

Afghanistan, Burkina Faso, Burundi...and 22 more - Monthly food price inflation estimates by country

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COUNTRY/ECONOMY

Name	Country code
Afghanistan	AFG
Burkina Faso	BFA
Burundi	BDI
Cameroon	CMR
Central African Republic	CAF
Chad	TCD
Congo, Dem. Rep.	COD
Congo, Rep.	COG
Gambia, The	GMB
Guinea-Bissau	GNB
Haiti	HTI
Iraq	IRQ
Lao PDR	LAO
Lebanon	LBN
Liberia	LBR
Mali	MLI
Mozambique	MOZ
Myanmar	MMR
Niger	NER
Nigeria	NGA
Somalia	SOM
South Sudan	SSD
Sudan	SDN
Syrian Arab Republic	SYR
Yemen, Rep.	YEM

STUDY TYPE

Monthly food price estimates in fragile countries

SERIES INFORMATION

This dataset is part of a series of frequently-updated data files providing monthly food prices and inflation estimates for a series of fragile countries.

The following datasets are part of this series:

Country-level inflation:

- All countries: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/WLD_2021_RTFP-CTRY_v02_M

Market-level estimates:

- All countries: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/WLD_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Afghanistan: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/AFG_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Burkina Faso: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/BFA_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Burundi: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/BDI_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Cameroon: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/CMR_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Central African Republic: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/CAF_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Chad: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/TCD_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Congo, Dem. Rep.: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/COD_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Congo, Rep.: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/COG_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Gambia, The: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/GMB_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Guinea-Bissau: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/GNB_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Haiti: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/HTI_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Iraq: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/IRQ_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Lao PDR: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/LAO_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Lebanon: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/LBN_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Liberia: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/LBR_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Mali: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/MLI_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Mozambique: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/MOZ_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Myanmar: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/MMR_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Niger: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/NER_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Nigeria: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/NGA_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Somalia: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/SOM_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - South Sudan: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/SSD_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Sudan: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/SDN_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Syrian Arab Republic: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/SYR_2021_RTFP_v02_M
 - Yemen, Rep.: https://microdata.worldbank.org/index.php/catalog/study/YEM_2021_RTFP_v02_M

ABSTRACT

Food price inflation is an important metric to inform economic policy but traditional sources of consumer prices are often produced with delay during crises and only at an aggregate level. This may poorly reflect the actual price trends in rural or poverty-stricken areas, where large populations reside in fragile situations.

This data set includes food price estimates and is intended to help gain insight in price developments beyond what can be formally measured by traditional methods. The estimates are generated using a machine-learning approach that imputes ongoing subnational price surveys, often with accuracy similar to direct measurement of prices. The data set provides new opportunities to investigate local price dynamics in areas where populations are sensitive to localized price shocks and where traditional data are not available.

Version

VERSION DATE

2022/05/25 (generated on 2022-05-25)

Scope

NOTES

List of food products included in estimates (not all products are included in country-level estimates): apples, bananas, beans, bread, bulgur, cabbage, carrots, cassava, cassava flour, cassava meal, cheese, chickpeas, cocoyam, cowpeas, cucumbers, dates, eggplants, gari, garlic, groundnuts, lentils, maize, maize flour, maize meal, milk, millet, oil, onions, oranges, parsley, pasta, peas, plantains, potatoes, pulses, rice, salt, salt iodised, sesame, sorghum, sugar, tea, tomatoes, tomatoes paste, watermelons, wheat, wheat flour, yam, yogurt

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Data Collection

DATES OF DATA COLLECTION

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2008/01	2022/05

TIME PERIODS

Start date	End date
2008/01	2022/05

Data Processing

METHODOLOGY NOTES

Information on the model used for Afghanistan (see working paper for more information)

Components: Bread (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Rice (Low Quality) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Wheat (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)

Currency: AFN

Number of markets used: 9

Number of markets covered: 40

Number of food items: 3

Number of observations: bread: 1291, rice: 1806, wheat: 1813

Data coverage: 76.02%

Data coverage previous 12 months: 41.67%

Average annualized inflation: 5.98%

Maximum drawdown: -40.76%

Average annualized volatility: 7.74%

Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.56

Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.87

R squared individual food items: bread: 0.92, rice: 0.88, wheat: 0.91

F confidence score: 0.9

Imputation model: bread: nonlinear, rice: nonlinear, wheat: nonlinear

Information on the model used for Burkina Faso (see working paper for more information)

