

Sudan | Joint Market Monitoring Initiative (JMMI)

September 2025

KEY INDICATORS

Cost of MEB
496,424 SDG
207 USD

Change since August 2025:

▲ + 9,040 SDG
 ▲ + 2 %

Cost of MEB with top-up items
571,924 SDG
238 USD

Change since August 2025:

▲ + 17,290 SDG
 ▲ + 3 %

USD / SDG¹
2,400 SDG

Change since August 2025:

▼ +0 %

Key Findings

- Overall, **the highest median prices for the Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB), with and without top-up, were observed in Northern and Khartoum states. The most expensive MEBs, with and without top-up items, were recorded in Zalingi** (743,972 SDG and 612,172 SDG, respectively), in Central Darfur state, **and Reifi Kassala** (720,499 SDG and 639,499 SDG, respectively), in Kassala state.
- The median cost of food items in the national MEB indicated an increase of 0.5% between August (243,499 SDG) and September 2025 (244,664 SDG)**, driven by a price increase of some food items, such as onions (+19%), cow meat (+4%), sorghum (+3%), vegetable oil (+2%) and milk (+2%) indicating continued inflationary pressure in the food market.
- The most expensive food components in the MEB were reported in Reifi Kassala (380,886 SDG), in Kassala state.** In contrast, the lowest food prices were reported in Gharb Jabal Marrah (171,132 SDG), in Central Darfur state.
- The median cost of non-food items (NFIs) without top-up in the MEB increased by 6% from August (128,237 SDG) to September 2025 (136,112 SDG)** across the assessed localities, driven by a price increase of water supply (+11%) and gas refill (+9%).
- The most expensive NFI component of the MEB without top-up items was reported in Zalingi (237,533 SDG), in Central Darfur state, and in Yassin (208,867 SDG), in East Darfur state.**
- Overall, **markets were found to be least functional in South Kordofan**, where 3 out of 9 assessed markets scored less than 50 out of a maximum of 100. The lowest score was recorded in Heiban, in South Kordofan (=32/100). Additionally, findings from this assessment show that most of the markets recorded financial barriers to access marketplaces and price volatility, along with challenges in the supply chain & restocking.

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.

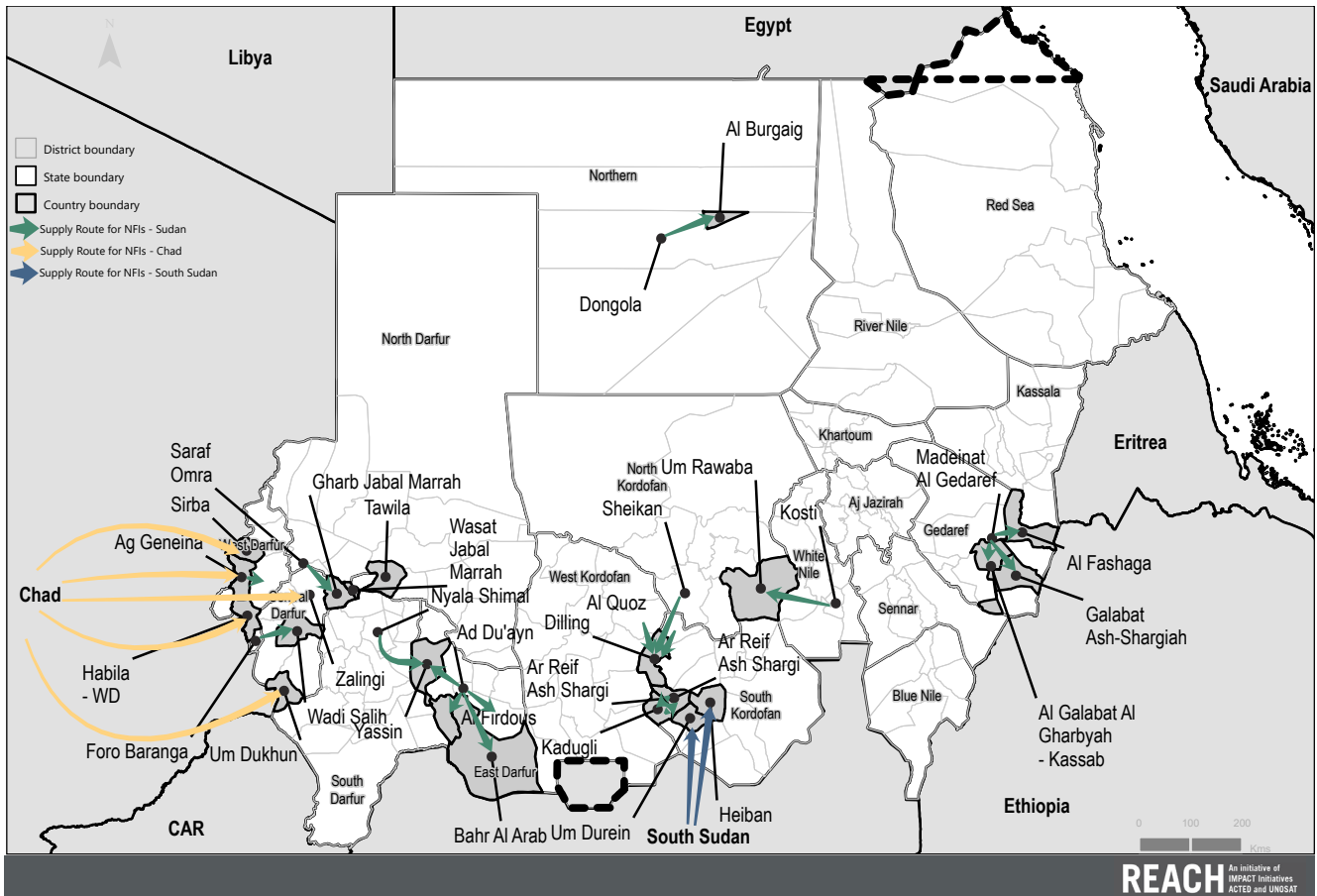
Marketplaces across Sudan are assessed through two different channels: (i) in some state capitals, prices of food items are monitored by the World Food Programme (WFP), (ii) in other locations, prices and other critical market indicators are recorded every month by JMMI partners through interviews with purposively sampled retailers. Data for the latest round of the JMMI was collected from **09th to 19th September 2025**

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.

