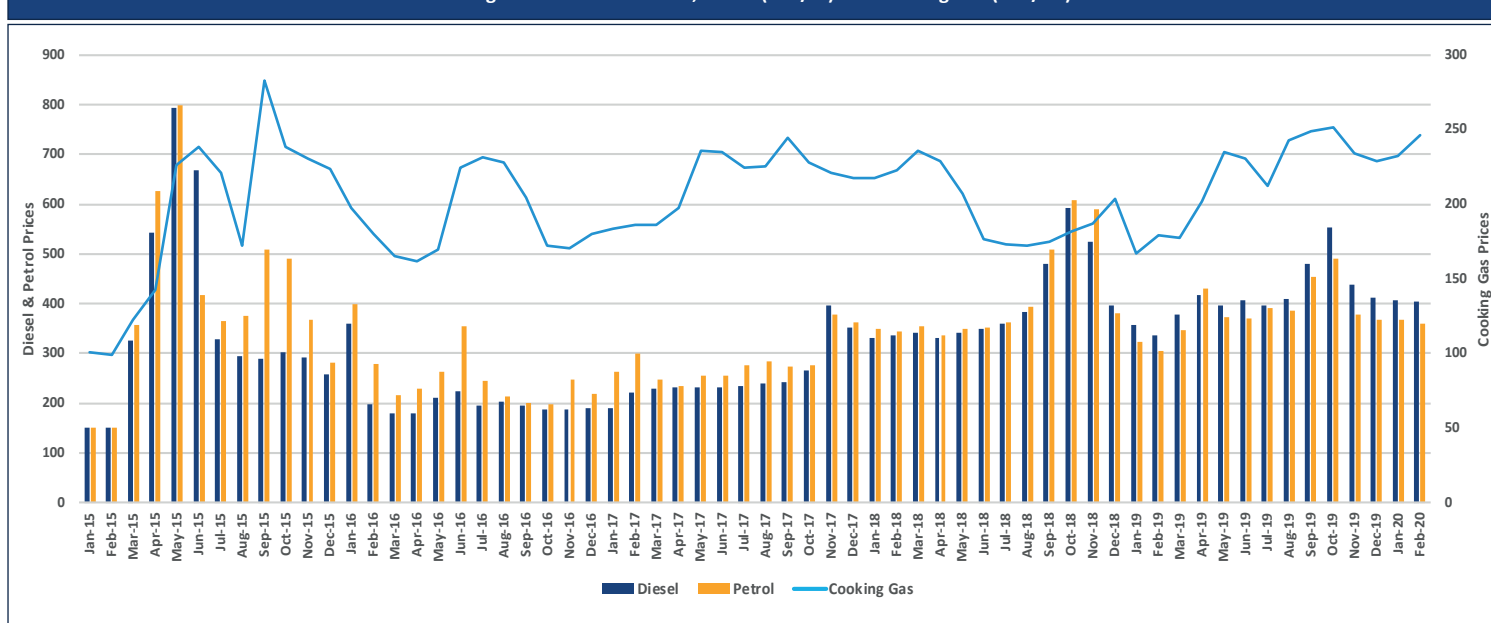


## FUEL

National Average Retail Prices of Fuel During Feb-20.



**Average Retail Price of Diesel, Petrol (YER/LT) and Cooking Gas (YER/KG)**



# VEGETABLES

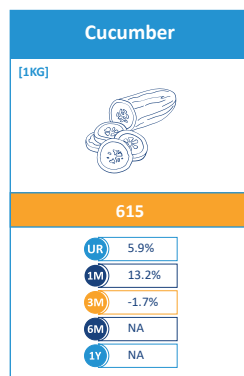
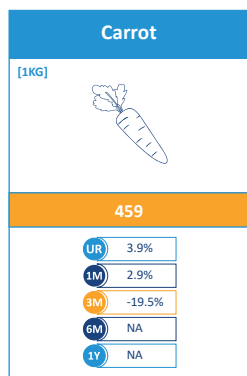
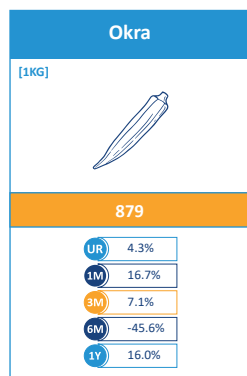
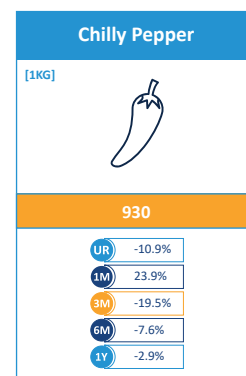
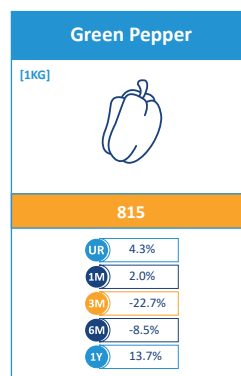
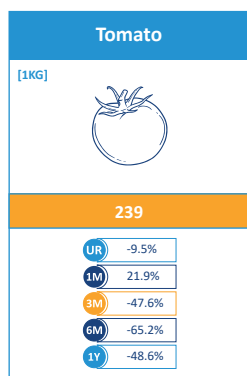
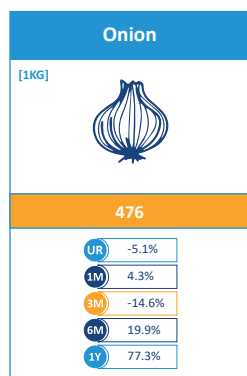
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## National Average Retail Prices of Vegetables During Feb-20.