Components: Beans (Niebe) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Maize (White) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Millet (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)

Currency: XOF

Number of markets used: 63

Number of markets covered: 64

Number of food items: 3

Number of observations: beans: 4440, maize: 5286, millet: 6133

Data coverage: 45.35%

Data coverage previous 12 months: 86.28%

Average annualized inflation: 7.48%

Maximum drawdown: -37.04%

Average annualized volatility: 14.65%

Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.67

Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.88

R squared individual food items: maize: 0.8, millet: 0.79, sorghum: 0.77

F confidence score: 0.79

Imputation model: beans: linear, maize: nonlinear, millet: nonlinear

Information on the model used for Burundi (see working paper for more information)

Components: Rice (Low Quality, Local) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Beans (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Maize (White) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Bananas (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Cassava Flour (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Maize Flour (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Onions (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Sweet Potatoes (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)

Currency: BIF

Number of markets used: 63

Number of markets covered: 72

Number of food items: 8

Number of observations: rice: 3810, beans: 3269, maize: 3485, bananas: 3294, cassava_flour: 3883, maize_flour: 3121, onions: 3433, potatoes: 3900

Data coverage: 29.99%

Data coverage previous 12 months: 47.63%

Average annualized inflation: 5.09%

Maximum drawdown: -28.42%

Average annualized volatility: 10.83%

Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.51

Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.74

R squared individual food items: beans: 0.89, cassava_flour: 0.84, potatoes: 0.78, rice: 0.83, maize: 0.83, bananas: 0.71, maize_flour: 0.81, onions: 0.52

F confidence score: 0.79

Imputation model: rice: linear, beans: nonlinear, maize: linear, bananas: linear, cassava_flour: nonlinear, maize_flour: linear, onions: linear, potatoes: nonlinear

Information on the model used for Cameroon (see working paper for more information)

Components: Oil (Palm) (1 L, Index Weight = 1), Rice (Long Grain, Imported) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Wheat Flour (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Maize (90 KG, Index Weight = 0.01), Bananas (12 KG, Index Weight = 0.08), Potatoes (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Cassava (Fresh) (5 KG, Index Weight = 0.2), CocoYam (Macabo) (20 KG, Index Weight = 0.05), Plantains (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)

Currency: XAF

Number of markets used: 12

Number of markets covered: 64

Number of food items: 9

Number of observations: oil: 632, rice: 631, wheat_flour: 632, maize: 292, bananas: 422, potatoes: 740, cassava: 405, cocoyam: 431, plantains: 726

Data coverage: 22.76%

Data coverage previous 12 months: 22.84%

Average annualized inflation: 2.16%

Maximum drawdown: -14.84%

Average annualized volatility: 6.13%

Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.31

Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.35

R squared individual food items: potatoes: 0.65, plantains: 0.7, oil: 0.97, rice: 0.97, wheat_flour: 0.99, maize: 0.98, bananas: 0.96, cassava: 0.94, cocoyam: 0.97

F confidence score: 0.93

Imputation model: oil: linear, rice: linear, wheat_flour: linear, maize: linear, bananas: linear, potatoes: nonlinear, cassava: linear, cocoyam: linear, plantains: nonlinear

Information on the model used for Central African Republic (see working paper for more information)

Components: Oil (Palm) (1 L, Index Weight = 1), Rice (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Maize (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)

Currency: XAF

Number of markets used: 19

Number of markets covered: 42

Number of food items: 3

Number of observations: oil: 989, rice: 884, maize: 908

Data coverage: 26.81%

Data coverage previous 12 months: 76.43%

Average annualized inflation: 0.67%

Maximum drawdown: -18.88%

Average annualized volatility: 8.55%

Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.21

Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.04

R squared individual food items: maize: 0.57, cassava: 0.51, oil: 0.58

F confidence score: 0.55

Imputation model: oil: linear, rice: linear, maize: nonlinear

Information on the model used for Chad (see working paper for more information)

Components: Maize (White) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Millet (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Sorghum (Red) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)

Currency: XAF

Number of markets used: 37

Number of markets covered: 61

Number of food items: 3

Number of observations: maize: 1661, millet: 3191, sorghum: 2679

Data coverage: 35.24%

Data coverage previous 12 months: 59.76%

Average annualized inflation: 4.08%

Maximum drawdown: -42.73%

Average annualized volatility: 16.92%

Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.54

Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.83

R squared individual food items: maize: 0.67, millet: 0.75, sorghum: 0.73

F confidence score: 0.72

Imputation model: maize: nonlinear, millet: nonlinear, sorghum: nonlinear

Information on the model used for Congo, Dem. Rep. (see working paper for more information)

