

# **Yemen Food Security Update**

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#### **Highlights**

The local currency in southern governorates has lost 22 percent of its value since mid-April. When the truce was announced, the Yemeni rial had appreciated sharply in IRG controlled areas. Shortages in foreign currency reserves prevail.

Fuel imports through Red Sea ports are up by 160 percent in 2022 compared to the same period in 2021. Thanks to the truce, the relative import volumes of Al Hodeidah and Salif ports changed vis-a-vis the southern ports, from one seventh in Q1-2022 to almost double since April.

Local prices of petrol and diesel increased across the country during July 2022. Fuel prices doubled year-on-year in the south and increased significantly in the north.

Total food imports through Hodeidah & As Salif during January-July 2022 are up by 10 percent compared to 2021. However, this increase could not compensate for the 52 percent drop in Aden ports.



While global food prices remained 13 percent higher than in July 2021, the FAO Food Price Index decreased in July by nine percent month-onmonth. This is partly associated with the recent UN-brokered agreement on grain exports from the Ukraine and harvest-driven improved seasonal availability in the northern hemisphere.

Continued shortages in funding and food stocks led WFP to further reduce food rations during the fourth distribution cycle in 2022.

Economic food access for Yemenis remains highly constrained. The cost of the minimum food basket (MFB) has increased by 74 percent in IRG areas and by 38 percent in areas under the Sana'a-based authorities over the past 12 months.

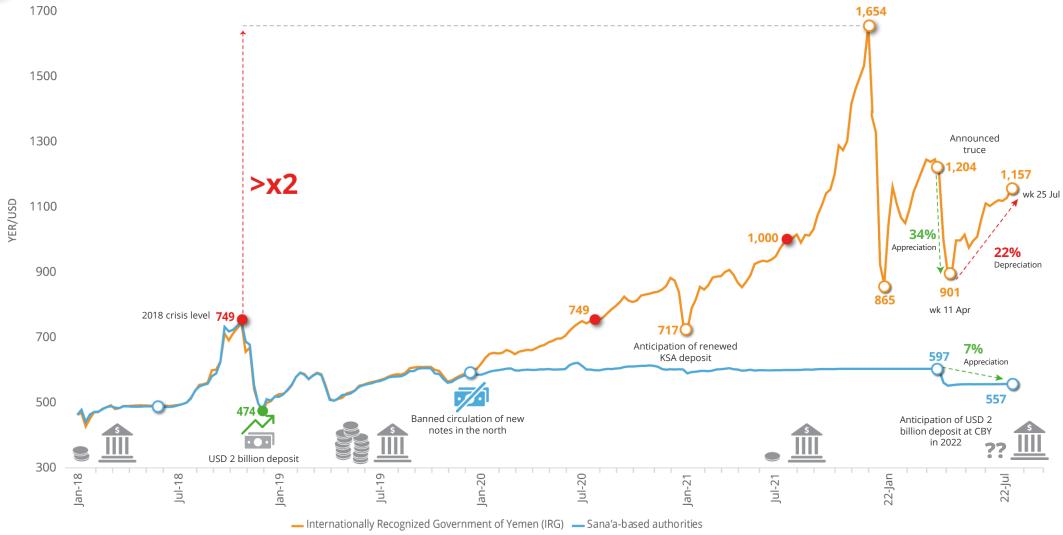
In July 2022, the proportion of households lacking access to adequate food increased to 55 percent in areas under the IRG, and to 50 percent in areas under the Sana'a-based authorities. Food insecurity reached critically high levels in 20 out of the 22 governorates.

