

Sudan | Joint Market Monitoring Initiative (JMMI)

4 - 17 May 2026

MARKET OVERVIEW

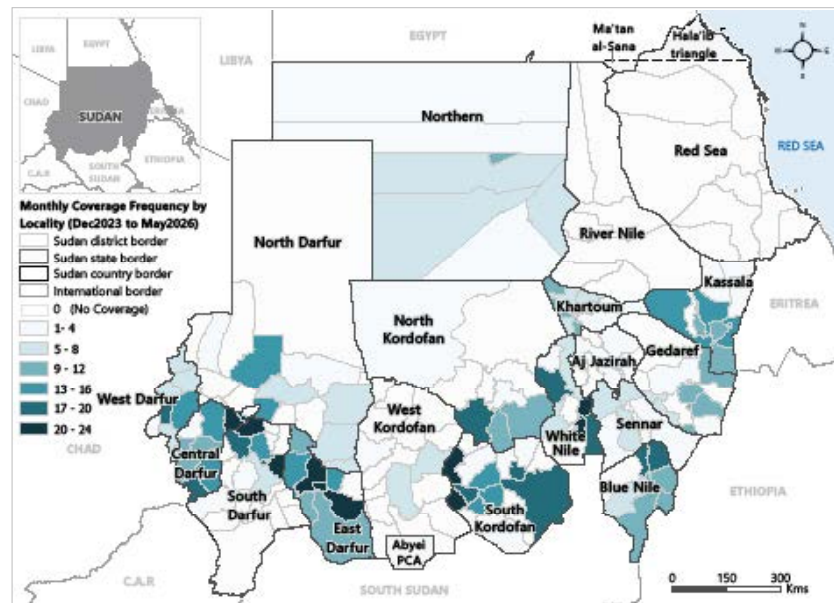
INTRODUCTION

Given the rapidly changing humanitarian context in Sudan, the Joint Market Monitoring Initiative (JMMI) was established under the guidance of the Sudan Cash Working Group (CWG) to inform cash-based interventions and to gain a deeper understanding of market dynamics in the country. The JMMI aims to inform market-based programming in Sudan through monthly monitoring of prices of selected food and non-food items (NFI) as well as other critical market indicators.

Marketplaces across Sudan are assessed through two different channels: (i) in some state capitals, prices of food items are monitored by the World Food Programme (WFP), (ii) in other locations, prices and other critical market indicators are recorded every month by JMMI partners through interviews with purposively sampled retailers. Data for the latest round of the JMMI was collected from 4th to 17th May 2026.

11	Participating agencies	1,741	Key Informant Interviews (KIs)
15	Assessed states	19	Commodities assessed
61	Localities		

Map1: Coverage Frequency by locality, Dec23 - May26



KEY INDICATORS

Cost of MEB 551,046 SDG 174 USD* Change since April 2026 ▲ 10,371 SDG +2%	Cost of MEB with top-up items 648,157 SDG 204 USD Change since April 2026 ▲ 36,482 SDG +6%	Exchange rate* USD/SDG 3,170 SDG Change since April 2026 ▼ 184 SDG -5%
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* Based on the exchange rate provided by the Bank of Khartoum.

KEY FINDINGS

- **The national Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB) without top-up increased by 2%** compared to April (540,675 SDG), **reaching 551,046 SDG**. The highest observed values were recorded in **Northern state** (624,548 SDG) and **South Kordofan state** (608,299 SDG).
- **At the district level, the highest Total MEB values (without top-up) were observed in Reifi Gharb Kassala, Kassala** (753,309 SDG), **Um Bada, Khartoum** (734,523 SDG) and **Abassiya, South Kordofan** (724,453 SDG).
- The median cost of **food items** in the national MEB registered **an increase of 3%** from April (257,521 SDG), reaching **265,890 SDG**. This is driven by a price increase of some key food items, notably, **cow meat (+17%), goat meat (+17%), onions (+12%), milk (+12%), sorghum (+10%) and sugar (+3%)**. **The most expensive food components** in the MEB were recorded in **Um Bada, Khartoum** (436,005 SDG) and **Reifi Gharb Kassala, Kassala** (422,162 SDG).
- The national MEB **household items without top-up increased by 2%** since April (124,317 SDG), **reaching 126,483 SDG**, driven by a price increase of **gas refill (+8%)**. **The highest-cost household items without top-up** in the MEB were observed in **Delami, South Kordofan** (218,000 SDG), **Heiban, South Kordofan** (218,000 SDG) and **At Tawisha, North Darfur** (218,000 SDG).
- **The median cost of hygiene items in the national MEB recorded a 0.4% decrease** since April (43,190 SDG), reaching 43,025 SDG. **The highest hygiene item costs were recorded in Assalaya, East Darfur** (68,150 SDG), **Um Kadadah, North Darfur** (65,379 SDG) and **Delami, South Kordofan** (64,900 SDG).
- Overall, markets were found to be functional, with **4 localities** (out of 57) recording a market functionality score below average (less than 50 out of 100), notably in **Kadugli (37), Dilling (37), and Delami (48) in South Kordofan state**, and in **Abu Jabrah (45) in East Darfur state**. Additionally, more than half of the assessed localities (59%) scored below average in the **resilience pillar, indicating challenges in the supply chain and restocking**.

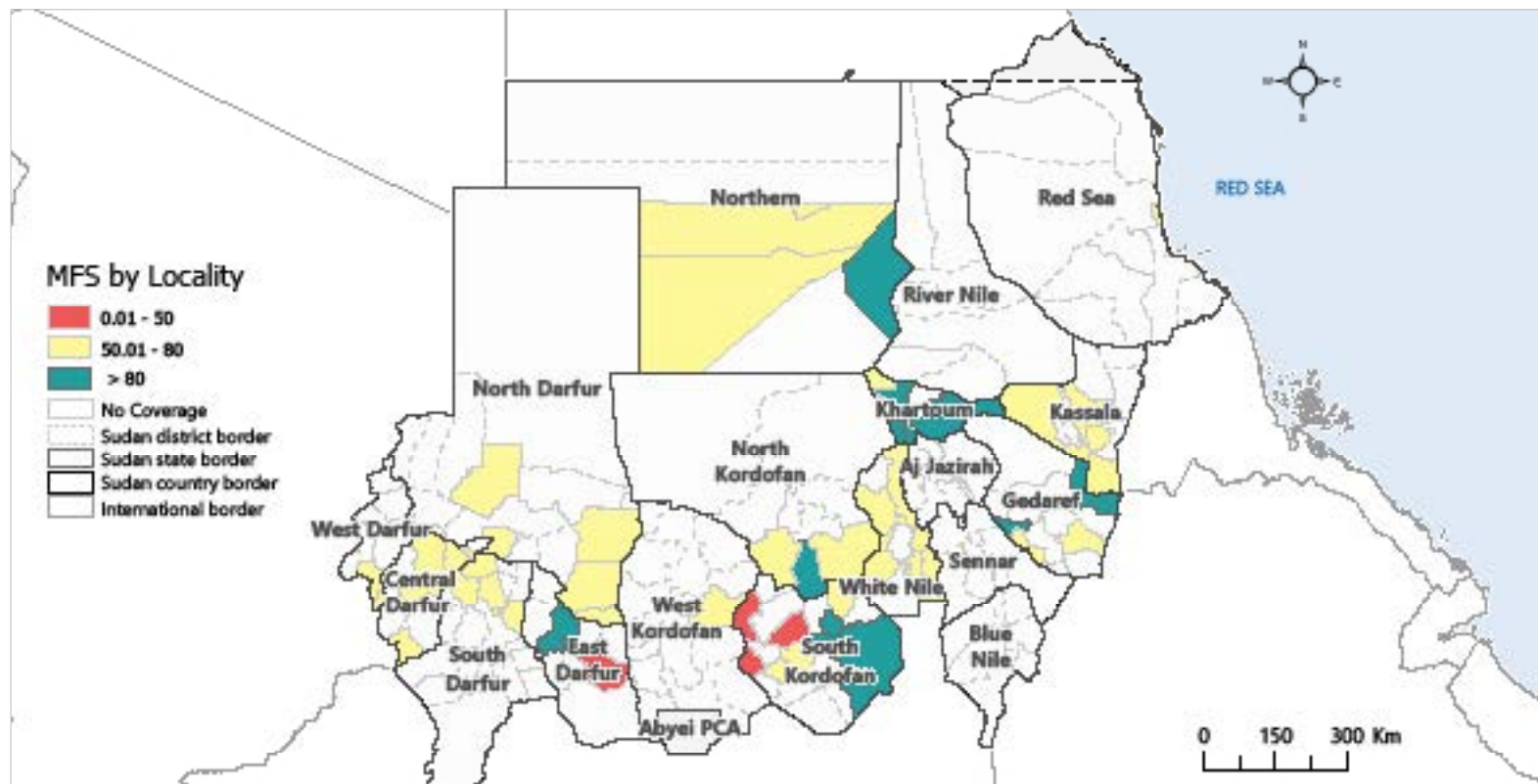


Market Functionality Score (MFS)*

The Market Functionality Score (MFS) is a method of classifying markets based on their level of functionality, helping aid actors understand which markets function well enough to support cash and voucher assistance (CVA) and which may require alternative interventions. The MFS is divided into five dimensions:

- **Accessibility (25%):** physical and social access to markets
- **Availability (30%):** ability of markets to consistently supply core commodities
- **Affordability (15%):** financial access to markets and price volatility
- **Resilience (20%):** vulnerability of supply chains and ease of restocking
- **Infrastructure (10%):** state of markets' physical and financial infrastructure

Map2: MFS by locality



Key Findings

- Overall, the assessed markets indicated an **above-average functionality outlook**, with 4 out of 57 localities reporting an MFS score of less than 50 out of 100: **Kadugli**, South Kordofan: **37**; **Dilling**, South Kordofan: **37**; **Abu Jabrah**, East Darfur: **45**; and **Delami**, South Kordofan: **48**.
- **More than half of the localities (53/57)** scored 52 or above, indicating generally functional markets despite contextual constraints.