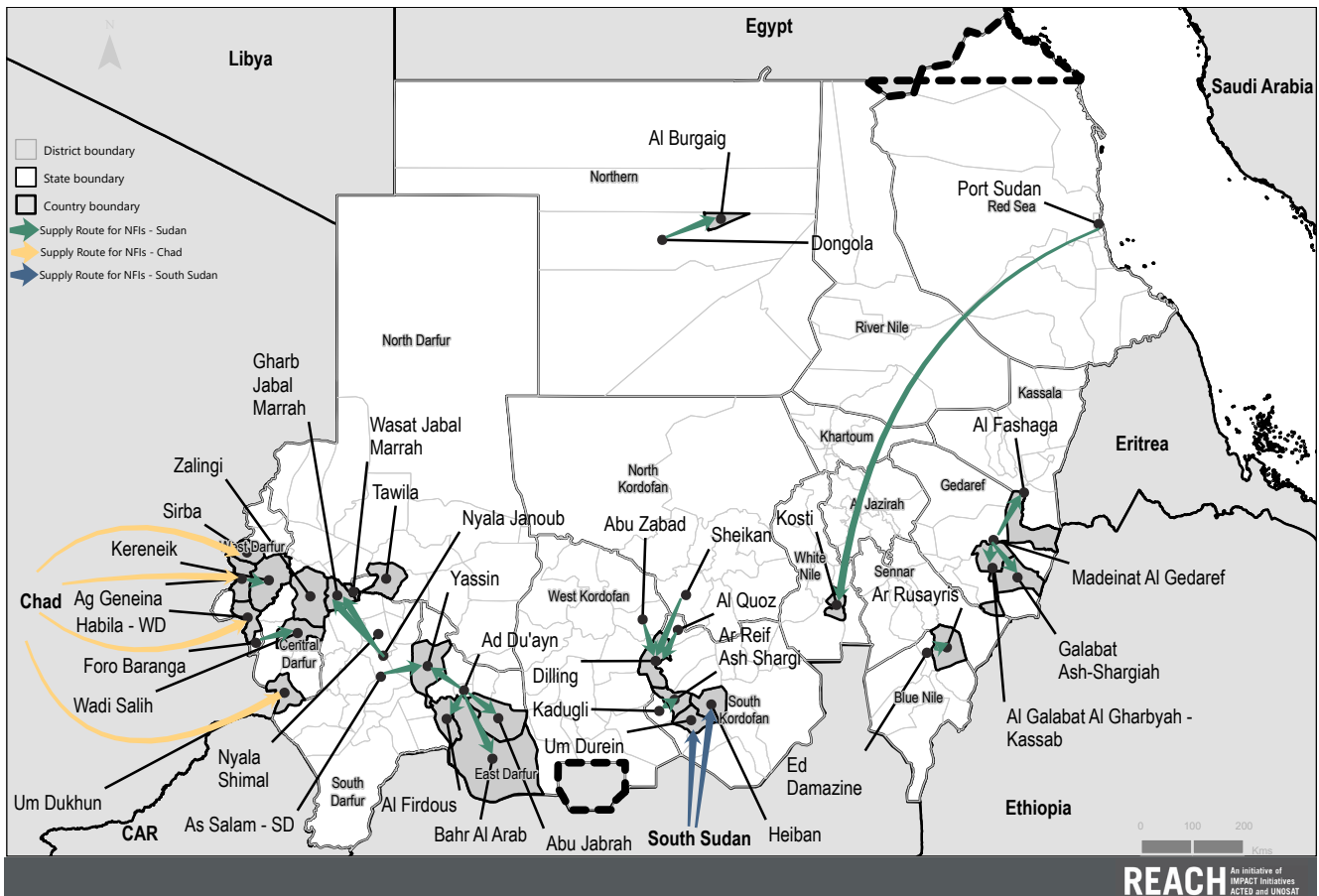
12	Participating partners
13	Assessed states
56	Assessed localities
1678	Key informants (vendors)
19	Commodities assessed

¹ Based on the exchange rate provided by the Bank of Khartoum.

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



Main supply routes for NFIs (from supplier to vendor)











September 2025 MEB key findings

- The cost of the median national MEB (without top-up items) across the assessed localities **increased by 4 USD (9,040 SDG) compared to August (487,384 SDG)**, reaching a total cost of **496,424 SDG (207 USD) in September**, while **the MEB with top-up increased by 7 USD (17,290 SDG), between August (554,634 SDG) and September (571,924 SDG)**.
- The MEB (without top-up) increase can be attributed to a **price increase of the food (+0.5%) and the household (+11%)** components of the MEB between August and September 2025.
- In September 2025, **Northern and Khartoum states registered the highest MEB without top-up** (640,101 SDG and 608,615 SDG, respectively), **recording an increase of 35% (in Khartoum) and 16% (in Northern) from August**. In September, the difference from the national MEB for **Northern was +29%**, and for **Khartoum was +23%**.
- Reifi Kassala (Kassala) and Zalingi (Central Darfur) localities presented the highest MEB without top-up** (639,499 SDG and 612,173 SDG), recording a variation from national of +29% and +23% respectively.
- Finally, the **highest variances in the monthly cost of the MEB (without top-up) between August and September 2025** in assessed localities were reported in **Zalingi (+24%)**, in Central Darfur, in **As Salam (+22%)** and in **Beliel (+19%)**, in South Darfur.

Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB)

The MEB represents the minimum culturally-adjusted set of items required to support a six-person Sudanese household for one month. The MEB's contents were defined by the Cash Working Group (CWG) 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)	20L
 Body soap	125 grams (g)	12 bars
 Tooth paste	100 milliliters (ml)	1 tube
 Toothbrush	1 piece (pc)	1 piece
 Laundry soap	200 grams (g)	6 bars
 Liquid dish soap	600 milliliters (ml)	1 bottle
 Sanitary pads	8 pieces/1package	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.



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.

 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
Total lump sums	115,648 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)	1 L

* Liquefied petroleum gas

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

MEB by locality

Location	Median MEB cost (SDG)	% change since August (MEB with top-up)	Median MEB with top-up (SDG)	Median MEB with top-up (USD)
Khartoum				
Jebel Awlia	525,276	▼ -2	576,776	240
Um Bada	552,660	▼ -3	633,660	264
North Darfur				
Kutum	451,263	▲ +3	537,263	224
Tawila	439,993	▲ +4	524,493	219
South Darfur				
As Salam - SD	532,274	▲ +22	613,274	256
Beliel	524,427	▲ +19	615,927	257
West Darfur				
Ag Geneina	433,459	▲ +2	497,459	207
Habila - WD	496,131	▼ -10	577,131	240
Jebel Moon	485,949		578,449	241
Kereneik	483,842	▼ -5	576,342	240
Kulbus	505,892		596,392	248
East Darfur				
Abu Karinka	507,670	▲ +5	600,170	250
Ad Du'ayn	530,460	▼ -4	611,460	255
Al Firdous	465,800	▼ -7	546,800	228
Assalaya	518,851	▼ -3	599,851	250
Bahr Al Arab	479,891		560,891	234
Shia'ria	455,787	▼ -3	536,787	224
Yassin	572,488	▲ +5	664,988	277
Central Darfur				
Gharb Jabal Marrah	439,176	▼ -5	528,676	220
Um Dukhun	560,002		657,502	274
Wadi Salih	511,760	▲ +5	592,760	247
Wasat Jabal Marrah	533,248	▼ -7	620,748	259
Zalingi	612,172	▲ +24	743,972	310
South Kordofan				
Abu Jubayhah	489,319	▲ +14	565,819	236
Ar Rashad	432,961	▼ -8	512,461	214
Heiban	574,858	▲ +8	657,358	274
Blue Nile				
Ar Rusayris	500,493	▼ -25	577,993	241
Ed Damazine	511,933	▲ +5	569,433	237
White Nile				
Kosti	494,190	▼ -21	569,190	237
Rabak	550,578	▼ -21	618,578	258
Kassala				
Reifi Kassla	639,499	▲ +10	720,499	300
Reifi Khashm Elgirba	518,397	▲ +14	600,397	250
Gedaref				
Al Fashaga	505,194	▲ +6	586,194	244
Al Galabat Al Gharbyah - Kassab	459,236	▼ 0	540,236	225
Galabat Ash-Shargiah	469,169	▲ +1	550,169	229
Madeinat Al Gedaref	467,588	▼ -3	556,088	232
North Kordofan				
Ar Rahad	539,961	▲ +7	616,905	257
Sheikan	519,639	▲ +9	559,917	233
Um Rawaba	505,507	▲ +9	582,007	243
Northern				
Al Burgaig	587,791	▲ +7	706,291	294
Dongola	529,240	▼ 0	697,740	291
Merwoe	540,830	▲ +15	664,330	277
Overall	496,424	▲ +2	571,924	238

