

YEMEN | JOINT MARKET MONITORING INITIATIVE (JMMI)

December 2024

MARKET OVERVIEW

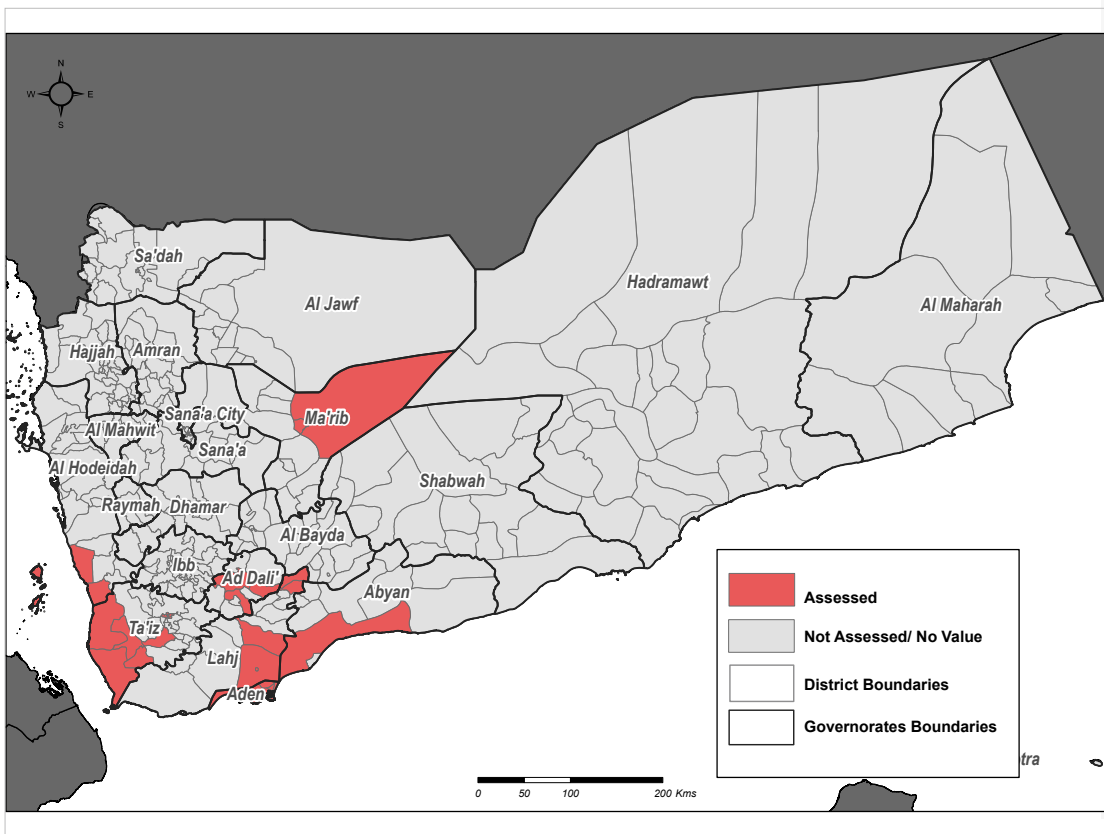
INTRODUCTION

The Yemen Joint Market Monitoring Initiative (JMMI) is led by REACH in collaboration with the **Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) Cluster** and the **Cash and Market Working Group (CMWG)** since 2018. The objective of the JMMI is to support humanitarian actors with the harmonization of market monitoring and to produce information products for evidence based **Cash and Voucher Assistance (CVA)** and **market-based programming (MBP)**. **The JMMI tracks the price and availability**

of all components of the WASH and food Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB), as well as other food and non-food items. In addition, **the JMMI monitors the functionality of the markets** by assessing the supply chain and vendors' perceptions of the market and their businesses.

This JMMI Situation Overview presents the findings of the data collected in 78 markets of areas controlled by the Government of Yemen (GoY), between 1 - 5 December 2024.

ASSESSED DISTRICTS



KEY FINDINGS

- In markets assessed in the government of Yemen-controlled areas (GoY)¹, the price of the food component of the MEB has slightly increased by 3% compared to the previous month, with the median price difference amounting to 3,975 YER.** This increase is primarily driven by a 4% increase in the prices of canned beans and by 3% in the price of salt. However, there was a decrease in the price of dry beans by 9%. This was attributed to the price reduction in Al Hawtah district, where dry beans prices decreased by 300 YER. According to local Yemen news,¹⁴ food price fluctuations are also influenced by factors such as differing supply sources in GoY areas and the security situation, which impacts production and distribution processes.
- The median cost of the WASH component of the MEB in GoY-controlled areas has decreased by 7% compared to the previous month.** This decrease is primarily driven by an 17% decrease in the prices of water trucking (WT). The price decrease was particularly notable in Al Taizz governorate. Additionally, according to vendor KIs, the variation in WASH item prices is usually attributed to the fluctuations in the exchange rate, with items being sold in foreign currencies such as US dollars and Saudi riyals.
- Compared to the previous month, the price of cooking gas has remained stable in GoY-controlled areas.** According to vendor KIs, it was due to the availability of cooking gas in the market.

KEY INDICATORS

Exchange Rates

| | |
|---|---|
| 2,055 YER/USD GoY Parallel market ▲ +1% | 530 YER/USD Official market (Central Bank of Yemen, Aden) |
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Key Changes In MEB

