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#### Highlights:

- o In eastern Aleppo city, food prices decreased during the last week of December, as humanitarian access opened up.
- o The prolonged crisis combined with the lean season had significant negative impact on the market functionality in Deir-ez-Zor city and Idleb, leading to higher prices and shortages in food.
- o Average monthly prices of wheat flour and public bread increased significantly by 25 percent and 18 percent, reaching their highest levels.
- o The purchasing power of daily wage earners as reflected by the terms-of-trade, decreased by 7.2 percent and 22 percent compared to levels observed in June and same month last year, respectively.

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#### **A: Standard Food Basket**



In December 2016, the national average cost of a standard food basket<sup>1</sup> (group of essential commodities) was SYP 38,624, an increase of eight percent compared to last month, 16 percent compared to six months ago and 42 percent compared to the cost last year.

The increase in the price of main food commodities in the past months can be attributed to the effect of the prolonged conflict, which continue to disrupt the regular flow of supplies in some local markets, as well as recent price increases for fuel due to growing demand for cooking and heating during winter.

Moreover, the lean season in Rural Damascus and Deir-ez-Zor and increasing number of IDPs in Idleb had also a negative impact on national average prices.

Looking at the pattern of food basket costs across all main markets, the lowest cost was observed in Dar'a governorate at SYP 26,545 while Deir-ez-Zor governorate recorded the highest cost with SYP 83,975.

Close market monitoring data identifies a significant decrease in food prices in east Aleppo city in the last week of December in-line with humanitarian access to the city.

At the same time, key informants reported severely disrupted supply routes in Deir-ez-Zor, Madaya and east Ghouta, while better market functionality was observed in the hard to reach areas in Al-Hasakeh and Rural Damascus.

Chart 1: Min. vs. Max. Cost of Food Basket (in SYP)

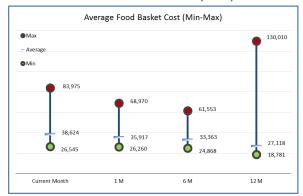
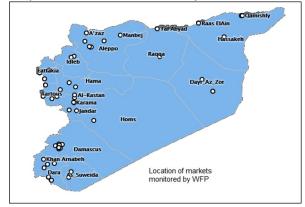


Figure 1: Food Basket Cost and Changes (in SYP)

Governorate	Price December 2016		Price 1 month change			Price 6 months changes		Price 12 months changes		
Aleppo	SYP	72,983		34%		173%		250%		
Damascus	SYP	30,600		1%		5%		54%		
Dar'a	SYP	26,545		1%		4%		29%		
Deir-ez-Zor	SYP	83,975		22%		36%		-35%		
Hama	SYP	32,733		4%		11%		61%		
Al-Hasakeh	SYP	36,938		-6%		-11%		73%		
Homs	SYP	29,255		6%		18%		56%		
Lattakia	SYP	31,539		2%		9%		56%		
Ar-Raqqa	SYP	36,800		-1%		-16%		67%		
Rural Damascus	SYP	34,463	T	-1%		-10%		-24%		
As-Sweida	SYP	31,793		2%		10%		58%		
Tartous	SYP	30,513		0%		2%		50%		
Quneitra	SYP	28,410		0%		3%		N/A		
Idleb	SYP	34,188		10%		11%		N/A		
Average	SYP	38,624		8%		16%		42%		

Map 1: Location of markets monitored by WFP



<sup>1.</sup> The cost of a standard basket of dry goods providing 1,930 kcal a day for a family of five during a month. The basket includes 37 kg of bread, 19 kg rice, 19 kg lentils, 5 kg of sugar, and 7 kg of vegetable oil.

# **B: Retail Prices**

#### 1- Wheat Flour, Rice and Bulgur:

In December 2016, the average nominal retail price of wheat flour increased by 24.6 percent compared to the previous month, reaching SYP 336/Kg, while rice was sold at SYP 570/Kg, maintaining the same level as last month. Bulgur witnessed an increase of 11.5 percent resulting in a price of SYP 340/kg. When compared to June 2016, the prices increased by 38.5 percent for wheat flour, 7.9 percent for rice and 20.3 percent for bulgur. Year-on-year levels indicate significant increases, wheat flour and rice reached 33 and 24 percent, respectively.

