



Joint Market Monitoring Initiative (JMMI)

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Overview

- A **collaborative partnership** among members of the Cash Working Group (CWG)
- A **monthly** exercise to collect **price data** for key food and non-food items in markets throughout South Sudan
 - Cover urban and rural markets throughout the country
- A **monthly factsheet and dataset** is released indicating prices and other indicators
- **Launched in July 2019** – 2nd round currently ongoing



What does 'partnership' mean?

- *All partners* use the *same methodology*.
- *All partners* use the *same data collection tools*.
- *All partners* collect markets data during the *same period of time*.
- *All partners* upload their data to the *same KoBo server*.

⇒ better comparability + better coverage

Assessed Items

FOOD ITEMS

(9 commodities)

Sorghum grain

Maize grain

Wheat flour

Rice

Groundnuts

Beans

Sugar

Salt

Cooking oil

NON-FOOD ITEMS

(10 commodities)

Soap

Jerrycan

Mosquito net

Exercise book

Blanket

Cooking pot

Plastic sheet

Pole

Firewood

Charcoal

LIVESTOCK ITEMS

(2 commodities)

Goat

Chicken

CURRENCIES

(5 exchange rates)

US dollar

Sudanese pounds*

Ethiopian birr*

Ugandan shilling*

Kenyan shilling*

SERVICES

(2 items)

Milling costs

Unskilled labour wages

Outputs: Factsheets, Datasets & Dashboard

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INTRODUCTION

In an effort to better inform cash-based interventions and understand market dynamics in South Sudan, the Joint Market Monitoring Initiative (JMMI) was created by the South Sudan Cash Working Group (CWG) in August 2019. The initiative is guided by the JMMI Technical Working Group (JMMI-TWG), led by REACH and supported by the CWG members. It is funded by WFP.

Marketplaces across South Sudan are assessed on a monthly basis. In each location, field teams record prices and other market indicators through trader interviews.

This factsheet presents an overview of prices for key foods and NFIs in the assessed areas, as well as the costs associated with key elements of the Multi-Sector Survival Minimum Expenditure Basket (MSSMEB).

10 participating agencies

14 assessed locations

20 assessed marketplaces

485 key informants

21 assessed commodities

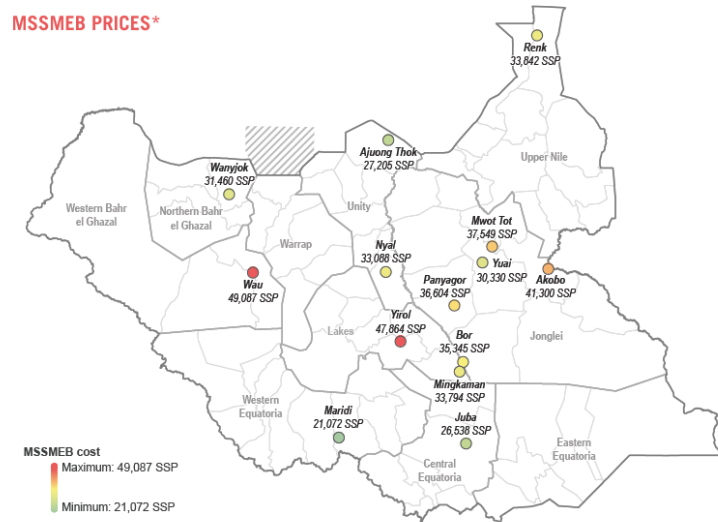
Cost of MSSMEB¹
33,818 SSP

Cost of food basket²
21,947 SSP

USD/SSP (parallel market)³
295

USD/SSP (official)⁴
159

MSSMEB PRICES*



* Coverage depends on the interest and capacity of the contributing partner agencies. Coverage will be expanded in upcoming

PARTICIPATING AGENCIES

- ACTED
- Cordaid
- DRC
- IOM
- PAH
- REACH
- Save the Children
- Tearfund
- UNICEF
- World Vision