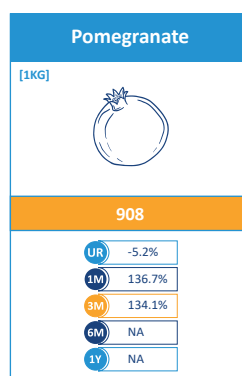
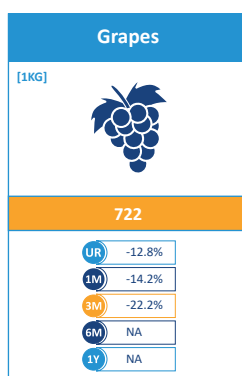
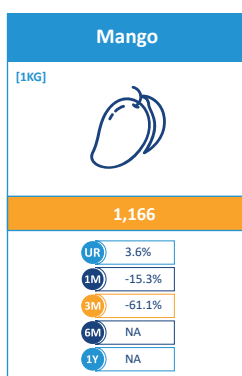
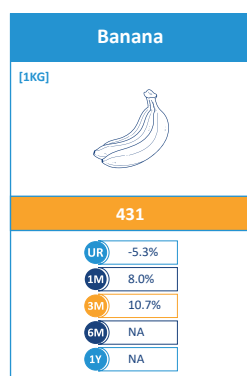


### Vegetables:

Nationally, the retail prices of all monitored vegetables went up in February. Chilly, Tomatoes, Potatoes, Okra and Cucumber had the highest sharp increase by 23.9%, 21.9%, 18.1%, 16.7% and by 13.2% respectively. Among all monitored vegetables products, national retail price of Chilly had the highest price by 930 YER / KG, followed by 879 YER / KG for Okra, and 815 YER / KG for Green Pepper, while Tomatoes had the lowest retail price at 239 YER/KG. It should be mentioned that, despite its current harvesting season for Tomatoes, Chilly, and Onions in the Arabian and the Red Seas AEZs, the price increase was influenced by cash value differences of the old and new bank notes of the local currency traded between southern and northern governorates.

# FRUITS

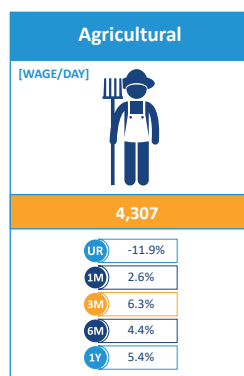
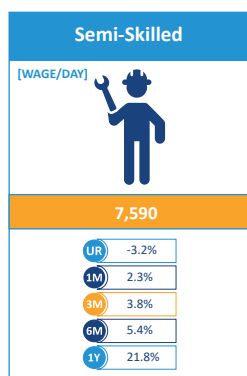
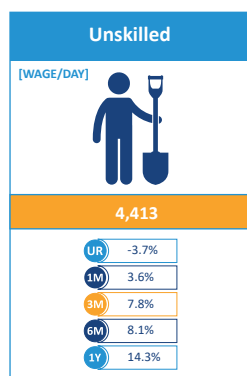
## National Average Retail Prices of Fruits During Feb-20.