Components: Oil (Palm) (1 L, Index Weight = 1), Rice (Local) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Salt (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Sugar (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Wheat Flour (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Beans (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Maize (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Cassava Flour (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Cassava (Cossette) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Plantains (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Maize Meal (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)

Currency: CDF

Number of markets used: 15

Number of markets covered: 83

Number of food items: 11

Number of observations: oil: 1647, rice: 1498, salt: 1383, sugar: 1396, wheat_flour: 1018, beans: 1299, maize: 1487,

cassava_flour: 1653, cassava: 1195, plantains: 1485, maize_meal: 1305

Data coverage: 47.24%

Data coverage previous 12 months: 18.28%

Average annualized inflation: 7.2%

Maximum drawdown: -16.05%

Average annualized volatility: 7.32%

Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.32

Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.71

R squared individual food items: oil: 0.85, rice: 0.87, salt: 0.85, sugar: 0.92, beans: 0.87, maize: 0.83, cassava_flour: 0.84,

cassava: 0.86, plantains: 0.84, maize_meal: 0.81, wheat_flour: 0.6

F confidence score: 0.84

Imputation model: oil: nonlinear, rice: nonlinear, salt: nonlinear, sugar: nonlinear, wheat_flour: linear, beans: nonlinear, maize: nonlinear, cassava_flour: nonlinear, cassava: nonlinear, plantains: nonlinear, maize_meal: nonlinear

Information on the model used for Congo, Rep. (see working paper for more information)

Components: Bread (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Oil (Palm) (1 L, Index Weight = 1), Rice (Mixed, Low Quality) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Wheat Flour (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Groundnuts (Shelled) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Cassava (Fresh) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)

Currency: XAF

Number of markets used: 5

Number of markets covered: 11

Number of food items: 6

Number of observations: bread: 304, oil: 357, rice: 470, wheat_flour: 226, groundnuts: 340, cassava: 430

Data coverage: 24.74%

Data coverage previous 12 months: 0%

Average annualized inflation: 2.08%

Maximum drawdown: -18.33%

Average annualized volatility: 9.47%

Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.47

Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.43

R squared individual food items: bread: 0.84, oil: 0.71, rice: 0.74, wheat_flour: 0.91, groundnuts: 0.68, cassava: 0.8

F confidence score: 0.8

Imputation model: bread: linear, oil: linear, rice: linear, wheat_flour: linear, groundnuts: linear, cassava: linear

Information on the model used for Gambia, The (see working paper for more information)

Components: Oil (Vegetable) (1 L, Index Weight = 1), Rice (Small Grain, Imported) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Salt (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Sugar (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Beans (Dry) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Groundnuts (Shelled) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Millet (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Bananas (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Onions (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Potatoes (Irish) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Tomatoes (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Milk (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Cabbage (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Carrots (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Garlic (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Tea (1 Unit, Index Weight = 1)

Currency: GMD

Number of markets used: 13

Number of markets covered: 28

Number of food items: 16

Number of observations: oil: 1099, rice: 2211, salt: 1084, sugar: 1089, beans: 1065, groundnuts: 2098, millet: 2134, bananas: 1079, onions: 1098, potatoes: 1040, tomatoes: 1041, milk: 1068, cabbage: 1042, carrots: 1065, garlic: 985, tea: 1064

Data coverage: 42.47%

Data coverage previous 12 months: 83.33%

Average annualized inflation: 4.54%

Maximum drawdown: -15.41%

Average annualized volatility: 7.08%

Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.38

Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.78

R squared individual food items: rice: 0.88, groundnuts: 0.83, millet: 0.78, oil: 0.82, salt: 0.92, sugar: 0.88, beans: 0.72, bananas: 0.72, onions: 0.79, potatoes: 0.83, tomatoes: 0.65, milk: 0.73, cabbage: 0.59, carrots: 0.66, garlic: 0.75, tea: 0.78

F confidence score: 0.79

Imputation model: oil: linear, rice: nonlinear, salt: linear, sugar: linear, beans: linear, groundnuts: nonlinear, millet: nonlinear, bananas: linear, onions: linear, potatoes: linear, tomatoes: linear, milk: linear, cabbage: linear, carrots: linear, garlic: linear, tea: linear

Information on the model used for Guinea-Bissau (see working paper for more information)