- **Resilience** is among the most prevalent constraint across assessed markets, with a majority of localities (**36 out of 61; 59%**) recording a below-average score (< 10/20), indicating vulnerability to supply chain disruptions and limited vendor replenishment capacity due to breakdowns in supply chains.
- **Affordability** follows as market functionality challenge, with a substantial proportion of localities (**29 out of 61; 48%**) recording a below-average score (< 8/15), highlighting limited access to financial services and high

price volatility.

- **Accessibility** scores are overall above average (> 14/25), although it is worth noting that **6 out of 61 localities** recorded a below-average score, indicating persistent physical and/or security-related access constraints. These localities include Kadugli, Dilling, Delami and Heiban in South Kordofan; Abu Jabrah in East Darfur; and Kutum in North Darfur
- **Availability** and **Infrastructure** pillars recorded generally above-average scores across the assessed localities.

* MFS scores per pillar and locality illustrated in the tables in the Appendix (page 11).

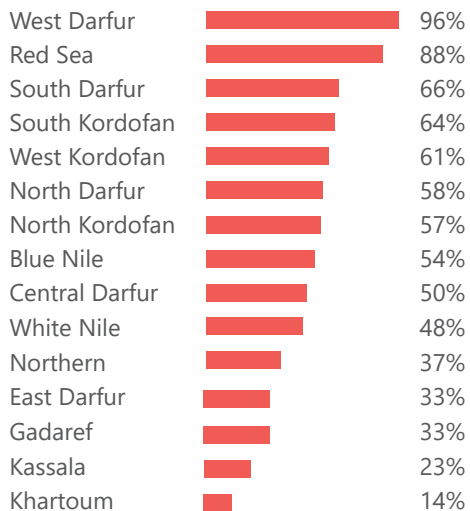
Market Functionality

- A large majority of interviewed vendors (86%) reported limited physical barriers to accessing marketplaces. A substantial proportion of vendors in South Kordofan (67%) reported physical access constraints due to ongoing conflict. In contrast, vendors in East Darfur (33%) and Blue Nile (33%) primarily cited physical barriers related to limited transportation options.
- Half of the vendors (50%) reported financial challenges affecting customers' access to markets. The most commonly cited issues were unaffordability of goods (26%), liquidity constraints (24%), and limited access to multiple payment modalities (23%).
- A large majority of interviewed vendors (85%) reported limited security-related barriers to accessing marketplaces.
- Nearly half of vendors (49%) reported difficulties in maintaining business operations and keeping their stock levels adequate.
- One in five vendors (20%) reported difficulties in obtaining sufficient stock to meet customer demand. The main reasons cited were lack of funds to purchase adequate inventory (55%), disrupted supply routes due to domestic transport restrictions (32%), and increased demand (22%).
- Overall, 89% of vendors reported charging the same price regardless of payment modality. Among the 11% who reported price differences, the majority were located in South Kordofan (72 out of 104; 69%), followed by North Darfur (12 out of 35; 34%).

Most reported payment modalities accepted by vendors the month before data collection (multiple selection)



% of interviewed vendors reporting financial challenges limiting travelling to their market or buying the goods they sell



% of interviewed vendors reporting security factors having a negative impact on their business/customers/work



Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB)

The MEB represents the minimum culturally adjusted group of items required to support a six-person Sudanese household for one month. The MEB's contents were defined by the CWG & MEB technical group in consultation with relevant sector leads.

Food Items

Product	Unit ²	Quantity in MEB ³
Sorghum	1 kilogram (kg)	81 kg
Onions	1 kilogram (kg)	9 kg
Veg oil	1 liter (L)	4.5 L
Milk	1 liter (L)	4.5 L
Cow meat	1 kilogram (kg)	0.9 kg
Goat meat	1 kilogram (kg)	0.9 kg
Dried tomatoes	1 kilogram (kg)	4.5 kg
Sugar	1 kilogram (kg)	7.2 kg

Household & hygiene NFIs

Product	Unit ²	Quantity in MEB ³
LPG* refill	12.5 kg	12.5 kg**
Water refill	20 liters (L)	20 L
Body soap	125 grams (g)	12 bars
Tooth paste	100 milliliters	1 tube
toothbrush	1 piece (pc)	1 piece
Laundry soap	200 grams (g)	6 bars
Liquid dish	600 milliliters	1 bottle
Sanitary pads	8 pieces	3 packages

² Measurements taken using local units, then converted into kilograms/liters for each product considered.

³ Quantity designed to reflect the minimum needs of a six-person household in Sudan for one month.

* Liquefied petroleum gas

** LPG refill (12.5 KG) represents a quarterly expense which is equivalent to approximately 4.2 KG s per month.

Fixed costs (lump sums)

While not monitored monthly, the calculation of the MEB also encompasses fixed costs, accounting for essential household expenditures. The present fixed costs are determined from WFP data collected as part of the Food Security Assessment, between January and April 2025. The current lump sums have been applied to the MEB calculation as of May 2025.

HH Expenditure	Cost
Medical expenses	56,322 SDG
Education	20,579 SDG
Clothes	13,398 SDG
Transportation	11,638 SDG
Communication	8,232 SDG
Energy for lighting	5,478 SDG

Top-up items

Although not considered components of the MEB, as they constitute one-time purchases for households, prices of water containers and gas cylinders are being monitored monthly, with the aim of assessing costs associated with displacement or a loss of household assets.

Product	Unit ²	Quantity in Top-up
LPG* Cylinder	12.5 kg	1 kg
Water Container	20 liters (L)	20 L



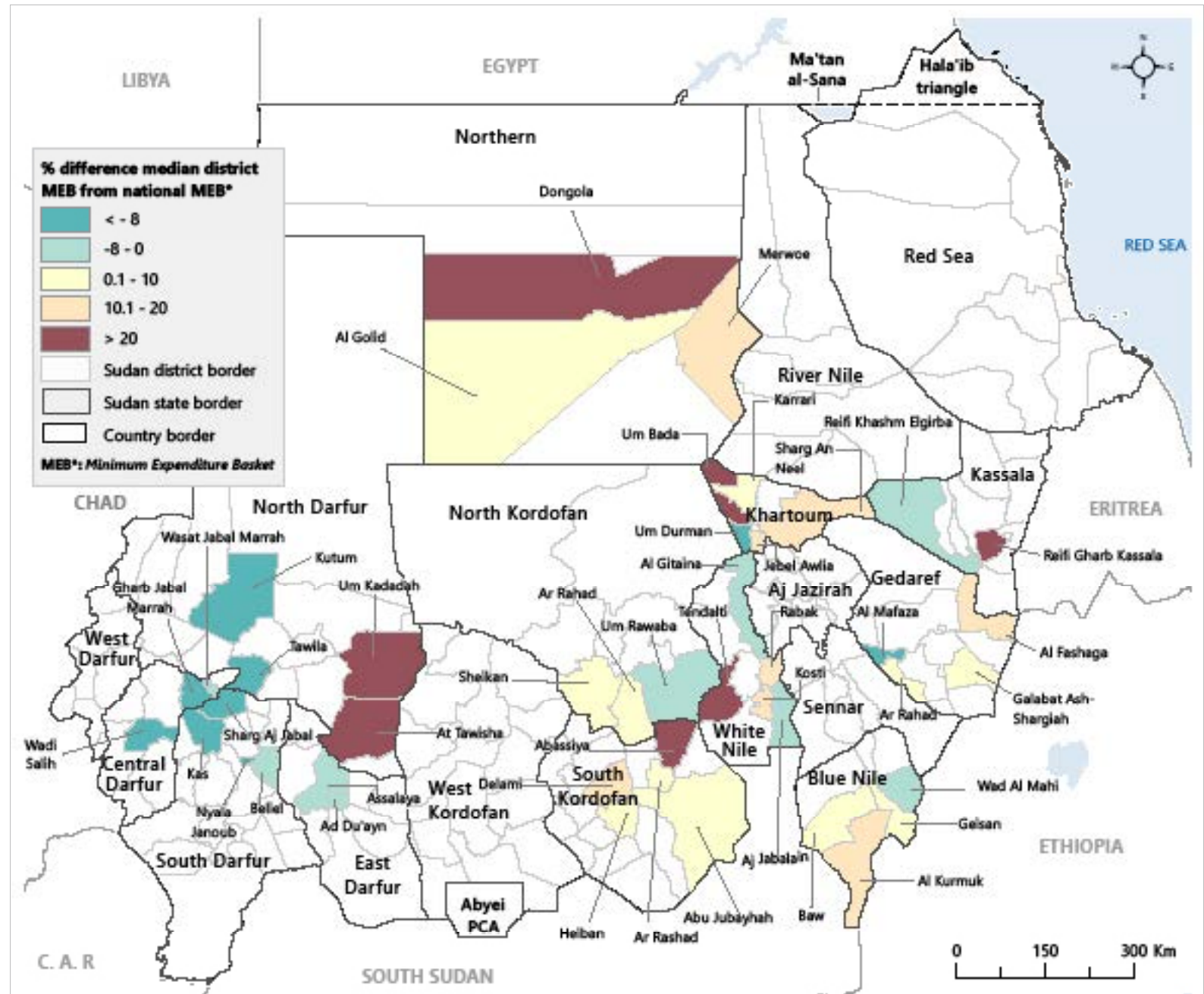
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May 2026 MEB key findings