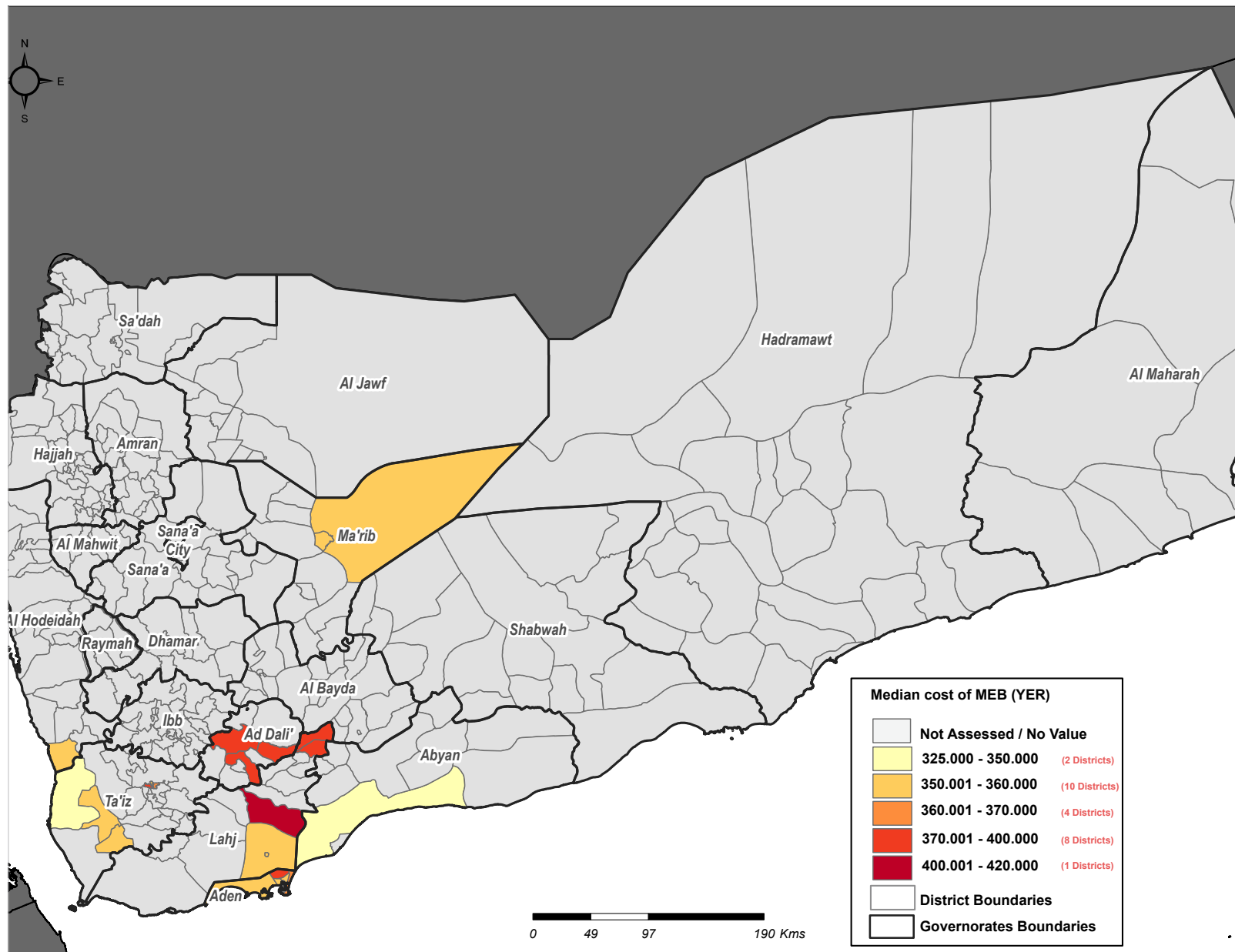
| Median cost of total MEB November 2024 - December 2024 | | |
|---|------------|-------------|
| GOY | 359,529 | ▼-1% |
| Food MEB | WASH MEB | Cooking gas |
| ▲+3% | ▼-7% | 0% |
| 159,275 YER | 38,194 YER | 10,600 YER |

Market Shortages

Fuel items: petrol, diesel
Food items: sunflower oil

| | |
|-----|--|
| 11 | Participating agencies |
| 7 | Assessed governorates |
| 29 | Assessed districts |
| 465 | Key informant interviews (KIIs) |
| 78 | Markets assessed in GoY-controlled areas |

The Median Cost of The Assessed Total MEB*



* This map visualises the cost of the items in the total MEB in Yemeni Rial (YER), calculated for districts with available price data in this month's JMMI round. Darker colours indicate a relatively higher cost while lighter colours indicate a lower cost. See table for the components of the total MEB.

Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB) Components

The Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB) represents the minimum culturally adjusted group of items required to support a seven-person Yemeni household for one month. The MEB is composed of essential commodities and services. The list of commodities and services is provided by **FSAC, Shelter and Health clusters, IOM, KAP Survey and the CMWG**. Since August 2024², **REACH** calculates the cost of the MEB following the updated CMWG guidance.

Food Items

| | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| Wheat flour | 75 kg |
| Kidney beans | 10 kg ³ |
| Sunflower oil ¹³ | 8 L |
| Sugar | 3 kg |
| Iodised salt | 1 kg |

WASH Items

| | |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Soap | 1050 g |
| Laundry powder | 2000 g |
| Sanitary napkin | 50 pieces |
| Water ⁴ | 3150 L |

Non-food items

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Cooking fuel | 1 cylinder |
| Rent subsidy | lump sum |
| Shelter maintenance | lump sum |

Health items

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| Medication | lump sum |
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Services

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| Communication | lump sum |
| Transportation | lump sum |

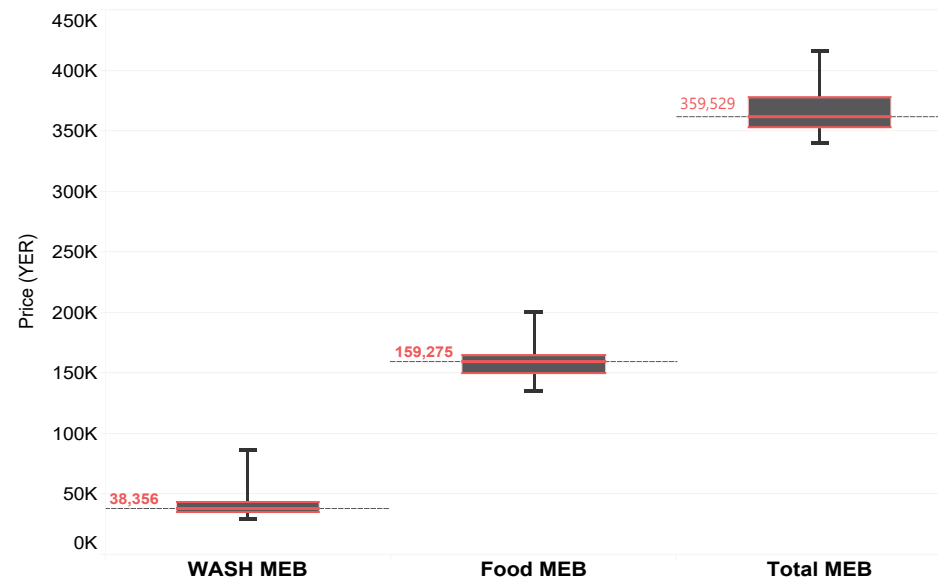
Median Cost of Total MEB

GoY **359,529** ▼ -1%

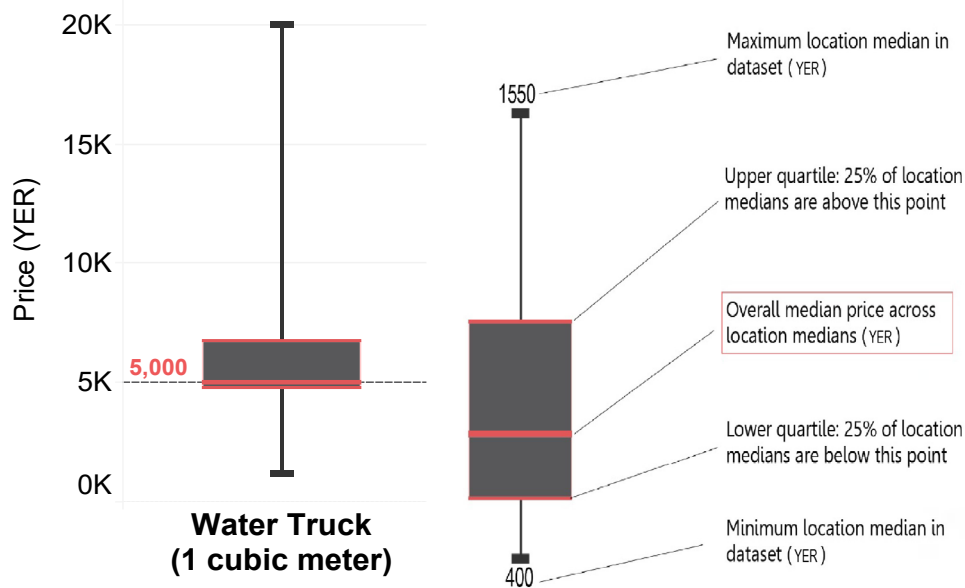
District Median Prices of total MEB, in YER