Components: Oil (Vegetable, Imported) (1 L, Index Weight = 1), Rice (Imported) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Sugar (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Onions (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)

Currency: XOF

Number of markets used: 43

Number of markets covered: 45

Number of food items: 4

Number of observations: oil: 725, rice: 696, sugar: 753, onions: 574

Data coverage: 17.15%

Data coverage previous 12 months: 96.85%

Average annualized inflation: 3.04%

Maximum drawdown: -6.93%

Average annualized volatility: 3.28%

Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.34

Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.8

R squared individual food items: oil: 0.86, rice: 0.92, sugar: 0.8, onions: 0.75

F confidence score: 0.84

Imputation model: oil: linear, rice: linear, sugar: linear, onions: linear

Information on the model used for Haiti (see working paper for more information)

Components: Oil (Vegetable, Imported) (1 Gallon, Index Weight = 0.26), Sugar (White) (1 Marmite, Index Weight = 0.37), Wheat Flour (Imported) (1 Marmite, Index Weight = 0.37), Beans (Black) (1 Marmite, Index Weight = 0.37), Pasta (350 G, Index Weight = 2.86), Maize Meal (Local) (1 Marmite, Index Weight = 0.37)

Currency: HTG

Number of markets used: 9

Number of markets covered: 9

Number of food items: 6

Number of observations: oil: 827, sugar: 467, wheat_flour: 1506, beans: 920, pasta: 387, maize_meal: 1502

Data coverage: 56.15%

Data coverage previous 12 months: 29.63%
 Average annualized inflation: 8.56%
 Maximum drawdown: -28.17%
 Average annualized volatility: 10.85%
 Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.62
 Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.87
 R squared individual food items: wheat_flour: 0.81, maize_meal: 0.76, oil: 0.93, sugar: 0.88, beans: 0.87, pasta: 0.95
 F confidence score: 0.88
 Imputation model: oil: linear, sugar: linear, wheat_flour: nonlinear, beans: linear, pasta: linear, maize_meal: nonlinear

Information on the model used for Iraq (see working paper for more information)

Components: Bread (Khoboz) (1 Unit, Index Weight = 1), Oil (Vegetable) (1 L, Index Weight = 1), Rice (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Sugar (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Wheat Flour (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Beans (White) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Potatoes (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Tomatoes (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Milk (Powder) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Dates (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Tea (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Cheese (Local) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Lentils (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Salt (Iodised) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)
 Currency: IQD
 Number of markets used: 18
 Number of markets covered: 18
 Number of food items: 14
 Number of observations: bread: 1605, oil: 1415, rice: 1038, sugar: 1520, wheat_flour: 1514, beans: 812, potatoes: 841, tomatoes: 886, milk: 840, dates: 828, tea: 836, cheese: 841, lentils: 814, salt_iodised: 843
 Data coverage: 43.33%
 Data coverage previous 12 months: 96.89%
 Average annualized inflation: 0.64%
 Maximum drawdown: -14.49%
 Average annualized volatility: 3.39%
 Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.14
 Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.32
 R squared individual food items: bread: 0.98, oil: 0.94, rice: 0.94, sugar: 0.94, wheat_flour: 0.93, beans: 0.9, potatoes: 0.89, tomatoes: 0.88, milk: 0.89, dates: 0.74, tea: 0.9, cheese: 0.87, lentils: 0.85, salt_iodised: 0.85
 F confidence score: 0.91
 Imputation model: bread: nonlinear, oil: nonlinear, rice: nonlinear, sugar: nonlinear, wheat_flour: nonlinear, beans: linear, potatoes: linear, tomatoes: linear, milk: linear, dates: linear, tea: linear, cheese: linear, lentils: linear, salt_iodised: linear

Information on the model used for Lao PDR (see working paper for more information)

Components: Oil (Soybean) (1 L, Index Weight = 1), Rice (Glutinous, Second Quality) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Sugar (Brown) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Garlic (Small) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)
 Currency: LAK
 Number of markets used: 17
 Number of markets covered: 17
 Number of food items: 4
 Number of observations: oil: 1357, rice: 1671, sugar: 1330, garlic: 1295
 Data coverage: 52.95%
 Data coverage previous 12 months: 76.84%
 Average annualized inflation: 1.82%
 Maximum drawdown: -3.83%
 Average annualized volatility: 2.06%
 Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.1
 Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.35
 R squared individual food items: oil: 0.88, rice: 0.87, sugar: 0.88, garlic: 0.73
 F confidence score: 0.85
 Imputation model: oil: linear, rice: linear, sugar: linear, garlic: linear

