



This price bulletin was developed by researchers at IFPRI Malawi with the goal of providing clear and accurate information on the weekly variation of retail prices for selected agricultural commodities that are important for food security and nutrition in Malawi. The reports are intended as a resource for those interested in agricultural markets and food security in Malawi.

Highlights

- Average retail prices of chicken and goat increased by 4 and 8 percent respectively while eggs prices decreased by 2 percent during July 2021.
- Average retail prices of fresh chambo and fresh mlamba increased by 16 and 2 percent respectively while prices for fresh micheni and fresh usipa decreased by 5 and 10 percent respectively.
- Average retail prices of dried chambo, dried micheni and dried usipa decreased by 2 to 11 percent while prices of dried mlamba increased by 2 percent.

Livestock and Livestock Products

Figure 1. Regional average retail prices (MWK/unit) of Chicken, Eggs and Goat Meat during July 2021

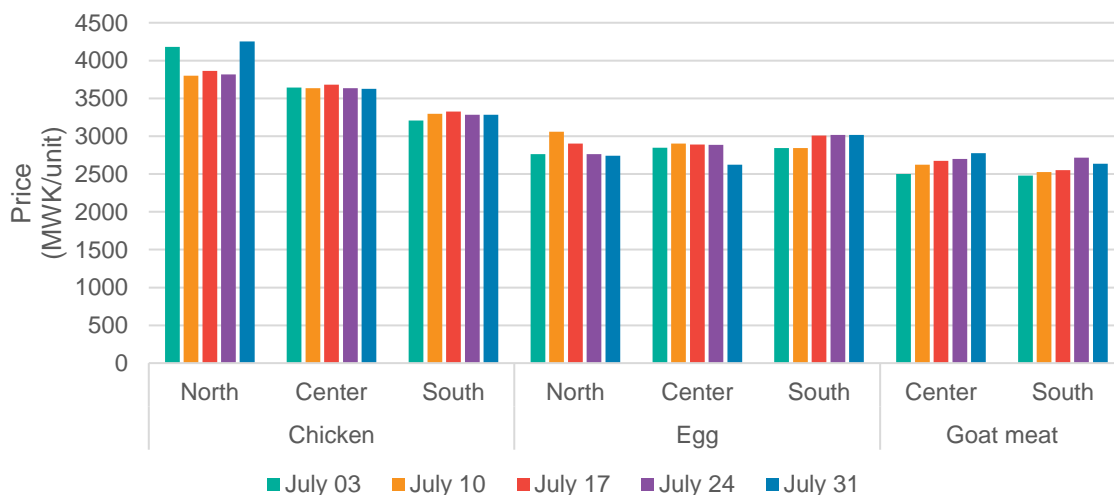
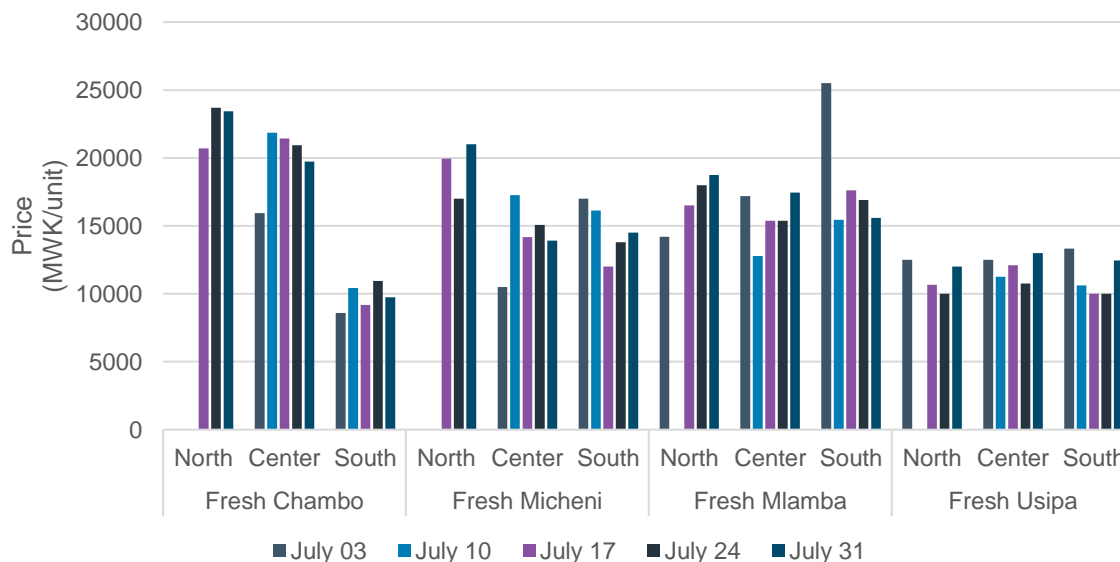