Looking at the pattern of retail prices for rice across all main markets in December, Deir-ez-Zor recorded the highest price, SYP 925/kg, while the lowest price was observed in As-Sweida where 1 kg of rice was sold at SYP 345/kg. Markets in Aleppo registered unprecedented levels of price for wheat flour by SYP 1,065/kg, while Quneitra markets registered the lowest at SYP 205/kg. Similarly, the highest price for bulgur was observed in Deir-ez-Zor markets at SYP 600/kg. While the lowest price was reported from Dar'a markets by SYP 200/kg.

Prices in east Aleppo city witnessed extreme volatility during this month due to the change in control. Remarkable price decreases were observed in the last week of the month following humanitarian access. Nonetheless, market functionality is still poor due to a severe shortage of food supplies and water in addition to high levels of devastation. Therefore, there is substantial dependence on food assistance that acts as the main source of food for many vulnerable households in eastern Aleppo city. As a result of the evacuation from eastern Aleppo city and consequent increase in IDPs in Idleb, an upward trend in prices was observed in the governorate. Moreover, the lean season and the increases in fuel had a notable effect on prices in most of the monitored markets including Deir-ez-Zor city.

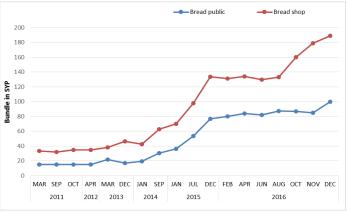
#### 2- Bread:

In December 2016, the average nominal retail prices for public (subsidized) bread and commercial (shop) bread were SYP 100/bundle and SYP 190/bundle, respectively. Compared to November 2016, the price of public bread increased by 17.6 percent, while the price of commercial bread increased by 5.6 percent. The remarkable increases for both bread types were mainly due to the poor functionality of bakeries in Aleppo alongside the higher demand of bread in Idleb. On the other hand, a notable decrease was registered in Rural Damascus due to better accessibility especially in hard-to-reach areas. Between June and December 2016, the average retail prices of public and shop bread went up by 22 percent and 45 percent, respectively. Looking at the pattern of retail prices of commercial bread across all main markets during December, Aleppo market registered the highest price at SYP 900/bundle, although there was significant decease in prices of all food items in east Aleppo city compared to last month. Tartous market recorded the lowest price at SYP 65/bundle. It is worth to mention that the bread assistance provided to households represented one of the main source of food for most households in eastern Aleppo city.



Kg in SYP 200 100 MAR NOV APR
MAY
JUIL
JUIL
AUG
SEP
OCT
DEC

**Chart 3: Retail Prices of Public and Shop Bead in SYP** 



## 3- Diesel and cylinder of butane gas

During the reporting month, the average price of diesel was SYP 410/L and SYP 6,570 for a cylinder of butane gas. Between June and December 2016, the average retail prices of diesel and cylinder of butane gas increased by 20 and 30 percent, respectively. Compared to the same month last year, diesel prices went up by 39 percent and butane gas by 55 percent. During the reporting month, the highest price for diesel was reported in Deir-ez-Zor (besieged area) at SYP 2,500/L and east Aleppo city markets at SYP 3,000/L, a thirteen and sixteen fold more compared to the official price (SYP 180/L).

In eastern Aleppo city, and most of the besieged and high-conflict areas, severe shortages in fuel were reported. Therefore, many households were reported to burn garbage, clothes and furniture to warm their kids. Consequently, the increase in fuel prices as well as restricted transportation and disrupted supply routes will continue to inflate the prices of all main food commodities in active-conflict areas.

### C. Wholesale Prices of Main Cereal in Damascus Market

During the reporting month, wholesale prices for the main food commodities were relatively stable despite the slight decease in the exchange rate of SYP against USD. Wheat grain sold at SYP 8,100/25 kg, bulgur at SYP 7,225/25 kg and white rice at SYP 13,550/25 kg. Compared to November 2016, the wholesale prices of bulgur, rice and wheat remain almost unchanged. Between June 2016 and December 2016, the wholesale prices of wheat increased by five percent, bulgur by three percent and rice by two percent. Year-on-year, the wholesale price of wheat grain increased by 103 percent, bulgur by 66 percent and white rice by 65 percent.