Information on the model used for Lebanon (see working paper for more information)

Components: Bread (Pita) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Oil (Sunflower) (5 L, Index Weight = 0.2), Rice (Imported, Egyptian) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Salt (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Sugar (White) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Wheat Flour (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Beans (White) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Milk (Powder) (900 G, Index Weight = 1.11), Pasta (Spaghetti) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Cabbage (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Cucumbers (Greenhouse) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Tomatoes (Paste)

(1.3 KG, Index Weight = 0.77), Bulgur (Brown) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Cheese (Picon) (160 G, Index Weight = 6.25), Chickpeas (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Lentils (Red) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)
 Currency: LBP
 Number of markets used: 26
 Number of markets covered: 26
 Number of food items: 16
 Number of observations: bread: 2149, oil: 1667, rice: 2295, salt: 2040, sugar: 2285, wheat_flour: 1074, beans: 2269, milk: 2231, pasta: 2322, cabbage: 820, cucumbers: 757, tomatoes_paste: 1771, bulgur: 2351, cheese: 2236, chickpeas: 1604, lentils: 1159
 Data coverage: 56.73%
 Data coverage previous 12 months: 44.41%
 Average annualized inflation: 35.4%
 Maximum drawdown: -18.15%
 Average annualized volatility: 18.76%
 Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.84
 Average annual price correlation between markets: 1
 R squared individual food items: bread: 0.98, oil: 0.97, rice: 0.91, salt: 0.93, sugar: 0.93, beans: 0.91, milk: 0.98, pasta: 0.87, cabbage: 0.9, tomatoes_paste: 0.92, bulgur: 0.92, cheese: 0.96, wheat_flour: 0.76, cucumbers: 0.75, chickpeas: 0.72, lentils: 0.8
 F confidence score: 0.88
 Imputation model: bread: nonlinear, oil: nonlinear, rice: nonlinear, salt: nonlinear, sugar: nonlinear, wheat_flour: linear, beans: nonlinear, milk: nonlinear, pasta: nonlinear, cabbage: nonlinear, cucumbers: linear, tomatoes_paste: nonlinear, bulgur: nonlinear, cheese: nonlinear, chickpeas: linear, lentils: linear

Information on the model used for Liberia (see working paper for more information)

Components: Oil (Palm) (1 Gallon, Index Weight = 0.26), Rice (Imported) (50 KG, Index Weight = 0.02), Cassava (Fresh) (50 KG, Index Weight = 0.02), Cowpeas (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)
 Currency: LRD
 Number of markets used: 17
 Number of markets covered: 24
 Number of food items: 4
 Number of observations: oil: 1004, rice: 1388, cassava: 1052, cowpeas: 1077
 Data coverage: 25.73%
 Data coverage previous 12 months: 0%
 Average annualized inflation: 8.23%
 Maximum drawdown: -9.33%
 Average annualized volatility: 6.48%
 Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.22
 Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.38
 R squared individual food items: oil: 0.9, rice: 0.95, cassava: 0.84, cowpeas: 0.9
 F confidence score: 0.9
 Imputation model: oil: linear, rice: linear, cassava: linear, cowpeas: linear

Information on the model used for Mali (see working paper for more information)

Components: Rice (Local) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Beans (Niebe) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Groundnuts (Shelled) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Maize (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Millet (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Sorghum (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)
 Currency: XOF
 Number of markets used: 80
 Number of markets covered: 127
 Number of food items: 6
 Number of observations: rice: 9772, beans: 4948, groundnuts: 4463, maize: 7562, millet: 10492, sorghum: 9993
 Data coverage: 52.84%
 Data coverage previous 12 months: 76.67%
 Average annualized inflation: 4.46%
 Maximum drawdown: -25.21%
 Average annualized volatility: 7.86%
 Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.6
 Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.9
 R squared individual food items: rice: 0.95, maize: 0.86, millet: 0.88, sorghum: 0.89, beans: 0.62, groundnuts: 0.6
 F confidence score: 0.84

Imputation model: rice: nonlinear, beans: linear, groundnuts: linear, maize: nonlinear, millet: nonlinear, sorghum: nonlinear

Information on the model used for Mozambique (see working paper for more information)