| Location | Median Price of Total MEB in YER | Change since November 2024 |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Abyan | | |
| Khanfir | 339,892 | ▼ -1.25% |
| Aden | | |
| Al Buraiqeh | 350,904 | ▲ 1.69% |
| Al Mansura | 350,812 | ▼ -6.09% |
| Al Mualla | 361,728 | ▼ -0.73% |
| Ash Shaikh | 352,178 | ▼ -5.16% |
| Craiter | 367,056 | ▲ 0.73% |
| Dar Sad | 374,938 | ▲ 1.35% |
| Khur Maksar | 361,728 | ▼ -0.73% |
| Al Dhale'e | | |
| Ad Dhalee | 382,062 | ▲ 5.05% |
| Ash Shuayb | 384,963 | ▲ 4.89% |
| Qaatabah | 384,963 | ▲ 4.89% |
| Al Hudaydah | | |
| Al Khawkhah | 354,742 | ▼ -3.56% |
| Lahj | | |
| Al Had | 389,528 | ▼ -5.03% |
| Al Hawtah | 354,464 | ▼ -10.4% |
| Al Milah | 416,463 | ▲ 4.51% |
| Tuban | 356,004 | ▼ -4.88% |
| Yafaa | 388,431 | ▼ -7.02% |
| Marib | | |
| Marib | 352,722 | ▲ 0.3% |
| Marib City | 353,567 | ▲ 6.9% |
| Taizz | | |
| Al Mudhaffar | 373,842 | ▲ 0.38% |
| Al Mukha | 347,692 | ▼ -4.39% |
| Al Qahirah | 359,529 | ▲ 0.44% |
| Al Waziyah | 350,592 | ▼ -5.89% |
| Mawza | 355,809 | ▼ -1.07% |
| Salh | 363,342 | ▲ 3.11% |
| Total MEB national level | 361,728 | ▼ -0.86% |

National Median Prices of MEB Components, in YER*



How to Read a Boxplot



* The boxplots indicate to the median price of each MEB component at the national level.

Median Prices of Assessed Items, in YER

| Assessed items | Median Prices in GoY | Change since November 2024 |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Total MEB (canned beans) | 359,529 | -1% |
| MEB - WASH | 38,194 | -7% |
| Soap | 500 | 0% |
| Laundry powder | 400 | 0% |
| Sanitary napkins | 1,600 | 0% |
| Water trucking | 5,000 | -17% |
| Non- MEB WASH | | |
| Bottled water | 300 | 0% |
| Treated water | 200 | 0% |
| Bleach | 2,400 | 0% |
| MEB - Food (canned beans) | 159,275 | +3% |
| MEB - Food (dry beans) | 149,218 | -1% |
| Wheat flour | 1,100 | 0% |
| Canned kidney beans | 1,200 | +4% |
| Dry kidney beans | 3,000 | -9% |
| Sunflower oil | 3,883 | NA |
| Sugar | 1,700 | 0% |
| Salt | 292 | +3% |
| Non-MEB food | | |
| Rice | 2,800 | -3% |
| Lentils | 2,800 | 0% |
| Potatoes | 2,000 | 0% |
| Onions | 2,000 | 0% |
| Fuel | | |
| Cooking gas | 10,600 | 0% |
| Petrol | 1,475 | +3% |
| Diesel | 1,550 | +2% |

Food MEB Findings

- According to vendor KIs, the prices of rice and canned kidney beans have increased in recent months, primarily driven by the increase in the exchange rate of the US dollar against the Yemeni rial.
- Sunflower oil is currently unavailable in some markets. As a result, consumers are turning to alternative oils, such as Al Fakhama, which are available in local markets, as reported by vendor KIs.
- According to vendor KIs, the price of canned beans has experienced a notable increase of 4% attributed to the lack of government control over the markets, reported by partners.
- Vendor KIs indicated that dry kidney beans and lentils were difficult to find, primarily due to low community demand.

Median Cost of the Food component of the MEB and % change compared to November 2024

GoY 159,275 YER ▲ +3%

Availability of Monitored Food Items

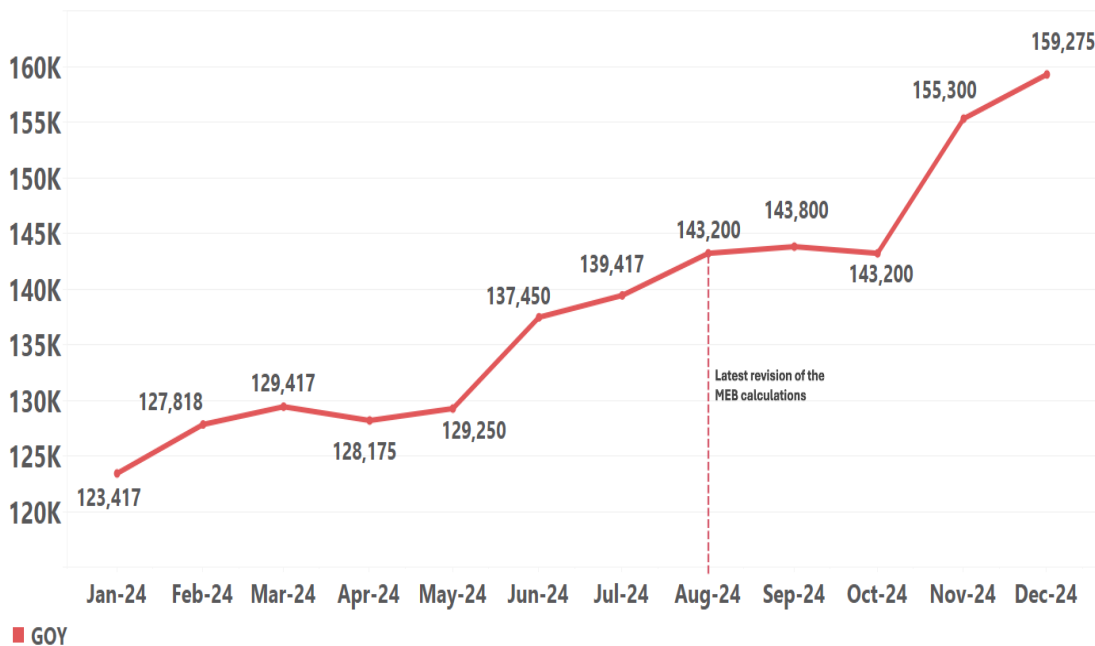
- 13% (17) of food vendor KIs reported they would not be able to meet a 50% increase of consumer demand for food items.
- 4% (6) of food vendor KIs reported a shortage of food items in the last 2 weeks prior to data collection. Most commonly reported item is:
 - Sunflower oil (5 KIs)

Constraints Reported by Food Vendor (135)