Market Functionality Score (MFS)

The Market Functionality Score is a method used to classify markets based on their level of functionality. The MFS can be used to support humanitarian actors to design market-based interventions and programming based on the functionality of the markets. The MFS is calculated based on selected indicators across the five dimensions listed below. Each of the dimensions has been assigned different weights in the combined MFS.

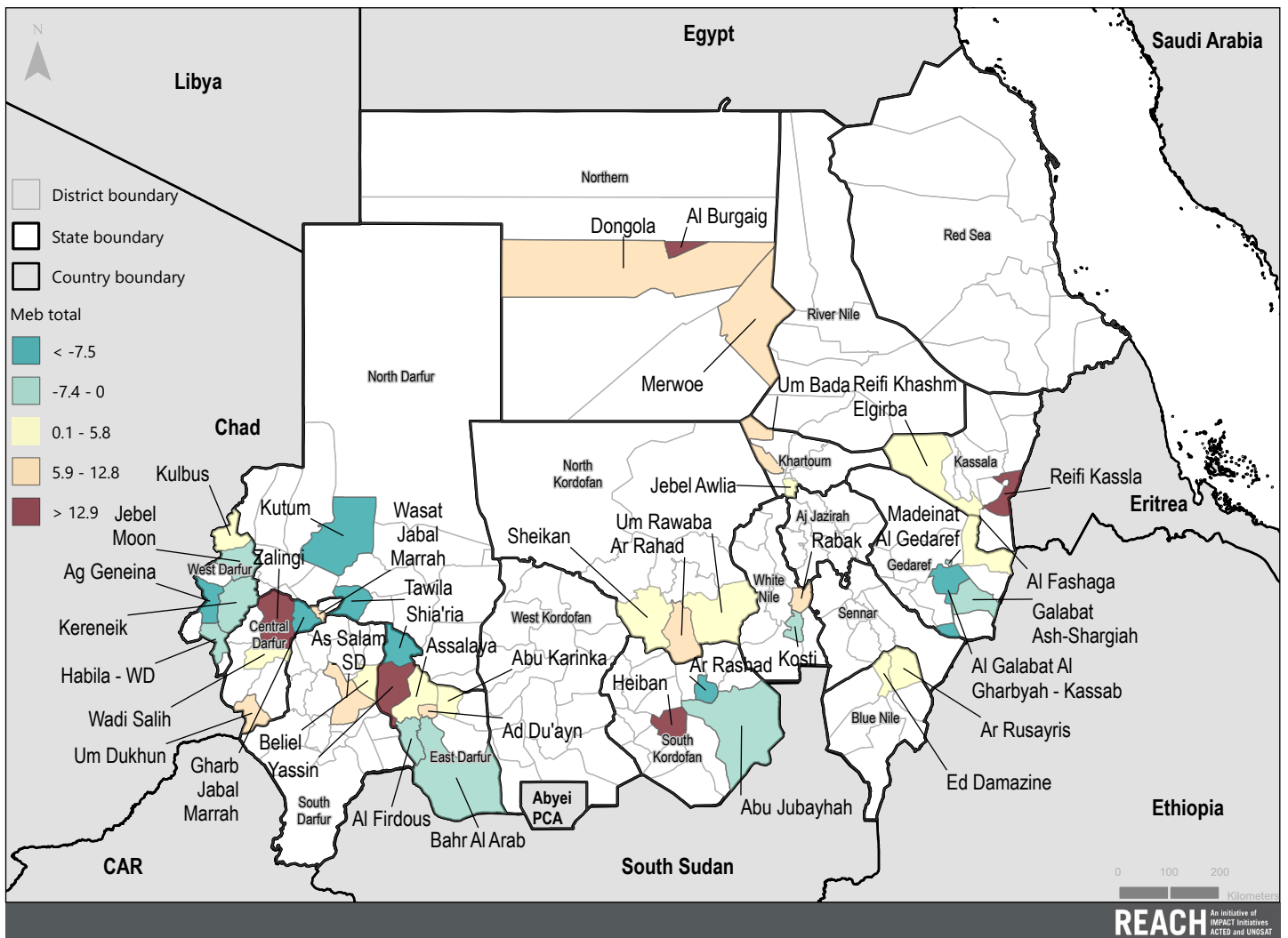
- **Accessibility (25%):** physical and social access to markets
- **Availability (30%):** ability of markets to consistently supply core commodities
- **Affordability (15%):** financial access to markets and price volatility
- **Resilience (20%):** vulnerability of supply chains and ease of restocking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

* MFS scores per pillar and locality illustrated in the table in the Appendix (page 10 and 11).

MFS key findings*

- **Overall, the assessed markets indicated an above-average functionality, with 7 out of 56 assessed markets reporting a Market Functionality Score (MFS) of less than 50**, three of which are in South Kordofan (Heiban: 32; Delami: 46; Diling: 46); two in Central Darfur (Wadi Salih: 33; Um Dukhun: 48) and two in Kassala (Reifi Khashm Elgirba: 43; Reifi Aroma: 44).
- All markets presenting a MFS below 50, registered a score below average in the Resilience and Affordability (except Reifi Aroma locality) pillars. In addition, Heiban (South Kordofan), Wadi Salih (Central Darfur), and Reifi Khashm Elgirba and Reifi Aroma (Kassala) scored 0 in the Availability pillar.
- **A majority (n=33/56) of assessed markets reported a score below average (less than 10/20) in the resilience pillar**, indicating challenges with maintenance of supply chains and stock availability.
- **A majority (n=36/56) of assessed markets reported below-average scores within the affordability pillar (less than 8/15)**, denoting financial barriers to access marketplaces and price volatility.

% DIFFERENCE OF LOCALITY-LEVEL MEDIAN MEB FROM NATIONAL MEDIAN MEB



AVAILABILITY OF FOOD ITEMS

Overall, **one third of vendors reported limited to no availability of some key food items** in their markets, notably **tomato (35%) and milk (33%)**. In parallel, most vendors (82%) across assessed localities reported difficulties obtaining key food commodities, notably onions (22%) and goat meat (19%).