Components: Oil (Vegetable, Local) (1 L, Index Weight = 1), Rice (Imported) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Sugar (Brown, Local) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Wheat Flour (Local) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Groundnuts (Small, Shelled) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Maize (White) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Cowpeas (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)

Currency: MZN

Number of markets used: 24

Number of markets covered: 95

Number of food items: 7

Number of observations: oil: 3211, rice: 3202, sugar: 3236, wheat_flour: 2269, groundnuts: 2074, maize: 3492, cowpeas: 2251

Data coverage: 61.17%

Data coverage previous 12 months: 32.16%

Average annualized inflation: 8.02%

Maximum drawdown: -30.53%

Average annualized volatility: 8.07%

Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.33

Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.87

R squared individual food items: oil: 0.92, rice: 0.91, sugar: 0.94, groundnuts: 0.83, maize: 0.91, cowpeas: 0.76, maize_meal: 0.9

F confidence score: 0.89

Imputation model: oil: nonlinear, rice: nonlinear, sugar: nonlinear, wheat_flour: linear, groundnuts: nonlinear, maize: nonlinear, cowpeas: nonlinear

Information on the model used for Myanmar (see working paper for more information)

Components: Oil (Palm) (1 L, Index Weight = 1), Pulses (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Rice (Low Quality) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)

Currency: MMK

Number of markets used: 33

Number of markets covered: 186

Number of food items: 3

Number of observations: oil: 2654, pulses: 2733, rice: 4251

Data coverage: 42.02%

Data coverage previous 12 months: 35.1%

Average annualized inflation: 4.7%

Maximum drawdown: -32.15%

Average annualized volatility: 9.23%

Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.28

Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.74

R squared individual food items: oil: 0.93, rice: 0.88, salt: 0.84

F confidence score: 0.89

Imputation model: oil: nonlinear, pulses: linear, rice: nonlinear

Information on the model used for Niger (see working paper for more information)

Components: Rice (Imported) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Maize (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Millet (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Sorghum (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)

Currency: XOF

Number of markets used: 68

Number of markets covered: 79

Number of food items: 4

Number of observations: rice: 9163, maize: 8292, millet: 10454, sorghum: 9197

Data coverage: 73.51%

Data coverage previous 12 months: 65.9%

Average annualized inflation: 3.2%

Maximum drawdown: -23.6%

Average annualized volatility: 8.96%

Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.49

Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.78

R squared individual food items: rice: 0.94, maize: 0.82, millet: 0.85, sorghum: 0.82

F confidence score: 0.87

Imputation model: rice: nonlinear, maize: nonlinear, millet: nonlinear, sorghum: nonlinear

Information on the model used for Nigeria (see working paper for more information)

Components: Oil (Palm) (750 ML, Index Weight = 1.33), Rice (Imported) (50 KG, Index Weight = 0.02), Salt (250 G, Index Weight = 4), Sugar (1.3 KG, Index Weight = 0.77), Groundnuts (Shelled) (100 KG, Index Weight = 0.01), Maize (White) (100 KG, Index Weight = 0.01), Millet (100 KG, Index Weight = 0.01), Sorghum (White) (100 KG, Index Weight = 0.01), Bananas (1.3 KG, Index Weight = 0.77), Maize Flour (1.3 KG, Index Weight = 0.77), Tomatoes (0.5 KG, Index Weight = 2), Cassava Meal (Gari, Yellow) (100 KG, Index Weight = 0.01), Cowpeas (White) (100 KG, Index Weight = 0.01), Milk (20 G, Index Weight = 50), Yam (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Oranges (400 G, Index Weight = 2.5), Watermelons (2.1 KG, Index Weight = 0.48), Gari (White) (100 KG, Index Weight = 0.01)

Currency: NGN

Number of markets used: 33

Number of markets covered: 35

Number of food items: 18

Number of observations: oil: 1006, rice: 1198, salt: 798, sugar: 841, groundnuts: 1225, maize: 1418, millet: 1299, sorghum: 1387, bananas: 964, maize_flour: 1034, tomatoes: 904, cassava_meal: 979, cowpeas: 1299, milk: 990, yam: 882, oranges: 982, watermelons: 1015, gari: 1170

Data coverage: 26.87%

Data coverage previous 12 months: 31.89%

Average annualized inflation: 4.38%

Maximum drawdown: -21.84%

Average annualized volatility: 5.4%

Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.45

Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.91

R squared individual food items: rice: 0.92, groundnuts: 0.91, maize: 0.91, millet: 0.9, sorghum: 0.91, cassava_meal: 0.91, cowpeas: 0.88, gari: 0.91, oil: 0.89, salt: 0.93, sugar: 0.99, bananas: 0.84, maize_flour: 0.97, tomatoes: 0.95, milk: 0.99, yam: 0.98, oranges: 0.94, watermelons: 0.95