#### **Drivers of food insecurity, beyond conflict**



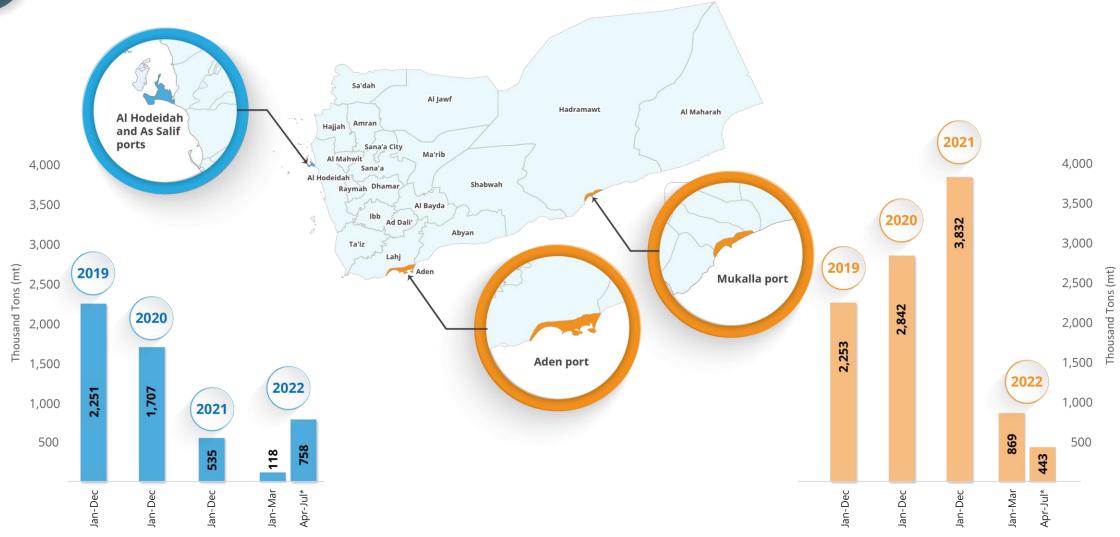


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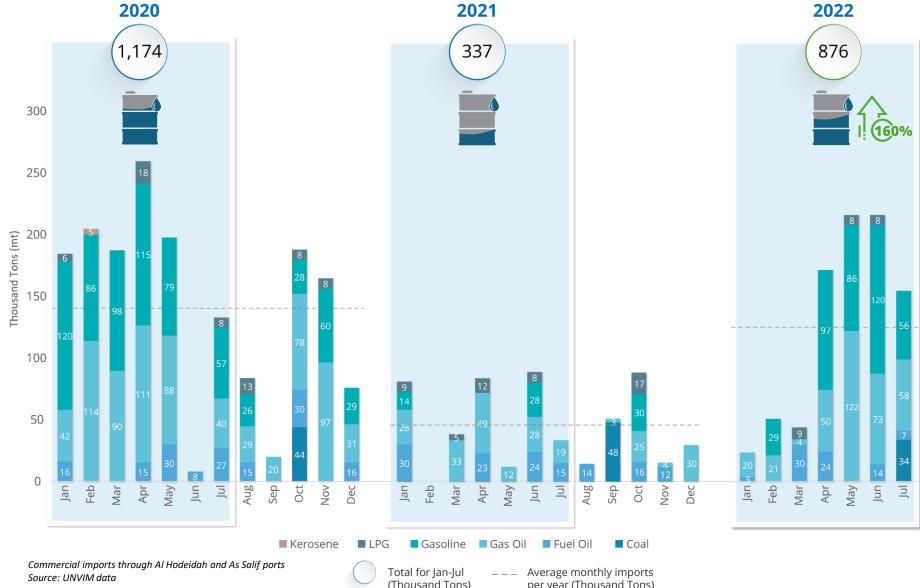


Fuel imports through Al Hodeidah and As Salif, Mukalla and Aden ports





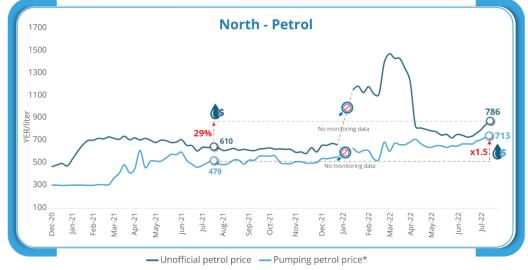
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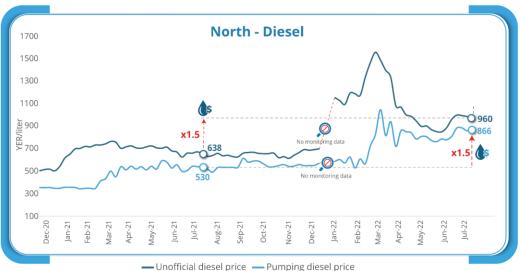