The availability of food products varies across states. **In South Kordofan and Kassala states, a majority of vendors reported limited to no availability of most key food commodities**, notably onions, tomato, cow and goat meat.

EVOLUTION OF FOOD PRICES

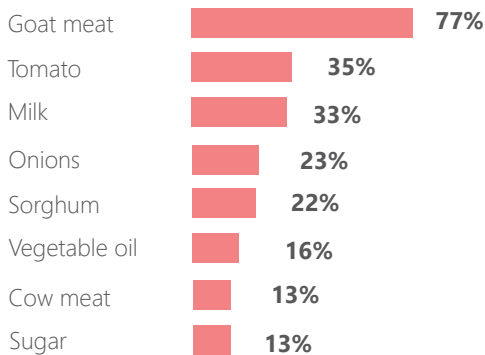
At the national level, the median cost of the food components in the **MEB increased by 0.5 USD (1,165 SDG) from August (243,499 SDG) to September 2025 (244,664 SDG)**.

Food price evolution varied across localities, with the **highest MEB food costs observed in Reifi Kassala (Kassala), Al Burgaig (Northern) and Um Dukhun (Central Darfur)**. The difference from the national MEB for the food costs was +56%, +34% and +31% in the three mentioned localities respectively.

In September, the **food items registering an increase from August** were **onions (+19%, 300 SDG), cow meat (+4%, 500 SDG), sorghum (+3%, 37 SDG), vegetable oil (+2%, 167 SDG) and milk (+2%, 67 SDG)**.

The **highest variances in the monthly cost of the food basket between August and September 2025** in assessed localities were reported in **Abu Jubayhah (South Kordofan) and Ag Geneina (West darfur)**, increased by 37% and 20% respectively.

% of vendors reporting limited to no availability of key food items (at time of data collection)



MEB - Food Items

Location	Median food cost (SDG)	Median food cost (USD)	% change since August	
Khartoum				
Jebel Awlia	229,329	96	▼	-21
Um Bada	307,414	128	▼	-8
North Darfur				
Kutum	234,968	98	▼	-1
Tawila	191,630	80	▲	+6
South Darfur				
As Salam - SD	235,961	98	▲	+18
Belief	223,913	93	▼	-7
West Darfur				
Ag Geneina	192,645	80	▲	+20
Habila - WD	210,317	88	▼	-15
Jebel Moon	230,336	96		
Kereneik	224,128	93	▼	-23
Kulbus	247,378	103		
East Darfur				
Abu Karinka	240,057	100	▲	+1
Ad Du'ayn	248,696	104	▼	-7
Al Firdous	184,037	77	▼	-25
Assalaya	206,187	86	▼	-14
Bahr Al Arab	245,577	102		
Shia'ria	199,098	83	▼	-5
Yassin	247,974	103	▲	+18
Central Darfur				
Gharb Jabal Marrah	171,132	71	▼	-22
Um Dukhun	319,488	133		
Wadi Salih	251,921	105	▲	+9
Wasat Jabal Marrah	218,734	91	▼	-31
Zalingi	258,992	108	▲	+16
South Kordofan				
Abu Jubayhah	250,566	104	▲	+37
Ar Rashad	216,360	90	▼	-10
Heiban	251,544	105	▲	+16
Blue Nile				
Ar Rusayris	253,228	106	▼	-10
Ed Damazine	274,886	115	▲	+3
White Nile				
Kosti	246,735	103	▼	-5
Rabak	295,136	123	▲	+2
Kassala				
Reifi Kassla	380,886	159	▲	+14
Reifi Khashm Elgirba	278,184	116	▲	+13
Gedaref				
Al Fashaga	236,231	98	▼	-1
Al Galabat Al Gharbyah	230,204	96	▲	+1
Galabat Ash-Shargiah	222,956	93	▼	-12
Madeinat Al Gedaref	196,975	82	▼	-12
North Kordofan				
Ar Rahad	291,415	121	▲	+1
Sheikan	260,588	109	▲	+9
Um Rawaba	272,893	114	▲	+7
Northern				
Al Burgaig	328,869	137	▲	+3
Dongola	287,651	120	▼	-5
Merwoe	218,954	91	▼	-12
Overall	244,664	102	▲	+0.5


5 days

average time reported by vendors to **stock** food items.


1 day

average time reported by vendors to **restock** food items.

AVAILABILITY OF NFIs

In August, a majority of vendors reported **limited to no availability of LPG cylinder (75%), LPG refill (74%), water containers (46%) and sanitary pads (47%)**. At the state level, a majority of vendors in Central Darfur and Kassala reported limited to no availability of some hygiene items, notably body soap, liquid dish soap and sanitary pads.

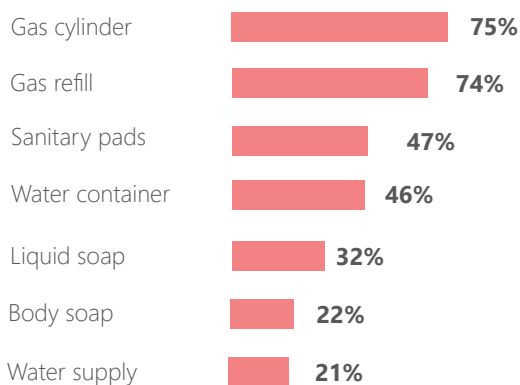
EVOLUTION OF NFIs PRICES

At the national level, the median cost of the **NFIs MEB without top-up items increased by 3 USD (7,875 SDG) from August (128,237 SDG) to September 2025 (136,112 SDG)**. In parallel, the **MEB with top-up items** registered a 8% increase, while the **hygiene component of the MEB** registered a 5% decrease.

Zalingi (Central Darfur) and Yassin (East Darfur) presented the highest NFIs MEB costs (without top-up) across assessed localities. The difference from the national MEB for the NFIs MEB costs was +75%, +54% in the two mentioned localities respectively.

The highest variations in the NFIs' MEB between August and Septmeber was reported in Beliel (South Darfur, increased by 70%) and Merwoe (Northern, increased by 53%).