Table 1. Retail prices of livestock and livestock products (MWK/unit) during July 2021

Market	Chicken						Egg						Goat meat						Change since June 26		
	June 26	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31	June 26	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31	June 26	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31	Chicken	Egg	Goat meat
North																					
Chitipa-boma	4250	4792	4063	4405	4155	4155	-	-	3450	3450	3150	3000	-	-	-	-	-	-	↓2%	↓13%	-
Jenda	3625	3625	3500	3500	3483	4000	2350	2350	2350	2467	2375	2417	-	-	-	-	-	-	↑10%	↑3%	-
Karonga-boma	-	-	-	-	-	5000	3000	3000	3150	2700	2650	2650	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↓12%	-
Mzuzu	4125	4125	3922	3867	3922	4325	2700	2700	2800	2650	2600	2725	-	-	-	-	-	-	↑5%	↑1%	-
Center																					
Chimbiya	-	-	-	-	-	-	3075	3075	3050	3100	3100	3050	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	-	↓1%	⇒0%
Mchinji	3575	3413	3683	3579	3633	3617	2600	2600	2600	2633	2633	1823	-	-	-	-	-	-	↑1%	↓30%	-
Mitundu	-	-	3000	3000	3000	3000	2800	2800	3000	3000	3000	3000	-	-	2667	2733	2767	2867	⇒0%	⇒0%	-
Salima-boma	3875	3875	3875	4125	3950	3950	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↑2%	-	-
Salima-kamuzu road	-	-	-	-	-	-	2888	2888	2888	2850	2825	2800	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↓3%	-
South																					
Balaka	3125	3125	3333	3250	3167	3167	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	↓5%	⇒0%	⇒0%
Bangula	-	-	-	-	-	-	2800	2800	2800	2800	2800	2800	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	⇒0%	-
Lunzu	3350	3350	3275	3350	3350	3350	3100	-	-	3100	3100	3100	-	-	-	-	-	-	⇒0%	⇒0%	-
Mangochi	3233	3233	3233	3500	3500	3500	3000	3000	3000	3600	3600	3600	2400	2400	2600	2600	2600	2800	↑8%	↑20%	↑8%
Ngabu	-	-	-	-	-	-	2725	2725	2725	2888	2925	2925	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↑7%	-
Bvumbwe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2600	2600	2600	2600	2600	2600	-	-	⇒0%
Chiringa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2500	2500	2500	2600	3100	2767	-	-	↑11%
Liwonde	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2500	2500	2500	2500	2750	2600	-	-	↑4%
Mwanza	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2400	2400	2400	2400	2400	2500	-	-	↑4%
All markets	3659	3749	3599	3646	3601	3797	2840	2825	2930	2933	2899	2784	2480	2480	2553	2581	2713	2673	↑4%	↓2%	↑8%

Note: Chickens are priced per live chicken; eggs are priced per tray (tray = 30 eggs); goat meat is priced per kg; - = commodity not monitored or prices not reported from this market.

Figure 2. Retail prices of fresh Chambo, fresh Micheni, fresh Mlamba and fresh Usipa (MWK/unit) during July 2021



Note: Chambo, mlamba and micheni (dried and fresh) are priced per dozen; usipa (dried and fresh) is priced per 5-liter bucket

Table 2. Retail prices of fresh Chambo and fresh Micheni (MWK/unit) during July 2021

Market	Fresh Chambo						Fresh Micheni						Change since June 26	
	June 26	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31	June 26	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31	Fresh Chambo	Fresh Micheni
North														
Mzuzu	-	-	-	27000	22500	20305	-	-	-	28800	18000	24000	↓ -25%	↓ -17%
Ngara	-	-	-	30000	27000	30000	-	-	-	18000	12000	15000	→ 0%	↓ -17%
Tukombo	-	-	-	16200	16200	16200	-	-	-	15000	14000	15000	→ 0%	→ 0%
Center														
Area 2 fish market	23400	14900	21000	20167	21875	21125	10500	10500	19500	14056	15900	13575	↓ -29%	↑ 29%
Kasungu boma	-	18000	18000	18000	18000	18000	-	-	15000	15000	15000	15000	→ 0%	→ 0%
Nkhotakota boma	-	-	25050	25050	20550	17850	-	-	15000	14000	14000	14000	↓ -29%	↓ -7%
Salima-kamuzu road	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
South														
Limbe	16050	8750	11875	12000	18600	18000	13500	13500	12000	12000	12000	12000	↑ 12%	↓ -11%
Liwonde	6000	9000	7083	6400	9267	6690	-	-	9000	6000	9000	9000	↑ 12%	-
Lunzu	15000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mbulumbuzi	11610	9000	9000	9300	6750	7500	18000	18000	18000	-	18000	18000	↓ -17%	→ 0%
Songani	6800	6000	10200	9000	9000	6900	18000	18000	18000	18000	18000	18000	↑ 15%	→ 0%
Zomba market	15200	9000	18000	-	-	9000	21000	21000	24000	-	-	-	→ 0%	↑ 14%
All markets	14867	10425	14236	18094	17919	17225	15375	15375	16607	14935	14644	14565	↑ 16%	↓ -5%