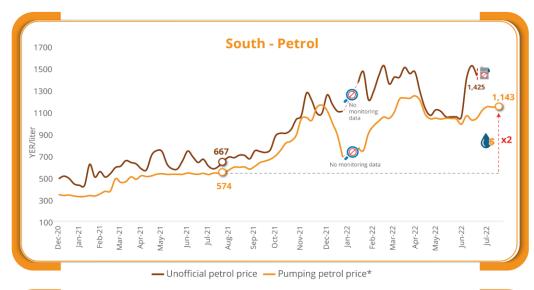


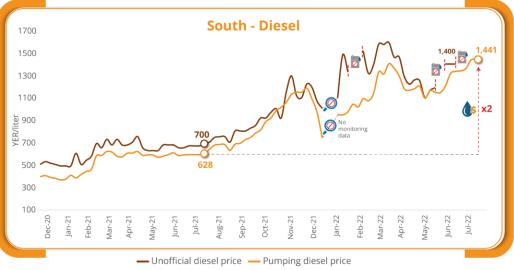


#### **Fuel prices**



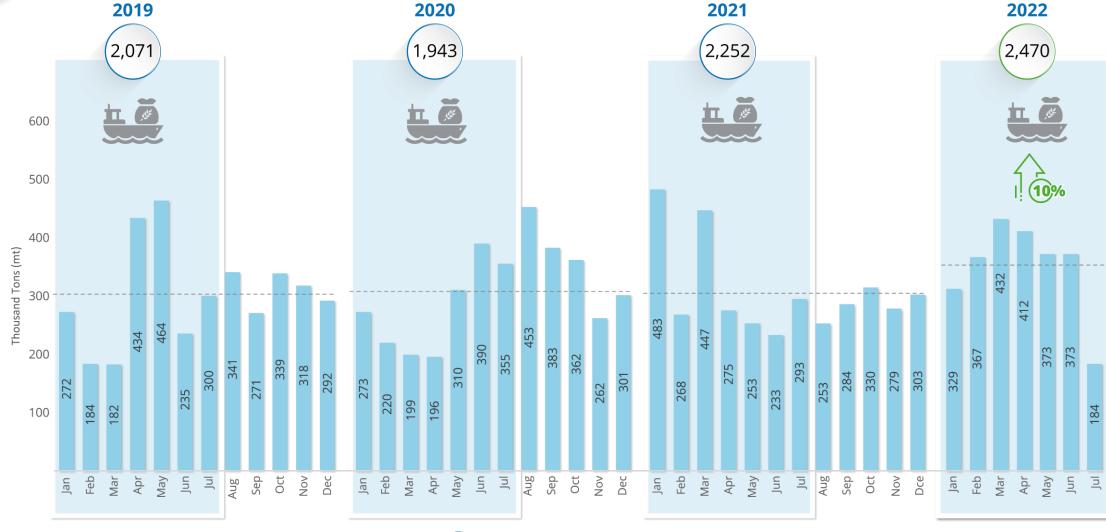


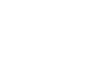


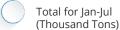




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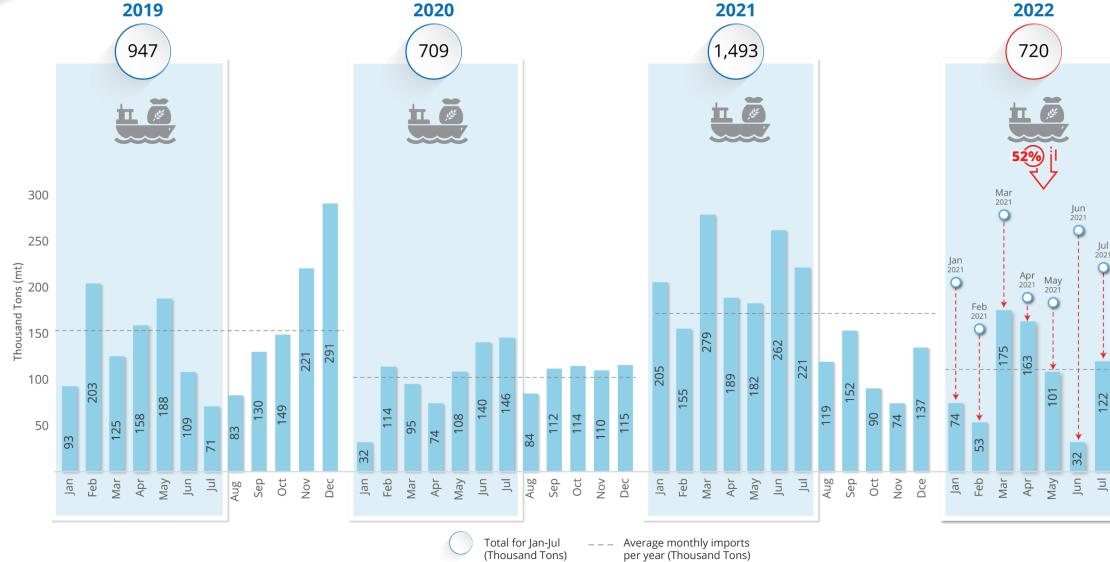