% of vendors reporting limited to no availability of NFI commodities (at the time of data collection)



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	7 days	11 days
Restock	1 days	1 day

MEB - NFIs

Location	Median MEB cost (SDG)	% change since August	Median MEB with top-up (SDG)	Median MEB with top-up (USD)
Khartoum				
Jebel Awlia	180,300	▲ +28	231,800	97
Um Bada	129,599	▲ +6	210,599	88
North Darfur				
Kutum	100,648	▲ +4	186,648	78
Tawila	132,717	▲ +10	217,217	91
South Darfur				
As Salam - SD	180,667	▲ +70	261,667	109
Beliel	184,867	▲ +39	276,367	115
West Darfur				
Ag Geneina	125,167	▲ +19	189,167	79
Habila - WD	170,167	▼ -11	251,167	105
Jebel Moon	139,967		232,467	97
Kereneik	144,067	▼ -9	236,567	99
Kulbus	142,867		233,367	97
East Darfur				
Abu Karinka	151,967	▲ +9	244,467	102
Ad Du'ayn	166,117	▼ -2	247,117	103
Al Firdous	166,117	▼ -2	247,117	103
Assalaya	197,017	▼ -2	278,017	116
Bahr Al Arab	118,667		199,667	83
Shia'ria	141,042	▲ +7	222,042	93
Yassin	208,867	▲ +10	301,367	126
Central Darfur				
Gharb Jabal Marrah	152,398	▲ +10	241,898	101
Um Dukhun	124,867		222,367	93
Wadi Salih	144,192	▲ +22	225,192	94
Wasat Jabal Marrah	198,867	▲ +4	286,367	119
Zalingi	237,533	▲ +40	369,333	154
South Kordofan				
Abu Jubayhah	123,106	▲ +5	199,606	83
Ar Rashad	100,954	▼ -11	180,454	75
Heiban	207,667	▲ +1	290,167	121
Blue Nile				
Ar Rusayris	131,618	▼ -44	209,118	87
Ed Damazine	121,400	▲ +12	178,900	75
White Nile				
Kosti	131,808	▼ -40	206,808	86
Rabak	139,796	▼ -45	207,796	87
Kassala				
Reifi Kassla	142,966	▲ +8	223,966	93
Reifi Khashm Elgirba	124,567	▲ +24	206,567	86
Gedaref				
Al Fashaga	153,317	▲ +22	234,317	98
Al Galabat Al Gharbyah	113,385	▲ +4	194,385	81
Galabat Ash-Shargiah	130,567	▲ +19	211,567	88
Madeinat Al Gedaref	154,967	▼ -2	243,467	101
North Kordofan				
Ar Rahad	132,899	▲ +15	209,843	87
Sheikan	143,404	▲ +18	183,682	77
Um Rawaba	116,967	▲ +20	193,467	81
Northern				
Al Burgaig	143,275	▲ +18	261,775	109
Dongola	125,943	▲ +5	294,443	123
Merwoe	206,229	▲ +53	329,729	137
Overall	136,112	▲ +8	211,612	88

MARKET FUNCTIONALITY

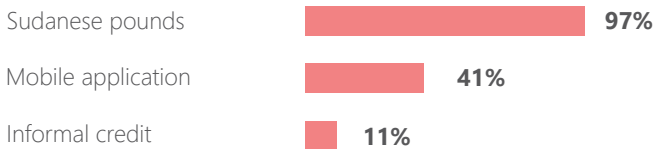
A significant proportion of vendors (91%) reported **limited physical challenges in accessing marketplaces**. However, results at state level highlight **access constraints in South Kordofan (20%) and Central Darfur (17%)**. Vendors in South Kordofan primarily reported limited transportations (16%), while in Central Darfur vendors reported hazards or damage on roads (9%) as the main challenges.

Almost half the vendors (49%) cited financial challenges impacting customers. The top three financial challenges reported by vendors are unaffordability of goods (29%), liquidity issues (23%), and inaccessibility to multiple payment modalities (22%).

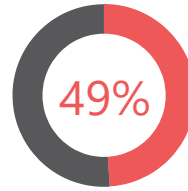
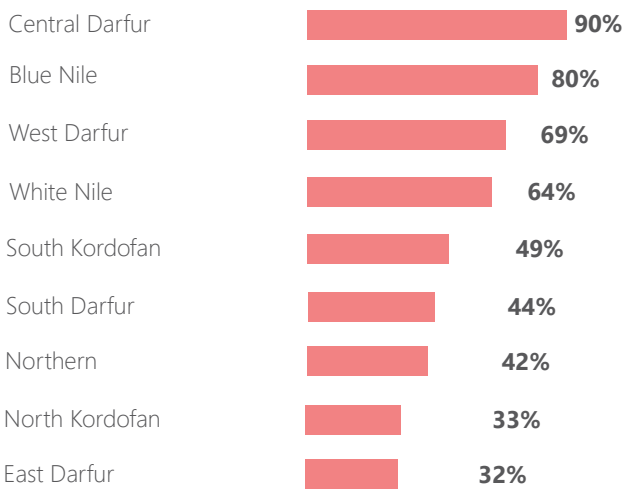
Additionally, over half the vendors (55%) reported difficulties keeping their business operational and well-stocked, mainly due to the prices charged by suppliers (40%), the limited availability of core goods (20%) and limited availability of paper bills to pay suppliers (19%).

Finally, **18% of vendors reported difficulties in obtaining enough items to meet customers' demand.** The main reason cited was the **lack of funds to purchase sufficient stock (62%)**. Other contributing factors included increased demand (19%), loss of supplier credit (17%) and reduced production (14%).

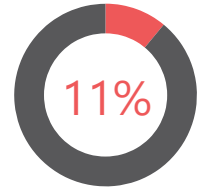
Most reported payment modalities accepted by vendors the month before data collection (multiple selection)



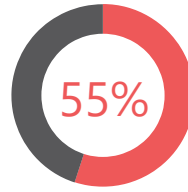
% of interviewed vendors reporting financial challenges limiting travelling to their market or buying the goods they sell, by state



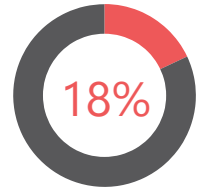
of interviewed vendors reported **financial challenges limiting travelling to their market or buying the goods they sell**, during the month prior to data collection.



of interviewed vendors reported **security factors having a negative impact on their business, their customers, or them personally while working**, during the month prior to data collection.



of interviewed vendors reported **facing difficulties keeping their business operational and well-stocked.**

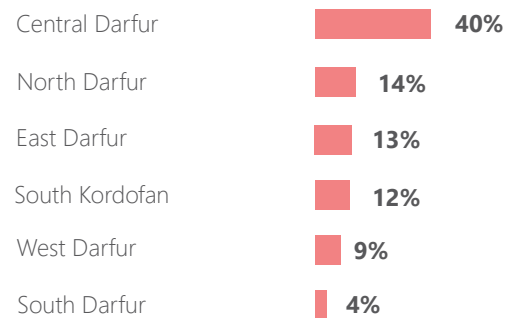


of interviewed vendors reported **difficulty in obtaining enough items to meet customer demand.**