Around 39% of the interviewed Food vendor reportedly face constraints in keeping their business operational and well-stocked. During the previous month, this figure stood at 40%. In December 2024, the most commonly reported constraints were⁵:

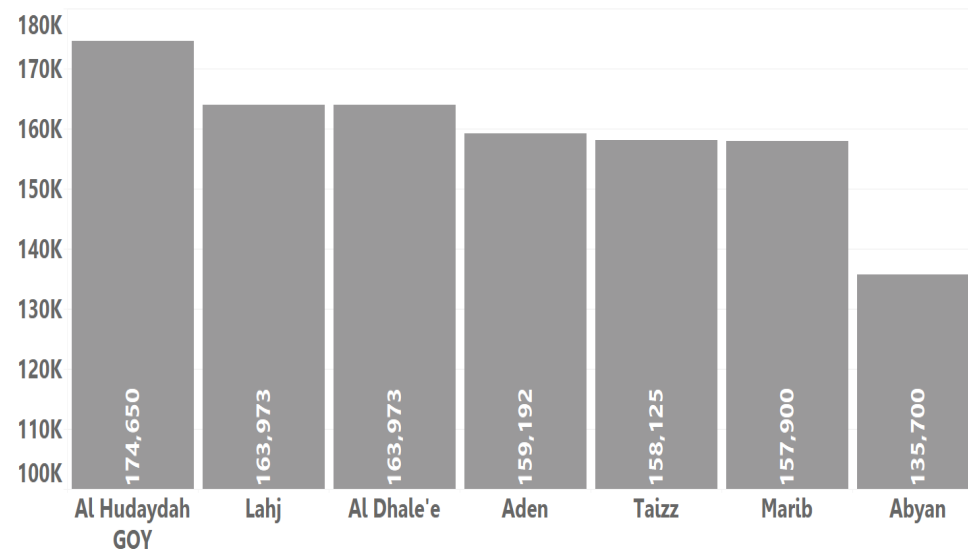
| | 1st choice | 2nd choice | 3rd choice |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Price inflation | 77% | 6% | 4% |
| Liquidity shortage | 13% | 11% | 6% |
| Other | 4% | 2% | 0% |
| Decline of consumer demand | 2% | 8% | 9% |
| Regulations from authorities | 2% | 2% | 4% |
| Movement restrictions | 2% | 15% | 4% |
| High fuel prices | 0% | 8% | 21% |
| Difficulty finding supplies | 0% | 6% | 0% |
| Damage on the road | 0% | 4% | 9% |
| Electricity cuts | 0% | 2% | 2% |
| Increase of consumer demand | 0% | 2% | 0% |

Median Cost of The Food MEB Component in GoY, in YER*



* In August 2024, the CMWG implemented the third update to the MEB guidance note, which necessitated a revision of the transfer value for the food components of the MEB. Notably, the weight of sugar was increased from 2.5 kg to 3 kg.

Median Cost of The Food MEB Component Per Assessed Governorate, in YER



WASH MEB Findings

- Residents continue to face increases in trucked water prices, even when the MEB for water trucking decreases. This is due to additional costs added to trucked water prices due to rough road conditions, increasing fuel prices, or distant delivery locations, as reported by vendor KIs.
- The governorate with the highest WASH MEB cost in GOY controlled areas was in Al Dhale'e governorate at 55,298 YER.
- Vendor KIs indicated that sanitary napkins and trucked water were difficult to find, primarily due to low community demand and reliance on well water.

Median Cost of the WASH component of the MEB and % change compared to November 2024

GoY 38,194 YER ▼ -7%

Availability of Monitored WASH Items

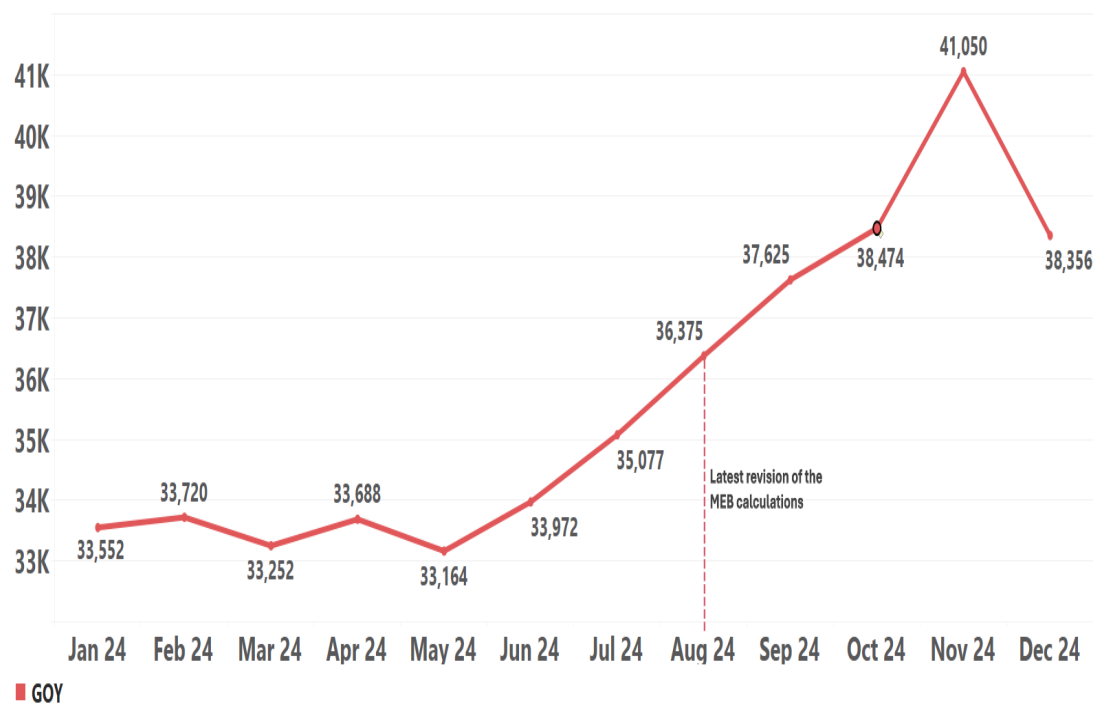
- 11% (15) of WASH vendor KIs reported they would not be able to meet a 50% increase in consumer demand for WASH items.