**Fruits:** Seasonal factors at moment continued influencing unavailability of Pomegranate and Grapes products across the most governorates. Compared to the previous month, Mango' availability was relatively better in February which led to sharp increase reached the highest in Abyan by 24% followed by 14% in Al Maharah. At the same time, Lahj and Aden recorded the highest price increase by 19% and 17% respectively. Among all monitored fruits products, only Bananas are available in all seasons and across the monitored local markets. Its retail price in February witnessed some fluctuation, where it increased by 10% in Hadramaut (Valley), followed by 8% equally in Al Maharah and Amanat Al Asimah. The highest retail price was recorded in Socotra at 933 YER / KG, as its exposure to sea water while shipment causing loss of it led to less and the price increase.

# LABOR MARKET






## National Average Labor Market Prices During Feb-20.



### Labor Market:







At national level, February' wages showed higher rates for all categories compared to the previous month. Un-skilled Labor category had the highest increase by 3.6%, followed by 2.6% for agricultural labor category and by 2.3% for the Semi – skilled category. The daily rate of Semi-skilled labor category continued to have the highest rate at 7,590 YER / Day, followed equally by above 4,000 YER / Day for Agricultural and Casual labors categories. At governorate level, agricultural operations as well as activities are not big enough in Socotra, accordingly people in farming rely on the family labors instead of hired ones. At the same time, it had the highest rate of Semi-Skilled Labor compared to other governorates. Overall, available opportunities and degree of demands for labor are controlling the variation in their daily wages across the monitored labor markets. Accordingly, the daily rate for all monitored categories unchanged and remained stable as of the previous month in the governorates of Al Bayda, Al Dhale'e, Amanat Al Asimah, Dhamar, Hadramout (Valley) and Taiz.

## National Average Prices of Animals During Feb-20.

Sheep (6M)	Sheep (12M)	Goat (6M)	Goat (12M)	Chicken
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49,619	70,318	51,848	72,296	2,266
UR 4.0% 1M -0.2% 3M 1.5% 6M -9.3% 1Y 20.3%	UR 1.4% 1M 0.4% 3M 1.5% 6M -8.8% 1Y 20.8%	UR 4.0% 1M 0.5% 3M 1.1% 6M -7.9% 1Y 15.6%	UR 4.7% 1M -0.3% 3M 0.9% 6M -10.9% 1Y 16.8%	UR -0.3% 1M 2.9% 3M 6.1% 6M 2.8% 1Y 9.9%





## ANIMAL PRODUCTS

## National Average Retail Prices of Animal Products During Feb-20.

Beef	Mutton	Local Cow's Milk	Yoghurt	Chicken Meat	Eggs
[1KG] 	[1KG] 	[1LT] 	[0.5KG] 	[1KG] 	[CRATE 30] 
5,262	5,896	615	357	1,940	1,964
UR -3.5% 1M 3.9% 3M 5.8% 6M 2.8% 1Y 21.6%	UR 0.6% 1M 0.9% 3M 2.7% 6M 2.1% 1Y 20.6%	UR -5.1% 1M 3.8% 3M -2.5% 6M -0.3% 1Y 13.5%	UR -0.3% 1M 5.0% 3M 3.6% 6M 5.0% 1Y 23.6%	UR -3.8% 1M 4.0% 3M 4.3% 6M 3.6% 1Y 4.7%	UR -1.6% 1M 15.1% 3M 27.5% 6M 17.7% 1Y 7.9%

## FISH

## National Average Retail Prices of Fish During Feb-20.

Thamad	Sakhla	Jahsh	Bagha
[1KG] 	[1KG] 	[1KG] 	[1KG] 
2,920	4,727	2,980	1,310
UR -1.6% 1M -1.5% 3M 8.7% 6M -16.5% 1Y -5.1%	UR 7.5% 1M 5.1% 3M 3.7% 6M -2.4% 1Y 5.9%	UR 8.0% 1M 5.4% 3M 1.9% 6M -5.5% 1Y 0.3%	UR 3.2% 1M 16.3% 3M 9.9% 6M 17.0% 1Y 23.2%

## Livestock:

Nationally, the monthly average retail price of the single head of Goats (12 months old) in February continued to be the highest by 72,296Y ER, followed closely by 70,318 YER for the single head of Sheep of the same age (12 months). In general, and compared to the previous month, livestock market witnessed higher supply that associated with a slight prices changes, included less than 1% drop for the Sheep (6 Months) and Goat (12 Months) and price increase at the same percentage for Sheep (12 Months) and Goat (6 Months). This in fact, influenced by supply and demands principles, particularly, during the current season that was evident in the weekly markets of Abyan, Al Mahwit, Hajjah and Sa'adah where the more supply resulted in prices of all categories to go down. National average retail price of live Chicken and table eggs continued their increasing trends by nearly 3% and 12.2% respectively.