28%

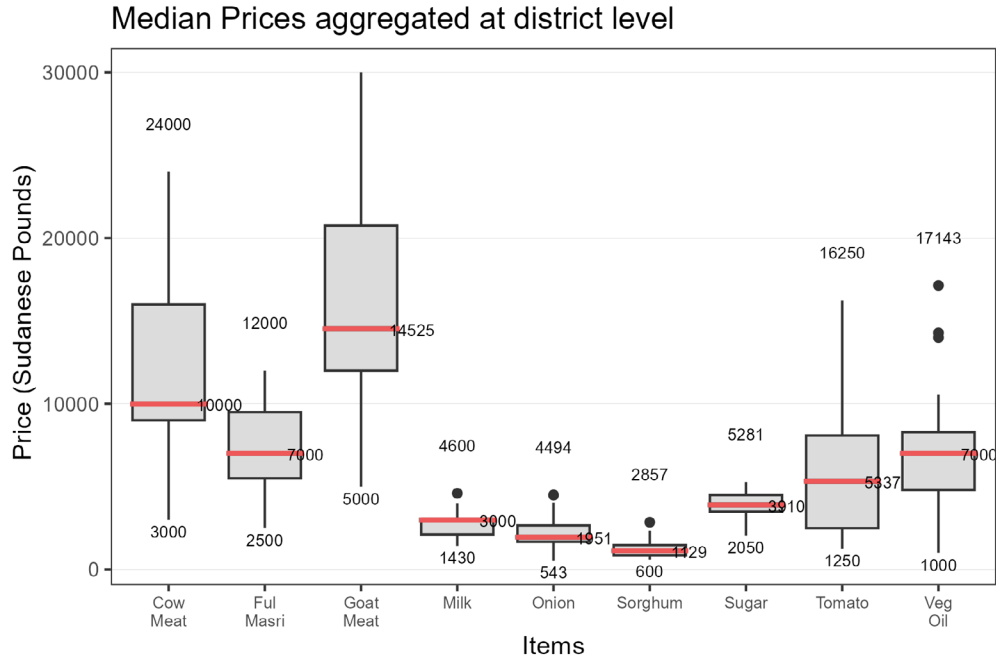
of vendors reported **having no access to a locked, secure storage facility within their business premises or marketplace** during the last month of data collection.

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

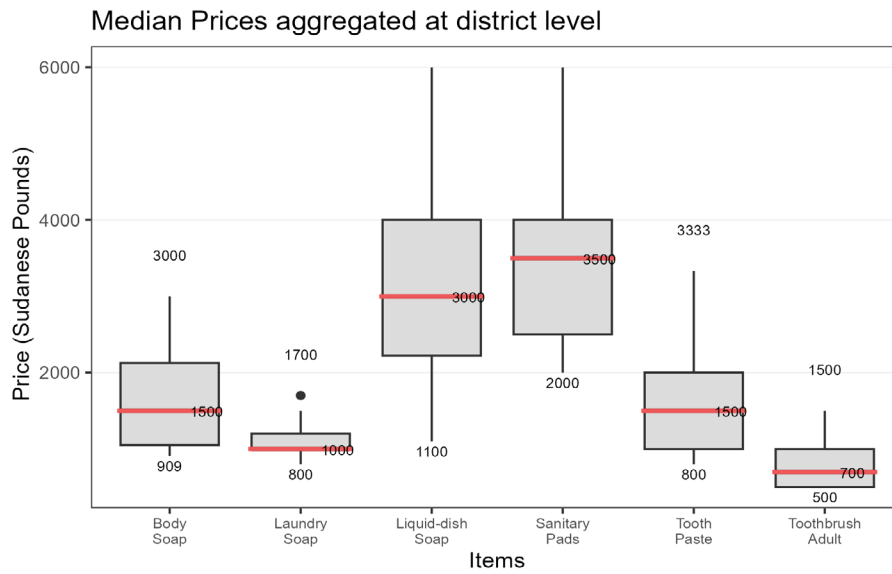


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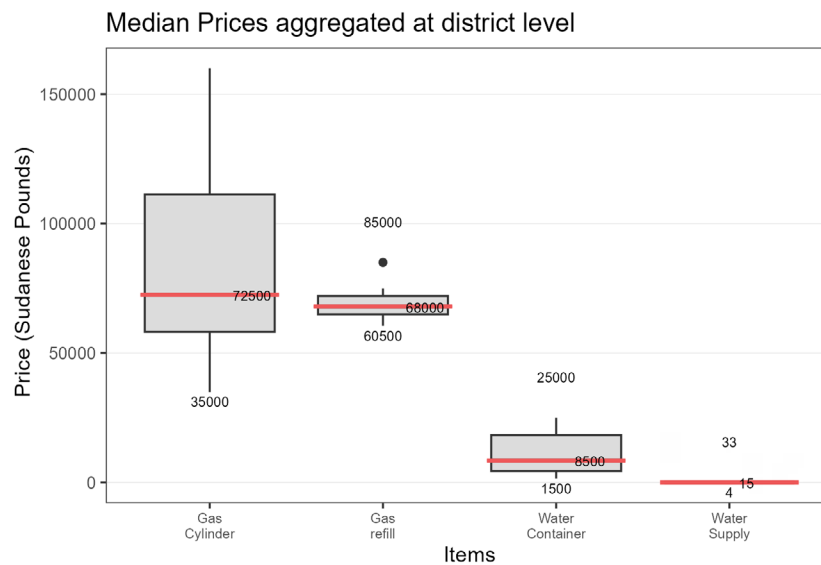
Food Items



Hygiene Items (NFIs)



Household Items (NFIs)



MARKET FUNCTIONALITY SCORE (MSF) PER LOCALITY⁵

Localities	Accessibility	Availability	Affordability	Resilience	Infrastructure	Total MFS
Maximum score	25	30	15	20	10	100
Khartoum						
Jebel Awlia	25	25	9	20	10	89
Um Bada	25	23	4	5	7	64
North Darfur						
Al Fasher	25	25	12	14	4	80
Kutum	7	24	7	10	6	54
Tawila	24	25	9	10	6	73
South Darfur						
As Salam - SD	25	27	12	11	7	82
Beliel	25	25	3	11	8	73
Ed Al Fursan	25	25	12	3	6	71
Sharg Aj Jabal	15	25	9	0	7	55
West Darfur						
Ag Geneina	22	25	5	8	5	65
Foro Baranga	9	22	11	7	6	55
Habila - WD	25	23	8	14	5	75
Jebel Moon	25	23	2	9	5	63
Kereneik	22	24	4	8	5	62
Kulbus	25	22	2	9	5	62
Sirba	19	19	7	9	9	63
East Darfur						
Abu Jabrah	18	23	6	11	5	63
Abu Karinka	19	25	4	8	7	63
Ad Du'ayn	15	21	7	3	8	53
Al Firdous	24	25	4	6	4	63
Assalaya	25	25	8	12	7	77
Bahr Al Arab	19	24	6	9	6	64
Shia'ria	22	24	6	13	9	74
Yassin	9	24	2	9	8	52
Central Darfur						
Gharb Jabal Marrah	25	25	3	9	8	70
Um Dukhun	10	23	3	6	6	48
Wadi Salih	12	0	6	9	7	33
Wasat Jabal Marrah	12	23	3	9	5	51
Zalingi	18	23	3	9	7	59

⁵ Below-average scores for the different pillars and MFS have been highlighted in red.