Constraints Reported by WASH vendor (132)

Around 36% of the interviewed WASH vendor reportedly face constraints in keeping their business operational and well-stocked. During the previous month, this proportion was 32%. In December 2024, the most commonly reported constraints were⁶:

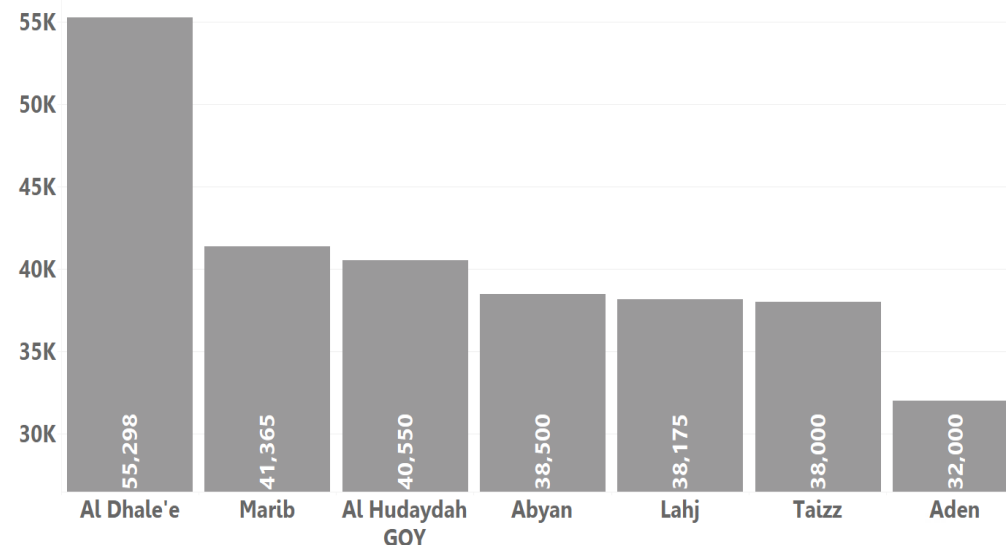
| | 1st choice | 2nd choice | 3rd choice |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Price inflation | 79% | 2% | 0% |
| Decline of consumer demand | 8% | 8% | 4% |
| Liquidity shortage | 6% | 21% | 8% |
| Damage on the road | 2% | 4% | 8% |
| High fuel prices | 2% | 2% | 12% |
| Other | 2% | 0% | 0% |
| Movement restrictions | 0% | 8% | 8% |
| Electricity outage | 0% | 4% | 0% |
| Insecurity and instability | 0% | 4% | 0% |
| Difficulty finding supplies | 0% | 4% | 2% |

Median Cost of the WASH MEB Component in GoY, in YER*



* In August 2024, the CMWG implemented the third update to the MEB guidance note, which necessitated a revision of the transfer value for the WASH components of the MEB. Notably, water treatment tablets were removed from the WASH component items.

Median Cost of The WASH MEB Component Per Assessed Governorate, in YER



Water Trucking (1 m³)*

GoY 5,000 ▼ -17%

| Chlorination rate | Percentage |
|-------------------|------------|
| Not chlorinated | 61% |
| Chlorinated | 39% |
| Do not know | 0% |

| Water source | Percentage |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Pumping Station or Borehole | 73% |
| Water Spring | 16% |
| Treatment Station | 11% |

Note on Monitored Trucked Water

• From January 2024 until December 2024, the median cost of a water truck remained the same with a 0% change in price. It is important to keep in mind that the price fluctuated a little but the cost was the same. The WT vendors take extra charge based on delivery distance since the cost of fuel increased.

Constraints Reported by Water Trucking Vendor (92)

42% of the interviewed water trucking vendor reportedly faced constraints in keeping their business operational and well-stocked. **During the previous month, this proportion was 45%.** The most commonly reported constraints were⁷:

| | 1st choice | 2nd choice | 3rd choice |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Price inflation | 38% | 5% | 3% |
| High fuel prices | 31% | 28% | 5% |
| Damage on the road | 21% | 21% | 10% |
| Fuel shortage | 5% | 0% | 0% |
| Increase of consumer demand | 3% | 0% | 0% |
| Movement restrictions | 3% | 10% | 5% |
| Difficulty finding supplies | 0% | 3% | 0% |
| Damage at the marketplace | 0% | 0% | 0% |
| Decline of consumer demand | 0% | 0% | 10% |
| Regulations from authorities | 0% | 0% | 8% |

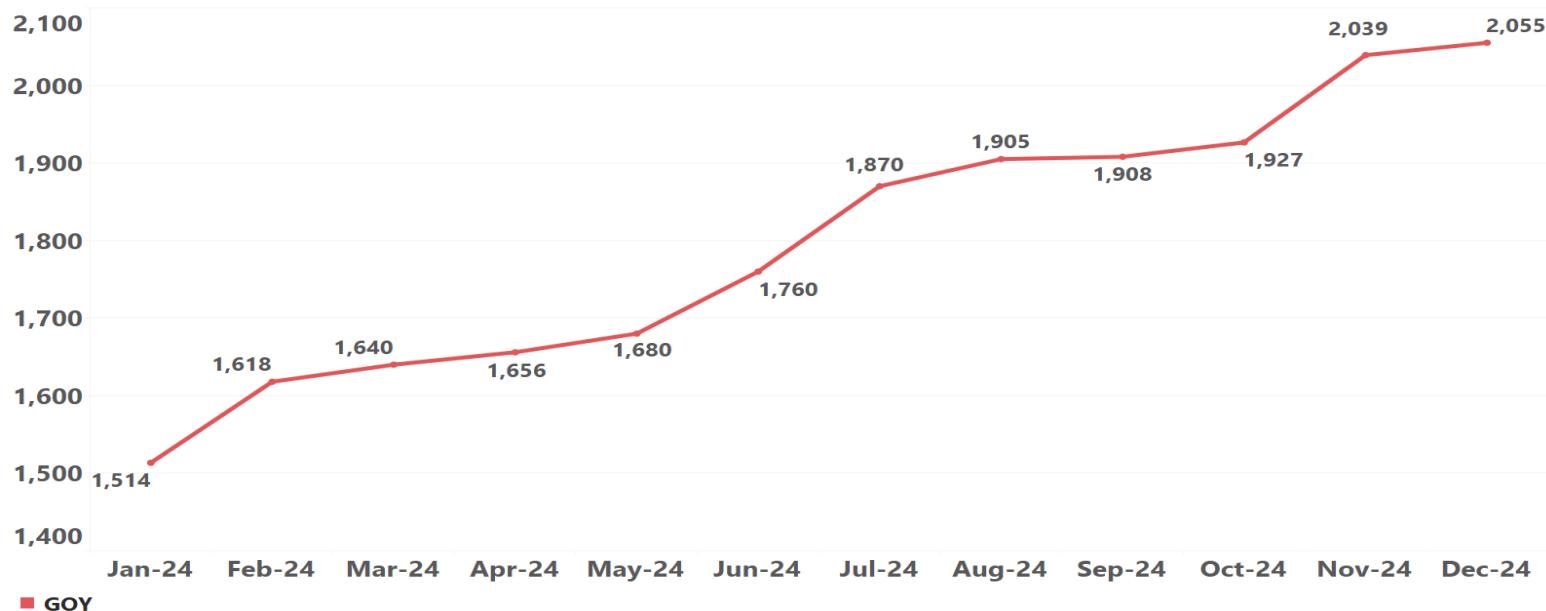
Median Cost of Exchange Rate

GoY 2,055 YER /USD ▲ +1%

Notes on Monitored Exchange Rate

- The **governorate** with the **highest** recorded exchange rate was **Al Dhale'e** governorate (2,057 YER/USD).
- **According to enumerators**, the exchange rate has a major effect on the price changes as vendor in **GoY-controlled areas** relate the YER exchange rate to set prices of items or services.