- The **national MEB** without top-up items **increased by 2% compared to April 2026**, while remaining **25% higher** than in May 2025, indicating an **overall MEB upward trend** over the past year.
- The month-on-month increase of MEB (without top-up) was primarily driven by price increases of the **food (+3%) and household (+2%) components** of the MEB between April and May 2026.
- In May 2026, **Northern state registered the highest MEB without top-up items (624,548 SDG), recording an increase of 8%** from April 2026 (578,840 SDG). The difference from the national MEB without top-up items for Northern state in April 2026 was recorded at +13%.
- At locality level, the highest MEB values (without top-up) were observed in **Reifi Gharb Kassala (753,309 SDG)** in Kassala state, **Um Bada (734,523 SDG)** in Khartoum state, and **Abassiya (724,453 SDG)** in South Kordofan state. These values were 37%, 33%, and 32%, higher than the national MEB, respectively.
- Finally, the **highest month-on-month variances** across the assessed localities, were registered in **At Tawisha, North Darfur (+32%)** and **Um Bada, Khartoum (+30%)**.

Map3: % difference of locality level median MEB from national median MEB



Availability of food items

Overall, interviewed vendors reported **limited to no availability of some key monitored food items**, notably **fresh milk (39%), dried tomatoes (31%) and goat meat (23%)**. In parallel, 20% of vendors across the assessed localities reported **difficulties in obtaining some key commodities**, particularly **onions (31%), sugar (26%), and sorghum (25%)**. At the state level, more than 40% of the interviewed vendors reported **limited to no availability** of a majority of key food commodities in **Blue Nile (7/8), West Darfur (5/8) and West Kordofan (4/8)**.

Evolution of prices

At the national level, the median **cost of the food components in the MEB increased by 3%** (8,370 SDG) between April (257,521 SDG) and May (265,890 SDG). At the state level, the **highest recorded food MEB** was in **Khartoum (354,876 SDG)**, followed by **White Nile (323,116 SDG)**, and **Kassala (311,537 SDG)**. The largest month-on-month **increases** were observed in **Khartoum (+37%), North Darfur (+20%), and West Kordofan (+16%)**. Food price evolution varied across localities, with **the highest MEB food costs observed in Um Bada, South Kordofan (436,005 SDG) and Reifi Gharb Kassala, Kassala (422,162 SDG)**. The difference from the national food MEB was **+64%** and **+59%**, in the two localities, respectively.

The increase in the food MEB was primarily **driven by increases in cow meat (17%), goat meat (17%), onions (12%), fresh milk (12%), sorghum (10%) and sugar (2%)**. At the state level, compared to April 2026 **sorghum** prices have surged sharply in **Khartoum (+88%), West Kordofan (+39%), North Darfur (+33%) and South Darfur (+29%)**. Similarly, **onions** prices have significantly increased in **East Darfur (+304%)**,

North Darfur (+56%), Kassala (+39%) and Red Sea (+33%). **Goat meat** prices have increased in all states, except **West Kordofan**, where they decreased, or remained unchanged in **North and Central Darfur**. **Red Sea** registered a significant increase in **goat meat prices (+60%)**, while **West Kordofan** recorded a **38% rise in cow meat prices**. Finally, the highest increase in **fresh milk prices** was observed in **North Darfur (+38%)**.

Average stock and restock period reported by the vendors

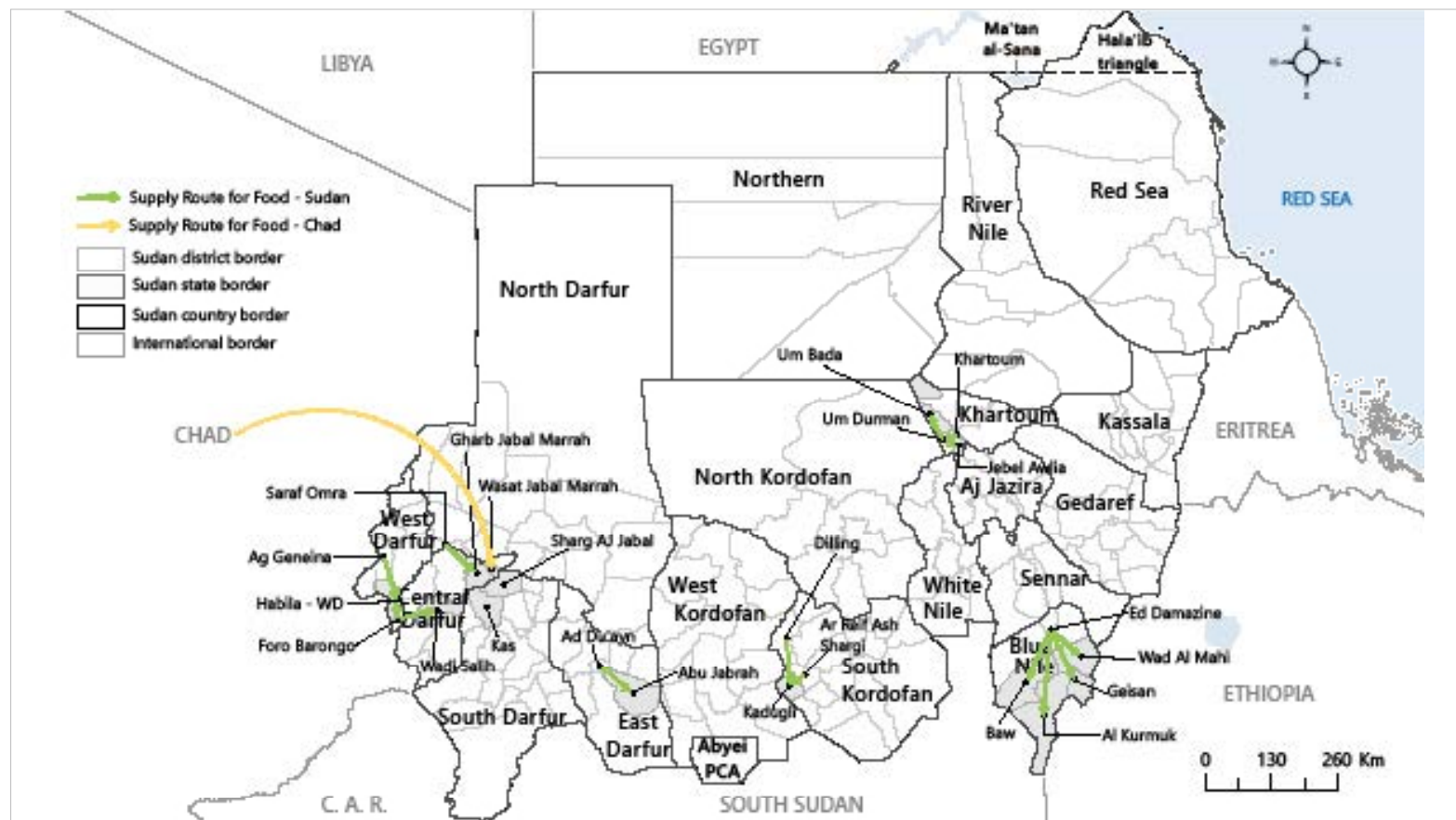


5 days
Average time reported by vendors to **stock food items**.



1 day
Average time reported by vendors to **restock food items**.

Map4: Main supply routes for food items (from supplier to vendor)



Availability of NFIs

In May, a majority of vendors reported **limited to no availability** of **LPG cylinder** (70%), **LPG refill** (68%), and **water containers** (33%). In parallel, 20% of vendors across the assessed localities reported **difficulties in obtaining some key commodities**, particularly **liquid dish soap** (61%), **sanitary pads** (51%), and **body soap** (50%).

At the state level, more than 40% of the interviewed vendors reported **limited to no availability** of a majority of key NFIs in **Blue Nile (10/10)**, **West Darfur (6/10)** and **South Kordofan (5/10)**.

Evolution of NFI prices

At the national level, the median cost of the **household MEB without top-up increased by 2%** (2,167 SDG), between April (124,317 SDG) and May (126,483 SDG) 2026. The increase is driven by a price increase of **gas refill (8%)**.