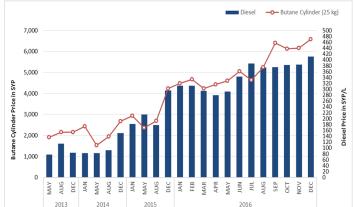
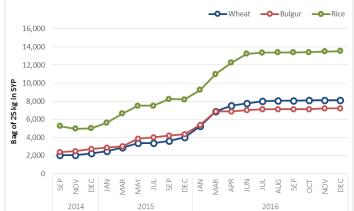


Chart 4: Retail Prices of Diesel and Butane Cylinder in SYP

Chart 5: Wholesale Prices for Wheat, Bulgur and Rice in SYP



## **D. Food Supply to Markets**

During the reporting period, supply routes recorded better functionality in east Aleppo city and some hard-to-reach locations in rural Damascus. As a result, lower food prices were observed in markets despite the limited availability. This, also reflects the impact of humanitarian access that reduced the pressure on markets. However in Madaya, east Ghouta and Deir-ez-Zor city, the supply of essential food commodities was disrupted. Therefore, diesel, butane gas, sugar and oil were sparsely available in markets.

On the other hand, in all monitored markets of accessible areas including Tartous, As-Sweida, Homs and Damascus the supply routes were open and commodities were available. Besides, markets in Al-Hasakeh are functioning better and the demand is stabilizing, reflecting the positive impact of food assistance.

# E. Terms of Trade (TOT):2

#### TOT between wage labour and wheat flour

The purchasing power (measured by terms of trade)

of casual labourers remains weak across the country
reflecting the low wage rates against rising wheat
flour prices. In December 2016, for a whole day of
work casual labourers could only buy 5 kg of wheat
flour/day, remained unchanged compared to last
month but still 7.2 percent less than June levels and
22 percent lower when compared to same month last
year.

The nominal average daily wage rate during the reporting period was SYP 1,400. The wage rate is varied

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between different market locations, ranging from SYP 900 in Al-Hasakeh to SYP 1,900 in Lattakia.

#### **TOT between sheep and wheat flour**

During December, the average price of a two-year old male sheep was SYP 83,215/head. This is 7.6 percent less compared to last month and 9.4 percent less compared to six months ago. The national average TOT between a sheep and wheat flour was 297kg/sheep, which is lower by 11 percent compared to last month and 21.6 percent compared to six months ago. The highest TOT was recorded in Quneitra governorate (494kg/sheep), while the lowest TOT was observed in Aleppo governorate (64kg/sheep).

### **F. International Market Prices**

The FAO Food Price Index averaged 172 points in December 2016, remaining unchanged compared to the November average, but still 11.6 percent more than December 2015 level. Similarly, the Cereal Price Index averaged 142.1 points in December 2016, up by 0.5 percent compared to last month, and 6.3 percent below last year level. In December 2016, the wheat prices on local markets averaged USD 623.3/MT, which is four times higher than the price of wheat in the international market (USD 142/MT).

Data Source: http://www.fao.org/worldfoodsituation/wfs-home/foodpricesindex/en/ and https://ycharts.com/indicators/us\_hard\_red\_winter\_wheat\_export\_price\_gulf\_ports

Chart 8: Trends in global wheat prices

Chart 7: Trends of food and cereals price indices



<sup>2.</sup> The TOT are proxy indicators of the purchasing power of households that rely on livestock and/or casual labour as their main source of income for the purchase of cereals from local markets. TOT are important components of food security analysis. Changes in the terms of trade between wages/livestock and staple food commodities are indicative of the trends in purchasing power and the impact on the food security situation of households dependent on food purchases through income from daily wage labour and/or the sale of livestock.