 Average monthly imports per year (Thousand Tons)

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# **Food imports through Aden Port**



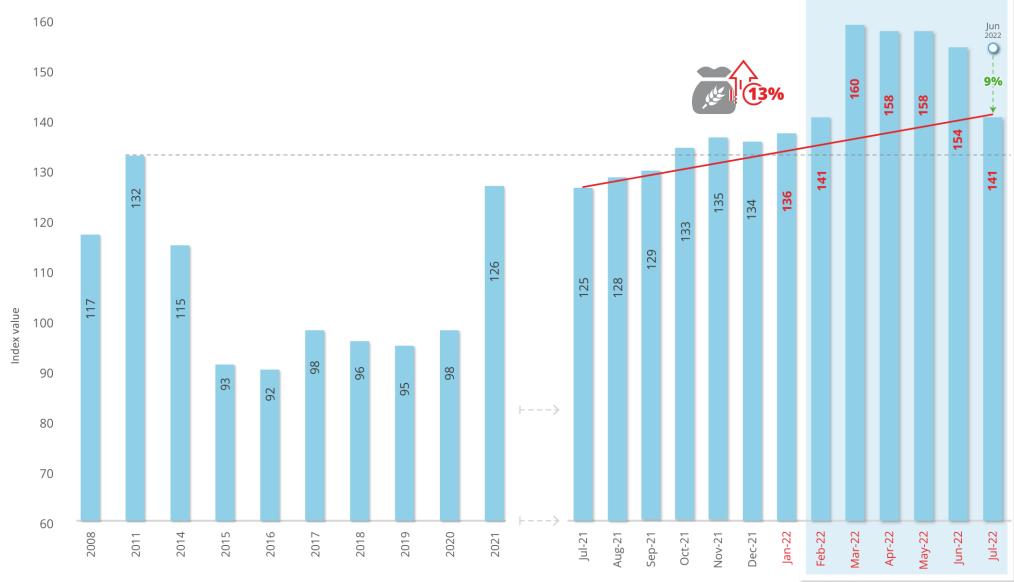


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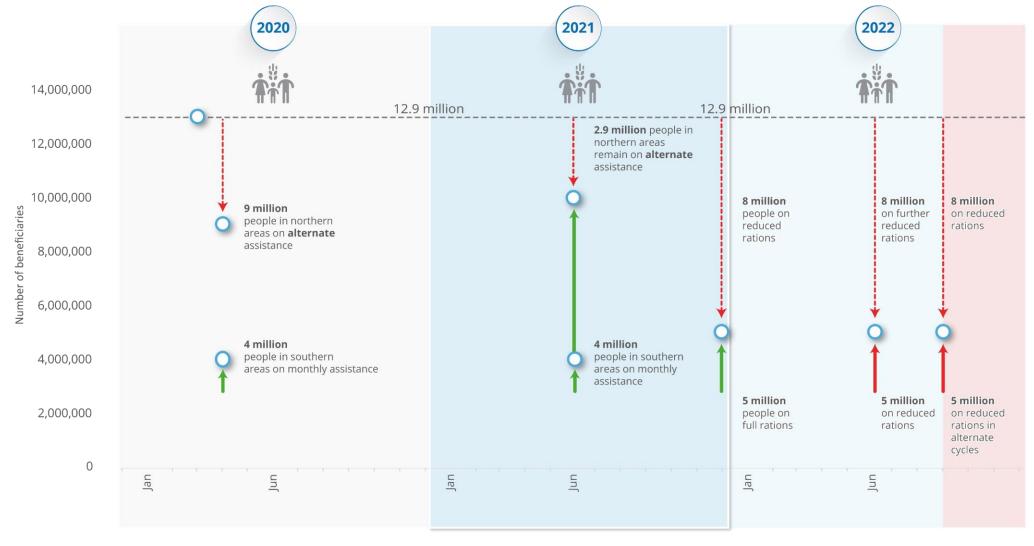