Trend in Exchange Rates in GoY controlled areas (YER/USD)*



Findings of Monitored Fuel Items

- Out of the 104 KIIs conducted this month with fuel vendors, 79% took place at stations affiliated with Yemen Petroleum Company (YPC) or Yemen Gas Company (YGC), 68% at commercial stations, and 21% on the informal market⁸.
- **Recent government regulations have led to an increase in fuel prices by reducing the amount of fuel allocated to agents.** This shortage is unable to meet customer demand, resulting in long lines and congestion at the stations, according to vendor KIIs.
- **Fuel prices in Lahj governorate are increase daily** due to the collapse of the currency and higher supplier prices, which are also impacted by increased taxes, according to vendor KIIs.

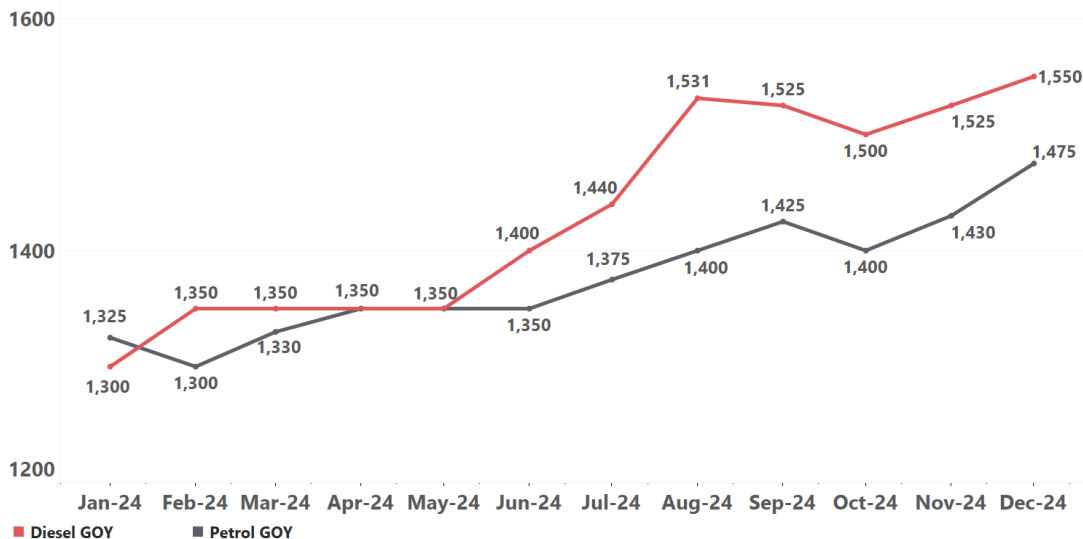
Median Cost of fuel and % change compared to November 2024

| Petrol (1 L) | Diesel (1 L) | Cooking gas (1 cylinder) |
|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| 1,475 YER | 1,550 YER | 10,600 YER |
| ▲ +3% | ▲ +2% | ▲ 0% |

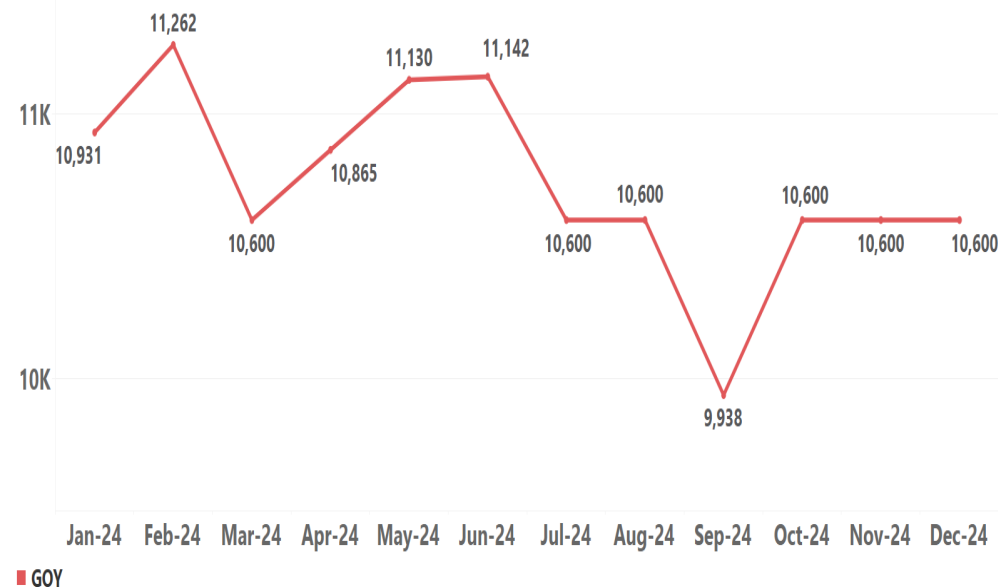
Median Price of Fuel Items in YER, Per Station Type (104)⁹

| | Fuel item | YPC/YGC | Commercial | Informal economy |
|-----|--------------------------|---------|------------|------------------|
| GoY | Petrol (1 L) | 1,425 | 1,425 | 1,500 |
| | Diesel (1 L) | 1,550 | 1,550 | 1,550 |
| | Cooking gas (1 cylinder) | 10,600 | 10,600 | 11,925 |