MARKET FUNCTIONALITY SCORE (MSF) PER LOCALITY⁵

Localities	Accessibility	Availability	Affordability	Resilience	Infrastructure	Total MFS
Maximum score	25	30	15	20	10	100
South Kordofan						
Abu Jubayhah	25	25	11	14	6	81
Ar Rashad	25	24	9	11	8	78
Ar Reif Ash Shargi	25	17	7	9	5	63
Delami	7	22	3	9	5	46
Dilling	12	16	3	9	7	46
Habila - SK	25	21	3	3	10	62
Heiban	15	0	3	9	5	32
Kadugli	25	17	3	9	7	61
Um Durein	25	21	10	4	5	65
Blue Nile						
Ar Rusayris	na	28	6	6	na	na
Ed Damazine	na	28	4	6	na	na
White Nile						
Kosti	25	28	5	9	10	77
Rabak	25	25	3	16	8	77
Kassala						
Madeinat Kassala	25	28	8	14	10	86
Reifi Aroma	25	0	8	4	7	44
Reifi Kassla	25	28	8	20	10	91
Reifi Khashm Elgirba	19	0	7	8	9	43
Gedaref						
Al Fashaga	25	27	9	9	8	77
Al Galabat Al Gharbyah -	25	28	9	9	8	79
Galabat Ash-Shargiah	25	27	9	11	8	80
Madeinat Al Gedaref	25	28	9	9	9	80
North Kordofan						
Ar Rahad	22	24	8	8	7	69
Sheikan	25	26	8	5	9	73
Um Rawaba	22	24	12	1	6	65
Northern						
Al Burgaig	25	24	3	6	9	66
Dongola	25	27	7	6	9	73
Merwoe	25	25	9	16	8	83

⁵ Below-average scores for the different pillars and MFS have been highlighted in red.

MEDIAN FOOD ITEM PRICES PER LOCALITY (in SDG)

Localities	Sorghum grain	Onions	Vegetable Oil	Milk (fresh)	Cow Meat (fresh)	Goat meat (fresh)	Tomato	Sugar
Unit	1kg	1kg	1L	1L	1kg	1kg	1kg	1kg
Khartoum								
Jebel Awlia	na	1,643	7,000	3,000	20,000	na	na	3,200
Um Bada	2,100	829	7,000	na	20,000	22,000	na	3,200
North Darfur								
Al Fasher	na	na	na	2,000	na	na	na	na
Kutum	1,100	1,040	8,000	na	10,000	11,500	7,125	4,944
Tawila	720	4,000	6,333	2,000	8,000	10,000	2,500	4,494
South Darfur								
Ed Al Fursan	2,286	na	1,000	3,600	na	na	2,500	4,500
Sharg Aj Jabal	na	na	na	1,430	6,800	14,050	na	na
Beliel	na	1,429	na	1,700	7,500	15,250	na	5,000
As Salam - SD	1,429	2,286	1,500	3,000	14,000	15,500	3,750	5,000
West Darfur								
Ag Geneina	960	1,200	10,000	2,000	3,000	5,000	6,250	2,050
Foro Baranga	820	2,000	8,286	2,222	9,000	14,000	6,854	3,820
Habila - WD	800	2,600	7,000	2,000	7,000	12,000	7,865	4,045
Jebel Moon	600	2,000	14,286	na	12,000	14,000	7,500	4,000
Kereneik	975	2,400	7,000	na	10,000	12,000	5,056	5,000
Kulbus	600	2,400	17,143	na	10,000	12,000	8,750	3,800
Sirba	800	2,400	5,833	na	12,000	21,000	6,742	4,494
East Darfur								
Abu Jabrah	814	3,090	na	na	6,750	8,750	na	na
Ad Du'ayn	1,286	3,708	3,833	na	10,450	17,400	4,944	4,600
Shia'ria	714	3,146	4,167	na	10,000	12,000	5,618	4,944
Al Firdous	657	4,045	4,250	2,900	10,000	12,000	1,429	5,000
Abu Karinka	1,214	4,494	4,800	2,400	10,000	14,000	2,500	5,000
Bahr Al Arab	1,286	4,494	5,000	na	12,000	13,000	2,250	4,494
Assalaya	1,257	543	2,100	2,700	8,250	13,300	5,875	4,450
Yassin	1,429	3,371	3,600	2,000	8,000	10,000	5,000	5,281
Central Darfur								
Gharb Jabal Marrah	1,000	1,000	3,000	na	7,000	10,000	1,798	4,270
Um Dukhun	2,306	3,663	4,125	na	10,000	16,000	3,375	4,045
Wadi Salih	1,250	1,903	10,555	2,000	10,000	12,000	6,250	4,045
Zalingi	1,625	2,250	5,938	2,000	9,500	15,000	4,494	4,045
Wasat Jabal Marrah	886	4,000	5,833	na	8,000	12,000	5,000	4,270
South Kordofan								
Abu Jubayhah	714	2,000	9,000	3,000	16,000	na	14,607	3,820
Um Durein	625	na	8,000	4,600	10,000	16,000	13,483	5,000
Ar Rashad	857	2,857	8,000	2,000	na	20,000	na	3,500
Dilling	na	na	14,000	na	na	20,000	na	na
Heiban	1,000	3,429	6,500	4,000	12,000	17,000	6,742	5,000
Ar Reif Ash Shargi	2,857	na	na	4,000	18,000	na	10,000	na
Kadugli	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Habila - SK	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Delami	857	1,143	9,000	3,000	10,000	12,000	na	na

MEDIAN FOOD ITEM PRICES PER LOCALITY (in SDG)

Localities	Sorghum grain	Onions	Vegetable Oil	Milk (fresh)	Cow Meat (fresh)	Goat meat (fresh)	Tomato	Sugar
Unit	1kg	1kg	1L	1L	1kg	1kg	1kg	1kg
Blue Nile								
Ed Damazine	1,714	1,714	4,000	3,000	20,000	28,000	5,000	3,250
Ar Rusayris	1,643	1,786	4,000	3,000	20,000	28,000	1,250	3,300
White Nile								
Rabak	1,429	1,686	9,000	3,000	na	22,000	12,500	3,500
Kosti	1,143	1,714	6,000	2,800	16,000	20,000	8,750	3,800
Kassala								
Madeinat Kassala	2,000	2,000	7,500	3,000	na	na	na	3,200
Reifi Aroma	1,071	1,857	7,000	2,400	na	na	na	3,820
Reifi Kassla	2,143	2,000	7,500	2,400	24,000	30,000	16,250	3,200
Reifi Khashm Elgirba	2,214	1,286	4,500	2,400	20,000	9,000	1,250	3,400
Gedaref								
Al Fashaga	1,114	1,714	10,500	3,000	na	30,000	1,750	3,600
Al Galabat Al Gharbyah	1,286	1,714	9,500	na	na	na	1,500	3,550
Madeinat Al Gedaref	857	1,714	10,000	3,000	na	na	1,250	3,600
Galabat Ash-Shargiah	971	2,000	10,000	2,800	15,000	25,000	1,500	3,600
North Kordofan								
Um Rawaba	1,143	1,286	8,000	3,000	18,000	24,000	12,500	3,500
Sheikan	1,286	1,714	8,000	3,400	20,000	25,000	na	3,500
Ar Rahad	1,000	1,714	8,000	4,000	22,000	28,000	15,730	3,500
Northern								
Al Burgaig	2,350	1,750	7,000	3,000	na	na	na	4,400
Dongola	1,857	1,000	6,000	3,000	na	na	8,989	3,500
Merwoe	na	1,000	7,500	3,000	na	na	na	3,500

MEDIAN NON FOOD ITEM PRICES PER LOCALITY (in SDG)