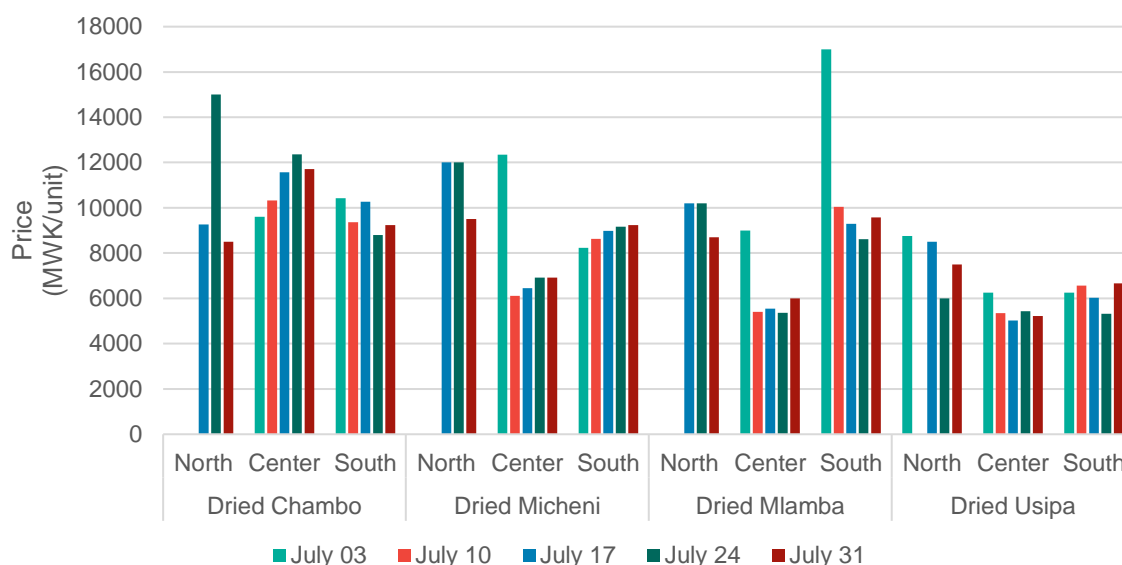
Note: Chambo and Micheni are priced per dozen fish; - = prices not reported from this market.

Table 3. Retail prices of fresh Mlamba and fresh Usipa (MWK/unit) during July 2021

Market	Fresh Mlamba						Fresh Usipa						Change since June 26	
	June 26	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31	June 26	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31	Fresh Mlamba	Fresh Usipa
North														
Mzuzu	-	16400	-	18000	-	19500	-	12500	-	10000	10000	12667	↑ 19%	↑ 1%
Ngara	-	12000	-	12000	18000	18000	-	12500	-	10000	10000	10000	↑ 50%	↓ -20%
Tukombo	-	-	-	24000	18000	18000	-	-	-	12000	-	12000	↓ -25%	→ 0%
Center														
Area 2 fish market	-	-	9840	9840	9840	-	12500	12500	11250	12167	13000	13000	→ 0%	↑ 4%
Kasungu boma	-	-	9200	9200	9200	12000	-	-	-	-	-	-	↑ 30%	-
Nkhotakota boma	15000	17200	16940	19280	19280	19280	15000	12500	11250	12000	10000	13000	↑ 29%	↓ -13%
Salima-kamuzu road	10933	-	-	-	-	-	12500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
South														
Limbe	-	-	33000	34500	34500	24000	-	-	10000	10000	10000	13000	↓ -27%	↑ 30%
Liwonde	-	-	8333	13000	10500	9300	-	-	10000	10000	10000	12500	↑ 12%	↑ 25%
Mbulumbuzi	-	-	12000	6000	7500	12000	15000	15000	10000	10000	10000	13000	→ 0%	↓ -13%
Songani	17200	-	19100	21000	15100	15300	15000	-	11250	10000	10000	11875	↓ -11%	↓ -21%
Zomba market	-	-	-	-	-	24000	-	-	12500	-	-	12500	-	→ 0%
All markets	16571	17857	14124	16699	16539	16936	13750	12750	10865	10962	10231	12411	↑ 2%	↓ -10%

Note: Mlamba is priced per dozen; Usipa is priced per 5 litre pail; - = prices not reported from this market..