Median Cost Trends for Diesel and Petrol, in YER*



Median Cost Trends for Cooking Gas in YER*



Availability of monitored items

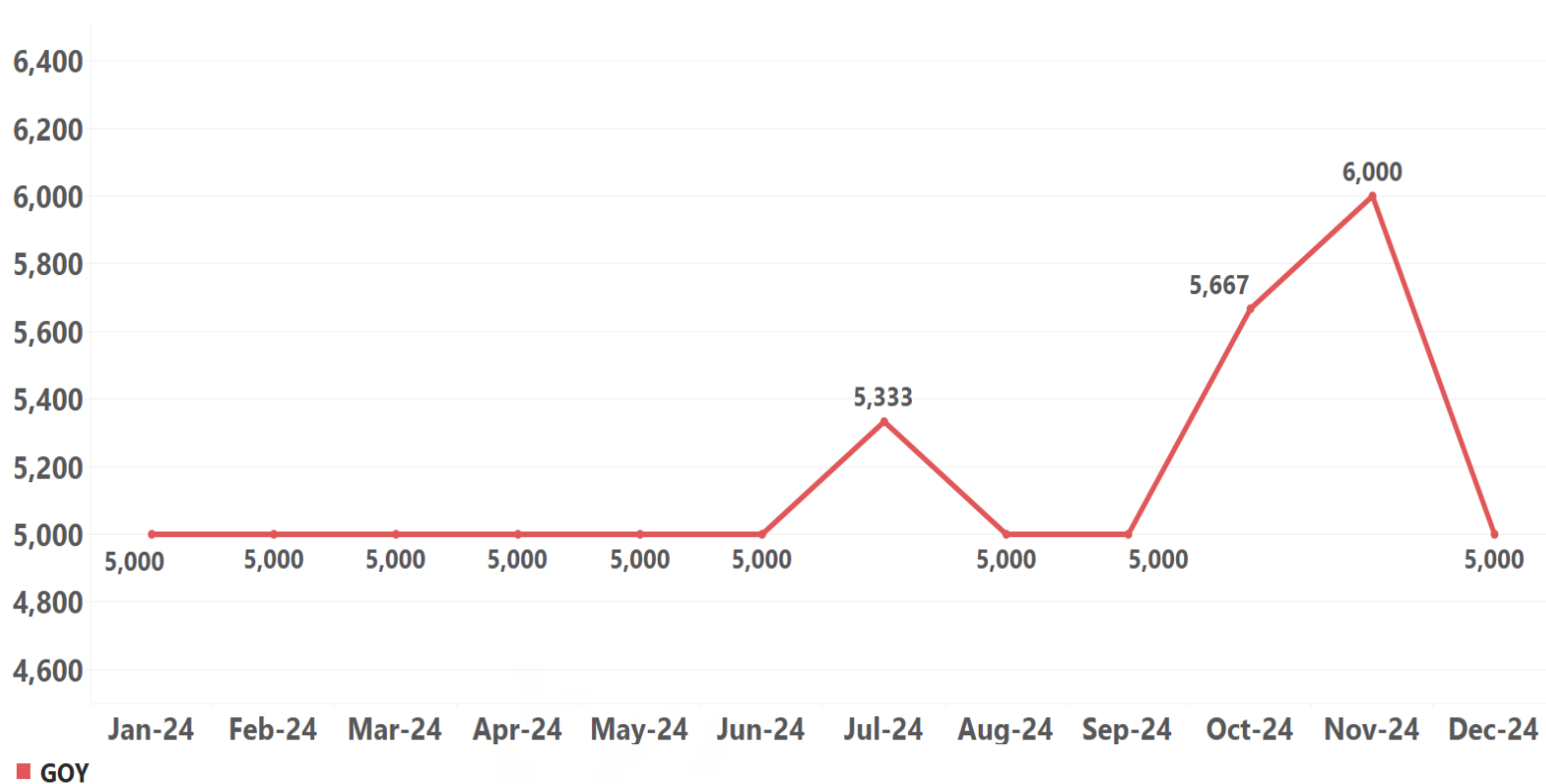
- **47%** (49) of fuel vendor KIIs reported they would **not be able to meet at 50% increase of consumer demand** for fuel items.
- **6%** (6) of fuel vendor KIIs reported a **shortage** of fuel items in the last 2 weeks prior to data collection. Reported items were:
 - Diesel (5 KIIs)
 - Petrol (4 KIIs)

Minimum Daily Wage

Vendors were asked to estimate the **daily wage of casual labourers** in their community. These labourers usually perform basic jobs that do not require formal schooling, and are employed on a daily basis without a contract. Three out of four Yemeni households depend on daily casual labour as their main income source. **The JMMI aims to measure the typical wage of the lowest earning casual labourer** in the area.

Comparing wages and the price of basic items provides **insight into the relative purchasing power** of these labourers. **This month, a casual labourer would need to work for 32 days** to afford the median price of the food component of the MEB¹² in **GoY-controlled areas (159,275 YER)**, when earning the median wage (5,000 YER) reported by the KIs in this area.

Median Daily Wage Rate Across Yemen as Estimated by Vendor KIs, in YER*



District Level Prices of Monitored Commodities

| Governorate | District | MEB - WASH | MEB - Food (dry beans) | MEB - Food (canned beans) | MEB - Total (canned beans) | Petrol 1 L | Diesel 1 L | Cooking gas 1 cylinder | Water Trucking 1 m3 | Exchange Rate (YER/1 USD) |
|-------------|--------------------|------------|------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Abyan | Khanfir | 38,500 | 135,700 | 135,700 | 339,892 | 1,528 | 1,575 | 10,118 | 5,000 | 2,054 |
| Aden | Al Buraiqeh | 38,212 | 149,000 | 147,000 | 350,904 | 1,475 | 1,500 | 10,600 | 4,750 | 2,057 |
| Aden | Al Mansura | 30,772 | 144,748 | 154,348 | 341,212 | 1,498 | 1,525 | 10,600 | 4,150 | 2,057 |
| Aden | Al Mualla | 32,000 | 149,436 | 164,036 | 347,128 | 1,500 | 1,650 | 9,275 | 5,000 | 2,055 |
| Aden | Ash Shaikh Outhman | 38,662 | 141,824 | 147,824 | 346,178 | 1,498 | 1,525 | 10,600 | 6,250 | 2,056 |
| Aden | Attawahi | NA | 149,436 | 164,036 | NA | 1,500 | 1,650 | 9,275 | NA | 2,055 |
| Aden | Craiter | 32,000 | 154,764 | 169,364 | 352,456 | 1,500 | 1,650 | 9,275 | 5,000 | 2,055 |
| Aden | Dar Sad | 56,410 | 137,636 | 152,836 | 359,738 | 1,495 | 1,495 | 10,600 | 12,000 | 2,056 |
| Aden | Khur Maksar | 32,000 | 149,436 | 164,036 | 347,128 | 1,500 | 1,650 | 9,275 | 5,000 | 2,055 |
| Al Dhale'e | Ad Dhalee | 53,884 | 157,786 | 162,486 | 377,362 | 1,400 | 1,600 | 10,600 | 10,000 | 2,055 |
| Al Dhale'e | Ash Shuayb | 55,298 | 165,773 | 163,973 | 384,963 | 1,400 | 1,600 | 9,938 | 10,000 | 2,055 |
| Al Dhale'e | Qatabah | 55,298 | 165,773 | 163,973 | 384,963 | 1,400 | 1,600 | 9,938 | 10,000 | 2,055 |
| Al Hudaydah | Al Khawkhah | 40,550 | 135,300 | 148,500 | 341,542 | 1,350 | 1,550 | 11,262 | 5,000 | 2,054 |
| Al Hudaydah | At Tuhayat | NA | NA | 200,800 | NA | 1,550 | 1,650 | 25,175 | NA | 2,060 |
| Lahj | Al Hawtah | 34,525 | 139,647 | 154,247 | 339,864 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 10,600 | 5,500 | 2,051 |
| Lahj | Al Had | 36,600 | 168,436 | 187,236 | 370,728 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 10,600 | 6,000 | 2,065 |
| Lahj | Al Milah | 86,798 | 165,773 | 163,973 | 416,463 | 1,490 | 1,600 | 9,938 | 20,000 | 2,055 |
| Lahj | Tuban | 39,988 | 138,524 | 150,324 | 344,204 | 1,290 | 1,495 | 10,600 | 6,750 | 2,054 |
| Lahj | Yafaa | 38,175 | 165,764 | 184,564 | 369,631 | 1,750 | 1,750 | 12,588 | 6,500 | 2,065 |
| Marib | Marib | 30,130 | 143,700 | 156,900 | 339,522 | 400 | 1,350 | 7,288 | 1,200 | 2,055 |
| Marib | Marib City | 52,600 | 145,700 | 158,900 | 363,992 | 400 | 175 | 7,288 | 9,000 | 2,051 |
| Taizz | Al Mukha | 38,500 | 130,300 | 143,500 | 334,492 | 1,350 | 1,550 | 11,262 | 5,000 | 2,054 |
| Taizz | Al Maafer | 34,800 | NA | NA | NA | 1,425 | 1,625 | 12,588 | 4,000 | 2,054 |
| Taizz | Al Mudhaffar | 41,050 | 170,900 | 167,100 | 373,842 | 1,425 | 1,500 | 12,588 | 5,000 | 2,055 |
| Taizz | Al Qahirah | 35,712 | 153,025 | 158,125 | 354,429 | 1,413 | 1,500 | 11,925 | 4,750 | 2,057 |
| Taizz | Al Waziiyah | 37,400 | 144,300 | 147,500 | 347,392 | 1,350 | 1,550 | 11,262 | 4,000 | 2,054 |
| Taizz | Dhubab | NA | NA | 177,100 | NA | 1,500 | 1,600 | 23,850 | NA | 2,062 |
| Taizz | Mawza | 42,650 | 134,267 | 147,467 | 342,609 | 1,350 | 1,550 | 11,262 | 6,000 | 2,055 |
| Taizz | Salh | 38,000 | 160,050 | 159,650 | 363,342 | 1,425 | 1,500 | 12,257 | 4,750 | 2,059 |