F confidence score: 0.95

Imputation model: oil: linear, rice: nonlinear, salt: linear, sugar: linear, groundnuts: nonlinear, maize: nonlinear, millet: nonlinear, sorghum: nonlinear, bananas: linear, maize_flour: linear, tomatoes: linear, cassava_meal: nonlinear, cowpeas: nonlinear, milk: linear, yam: linear, oranges: linear, watermelons: linear, gari: nonlinear

Information on the model used for Somalia (see working paper for more information)

Components: Oil (Vegetable, Imported) (1 L, Index Weight = 1), Rice (Imported) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Maize (White) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Milk (Camel) (1 L, Index Weight = 1)

Currency: SOS

Number of markets used: 21

Number of markets covered: 29

Number of food items: 4

Number of observations: oil: 698, rice: 1817, maize: 2185, milk: 539

Data coverage: 32.55%

Data coverage previous 12 months: 36.75%

Average annualized inflation: 5.96%

Maximum drawdown: -42.35%

Average annualized volatility: 10.79%

Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.43

Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.75

R squared individual food items: rice: 0.89, maize: 0.88, sorghum: 0.87, milk: 0.41

F confidence score: 0.81

Imputation model: oil: linear, rice: nonlinear, maize: nonlinear, milk: linear

Information on the model used for South Sudan (see working paper for more information)

Components: Oil (Vegetable) (1 L, Index Weight = 1), Wheat Flour (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Beans (Red) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Groundnuts (Shelled) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Maize (White) (3.5 KG, Index Weight = 0.29), Millet (White) (3.5 KG, Index Weight = 0.29), Sorghum (White, Imported) (3.5 KG, Index Weight = 0.29), Sesame (3.5 KG, Index Weight = 0.29)

Currency: SSP

Number of markets used: 12

Number of markets covered: 24
 Number of food items: 8
 Number of observations: oil: 931, wheat_flour: 493, beans: 1193, groundnuts: 933, maize: 879, millet: 469, sorghum: 1158, sesame: 697
 Data coverage: 39.1%
 Data coverage previous 12 months: 56.16%
 Average annualized inflation: 39.65%
 Maximum drawdown: -57.86%
 Average annualized volatility: 32.91%
 Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.72
 Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.97
 R squared individual food items: wheat_flour: 0.89, beans: 0.88, groundnuts: 0.88, maize: 0.85, millet: 0.85, sorghum: 0.83, sesame: 0.86, oil: 0.84
 F confidence score: 0.87
 Imputation model: oil: linear, wheat_flour: nonlinear, beans: nonlinear, groundnuts: nonlinear, maize: nonlinear, millet: nonlinear, sorghum: nonlinear, sesame: nonlinear

Information on the model used for Sudan (see working paper for more information)

Components: Wheat (90 KG, Index Weight = 0.01), Millet (3.5 KG, Index Weight = 0.29), Sorghum (White) (90 KG, Index Weight = 0.01)
 Currency: SDG
 Number of markets used: 15
 Number of markets covered: 15
 Number of food items: 3
 Number of observations: wheat: 675, millet: 1899, sorghum: 1403
 Data coverage: 47.77%
 Data coverage previous 12 months: 43.52%
 Average annualized inflation: 51.14%
 Maximum drawdown: -26.22%
 Average annualized volatility: 22.33%
 Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.39
 Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.86
 R squared individual food items: millet: 0.93, sorghum: 0.94, wheat: 0.82
 F confidence score: 0.94
 Imputation model: wheat: linear, millet: nonlinear, sorghum: nonlinear

Information on the model used for Syrian Arab Republic (see working paper for more information)