## Animal Products:

At national level, all monitored animal products followed the same price trends of other locally produced products and went up in February. Eggs recorded the highest sharp increase by 15.1%, followed by nearly 5% for Yoghurt, 4% for Chicken meat and by 3.8% for the local Cow' milk. Among them, Mutton recorded the highest retail price at 5896 YER / KG, followed by 1,964 YER / Pack of 30 eggs, and 1,940 YER / KG of Chicken meat.

## Fish:

Compared to the previous month, and apart from Thamad (price declined by less than 2%) February' prices witnessed an increased trends over all other monitored fish types and Bagha continued for the second month in row to have the highest by 16.3% followed equally by above 5% for Sakhla and Jahsh types. All monitored types were unavailable in Al Jawf markets. Similarly, for Sakhla and Bagha types were unavailable in Ad-Dale, Hadramout \_ Valley, Amran, Al Mahwit, Marib and Socotra. Apart from Al Mahwit and Hajjah, Thamad was available across the rest monitored markets. In February, national monthly average of retail prices of Sakhla fish type continued to have the highest at 4,727 YER / KG followed by 2,980 YER / KG for Jahsh and by 2,920 YER / KG for Thamad types and the least for Bagha at 1,310 YER/KG. These prices were influenced by the availability and supply of the relevant species that commonly costumed.



# COMMODITIES' PRICES AT GOVERNORATE LEVEL

Monthly Average Prices for the Basic Food and Non-Food Commodities During Feb-20.

Governorate	Exchange Rate	Local Grains & Legumes						Vegetables						Fruits						Animal Products					
		Sorghum Grain	Millet Grain	Maize Grain	Barley Grain	Wheat Grain	Onion	Tomato	Potato	Green Pepper	Chilly	Cucumber	Carrots	Okra	Mango	Grape	Banana	Pomegranate	Beef	Mutton	Local Cow Milk	Yoghurt	Chicken Meat	Egg	
		YER/1 USD	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Lt	0.5Kg	1Kg	30 Eggs
Abyan	646	558	554	558	538	NA	421	210	456	1,013	796	823	602	875	1,142	NA	331	NA	6,375	6,229	625	306	1,463	2,013	
Aden	655	688	642	600	663	706	433	186	402	1,175	750	717	500	1,133	1,533	NA	379	NA	7,125	6,262	587	375	1,400	2,050	
Al Bayda	595	566	547	565	604	832	482	216	422	836	904	600	358	928	1,117	NA	465	NA	5,000	5,752	800	363	1,922	1,804	
Al Dhalee	654	600	500	600	656	NA	550	238	569	1,233	838	431	563	1,038	1,000	NA	400	NA	4,000	5,000	600	300	2,500	2,000	
Al Hudaydah	594	237	332	369	625	426	383	128	430	494	545	531	380	499	967	NA	403	NA	5,292	6,125	542	281	2,071	1,749	
Al Jawf	618	510	538	406	478	389	542	246	527	627	700	600	431	697	800	1,000	463	NA	6,500	6,948	950	389	2,767	2,026	
Al Maharah	651	619	594	738	619	500	469	331	544	1,144	1,044	744	613	1,166	1,556	NA	500	NA	6,563	6,813	NA	477	1,772	2,056	
Al Mahwit	593	252	451	351	300	417	433	160	473	629	658	529	346	663	NA	NA	355	NA	3,500	5,000	NA	304	1,958	1,775	
Amanat Al Asimah	592	453	438	488	467	454	467	267	396	696	904	563	308	988	1,033	444	325	750	4,125	5,958	588	260	1,783	1,646	
Amran	593	280	376	NA	250	385	485	319	417	588	654	500	300	744	NA	NA	400	NA	4,250	5,000	217	280	2,033	2,854	
Dhamar	594	280	550	385	342	392	433	182	504	535	538	460	245	604	1,083	NA	379	NA	5,167	5,500	805	313	1,575	1,783	
Hadramaut (Coast)	654	533	692	525	563	555	401	172	471	1,054	1,102	663	590	1,408	1,535	NA	444	NA	5,083	6,042	635	329	1,410	1,944	
Hadramaut (Valley)	650	518	548	863	763	550	399	152	472	1,146	1,207	647	450	1,549	1,092	NA	465	NA	4,600	5,663	NA	322	1,626	1,899	
Hajjah	593	222	288	451	455	260	492	144	448	629	733	588	458	633	NA	NA	410	NA	5,000	6,042	764	327	1,629	1,785	
Ibb	595	411	460	448	422	358	407	193	460	639	688	556	279	669	1,040	NA	350	NA	4,938	5,833	700	342	2,154	1,721	
Lahj	657	588	567	750	500	NA	460	240	488	1,004	875	588	504	960	1,669	NA	385	1,067	6,750	6,500	450	377	1,658	2,023	
Marib	655	472	458	488	625	563	438	200	417	658	879	556	388	752	1,467	NA	438	NA	5,313	6,313	531	333	2,225	1,813	
Raymah	584	354	363	317	298	328	414	111	432	500	872	450	431	522	1,200	NA	404	NA	5,375	6,000	547	292	1,854	1,835	
Saada	593	452	412	385	415	398	554	280	520	568	579	525	406	653	944	NA	381	NA	5,139	6,000	NA	355	2,660	1,654	
Shabwah	653	693	696	588	763	850	481	164	444	988	1,100	656	581	1,150	1,103	NA	416	NA	5,750	6,859	575	413	1,456	2,031	
Socotra	652	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	933	900	933	NA	3,250	1,250	1,000	NA	NA	NA	933	NA	NA	3,375	NA	750	2,200	2,750	
Taizz	621	448	479	488	463	NA	410	215	409	960	849	559	375	825	700	NA	452	NA	4,667	6,427	542	370	2,560	1,988	