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MSSMEB CONTENTS

Food Items	Quantity	Item	Quantity
Cereals	90 kg	Vegetable oil	6 L
Pulses	9 kg	Salt	1 kg
Non-Food Items (monthly)			
Charcoal	50 kg	School fee	3 USD
Milling cost	30 kg	Exercise book	12 pcs
Bar soap	6 pcs	Pencil*	6 pcs
Bleach*	1.5 L	Pen*	6 pcs
Human drugs	10 USD	Rubber*	3 pcs
Airtime	30 min	Sharpener*	3 pcs
Transport	3 USD		
Non-Food Items (one-off)*			
Blanket	2 pcs	Sanitary pad	4 pcs
Mosquito net	2 pcs	Underwear	4 pcs
Kitchen set	1 pc	Kanga**	2 pcs
Jerrycan	2 pcs		

The Multi-Sectoral Survival Minimum Expenditure Basket (MSSMEB) represents the minimum culturally adjusted group of items required to support a six-person South Sudanese household for one month. The cost of the MSSMEB can be used as a proxy for the financial burdens facing households in different locations. The MSSMEB's contents were defined by the CWG in consultation with relevant sector leads.

* Only the MSSMEB's key elements (food and monthly non-food items, excluding bleach, pencils, pens, rubbers and sharpeners) were incorporated into the calculations in this factsheet. See appendix for more detail on the calculation of the MSSMEB.

** Traditional piece of garment

Cost of median MSSMEB
33,818 SSP

PRICE INDICES AND SUPPLY MARKETS PER LOCATION

County	Location	Food price index ¹ (n SSP)	MSSMEB food basket (n SSP)	MSSMEB key items (n SSP)	Location of main food supply market	Location of main non-food supply market
Central Equatoria						
Juba	Juba	2,166	13,210	26,538	Kampala, Uganda	Kampala, Uganda
Jonglei						
Akobo	Akobo	3,876	27,313	41,300	Gambela, Ethiopia	Gambela, Ethiopia
Bor South	Bor	3,252	22,072	35,345	Kampala, Uganda	Juba
Twic East	Panyagor	2,872	19,152	36,604	Juba	Juba
Uror	Mwol Tot	4,620	24,502	37,549	Juba	Juba
Uror	Yui	4,585	18,900	30,330	Juba	Juba
Lakes						
Awenal	Mingkaman	2,880	22,577	33,794	Juba	Juba
Yrol West	Yrol	4,399	36,863	47,864	Juba County ²	Juba
Northern Bahr el Ghazal						
Aweil East	Wanyjok	2,990	21,822	31,460	Khartoum, Sudan	Khartoum, Sudan
Unity						
Panyjjar	Nyal	3,338	22,731	33,088	Juba	Juba
Paniang	Ajuong Thok	3,407	17,919	27,205	Paniang County ²	Juba
Upper Nile						
Renk	Renk	3,099	18,874	33,842	Renk County ²	Kosti/Rabak, Sudan
Western Bahr el Ghazal						
Wau	Wau	2,667	37,700	49,087	Khartoum, Sudan	Kampala, Uganda
Western Equatoria						
Mardi	Maridi	2,753	11,523	21,072	Juba	Kampala, Uganda
Overall		3,175	21,947	33,818		

¹ The food price index was calculated by adding up the median prices of one unit of each assessed food item. Where the median value is not available, the average price across all locations was imputed for the calculation of the index.

² Main suppliers were producers located in the respective counties.

ITEM PRICES

Item	Unit	Price (in SSP)
Food Items		
Sorghum grain	1 kg	185
Maize grain	1 kg	179
Wheat flour	1 kg	445
Rice	1 kg	368
Groundnuts (shelled)	1 kg	397
Beans	1 kg	440
Sugar	1 kg	289
Salt	1 kg	233
Cooking oil	1 L	825
Non-Food Items		
Soap	1 pc	400
Jerrycan	1 pc	300
Mosquito net	1 pc	1,150
Exercise book	1 pc	400
Blanket	1 pc	800
Cooking pot	1 pc	2,000
Plastic sheet	1 pc	5,000
Pole	1 pc	400
Firewood	1 bundle	90
Charcoal	1 malwa ¹	200
Livestock Items		
Goat	1 goat	110,000
Chicken	1 chicken	11,750
Services		
Milling costs	1 kg	300
Currencies		
US dollar (USD)	1 USD	295
Sudanese pound	1 SDG	4.83

¹ A malwa is a container (around 4 L) in which charcoal is typically sold.

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