Components: Bread (Bakery) (1.1 KG, Index Weight = 0.91), Oil (1 L, Index Weight = 1), Rice (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Sugar (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Wheat Flour (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Beans (White) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Bananas (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Potatoes (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Tomatoes (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Apples (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Dates (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Eggplants (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Yogurt (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Bulgur (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Cheese (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), ChickPeas (Yellow) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Lentils (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Salt (Iodised) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Parsley (1 Packet, Index Weight = 2)
 Currency: SYP
 Number of markets used: 56
 Number of markets covered: 97
 Number of food items: 19
 Number of observations: bread: 3684, oil: 3883, rice: 3134, sugar: 3943, wheat_flour: 3863, beans: 2542, bananas: 1892, potatoes: 2119, tomatoes: 2951, apples: 1986, dates: 2761, eggplants: 1993, yogurt: 2807, bulgur: 2598, cheese: 2764, chickpeas: 2746, lentils: 3852, salt_iodised: 2527, parsley: 2821
 Data coverage: 38.12%
 Data coverage previous 12 months: 82.1%
 Average annualized inflation: 32.1%
 Maximum drawdown: -22.64%
 Average annualized volatility: 15.39%
 Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.63
 Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.96
 R squared individual food items: bread: 0.95, oil: 0.95, rice: 0.91, sugar: 0.93, wheat_flour: 0.93, lentils: 0.91, beans: 0.83, bananas: 0.83, potatoes: 0.76, tomatoes: 0.85, apples: 0.84, dates: 0.86, eggplants: 0.82, yogurt: 0.82, bulgur: 0.85, cheese: 0.89, chickpeas: 0.77, salt_iodised: 0.82, parsley: 0.88

F confidence score: 0.87

Imputation model: bread: nonlinear, oil: nonlinear, rice: nonlinear, sugar: nonlinear, wheat_flour: nonlinear, beans: linear, bananas: linear, potatoes: linear, tomatoes: linear, apples: linear, dates: linear, eggplants: linear, yogurt: linear, bulgur: linear, cheese: linear, chickpeas: linear, lentils: nonlinear, salt_iodised: linear, parsley: linear

Information on the model used for Yemen, Rep. (see working paper for more information)

Components: Oil (Vegetable) (1 L, Index Weight = 1), Rice (Imported) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Salt (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Sugar (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Wheat (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Wheat Flour (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Beans (Kidney Red) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Onions (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Potatoes (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Tomatoes (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Peas (Yellow, Split) (1 KG, Index Weight = 1), Lentils (1 KG, Index Weight = 1)

Currency: YER

Number of markets used: 23

Number of markets covered: 23

Number of food items: 12

Number of observations: oil: 1591, rice: 1498, salt: 1521, sugar: 1620, wheat: 1878, wheat_flour: 1185, beans: 1649, onions: 1809, potatoes: 1779, tomatoes: 1800, peas: 1263, lentils: 1525

Data coverage: 42.5%

Data coverage previous 12 months: 81.16%

Average annualized inflation: 11.21%

Maximum drawdown: -26.49%

Average annualized volatility: 11.99%

Average monthly price correlation between markets: 0.58

Average annual price correlation between markets: 0.79

R squared individual food items: wheat: 0.75, wheat_flour: 0.81, oil: 0.73, rice: 0.81, salt: 0.77, sugar: 0.79, beans: 0.82, onions: 0.7, potatoes: 0.73, tomatoes: 0.6, peas: 0.51, lentils: 0.76

F confidence score: 0.74

Imputation model: oil: linear, rice: linear, salt: linear, sugar: linear, wheat: nonlinear, wheat_flour: nonlinear, beans: linear, onions: linear, potatoes: linear, tomatoes: linear, peas: linear, lentils: linear

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Monthly estimates of food prices and inflation by country

Cases: 4625

Variables: 8

Variables

ID	Name	Label	Question
V001	Open	Monthly food price estimate (open)	
V002	High	Monthly food price estimate (high)	
V003	Low	Monthly food price estimate (low)	
V004	Close	Monthly food price estimate (close)	
V005	Inflation	Monthly estimate of food price inflation	
V006	country	Country name	
V007	ISO3	Country name	
V008	date	Date of estimate (month/day/year)	

Total: 8

OPEN: Monthly food price estimate (open)

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HIGH: Monthly food price estimate (high)

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LOW: Monthly food price estimate (low)

Data file: RTFP_country_2022-05-25.csv

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CLOSE: Monthly food price estimate (close)

Data file: RTFP_country_2022-05-25.csv

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INFLATION: Monthly estimate of food price inflation

Data file: RTFP_country_2022-05-25.csv

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COUNTRY: Country name

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ISO3: Country name

Data file: RTFP_country_2022-05-25.csv

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DATE: Date of estimate (month/day/year)

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Documentation

Reports

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Other materials

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Global Food Prices Database (WFP)

Title	Global Food Prices Database (WFP)
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Filename	https://data.humdata.org/organization/wfp?vocab_Topics=prices