At the state level, the **highest recorded household items MEB** was in **Northern** (158,167 SDG), followed by **South Kordofan** (154,833 SDG), and **North Darfur** (154,833 SDG). The **highest month-on-month increases** in the **household MEB** were observed in **North Kordofan (+33%)**, and **North Darfur (+16%)**.

In parallel, the **hygiene component of the MEB decreased by 0.4%** in between April (43,190 SDG) and May (43,025 SDG) 2026.

At the state level, the **highest hygiene MEB** was observed in **South Kordofan** (62,750 SDG), **East Darfur** (58,825 SDG) and **North Darfur** (58,481 SDG).

The highest **month-on-month increases** in the **hygiene MEB** were observed in **West Kordofan (+22%)**, and **Northern** (+15%).

At the state level, the **highest NFIs MEB (household and hygiene components, combined) without top-up** were recorded in **South Kordofan, North Darfur** and **Northern**. Finally, the highest **month-on-month increase** in the **NFIs MEB (no top-up)** was registered in **North Kordofan (+22%)**.

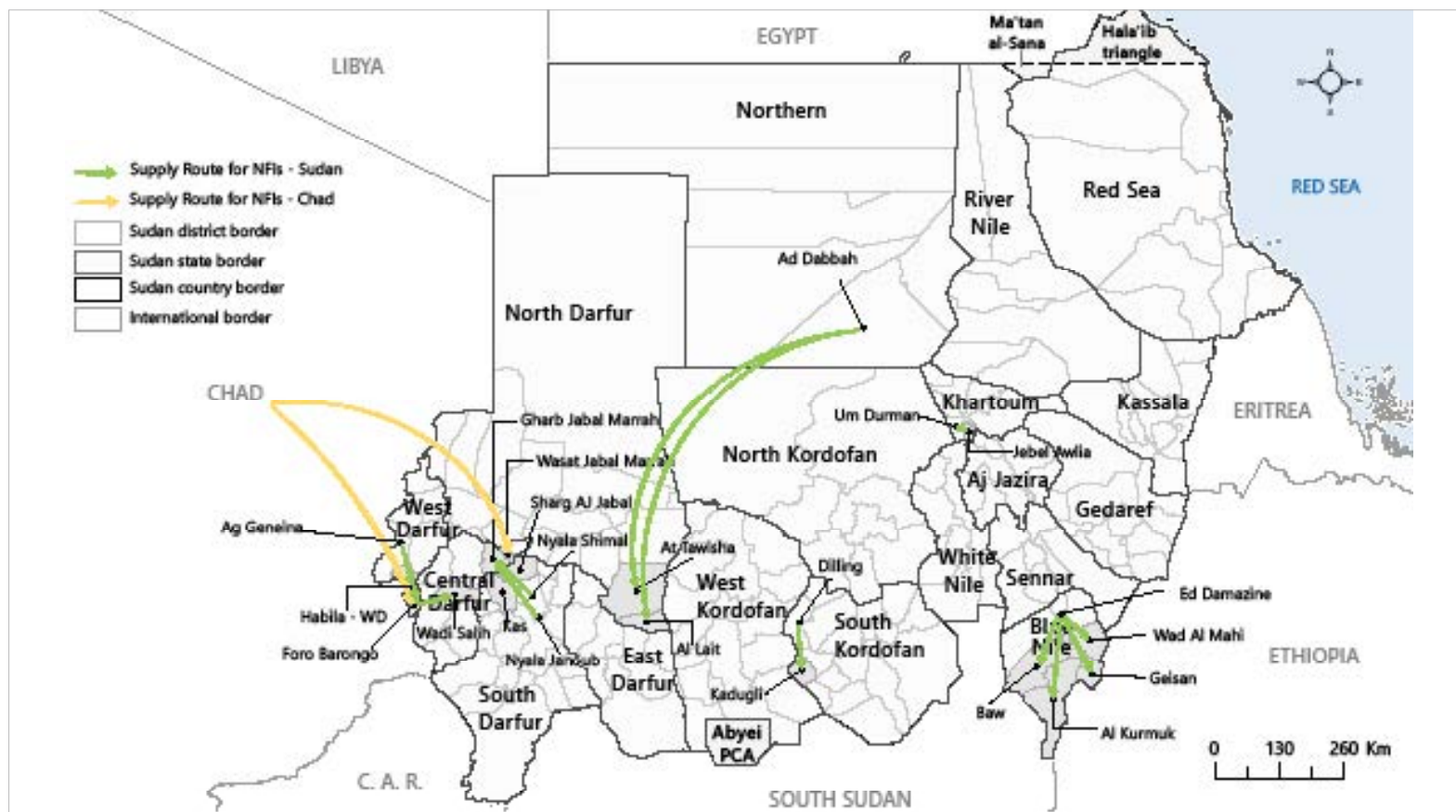
% of interviewed vendors reporting limited to no availability of NFI commodities at time of data collection:

Gas cylinder	70%
Gas refill	68%
Water container	33%
Sanitary pads	32%
Liquid dish soap	28%
Body soap	23%

Reported time required by vendors to stock and restock household NFIs and hygiene NFIs at the time of data collection:

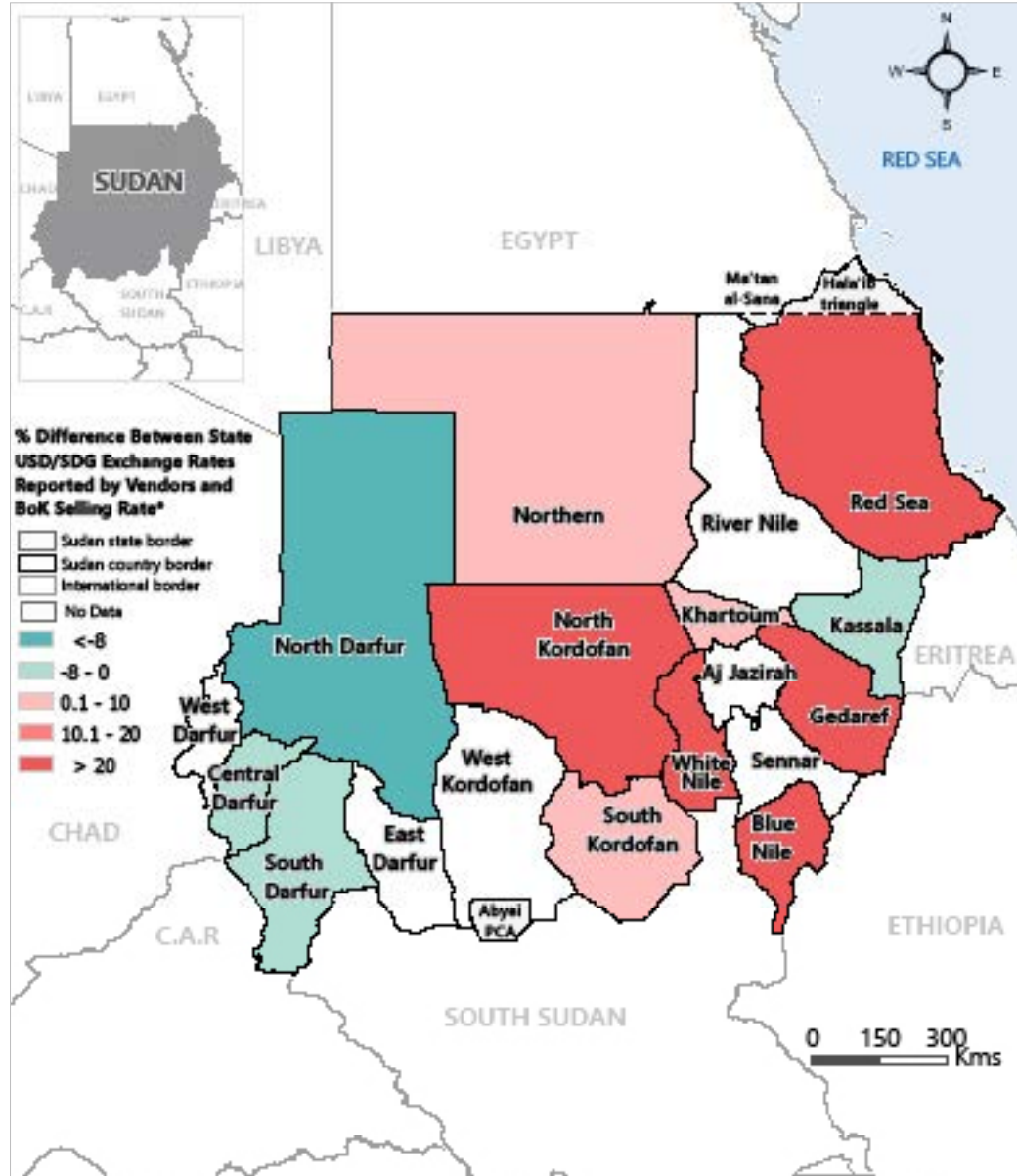
	Household NFIs	Hygiene NFIs
Stock	8 days	10 days
Restock	2 days	1 days

Map5: Main supply routes for NFIs (from supplier to vendor)