#### **Humanitarian food assistance**

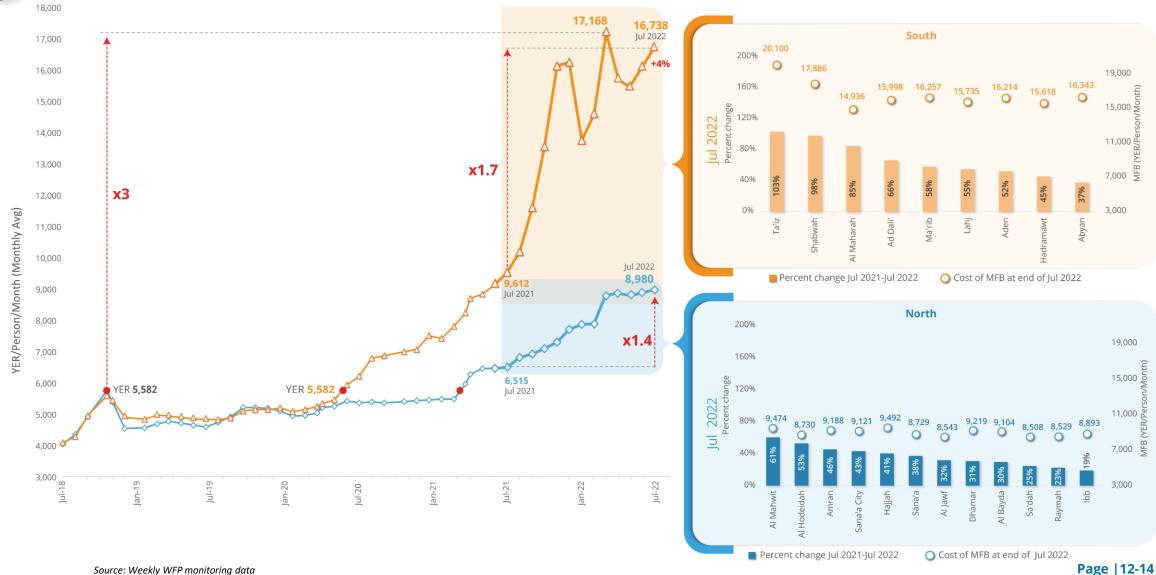




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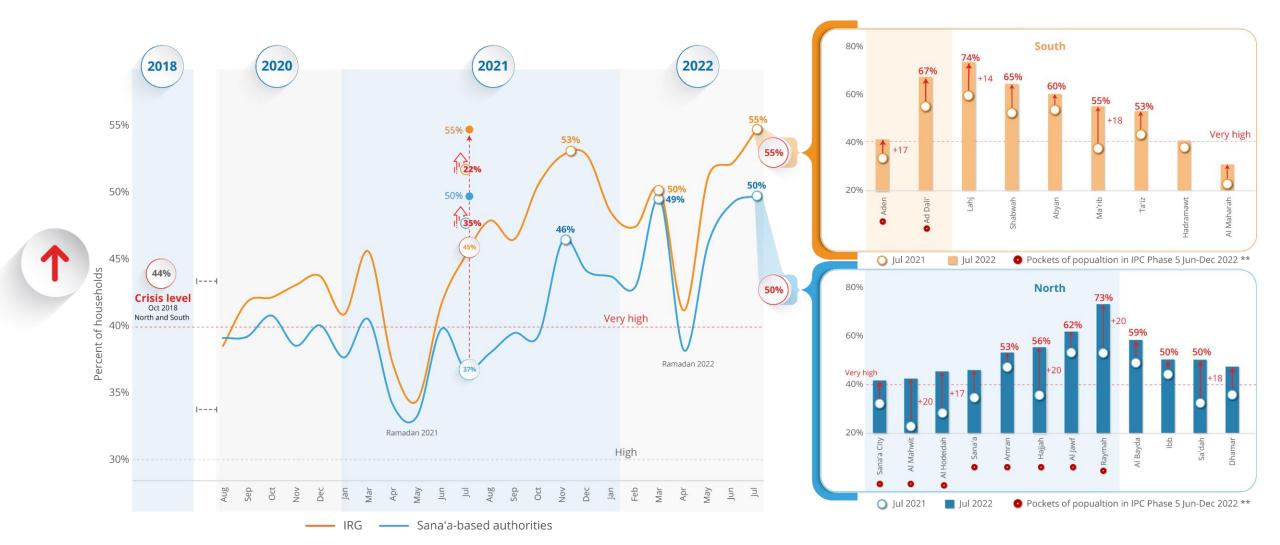


### Average cost of minimum food basket (food affordability)





## Food security outcomes (inadequate food consumption by governorate)



Source: WFP monitoring data
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