Governorate	Minimum / Survival Food Basket	Fish						Imported Commodities						Fuel Items				Labor Market						
		Thamad	Sakhla	Bagha	Jahsh	Wheat Grains	Wheat Flour	Beans	Sugar	Rice Basmati	Rice Non-Basmati	Cooking Oil Imported	Cooking Oil Local	Diesel	Petrol	Gas Cylinder	Casual / Unskilled Labor	Agriculture Labor	SemiSkilled Labor	Sheep (6 Months)	Sheep (12 Months)	Goat (6 Months)	Goat (12 Months)	Live Chicken
		1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Kg	1Lt	1Lt	1Lt	1Lt	18-20 Kg	Day	Day	Day	Head	Head	Head	Head	Head
Abyan	41,838	3,031	3,953	1,492	3,281	277	328	840	380	961	431	967	853	387	375	4,083	3,915	3,427	5,822	55,417	71,479	60,042	76,042	2,553
Aden	41,428	2,792	5,792	2,500	3,583	300	900	900	392	958	600	1,108	858	375	372	4,758	5,000	5,000	7,000	67,375	100,000	72,375	104,250	2,450
Al Bayda	39,319	2,316	4,858	963	2,519	258	290	842	400	972	399	1,004	872	431	365	5,028	3,750	3,417	8,292	43,611	75,111	41,625	71,764	1,679
Al Dhalee	39,925	2,631	NA	NA	6,000	250	300	650	450	950	513	1,200	1,000	413	384	3,000	6,000	5,000	8,000	41,438	53,688	46,000	60,438	2,600
Al Hudaydah	35,868	2,906	3,481	1,153	2,417	227	281	828	345	841	609	690	653	433	365	5,480	3,792	3,313	6,000	49,468	74,717	54,056	77,238	2,078
Al Jawf	31,074	NA	NA	NA	NA	267	262	521	400	885	385	632	587	389	330	6,979	4,125	5,042	6,694	96,854	62,854	67,500	76,500	2,685
Al Maharah	40,058	1,891	2,000	800	2,050	325	313	975	428	1,000	588	699	NA	375	375	3,813	6,813	6,563	12,438	56,714	77,577	64,020	87,178	2,813
Al Mahwit	38,392	NA	NA	1,000	1,844	233	300	892	400	865	358	728	664	430	367	8,368	3,917	3,333	7,500	54,417	35,063	57,729	77,229	1,654
Amanat Al Asimah	31,800	3,217	3,625	1,650	2,092	273	262	425	293	888	429	878	758	430	365	3,800	3,000	3,000	6,000	55,500	75,367	55,000	75,000	1,538
Amran	38,218	5,000	3,000	1,000	2,500	246	280	763	350	844	362	1,069	636	430	365	4,400	3,146	2,969	7,063	40,667	65,208	41,500	65,292	1,933
Dhamar	40,547	3,194	4,017	1,228	3,175	263	329	725	392	975	392	945	887	432	367	7,333	3,417	3,083	7,250	39,304	53,313	38,823	53,667	1,979
Hadramaut (Coast)	39,429	2,000	5,281	1,317	2,069	280	293	783	392	779	408	1,061	792	335	330	2,796	4,250	5,500	6,383	65,871	76,954	65,438	77,696	2,433
Hadramaut (Valley)	41,446	1,799	8,000	NA	NA	288	298	971	353	865	595	1,056	816	348	346	3,159	3,250	4,550	4,875	56,904	66,394	61,902	74,142	1,975
Hajjah	37,293	NA	5,000	875	4,000	268	300	667	360	879	456	583	583	437	375	4,477	3,000	3,396	7,875	36,000	53,667	39,083	57,417	2,608
Ibb	40,488	3,708	5,531	1,500	3,000	308	375	945	408	968	408	968	366	375	375	4,167	4,813	6,979	35,979	61,808	36,671	67,440	1,902	
Lahj	39,511	3,108	6,500	3,125	300	308	308	398	917	1,023	788	908	404	378	378	5,225	4,625	7,125	51,669	71,225	52,531	72,250	2,438	
Marib	36,680	3,389	5,125	NA	2,917	263	304	825	381	658	341	565	500	394	175	2,338	3,469	4,500	5,375	46,750	73,438	50,917	78,708	2,442
Raymah	33,319	3,050	5,500	1,510	3,625	239	259	546	351	871	357	928	821	434	380	4,683	2,875	3,325	5,521	41,813	61,771	43,750	63,583	2,701
Saada	31,119	3,146	4,167	1,594	2,375	249	269	450	350	781	355	681	634	436	374	8,768	5,083	4,313	9,030	64,802	90,292	64,006	85,007	2,343
Shabwah	43,991	3,031	3,250	1,500	3,000	306	344	1,006	476	851	422	844	734	398	385	3,188	5,250	6,406	8,750	84,063	100,000	84,063	98,750	2,400
Socotra	46,298	1,500	NA	NA	1,513	NA	400	NA	500	1,200	1,000	606	1,000	340	340	6,583	9,000	NA	15,000	28,250	39,000	35,000	49,250	NA
Taizz	44,639	3,771	6,000	NA	4,063	308	319	1,033	413	1,047	419	1,152	792	441	418	6,104	4,625	4,875	8,000	33,625	54,708	55,442	59,167	2,379