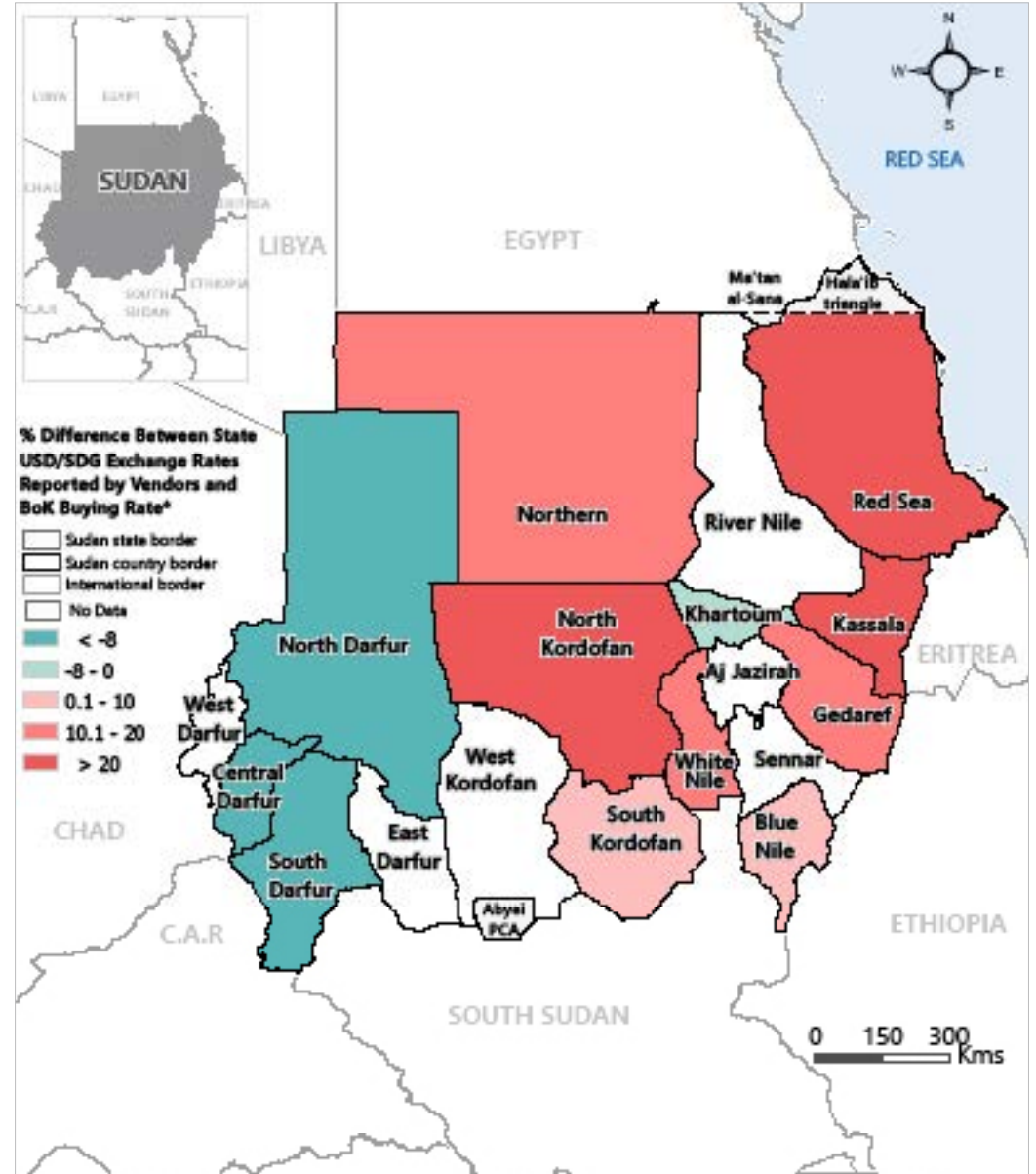
% difference between state-level and Bank of Khartoum exchange rates*

Map5: Sell Rates



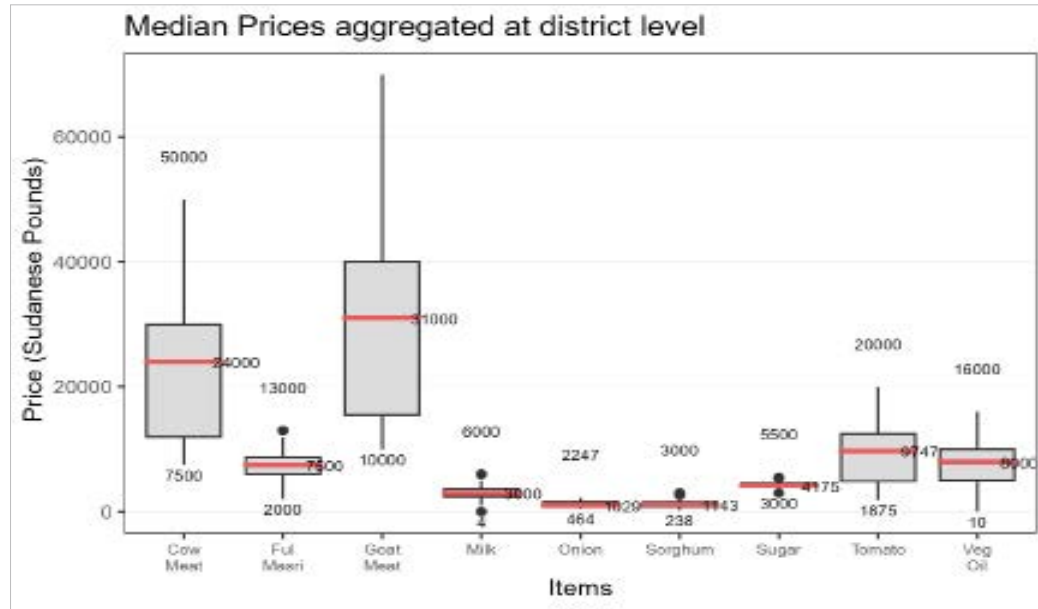
*Bank of Khartoum selling rate at the time of reporting

Map6: Buy Rates

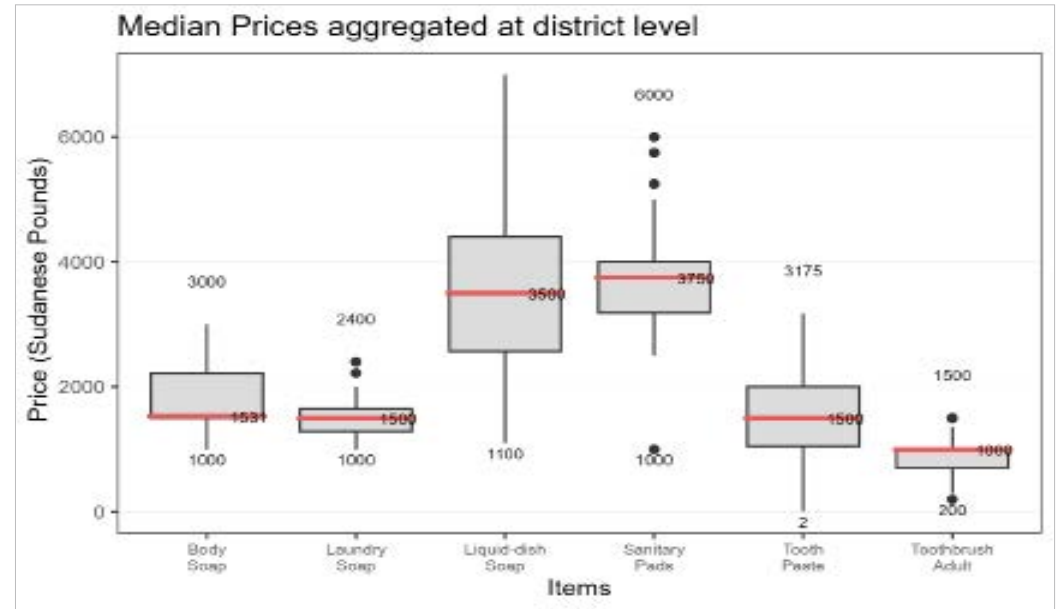


*Bank of Khartoum Buying rate at the time of reporting

Distribution of prices Food Items



Hygiene Items (NFIs)



Household Items (NFIs)