Methodology

Data for the JMMI is collected at the beginning of each month through structured surveys with Key Informants (KIs) in urban and rural marketplaces. KIs are purposefully selected and enumerators are instructed to visit at least three different vendor per monitored item and obtain the cheapest price per item in each monitored location. The interviews are conducted by partner organisations using a harmonised data collection tool. Following data collection, REACH compiles and cleans the data through detailed follow-up with partners.

To be assessed by the JMMI, marketplaces must be either a single permanent market, or multiple commercial areas located in close proximity to one another. When possible, marketplaces are selected where there is at least one wholesaler operating in the market. Participating organisations are trained on the JMMI methodology and survey by REACH.

REACH presents district level median prices using data from the KIs within that district. Governorate, GoY-controlled areas and national level data (including MEBs) are aggregated from the district medians of the respective assessed districts. In disputed districts, the median of GoY controlled areas lumpsum is used to calculate the total MEB in that district. The market functionality indicators are analysed using frequency percentages.

Findings are indicative of the assessed locations and time frame in which the data was collected. Districts represented in the JMMI are subject to change depending on the capacity and availability of the data collection partners. Therefore, the markets and the districts included in the JMMI will vary on a monthly basis, which ultimately influences longitudinal analysis.

MEB Calculation

- The first MEB update was applied in 2020, where the MEB was referred to as the 'survival minimum expenditure basket' (SMEB).¹¹ A second version was applied in September 2022, where REACH provided support and guidance to CMWG regarding the analysis of MEB price trends based on JMMI rounds.¹⁴
- In August 2024, CMWG implemented the third update to the MEB guidance note. This was prior to the revision done by FSAC on transfer value of food basket, resulting a requirement for CMWG to revise the transfer value of whole components of the MEB. Since then, water treatment tablets were removed from the WASH component items, and the sugar weight was adjusted from 2.5kg to 3kg.
- The cost of the monthly total MEB for a household of 7 is calculated by adding the cost of the WASH and food MEB components, the cost of 1 cylinder of cooking gas, and the lump sum values for shelter, health and services.¹⁰
- Percentage changes of prices are calculated by comparing the two medians of the relevant time series and aggregation level. More details on the methodology can be found in the [JMMI terms of reference \(ToR\)](#). The updated version of the ToR is expected to be available by the beginning of 2025.
- Following data collection, REACH compiles and cleans all partner data and checks for entry errors and outliers.

Challenges and Limitations

- Due to issues of access, security and partner capacity, the districts included in the JMMI vary on a monthly basis. Consequentially, price variations between months may be attributed to changes in monthly coverage and this also means there is a limited number of districts for which trends can be consistently assessed over time.
- While enumerators are instructed to collect at least three prices per monitored item, this is not always possible due to less available vendor, items and markets in assessed districts.
- MEB components are dependent on the MEB guidance from the CMWG and the Food Security and Agriculture Cluster (FSAC). For example, changes observed in the value of MEB components between July and August 2024 are driven, at least to some extent, by the guidance updates applied from August.
- Findings are indicative for the locations assessed and not geographically representative for the whole of Yemen.
- It is recommended to refer to the [Interactive JMMI Dashboard](#) for longitudinal trends and historic data, as adjustments to the data or methodological improvements are updated there and not always in the previous situation overviews.
- The market monitoring process has been coordinated remotely by REACH, which presents some challenges in terms of coordination and follow-up with partners.
- Interviewed vendors do not provide price quotations for all monitored items due to the different nature of the monitored items and difference in inventories.

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For our previous months, the situation overview and datasets can be found on the [IMPACT Resource Center](#).

Endnotes

1. GOY refers to areas under nominal control of the Internationally Recognized Government, including the Southern Transitional Council (STC).
2. CMWG. 2024. [Yemen Minimum Expenditure Basket \(MEB\) and Multipurpose Cash Assistance \(MPCA\) Transfer Value calculation Guidance](#). Lump sum value in GoY areas is updated to 155,092 YER, which includes: 82,051 (shelter), 50,400 (health), 19,745 (transport), 2,896 (communication). Part of the change in the price of the total MEB between August and September 2022 is due to the change in MEB components.
3. Unless indicated otherwise, REACH utilizes the price of canned beans.
4. REACH utilizes the price of trucked water.
- 5, 6 & 7. Not all vendor facing constraints reported up to three constraints.
8. Based on the contextual feedback from vendor and data collection partners. As well as, to maintain the monthly monitoring of fuel, the enumerators were instructed to visit informal markets in case the closure of stations affiliated with the Yemen Petroleum Company (YPC) during the period of data collection.
9. Enumerators are instructed to only visit the informal market if there is no other fuel station available.
10. The food MEB serves the basic food needs of a household of 7 people for one month.
11. CMWG. 2020. [Guidance Note: The survival minimum expenditure basket and setting transfer values](#). Lump sum value was in total 50,600 YER in the IRG and 44,000 YER in the DFA.

12. CMWG. 2022. [Yemen Minimum Expenditure Basket: Operational Guidance Note](#). Lump sum values in YER was in GoY: 53,500 (shelter), 20,410 (health), 2,300 (transport), 7,935 (communication), 539 (water treatment tablets).

13. Following discussions with the FSAC Technical Working Group, the JMMI has begun monitoring the price of sunflower oil instead of other vegetable oils this month, in order to better reflect market trends and consumer preferences.

14. Yemen local news. [Vegetable Price Fluctuations in Yemen Markets: A Comprehensive Analysis of the Latest Data](#).

About the CMWG

The Yemen Cash and Markets Working Group (CMWG), established in 2014, is an essential coordination platform to support CVA actors to facilitate their programs and advocate for strategic objectives. Currently, the CMWG is a sub-working group under the Intercluster Coordination Mechanism (ICCM) chaired by the United Nations Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA) and the Cash Consortium Yemen (CCY).

About REACH

REACH facilitates the development of information tools and products that enhance the capacity of aid actors to make evidence-based decisions in emergency, recovery and development contexts. The methodologies used by REACH include primary data collection and in-depth analysis, and all activities are conducted through inter-agency aid coordination mechanisms. REACH is a joint initiative of IMPACT Initiatives, ACTED and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research - Operational Satellite Applications Programme (UNITAR-UNOSAT).

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