Figure 3. Retail prices of dried Chambo, dried Micheni, dried Mlamba and dried Usipa (MWK/unit), July 2021



Note: Chambo, mlamba and micheni (dried and fresh) are priced per dozen; usipa (dried and fresh) is priced per 5-liter bucket

Table 4. Retail prices of dried Chambo and dried Micheni (MWK/unit) during July 2021

Market	Dried Chambo						Dried Micheni						Change since June 26	
	June 26	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31	June 26	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31	Dried Chambo	Dried Micheni
North														
Mzuzu	-	-	-	9267	15000	8500	-	-	-	12000	12000	9500	↓ -8%	↓ -21%
Ngara	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tukombo	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Center														
Area 2 fish market	-	9600	9600	9600	-	-	14900	14900	7200	7200	-	-	↔ 0%	↓ -52%
Kasungu boma	-	-	9600	9600	9600	9325	7250	7250	6600	7083	8000	8000	↓ -3%	↑ 10%
Nkhotakota boma	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salima-kamuzu road	-	-	12000	16500	16500	16500	-	-	4200	4200	4200	4200	↑ 38%	↔ 0%
South														
Limbe	12667	12667	10000	17550	-	12375	7750	7750	7500	8500	8700	9133	↓ -2%	↑ 18%
Liwonde	6200	6200	9200	8467	8200	7500	9000	9000	6800	8267	8267	8267	↑ 21%	↓ -8%
Mbulumbuzi	9000	9000	14500	13700	11700	11700	9000	9000	12000	9250	7500	9333	↑ 30%	↑ 4%
Mulanje boma	8030	8030	7200	7000	8083	8083	8200	8200	7867	8200	8200	8200	↑ 1%	↔ 0%
Songani	18000	18000	9000	9000	9000	9000	6000	6000	7500	8000	9000	8000	↓ -50%	↑ 33%
Zomba market	9200	9200	6900	7800	7800	7200	9000	9000	9000	12000	12800	12800	↓ -22%	↑ 42%
All markets	11220	10368	9783	10535	10215	9979	8888	9006	7368	8275	8629	8671	↓ -11%	↓ -2%

Note: Chambo and Micheni are priced per dozen; - = prices not reported from this market.

Table 5. Retail prices of dried Mlamba and dried Usipa (MWK/unit) during July 2021

Market	Dried Mlamba						Dried Usipa						Change since May 23	
	June 26	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31	June 26	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31	Dried Mlamba	Dried Usipa
North														
Mzuzu	-	-	-	10200	10200	8700	-	8750	-	8500	6000	7500	↓ -15%	↓ -0.1
Ngara	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tukombo	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Center														
Area 2 fish market	-	9000	6000	6000	-	-	6500	6500	4750	4750	-	-	↓ -33%	↓ -27%
Kasungu boma	-	-	6000	6000	6000	6000	6500	5750	5833	5250	5600	5300	↔ 0%	↓ -18%
Nkhotakota boma	-	-	-	-	-	-	8750	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salima-kamuzu road	-	-	4000	4400	4400	6000	-	-	5000	4500	5000	5000	↑ 50%	↔ 0%
South														
Limbe	-	13500	12500	9833	11500	11417	6250	6667	7667	9667	-	10833	↓ -15%	↑ 73%
Liwonde	4800	-	4800	7600	6000	7000	-	-	5750	4167	4500	5000	↑ 46%	↓ -13%
Mbulumbuzi	-	-	7667	9500	7300	8500	5250	5250	7167	8250	6500	8833	↑ 11%	↑ 68%
Mulanje boma	8233	-	9200	8440	7827	9027	-	-	5833	4875	4875	5000	↑ 10%	↓ -14%
Songani	18000	18000	18000	12000	12000	12000	-	-	6000	5333	6000	5833	↓ -33%	↓ -3%
Zomba market	8000	21000	6000	6000	8400	8400	-	-	7000	5000	5500	5000	↑ 5%	↓ -29%
All markets	8482	15857	8022	8234	7959	8688	6635	6635	6028	5888	5395	6357	↑ 2%	↓ -4%

Note: Mlamba are priced per dozen; Usipa is priced per 5 litre pail; - = prices not reported from this market.

How data were collected

With financial support from the European Union, IFPRI Malawi began monitoring retail prices of selected legumes, roots and tubers, and non-maize cereals* in selected markets in October 2020. Currently, prices are collected from 44 markets across the country, with monitoring occurring once per week. Three monitors report prices from each market. Data is collected by means of automated short message service (SMS) with follow-ups made by telephone the next day if needed. The commodities monitored are being phased-in, starting with legumes, root crops and other cereals, and then expanding to include livestock products and fish by the end of March 2021. Note that the number of markets monitored vary by commodity because major markets are targeted in areas where these commodities are widely produced.

* daily retail prices for maize are available from our [monthly maize market reports](#)



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