MEB by locality

Location	Median MEB cost (SDG)	% change since Apr 2026	Median MEB with top-up (SDG)	Median MEB with top-up (USD)
Khartoum				
Jebel Awlia	623,341	▲ 21	667,341	211
Karrari	595,150	▲ 27	778,400	246
Sharg An Neel	658,824	-	716,824	226
Um Bada	734,523	▲ 30	835,023	263
Um Durman	372,057	▼ -9	520,057	164
North Darfur				
At Tawisha	690,735	▲ 32	803,235	253
Kutum	420,655	-	528,155	167
Tawila	476,498	▲ 8	584,998	185
Um Kadadah	667,609	▲ 14	778,234	245
South Darur				
Beliel	508,790	-	619,040	195
Kas	496,815	-	607,815	192
Nyala Janoub	504,191	▲ 4	615,191	194
Sharg Aj Jabal	481,625	▲ 2	593,625	187
East Darfur				
Ad Du'ayn	529,844	▲ 5	637,094	201
Assalaya	531,780	▲ 5	641,030	202
Central Darfur				
Gharb Jabal Marrah	414,770	-	527,270	166
Wadi Salih	442,782	▲ 1	543,282	171
Wasat Jabal Marrah	523,401	▲ 10	635,901	201
South Kordofan				
Abassiya	724,453	▲ 3	779,453	246
Abu Jubayhah	605,193	▲ 7	704,693	222
Ar Rashad	584,626	-	684,126	216
Delami	621,528	▲ 1	730,028	230
Heiban	597,733	-	702,233	222
Blue Nile				
Al Kurmuk	656,240	▲ 7	764,740	241
Baw	572,385	-	672,885	212
Geisan	579,737	▲ 19	674,612	213
Wad Al Mahi	538,815	-	637,315	201
White Nile				
Aj Jabalain	520,179	▲ 20	625,179	197
Al Gitaina	524,385	▼ -6	596,385	188
Kosti	616,840	▲ 7	697,340	220
Rabak	614,859	▲ 3	681,859	215
Tendalti	683,147	▲ 16	783,647	247
Kassala				
Reifi Gharb Kassala	753,309	▲ 25	882,754	278
Reifi Khashm Elgirba	508,863	▼ -6	670,863	212

Location	Median MEB cost (SDG)	% change since Apr 2026	Median MEB with top-up (SDG)	Median MEB with top-up (USD)
Gedaref				
Al Fashaga	633,859	▲ 7	730,803	231
Al Mafaza	505,348	▲ 1	602,848	190
Ar Rahad	575,679	▼ -5	703,679	222
Galabat Ash-Shargiah	598,851	▲ 15	696,351	220
North Kordofan				
Ar Rahad	582,517	▲ 17	680,017	215
Sheikan	592,682	▼ -6	660,459	208
Um Rawaba	528,749	▼ -2	609,749	192
Northern				
Al Golid	573,545	▲ 26	771,545	243
Dongola	663,909	▲ 19	821,909	259
Merwoe	623,012	▲ 12	768,512	242
Overall	551,046	▲ 2%	648,157	204

MEB - Food Items

Location	Median Food cost (SDG)	% change since Apr 2026	Median food cost in (USD)
Khartoum			
Jebel Awlia	385,194	▲ 44	122
Karrari	280,048	▲ 13	88
Sharg An Neel	378,894	- -	120
Um Bada	436,005	▲ 54	138
Um Durman	170,967	▼ -36	54
North Darfur			
At Tawisha	297,813	▲ 29	94
Kutum	200,908	- -	63
Tawila	205,220	▲ 8	65
Um Kadadah	331,583	▲ 17	105
South Darur			
Beliel	210,843	- -	67
Kas	195,168	- -	62
Nyala Janoub	226,794	▲ 3	72
Sharg Aj Jabal	177,078	▼ -10	56
East Darfur			
Ad Du'ayn	223,197	▲ 2	70
Assalaya	211,883	▲ 1	67
Central Darfur			
Gharb Jabal Marrah	148,283	- -	47
Wadi Salih	168,035	▼ -7	53
Wasat Jabal Marrah	194,454	▼ -14	61
South Kordofan			
Abassiya	363,431	- 0	115
Abu Jubayhah	286,190	- 0	90
Ar Rashad	278,988	▲ 7	88
Delami	222,981	▼ -3	70
Heiban	210,086	- -	66
Blue Nile			
Al Kurmuk	324,193	▲ 7	102
Baw	273,857	- -	86
Geisan	290,090	▲ 6	92
Wad Al Mahi	285,803	- -	90
White Nile			
Aj Jabalain	240,782	▲ 22	76
Al Gitaina	315,418	▲ 4	100
Kosti	323,293	▲ 7	102
Rabak	324,424	▲ 2	102
Tendalti	392,990	▲ 23	124
Kassala			
Reifi Gharb Kassala	422,162	▲ 25	133
Reifi Khashm Elgirba	275,416	▼ -5	87

Location	Median Food cost (SDG)	% change since Apr 2026	Median food cost in (USD)
Gedaref			
Al Fashaga	342,162	▲ 5	108
Al Mafaza	265,667	▼ -7	84
Ar Rahad	293,882	▼ -7	93
Galabat Ash-Shargiah	313,035	▲ 28	99
North Kordofan			
Ar Rahad	302,420	▲ 6	95
Sheikan	303,585	▼ -14	96
Um Rawaba	280,736	▼ -5	89
Northern			
Al Golid	275,548	▲ 9	87
Dongola	375,320	▲ 18	118
Merwoe	306,277	▲ 7	97
Overall	265,890	▲ 3%	84

MEB - NFIs

Location	Median NFIs cost (SDG)	% change since Apr 2026		Median NFIs with top-up (SDG)	Median NFIs with top-up (USD)
Khartoum					
Jebel Awlia	122,500	▼	-2	166,500	53
Karrari	199,455	▲	52	382,705	121
Sharg An Neel	164,283	-	-	222,283	70
Um Bada	182,870	▲	17	283,370	89
Um Durman	85,444	▲	23	233,444	74
North Darfur					
At Tawisha	277,275	▲	50	389,775	123
Kutum	104,100	-	-	211,600	67
Tawila	155,631	▲	12	264,131	83
Um Kadadah	220,379	▲	18	331,004	104
South Darur					
Beliel	182,300	-	-	292,550	92
Kas	186,000	-	-	297,000	94
Nyala Janoub	161,750	▲	7	272,750	86
Sharg Aj Jabal	188,900	▲	11	300,900	95
East Darfur					
Ad Du'ayn	191,000	▲	9	298,250	94
Assalaya	204,250	▲	9	313,500	99
Central Darfur					
Gharb Jabal Marrah	150,840	-	-	263,340	83
Wadi Salih	159,100	▲	8	259,600	82
Wasat Jabal Marrah	213,300	▲	39	325,800	103
South Kordofan					
Abassiya	245,375	▲	8	300,375	95
Abu Jubayhah	203,356	▲	17	302,856	96
Ar Rashad	189,991	▼	-5	289,491	91
Delami	282,900	▲	5	391,400	123
Heiban	272,000	-	-	376,500	119
Blue Nile					
Al Kurmuk	216,400	▲	10	324,900	102
Baw	182,881	-	-	283,381	89
Geisan	174,000	▲	48	268,875	85
Wad Al Mahi	137,366	-	-	235,866	74
White Nile					
Aj Jabalain	163,750	▲	29	268,750	85
Al Gitaina	93,320	▼	-24	165,320	52
Kosti	177,900	▲	11	258,400	82
Rabak	174,787	▲	5	241,787	76
Tendalti	174,511	▲	16	275,011	87
Kassala					
Reifi Gharb Kassala	215,500	▲	35	344,944	109
Reifi Khashm Elgirba	117,800	▼	-9	279,800	88

Location	Median NFIs cost (SDG)	% change since Apr 2026		Median NFIs with top-up (SDG)	Median NFIs with top-up (USD)
Gedaref					
Al Fashaga	176,050	▲	14	272,994	86
Al Mafaza	124,033	▲	12	221,533	70
Ar Rahad	166,150	▼	-5	294,150	93
Galabat Ash-Shargiah	170,169	▲	8	267,669	84
North Kordofan					
Ar Rahad	164,450	▲	45	261,950	83
Sheikan	173,450	▲	5	241,228	76
Um Rawaba	132,367	▲	2	213,367	67
Northern					
Al Golid	182,350	▲	57	380,350	120
Dongola	172,942	▲	29	330,942	104
Merwoe	201,088	▲	23	346,588	109
Overall	169,508	▲	1	266,619	84

MARKET FUNCTIONALITY SCORE (MFS) PER LOCALITY*

Location	Accessibility	Availability	Affordability	Resilience	Infrastructure	TOTAL SCORE
Max Score	25	30	15	20	10	100
Khartoum						
Jebel Awlia	25	24	9	18	10	86
Karrari	25	26	8	20	10	89
Khartoum	25	22	9	14	10	80
Sharg An Neel	25	24	9	20	10	88
Um Bada	25	24	3	8	9	68
Um Durman	25	27	12	11	10	86
North Darfur						
Al Lait	25	23	5	8	8	69
At Tawisha	25	22	5	9	9	69
Kutum	10	22	9	11	7	60
Tawila	25	24	5	17	8	79
Um Kadadah	15	20	3	8	9	54
South Darfur						
Beliel	25	24	7	11	8	75
Kas	25	24	4	20	7	80
Nyala Janoub	21	24	4	9	7	64
Nyala Shimal	25	27	3	7	8	70
Sharg Aj Jabal	25	24	4	20	7	80
West Darfur						
Foro Baranga	18	18	3	8	7	53
Habila - WD	15	22	4	5	7	52
East Darfur						
Abu Jabrah	9	23	6	1	7	45
Ad Du'ayn	25	27	11	13	7	83
Assalaya	25	27	11	11	7	82
Central Darfur						
Gharb Jabal Marrah	25	24	7	9	9	73
Um Dukhun	22	21	3	5	7	58
Wadi Salih	25	23	5	9	7	68
Wasat Jabal Marrah	21	22	3	9	7	62
Zalingi	21	20	9	7	7	63
South Kordofan						
Abassiya	15	25	4	-	9	52
Abu Jubayyah	25	24	10	20	7	85
Ar Rashad	25	24	12	11	9	80
Delami	9	22	2	8	7	48
Dilling	6	16	3	5	8	37
Heiban	12	24	6	9	7	56
Kadugli	1	17	2	8	9	37
Um Durein	25	22	11	4	7	69