Table 1. Market Price of Main Commodities in Syrian Pounds													
Commodity	Governorate	Current Price	Price change (%)	Price change (%)	Average Change	Average Change 6 M	Commodity	Governorate	Current Price	Price change (%)	Price change (%) 6 M	Average Change	Average Change
	Aleppo	583	226.9	663.3	<b></b>	<b>1</b>		Aleppo	1.500	84.6	64.2	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
	Damascus	50	-	-	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Damascus	975	5.5	8.1	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Dar'a	50	-	-	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Dar'a	950	-	10.0	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>1</b>
	Deir-ez-Zor	100	-	(15.9)	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>\</b>		Deir-ez-Zor	1,450	-	350.0	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>1</b>
<u>k</u> g	Idleb	250	28.3	42.9	<b>↑</b>	1		Idleb	450	2.9	(10.0)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
5.7	Hama	75	-	-	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$	=	Hama	975	3.1	16.3	$\leftrightarrow$	1
9	Al- Hasakeh	50	-	-	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$	Date (kg)	Al- Hasakeh	550	17.0	50.0	<b>↑</b>	<b>1</b>
Par	Homs	50	-	(7.7)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$	Jate	Homs	917	-	14.3	$\leftrightarrow$	1
Bread Public (1.5 kg)	Lattakia	50	-	-	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$	_	Lattakia	800	-	14.3	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>1</b>
ä	Quneitra Ar-Raqqa	100	-	(8.3)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Quneitra Ar-Raqqa	925 510	(0.5)	5.6 48.3	$\leftrightarrow$	←
	Rural Damascus	50	(25.0)	(40.0)	<b>→</b>	<b>→</b>		Rural Damascus	1,350	3.8	54.9	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>1</b>
	As-Sweida	50	- (20.0)	-	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		As-Sweida	925	2.8	9.0	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Tartous	50	-	-	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Tartous	750	-	0.9	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Aleppo	897	30.4	1,024.0	<b>1</b>	1		Aleppo	953	19.8	265.8	<b>1</b>	<b>↑</b>
	Damascus	150	-	-	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Damascus	235	7.5	5.4	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Dar'a	150	-	(5.6)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Dar'a	353	15.9	58.7	<b>↑</b>	1
(B)	Deir-ez-Zor	150	-	(2.9)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Deir-ez-Zor	1,345	-	(9.4)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
1.51	Idleb Hama	288 123	23.2	43.8 (10.3)	<u>↑</u>	<b>↑</b>	_	Idleb Hama	350 350	24.0 26.5	26.1 60.4	<u> </u>	<u>↑</u>
, s	Al- Hasakeh	113	-	33.3	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>→</b>	Diesel (L)	Al- Hasakeh	63	-	12.5	<i>↔</i>	<b>↑</b>
dod	Homs	147	-	20.9	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>1</b>	ese	Homs	203	-	19.8	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>1</b>
S	Lattakia	75	- 1	9.4	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$	□	Lattakia	190	2.1	14.3	$\leftrightarrow$	<u></u>
Bread Shops (1.5 kg)	Quneitra	133	-	-:	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Quneitra	278	2.7	15.4	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↑</b>
ш	Ar-Raqqa	130	-	(17.4)	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↓</b>		Ar-Raqqa	150	5.6	12.5	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↑</b>
	Rural Damascus	150	(16.7)	(30.0)	<b>↓</b>	<b>↓</b>		Rural Damascus	325	(8.3)	0.6	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	As-Sweida Tartous	75 63	-	7.1 (6.7)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		As-Sweida Tartous	338 185	3.0	35.0 10.6	$\leftrightarrow$	<u>↑</u>
	Aleppo	540	31.7	82.5	→	→	1	Aleppo	354	14.5	37.5	←	<u>↑</u>
	Damascus	293	-	14.6	$\leftrightarrow$	^	Fish (Sardine, canned)	Damascus	350	-	40.0	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>^</b>
	Dar'a	200	- 1	0.8	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Dar'a	250	-	-	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Deir-ez-Zor	600	0.0	6.7	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Deir-ez-Zor	838	(0.4)	24.2	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>1</b>
	Idleb	225	12.5	50.0	1	1		Idleb	268	-	(14.4)	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↓</b>
(Kg)	Hama	328	4.3	24.7	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↑</b>		Hama	247	3.2	16.4	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↑</b>
Bulgur (kg)	Al- Hasakeh Homs	425 257	9.5 4.9	27.1 33.1	↔	↑ ↑		Al- Hasakeh Homs	313 252	(4.2)	(12.7) 19.4	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↓</b>