Localities	Gas cylinder	Gas refill	Water container	Water supply	Body soap	Toothpaste	Toothbrush	Laundry soap	Liquid dish soap	Sanitary pads
Unit	12.5L	4L	20L	20L	125g	100ml	1piece	200g	600ml	8pieces
Khartoum										
Jebel Awlia	50,000	75,000	1,500	25	1,000	1,000	500	1,000	2,300	2,500
Um Bada	na	63,000	na	na	1,136	1,587	500	950	2,500	2,500
North Darfur										
Al Fasher	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Kutum	na	na	13,500	4	2,250	2,381	1,000	1,450	5,000	5,000
Tawila	na	na	12,000	13	1,563	2,000	500	1,300	6,000	4,000
South Darfur										
Ed Al Fursan	na	na	na	25	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,500	3,500
Sharg Aj Jabal	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Beliel	na	na	19,000	25	1,000	1,400	1,000	1,000	3,800	4,000
As Salam - SD	na	na	na	25	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,500	3,500
West Darfur										
Ag Geneina	60,000	na	4,000	13	1,500	1,500	1,000	1,000	4,000	3,000
Foro Baranga	na	na	na	na	1,607	2,381	1,000	na	na	na
Habila - WD	na	na	na	21	1,500	1,500	1,000	1,000	4,000	4,000
Jebel Moon	na	na	20,000	15	1,500	2,000	1,000	1,200	na	na
Kereneik	na	na	20,000	13	2,500	3,000	600	1,300	5,000	4,000
Kulbus	na	na	18,000	15	1,500	2,000	1,000	1,000	5,600	4,000
Sirba	na	na	na	33	2,679	3,175	1,000	1,111	na	na
East Darfur										
Abu Jabrah	na	na	22,500	7	1,650	1,900	600	1,150	na	na
Ad Du'ayn	na	na	na	18	2,300	1,800	1,400	1,200	3,300	3,600
Shia'ria	na	na	na	na	1,100	1,500	800	1,200	3,500	5,000
Al Firdous	na	na	na	18	2,250	1,500	1,000	1,000	4,750	5,000
Abu Karinka	na	na	20,000	18	1,500	2,000	1,000	1,100	3,000	3,500
Bahr Al Arab	na	na	na	13	1,000	1,000	500	1,000	3,000	na
Assalaya	na	na	na	23	2,350	1,350	1,250	1,700	3,750	4,350
Yassin	na	na	20,000	25	2,500	2,000	1,000	1,200	5,000	5,000
Central Darfur										
Gharb Jabal Marrah	na	na	17,000	15	2,250	2,381	500	1,000	4,750	4,500
Um Dukhun	na	na	25,000	8	2,542	3,000	1,000	1,150	5,000	6,000
Wadi Salih	na	na	na	16	1,500	2,381	1,000	1,111	2,727	4,000
Zalingi	130,000	85,000	1,800	31	2,000	1,500	700	1,000	6,000	4,500
Wasat Jabal Marrah	na	na	15,000	25	2,000	1,000	1,000	1,200	3,500	4,500
South Kordofan										
Abu Jubayhah	na	na	4,000	10	2,500	1,587	500	1,111	3,036	2,750
Um Durein	na	na	na	20	2,000	3,175	1,000	na	na	na
Ar Rashad	na	na	7,000	5	2,500	1,587	500	1,500	3,000	3,000
Dilling	na	na	15,000	13	na	na	1,500	na	na	na
Heiban	na	na	10,000	25	3,000	2,500	1,500	1,000	4,000	3,000
Ar Reif Ash Shargi	na	na	na	10	na	3,000	1,000	na	na	5,000
Kadugli	na	na	na	10	na	na	na	na	na	na
Habila - SK	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Delami	na	na	na	25	na	3,000	na	1,000	3,000	na

MEDIAN NON FOOD ITEM PRICES PER LOCALITY (in SDG)

Localities	Gas cylinder	Gas refill	Water container	Water supply	Body soap	Toothpaste	Toothbrush	Laundry soap	Liquid dish soap	Sanitary pads
Unit	12.5L	4L	20L	20L	125g	100ml	1piece	200g	600ml	8pieces
Blue Nile										
Ed Damazine	52,500	72,000	5,000	13	1,000	900	500	1,500	1,500	3,500
Ar Rusayris	na	na	5,000	na	1,000	1,000	600	1,029	1,500	3,500
White Nile										
Rabak	64,000	na	4,000	na	1,600	1,587	500	1,111	3,000	3,000
Kosti	70,000	68,000	5,000	na	1,000	800	500	1,111	3,000	3,000
Kassala										
Madeinat Kassala	na	68,000	na	na	1,667	1,300	600	1,333	1,714	2,000
Reifi Aroma	na	75,000	4,000	4	900	1,500	na	800	na	na
Reifi Kassla	na	65,000	na	na	2,000	1,200	700	1,444	2,057	2,500
Reifi Khashm Elgirba	75,000	65,000	7,000	15	950	1,200	750	950	2,250	2,000
Gedaref										
Al Fashaga	na	65,000	na	20	1,200	1,000	600	1,000	1,350	2,500
Al Galabat Al Gharbyah	na	61,455	na	13	1,200	1,000	500	900	1,100	2,500
Madeinat Al Gedaref	80,000	66,500	na	20	1,350	1,000	500	900	1,400	2,500
Galabat Ash-Shargiah	na	69,500	na	15	1,400	1,000	500	1,000	1,500	2,000
North Kordofan										
Um Rawaba	na	na	4,000	13	1,000	1,000	500	800	2,500	3,500
Sheikan	35,000	70,000	5,278	18	1,136	1,587	1,000	941	2,500	2,500
Ar Rahad	na	na	4,444	na	1,136	1,587	500	889	3,000	3,000
Northern										
Al Bargaig	110,000	70,000	na	na	1,800	3,333	1,000	889	2,500	3,000
Dongola	160,000	60,500	na	na	909	1,587	750	889	2,521	2,500
Merwoe	115,000	75,000	na	30	1,136	1,000	500	1,000	2,143	2,250

Methodology

The JMMI 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 JMMI 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 JMMI conducted from 19th to 29th September 2025. 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 JMMI, 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 JMMI 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 JMMI 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.

About the CWG

Created in 2015, the national Sudan Cash Working Group (CWG) serves as the principal coordination forum for all humanitarian cash and voucher assistance (CVA) in Sudan. Composed of over 50 member organizations (UN agencies, local and international NGOs, the Sudanese Red Crescent Society, donors, and financial service providers), the CWG provides technical support to and across sectors, advises on issues related to CVA, and provides evidence and knowledge in response option analysis processes.

Participating agencies

- Adventist Development Council Agency (ADRA)
- Africa Relief Committee (ARC)
- Cooperative for Assistance and Relief Everywhere (CARE)
- Catholic Relief Services (CRS)
- DanChurch Aid (DCA)
- Danish Refugee Council (DRC)
- GOAL
- International Rescue Committee (IRC)
- MercyCorps (MC)
- Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC)
- Sudanese Red Crescent Society (SRCS)

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