Location	Accessibility	Availability	Affordability	Resilience	Infrastructure	TOTAL SCORE
Max Score	25	30	15	20	10	100
Blue Nile						
Al Kurmuk	na	18	3	4	na	na
Baw	na	22	5	7	na	na
Geisan	na	24	7	10	na	na
Wad Al Mahi	na	15	9	20	na	na
White Nile						
Ad Diwaim	25	20	12	-	9	66
Aj Jabalain	25	24	7	10	9	76
Al Gitaina	25	26	9	10	10	80
Kosti	25	27	5	8	10	75
Rabak	25	24	4	17	10	79
Tendalti	25	21	8	13	9	77
Red Sea						
Port Sudan	24	26	4	5	10	68
Kassala						
Reifi Aroma	25	20	10	6	9	69
Reifi Gharb Kassala	25	24	9	4	10	72
Reifi Khashm Elgirba	22	9	13	6	7	57
Reifi Wad Elhilaiw	25	26	6	7	10	73
Gedaref						
Al Fashaga	25	27	8	14	10	84
Al Mafaza	25	26	12	13	10	85
Ar Rahad	25	20	9	13	10	77
Galabat Ash-Shargiah	25	24	4	9	8	69
North Kordofan						
Ar Rahad	25	25	3	20	9	82
Sheikan	25	26	9	9	10	78
Um Rawaba	25	25	9	7	10	76
Northern						
Al Burgaig	25	21	8	1	10	65
Al Golid	25	27	9	3	8	72
Dongola	25	26	3	3	10	67
Merwoe	25	26	8	20	10	89
West Kordofan						
As Sunut	21	22	8	3	7	60

*Below-average scores for the different pillars and MFS have been highlighted in red.



MEDIAN FOOD ITEM PRICES PER LOCALITY (in SDG)

Location	Sorghum	Onions	Veg oil	Milk	Cow meat	Goat meat	Tomato	Sugar
Unit	1kg	1kg	1L	1kg	1kg	1kg	1kg	1kg
Khartoum								
Jebel Awlia	2,286	714	11,000	3,600	32,000	-	-	3,800
Karrari	1,000	1,143	10,000	3,600	30,000	-	-	4,000
Khartoum	-	714	10,000	-	32,000	40,000	-	4,000
Sharg An Neel	2,286	714	10,000	3,200	32,000	-	-	3,800
Um Bada	3,000	1,571	10,000	3,600	24,000	30,000	-	3,500
Um Durman	800	464	10	4	30,000	40,000	2,250	4,000
North Darfur								
Al Lait	1,429	-	5,000	6,000	12,000	15,500	9,494	-
At Tawisha	1,714	2,247	5,000	2,000	12,000	14,000	10,000	5,393
Kutum	800	2,000	4,583	-	10,000	10,000	7,472	4,494
Tawila	800	2,000	6,500	3,300	12,000	13,000	4,494	4,944
Um Kadadah	2,000	1,798	5,833	5,000	15,500	15,500	8,427	5,393
South Darfur								
Beliel	1,286	1,573	2,350	1,900	10,250	13,500	4,125	4,650
Kas	1,343	507	1,850	1,900	8,250	12,500	4,125	3,850
Nyala Janoub	1,143	1,143	5,000	3,000	12,000	16,000	6,742	4,500
Nyala Shimal	1,429	1,429	-	4,000	12,000	20,000	7,500	-
Sharg Aj Jabal	1,086	471	1,750	1,900	10,500	13,500	3,375	4,400
West Darfur								
Foro Baranga	1,200	2,000	7,292	-	12,500	18,000	3,371	4,494
Habila - WD	1,000	1,800	3,500	3,750	10,000	14,000	12,500	4,494
East Darfur								
Abu Jabrah	2,214	2,135	-	-	10,500	14,250	-	4,950
Ad Du'ayn	1,314	-	2,050	3,300	12,250	16,350	5,375	4,650
Assalaya	1,100	1,100	3,300	2,700	11,650	13,600	5,875	5,100
Central Darfur								
Gharb Jabal Marrah	600	571	1,200	-	8,000	12,000	5,618	4,494
Um Dukhun	714	1,750	6,667	-	14,000	20,000	8,989	-
Wadi Salih	750	750	5,000	1,000	12,000	15,000	3,750	4,494
Wasat Jabal Marrah	737	2,000	5,833	-	8,000	13,000	5,000	4,944
Zalingi	1,875	1,000	2,000	-	14,000	19,000	2,500	4,494
South Kordofan								
Abassiya	-	1,000	12,000	4,000	35,000	40,000	20,000	4,494
Abu Jubayhah	714	1,071	10,000	4,000	24,000	40,000	14,607	4,494
Ar Rashad	857	1,143	10,000	2,400	24,000	32,000	13,483	4,500
Delami	571	1,143	8,000	4,000	13,000	16,000	12,500	-
Dilling	1,714	-	15,000	-	17,000	30,000	-	-
Heiban	238	1,143	10,000	5,000	16,000	20,000	11,236	-
Kadugli	2,286	1,714	16,000	-	50,000	70,000	-	-
Um Durein	786	-	6,500	3,500	12,000	19,500	12,921	5,000

Location	Sorghum	Onions	Veg oil	Milk	Cow meat	Goat meat	Tomato	Sugar
Unit	1kg	1kg	1L	1kg	1kg	1kg	1kg	1kg
Blue Nile								
Al Kurmuk	1,471	1,429	13,500	3,600	32,000	32,000	4,000	5,500
Baw	1,143	1,143	10,000	3,000	28,000	40,000	5,000	4,000
Geisan	929	1,057	11,000	3,800	30,000	36,000	11,236	4,000
Wad Al Mahi	857	1,000	10,000	-	26,000	40,000	13,483	4,000
White Nile								
Ad Diwaim	-	857	10,000	3,000	-	-	-	4,500
Aj Jabalain	1,286	857	4,750	3,000	28,000	32,000	2,500	4,000
Al Gitaina	1,429	714	9,750	2,400	32,000	40,000	10,000	4,000
Kosti	1,429	714	10,000	2,800	26,000	39,000	12,500	4,000
Rabak	1,500	857	10,000	3,000	24,000	35,000	12,500	3,800
Tendalti	2,000	1,000	8,563	3,000	28,000	35,000	17,978	4,494
Kassala								
Reifi Aroma	857	1,286	8,750	2,400	-	-	-	3,600
Reifi Gharb Kassala	2,650	1,583	12,000	-	36,000	-	-	3,000
Reifi Khashm Elgirba	2,143	-	3,000	2,400	7,500	-	1,875	3,500
Reifi Wad Elhiliaw	1,143	857	7,500	2,200	32,000	40,000	11,250	-
North Kordofan								
Ar Rahad	1,214	1,000	9,000	4,600	28,000	40,000	-	4,000
Sheikan	1,143	857	4,000	4,000	28,000	36,000	17,978	4,000
Um Rawaba	1,143	857	4,000	3,000	26,500	32,000	15,000	4,000
Northern								
Al Burgaig	1,429	-	10,000	2,700	28,000	-	-	5,000
Al Golid	857	1,429	10,000	-	30,000	35,000	-	4,500
Dongola	2,286	857	8,000	3,000	32,000	35,000	-	4,000
Merwoe	-	571	9,000	3,200	40,000	50,000	-	4,000
West Kordofan								
As Sunut	1,143	-	5,000	-	18,000	20,000	10,000	-
Red Sea								
Port Sudan	429	2,000	5,500	5,000	28,000	48,000	15,000	3,900
Gedaref								
Al Fashaga	1,571	857	12,000	2,400	30,000	40,000	11,236	4,000
Al Mafaza	857	714	7,000	3,000	28,000	40,000	12,500	3,800
Ar Rahad	1,071	857	11,000	3,200	32,000	35,000	-	4,350
Galabat Ash-Shargiah	1,143	857	9,500	2,400	24,000	-	17,978	4,000
Overall	1,143	1,121	5,500	3,300	28,000	35,000	8,273	4,125

MEDIAN NFIs PRICES PER LOCALITY (in SDG)

