

Highlights

The country is currently going through a crisis over the price of milk with a number of reasons given for the dramatic rise. Supermarkets, retail shops and dairies countrywide have all registered record hikes with the current average price at shs.1992¹ per litre. Unprocessed milk is inevitably experiencing the same crisis and prices have risen to as high as shs.1300 in some local markets.

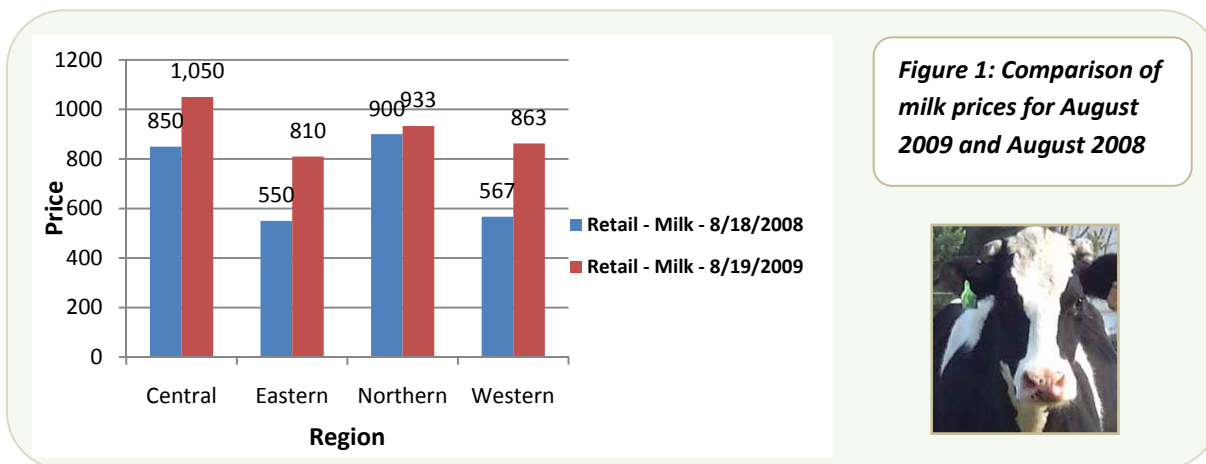


Figure 1: Comparison of milk prices for August 2009 and August 2008



Figure 1 above gives a comparison between prices in the 4 regions of the country; noticeably the central region has been recording the highest prices in recent weeks but emphasis in this figure is placed on the comparison between current prices and those collected exactly a year ago – 18 August 2009. Basing on the level of price increase recorded, the northern region has been the least affected by the current milk shortage while the western has been the most hit.

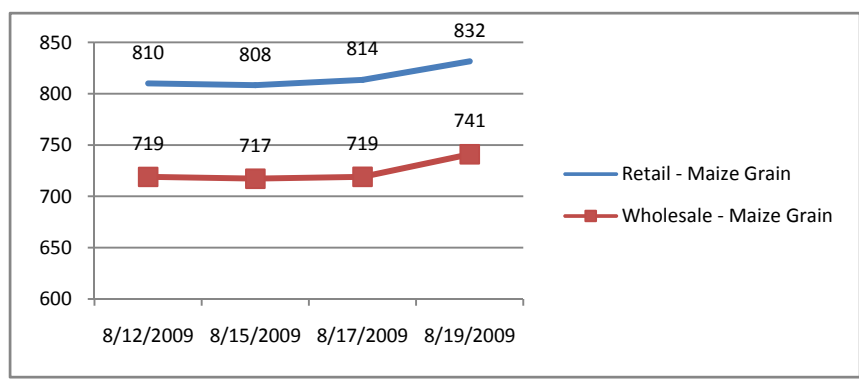


Figure 2: Maize grain price trend: 12th – 19th August 2009

Another commodity that is gradually catching the attention of traders and consumers is maize grain. The short harvest season we experienced recently forced prices to drop by a small margin but as shown in figure 2 this week a trend was recorded showing prices start to rise again.

Prices for other commodities have not faced dramatic changes expect for the minor price changes in upcountry markets where heavy rains have hindered transportation causing major delays in delivery of commodities, e.g matooke in Soroti main market.

¹ Current average price of JESA milk collected from 16 Kampala supermarkets by The New Vision