## AT GOVERNORATE LEVEL

- In general, and apart from imported cereals grains (mainly Millet, Barley and Sorghum) all other monitored imported key food commodities remained stable across the most targeted governorates. However, and at governorate level all imported and locally produced cereals and kidney beans grains were permanently not available in the local markets of Socotra, and locally processed cooking oil had similar case in Al Maharah. Further, among all monitored commodities, and due to the associated seasonal factors Fruits (mainly Mango and Pomegranate) and Fish (mainly Sakhla, Bagha and Jahsh) were reported to be the scarcest across the most monitored markets. At reporting time harvesting season for the local Maize and Millet in the coastal areas of the Arabian Sea AE Zone as well as agricultural operations and land preparation in the Central, Northern and Southern AEZs continued for Potatoes, Maize, Coffee and some legumes. Supply and availability of fuel materials (mainly Petrol and Diesel) was relatively stable across the governorates. Diesel is supplied officially to the city of Marib from Safer by quantities that are not enough to fit with the local needs. This led to sharp increase in the parallel market (10,000 YER / 20 Lt) with a huge price variation reached 213% compared to the official.
- February' price data showed that, the imported basic food commodities witnessed an increased trend almost across the targeted governorates. The retail price of Wheat grains went up sharply by 18% equally in Al Maharah and Amran followed by 7% in Amanat Al Asimah and by 6% equally in Raymah and Hadramaut (Valley). Similarly, Wheat flour increased by 10% in Al Maharah, 9% in Abyan, 8% in Shabwah and by 5% in Al Hudaydah. Cooking oil retail prices increased sharply by 17% in Amran for the imported and by 16% in Lahj for the locally processed ones. In addition to Amanat Al Asimah, Shabwah, Raymah, and Al Maharah equally recorded 11% of price increase for Sugar, followed by 10% in Al Mahwit and by 9% in Dhamar and equally by 7% in Lahj, Al Hudaydah, Hadramaut (Coast) and Taiz.
- During February, monthly average retail prices of the locally produced cereals in the main production northern areas of Al Mahwit, Dhamar, Hajjah, Amran, Raymah and Al Hudaydah were much lower than the prices in the areas not producing such products, i.e. the southern governorates by more than 50%. The table above showed more details.

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