Location	Gas cylinder	Gas refill	Water Container	Water supply price	Body soap	Toothpaste	Toothbrush	Laundry soap	Liquid dish soap	Sanitary pads price
Unit	12.5L	4L	20L	20L	125g	100ml	1 piece	200g	600ml	8 pieces
Khartoum										
Jebel Awlia	40,500	87,000	3,500	13	1,000	1,000	500	1,000	3,500	2,500
Karrari	180,000	86,000	3,250	25	1,563	1,539	850	2,000	2,649	3,000
Khartoum	-	87,000	-	-	1,500	1,000	500	1,200	3,000	3,500
Sharg An Neel	50,000	85,000	-	-	1,000	1,000	500	1,000	3,500	3,000
Um Bada	-	80,000	8,000	-	2,273	2,381	850	1,500	3,000	3,250
Um Durman	140,000	95,000	-	0	2,000	2	200	2,000	4,000	4,000
North Darfur										
Al Lait	-	-	20,000	33	1,500	2,381	1,000	1,278	-	4,000
At Tawisha	-	-	20,000	38	2,000	3,175	1,000	1,600	6,500	5,000
Kutum	-	-	15,000	4	2,000	1,000	1,000	1,700	-	5,500
Tawila	-	-	16,000	13	2,465	2,191	1,000	1,500	6,857	5,000
Um Kadadah	-	-	18,125	25	2,500	2,540	1,000	1,795	3,821	5,750
South Darfur										
Beliel	-	-	17,750	20	2,100	1,350	1,300	1,450	4,100	3,950
Kas	-	-	18,500	22	1,850	1,250	1,100	1,250	3,750	3,650
Nyala Janoub	-	-	18,500	16	2,000	1,350	950	1,100	3,850	4,700
Nyala Shimal	-	-	17,750	19	2,000	1,500	1,000	1,500	-	-
Sharg Aj Jabal	-	-	19,500	22	1,950	1,550	1,100	1,350	3,950	3,850
West Darfur										
Foro Baranga	-	-	-	-	2,500	1,938	1,000	1,375	4,667	-
Habila - WD	-	-	35,000	20	2,000	1,350	1,000	1,000	7,000	6,000
East Darfur										
Abu Jabrah	-	-	20,625	-	2,350	-	-	1,200	-	-
Ad Du'ayn	-	-	14,750	21	2,250	1,650	1,350	1,350	3,750	4,350
Assalaya	-	-	16,750	21	2,750	1,750	1,500	1,650	4,750	5,750
Central Darfur										
Gharb Jabal Marrah	-	-	20,000	15	1,600	2,540	600	1,150	-	4,500
Um Dukhun	-	-	-	-	1,250	2,583	1,000	1,333	6,400	4,500
Wadi Salih	-	-	-	18	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,000	1,500	4,000
Wasat Jabal Marrah	-	-	20,000	25	2,500	1,500	1,100	1,700	3,500	4,000
Zalingi	-	-	-	-	1,000	1,500	500	1,100	2,500	-
South Kordofan										
Abassiya	50,000	-	5,000	33	-	1,500	1,500	2,000	3,000	-
Abu Jubayhah	-	-	7,000	25	-	2,381	1,000	2,000	5,000	3,000
Ar Rashad	-	-	7,000	20	3,000	2,191	500	1,500	3,500	3,000
Delami	-	-	16,000	38	3,000	2,500	1,500	1,500	4,500	-
Dilling	-	-	8,000	21	-	3,175	1,000	-	-	-
Heiban	-	-	12,000	38	2,500	2,500	1,500	2,000	5,000	1,000
Kadugli	-	-	5,556	25	-	3,175	1,000	-	5,000	5,000
Um Durein	-	-	-	-	2,500	3,175	1,500	-	6,250	5,250

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Unit	12.5L	4L	20L	20L	125g	100ml	1 piece	200g	600ml	8 pieces
Blue Nile										
Al Kurmuk	-	-	16,000	25	3,000	1,800	1,200	1,700	1,700	3,500
Baw	-	-	8,000	-	1,932	1,500	800	1,529	3,273	4,000
Geisan	-	-	2,375	-	1,500	1,500	700	1,500	1,500	3,450
Wad Al Mahi	-	-	6,000	13	1,500	1,200	900	1,882	2,571	-
White Nile										
Ad Diwaim	-	-	-	-	1,833	1,000	500	1,500	3,000	3,250
Aj Jabalain	100,000	60,000	5,000	-	1,500	1,200	800	1,500	1,800	3,000
Al Gitaina	70,000	90,000	2,000	3	1,500	1,200	800	1,200	3,000	6,000
Kosti	75,000	96,000	5,500	-	1,500	1,000	500	1,200	4,000	3,750
Rabak	60,000	90,000	7,000	-	1,500	1,587	500	1,333	3,000	3,250
Tendalti	-	-	-	-	1,000	1,000	500	2,222	2,727	4,000
Kassala										
Reifi Aroma	-	85,000	5,000	-	1,500	1,500	-	1,500	1,500	3,000
Reifi Gharb Kassala	120,000	87,000	9,444	25	3,000	2,800	800	1,300	1,100	4,000
Reifi Khashm Elgirba	150,000	75,000	12,000	13	1,000	1,000	300	1,000	1,500	3,000
Reifi Wad Elhilaiw	-	87,500	4,500	13	-	1,000	700	2,000	1,533	-
North Kordofan										
Ar Rahad	-	-	5,000	19	1,350	1,000	700	1,300	4,000	3,750
Sheikan	60,000	75,000	7,778	-	1,500	1,000	1,000	1,333	4,500	4,000
Um Rawaba	75,000	78,500	6,000	13	1,500	1,000	1,000	1,200	4,000	4,000
Northern										
Al Burgaig	-	100,000	15,000	-	1,500	2,000	500	1,600	3,000	4,000
Al Golid	190,000	99,000	-	-	1,500	1,500	1,000	1,400	4,500	4,000
Dongola	150,000	94,000	-	-	1,000	1,587	1,000	1,667	2,571	3,500
Merwoe	137,500	92,500	-	25	1,705	2,000	1,000	1,300	2,500	3,500
West Kordofan										
As Sunut	-	-	2,050	25	2,000	2,000	1,500	2,400	6,000	3,000
Red Sea										
Port Sudan	85,000	87,500	-	-	1,375	2,000	1,000	1,400	1,750	3,500
Gedaref										
Al Fashaga	-	90,000	4,444	-	1,500	1,500	1,000	1,600	3,000	3,000
Al Mafaza	-	85,000	5,000	13	1,200	1,000	800	1,000	1,500	3,000
Ar Rahad	120,000	63,000	-	-	1,500	1,000	700	1,500	2,000	3,500
Galabat Ash-Shargiah	-	-	5,000	20	1,146	1,519	600	2,000	-	3,000
Overall	90,000	86,500	7,111	19	1,531	1,500	1,000	1,400	3,250	3,500

Methodology

The JMIMI aims to inform market-based programming in Sudan through monthly monitoring of prices of selected food and NFI items as well as other critical market indicators.

The coverage of the JMIMI may vary between months as it depends on the interest of the partner organisations and their field teams' capacities to regularly collect market data. Locations are added once partners willing to cover them are identified, and their field teams are trained. As the initiative is currently being built up, coverage will likely be expanded in future data collection rounds.

Findings presented in this factsheet are based on the JMIMI conducted from 4th to 17th May 2026. The factsheet presents an overview of median prices for food and non-food items (NFIs) in the main markets of the localities assessed, a comprehensive breakdown of the cost of the interim Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB), and the Market Functionality Score (MFS) for the markets assessed at locality level. You can find specific information on the coverage of the current round on page 1. In each assessed location, the aim is to collect at minimum four prices per item from different retailers to ensure quality and consistency of the collected data. In line with the purpose of the JMIMI, only the prices of the cheapest available types are recorded for each item. Retailers are selected to interview based on the following criteria:

- Vendors are retailers selling directly to consumers.
- Vendors with weight scales are prioritised when recording prices of dry food items.
- Vendors are representative of the local price level (no wholesaler, vendors or upmarket or luxury goods).
- To the extent possible, the same vendors are revisited in every data collection round.

The data is collected by enumerators familiar

with the local market conditions, and have all received comprehensive training prior to the data collection.

The median item prices reported in this factsheet are 'locality medians', designed to minimise the effects of outliers and differing amounts of data among assessed locations. The median prices of all assessed items are calculated within each assessed locality. Because items monitored by WFP was only available as means, these figures have been used to calculate the overall medians at state and national level.

All MEB and price index calculations are created using this method.

- The cost of the Interim MEB is calculated by multiplying the median price of each item in the respective locality by the quantity listed in the table on page 3, adding to it the lump sums listed in the same page.
- In localities where items are not available, the national median is used to calculate the MEB per district, state and at national level. This allows to compare the interim MEB from locality to locality.
- Starting May 2025, the JMIMI analysis tables and factsheets present the MEB calculation based on the updated lump sums, as per the data collected by WFP between January and April 2025.

Challenges and Limitations

- Price data is only indicative for the time frame within which it was collected. Prices may vary between data collection rounds.
- The JMIMI data collection tool requests the cheapest available type of each item to be recorded, as availability varies across regions. Therefore, price comparisons across regions may be based on slightly varying products.
- Standardising local unit sizes of dry food and household items is inherently difficult in Sudan, as many traders sell commodities

by volume rather than weight, additionally the same units of measurements varies slightly from one locality to another.

- Due to the challenges of converting some of the unit of measurements the prices based on volume should, if possible, be triangulated with other data sources.

Participating agencies

- Africa Relief Committee (ARC)
- Catholic Relief Service (CRS)
- DanChurch Aid (DCA)
- Danish Refugee Council (DRC)
- GOAL
- International Rescue Committee (IRC)
- MercyCorps (MC)
- Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC)
- Sudanese Red Crescent Society (SRCS)
- Welthungerhilfe (WHH)
- World Vision International (WVI)

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