Commodity	Weight	Pricetype	Kalerwe	Kiboga	Luwero	Masaka	Nakasero	Nakawa	Owino	Iganga	Jinja	Kapchorwa	Mbale	Soroti	Arua	Gulu	Lira	Hoima	Kabale	Kasese	Kisoro	Mbarara	
Maize Flour	Kg	Retail	1500	1400	1500	1400	1700	500	1300	1300	1400	1300	1100	1400	1600	1350	1200	1400	1400	1400	1600	1600	
		Wholesale	1400	1200	1200	1200	1500	1500	1100	1150	1300	1100	1000	1350	1360	1200	900	1300	1150	1300	1300	1400	
Maize Grain	Kg	Retail	1100	800	800	1000	1000	1000	590	680	550	600	550	750	800	860	900	500	750	1400	680	1200	
		Wholesale	1000	700	750	700	950	900	580	600	500	500	500	600	600	780	700		620	1300	550	1100	
Matooke	Kg	Retail	380	175	1000		450	450	350	320	200	400	1200	550	450		1200	600	280	800	700	700	
		Wholesale	310	125	1000		400	390	320	280	180	300	900	450	400		1000		220	750	500	500	
Matooke (Bunch)	Bunch	Retail	8500	7000	9500	9000	13000	9500	12000	12000	10000	8000	12000	10000	14000	14500	12000	10000	9000	14000	11000	6000	
		Wholesale	7500	5000	9000	7000	10000	9600	9000	8500	9000	6000	10000	9000	13000	13000	6000		6800	13500	6000	4000	
Milk	Ltrs	Retail	1200	900	700	1200	1200	1000	1300	1000	800		900	800	1000	1000	800	1000	700	750	800	1000	
		Wholesale	1000	800	600	600	900	900	1200	900	700		700	700	1000	800	700	700	500	700	600	900	
Millet Flour	Kg	Retail	1200	1400	1500	1500	1100	2000	2000	1300	1400		1800	1800	1500	1800	1300		3000	1600	1400	1600	1800
		Wholesale	900	1300	1400	1300	1000	1600	1700	1050	1300		1700	1700	1350	1700	1200			1300	1350	1400	1600
Millet Grain	Kg	Retail	1200	1300	1000	1400	1700	1200	1300	1000	1100	1300	1350	1000	1500	1200		1200	1250	1100	1250	1500	
		Wholesale	900	1200	800	1200	1600	1000	1200	850	1000	1200	1200	900	1300	1100		1000	1050	1000	900	1300	
Pineapple	whole	Retail	1200	800	1500	800	1800	700	1400	2000	2500		1000	1500	1800	2500	3000		500	1100	2000	800	
		Wholesale	1000	500	1000	600	1400	400	1000	1500	2000		700	1400	1500	1800	1000		350	1000	1100	500	
Pork	Kg	Retail	4700	5000	5000	4500		5000	5000		6000	4000	3500	4000	5000	4500	4000		4800	4800	4000	7000	
		Wholesale	4000	4500	4500	3500		3500	4000		5000	3600	3000	3800	5000	4300	3500		4000	4500	3000	6000	
Rice (Kayiso)	Kg	Retail	2000	2800	2400	2400		2000	2400	1700	1600	2200	1900		2300	2400	2200		2400		2500	2500	
		Wholesale	1800	2500	2300	2000		1800	2100	1500	1500	2100	1700		2100	2250	2000		2200		2400	2300	
Rice (Super)	Kg	Retail	2400	2500	2400	2300	2500	2400	2500	2200	2000	2400	2400	2400	2300	2700	2500	2500	2500	2500	2600	2500	
		Wholesale	2200	2300	2300	1800	2200	2100	2200	2000	1800	2300	2200	2200	2100	2500	2300			2400	2400	2400	
Rice (Upland)	Kg	Retail	2000	2200	2000	2300	2700	2000	2300	1700	1600				2300	2500	2200	2200	2500	1700	2300	2200	
		Wholesale	1800	2000	1900	1800	2400	1800	2000	1450	1500				2100	2400	2000	2000	2200	1600	2100	2000	
Simsim	Kg	Retail	3000		2700	3300	4500	2800	3000	2100	2500	2500	2400	2500	3200	2450	2500				3000	3800	
		Wholesale	2800		2500	2900	4000	2400	2300	1900	2300	2400	2300	2300	2500	2300	2200				2500	3500	
Sorghum Flour	Kg	Retail	1000	900	1400		1800	1200	1000	950	1000	900	900	1000	1600	1200			1400	1400		1100	
		Wholesale	700	800	1300		1500	900	850	750	900	700	800	800	1500	1000			1400	1300		1000	
Sorghum Grain	Kg	Retail	700	800	1000		1600	1000	700	800	700		650	700	1000	900			700	1100	800	850	
		Wholesale	500	700	800		1400	700	650	600	650		600	600	850	800			650	1000	600	500	
Soya Beans	Kg	Retail	2000	1400	2000	1400	1600	1800	1200	1400	1200	1800	1200		2000			1200	1500		1500	1500	
		Wholesale	1800	1200	1500	1300	1500	1400	950	1250	1100	1700	100					1000	1380		1300	1400	
Sunflower	Kg	Retail							400														
		Wholesale							350														
Sweet Potatoes	Kg	Retail	600	150	1000	1000	800	500	600	1100	270	300	210	450	500	850	800	1000	200	1000	700	700	
		Wholesale	500	100	1000	600	700	400	550	900	240	200	200	400	450	700	600	600	170	900	500	500	
Turkey	bird	Retail			28000		40000	45000	35000	35000	43000		25000								29000	32000	
		Wholesale			25000		30000	35000	25000	32000	41000		20000								26000	30000	
Vanilla (Unprocessed)	Kg	Retail							2700												3500	3000	
		Wholesale							2300												3000	2000	

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