)ng	Lattakia	277	(0.4)	22.0	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	<u>↑</u>	Sarc	Lattakia	242	(1.3)	0.1	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↑</b> ↔
_	Quneitra	225	7.1	33.3	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>^</b>	Fish (	Quneitra	245	-	8.9	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Ar-Raqqa	300	-	(28.2)	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>V</b>		Ar-Raqqa	300	-	(8.3)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Rural Damascus	313	12.5	(15.2)	<b>↑</b>	<b>V</b>		Rural Damascus	288	-	6.3	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	As-Sweida	300	-	14.5	$\leftrightarrow$	1		As-Sweida	275	n		$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Tartous	300	-	7.0	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Tartous	325	- (0.7)	15.9	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↑</b>
	Aleppo Damascus	19,425 2,863	20.2 5.1	312.0 27.2	<b>↑</b>	<b>↑</b>		Aleppo Damascus	497 463	(3.7)	16.8 15.6	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↑</b>
	Dariascus Daria	5,475	18.8	28.0	←→	↑ ↑		Daria Daria	400	-	15.6	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↑</b>
(E)	Deir-ez-Zor	9,000	10.0	(8.7)	<u> </u>	$\leftrightarrow$	Fish (tuna, canned)	Deir-ez-Zor	1,300	40.9	102.9	1	1
	Idleb	7,900	11.3	26.4	·	1		Idleb	300	-	(2.6)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
r (1	Hama	4,800	33.9	52.5	1	1		Hama	455	4.2	15.3	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>1</b>
Butane Cylinder (10	Al- Hasakeh	3,050	(5.6)	(47.5)	$\leftrightarrow$	↓		Al- Hasakeh	438	12.9	6.8	<b>↑</b>	$\leftrightarrow$
ঠ	Homs	2,933	2.9	27.3	$\leftrightarrow$	<u>↑</u>		Homs Lattakia	450	9.1	28.8 5.3	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↑</b>
ane	Lattakia Quneitra	2,850 5,275	(1.7) 13.3	16.3 23.5	←→	↑ ↑		Quneitra	363 330	-	1.4	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$
But	Ar-Raqqa	6,500	(3.8)	(34.9)	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>+</b>		Ar-Raqqa	413	13.9	18.8	1	<b>1</b>
	Rural Damascus	4,250	(0.6)	(36.4)	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>V</b>		Rural Damascus	450	-	8.8	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	As-Sweida	3,100	8.8	24.0	$\leftrightarrow$	1		As-Sweida	438	×-	11.1	$\leftrightarrow$	1
	Tartous	3,500	20.7	34.6	1	1		Tartous	375	0.3	1.9	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Aleppo	2,000	(0.7)	6.4	↔	$\leftrightarrow$		Aleppo	316	8.4		↔	$\leftrightarrow$
	Damascus Dar'a	1,550 1,200	-	73.1 41.0	$\leftrightarrow$	<u>↑</u>		Damascus Dar'a	125 175	-		$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$
	Deir-ez-Zor	2,250	13.1	85.2	<b>1</b>	<u></u>		Deir-ez-Zor	325	11.1		<b>↑</b>	$\leftrightarrow$
	Idleb	900	-	1.4	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$	<u>=</u>	Idleb				$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
(kg)	Hama	1,500	3.8	19.2	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↑</b>	¥,	Hama	98	14.0	21.6	<b>↑</b>	<b>↑</b>
Cheese (kg)	Al- Hasakeh	1,150	4.1	66.7	$\leftrightarrow$	1	sa	Al- Hasakeh	88	-		$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Homs Lattakia	1,300 1,375	1.0	17.6	↔	<b>↑</b>	lodised salt (kg)	Homs Lattakia	115 55	5.0	29.4	↔	<b>↑</b>
O	Quneitra	1,375	(3.4) 5.6	(2.7) 27.8	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	←		Quneitra	105	10.0		←→	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$
	Ar-Raqqa	925	-	14.0	$\leftrightarrow$	1		Ar-Raqqa	95	(6.5)		$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Rural Damascus	1,275	2.1	15.9	$\leftrightarrow$	<u></u>		Rural Damascus	138	-		$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
Chickpeas (kg)	As-Sweida	1,300	9.5	30.0	$\leftrightarrow$	1		As-Sweida	150	,		$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Tartous	1,275	-	8.5	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Tartous	73	(3.3)		$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Aleppo	392	2.8	18.4	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↑</b>	Lentils (kg)	Aleppo	783	2.1	61.8	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>1</b>
	Damascus Dar'a	513 350	-	(6.8) 26.7	$\leftrightarrow$	↔		Damascus Dar'a	700 430	3.5	3.7 7.5	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Dara Deir-ez-Zor	1,825	7.5	25.0	$\leftrightarrow$	↑ ↑		Dara Deir-ez-Zor	1,850	28.9	7.5 45.0	←>	←→
	Idleb	278	11.0	11.0	<u> </u>	1		Idleb	475	2.8	(5.0)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Hama	500	7.3	24.0	$\leftrightarrow$	1		Hama	625	4.5	17.3	$\leftrightarrow$	1
	Al- Hasakeh	688	-	6.3	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Al- Hasakeh	638	(11.3)	(18.8)	<b>+</b>	$\downarrow$
	Homs	537	2.6	25.7	$\leftrightarrow$	1		Homs	598	5.9	24.2	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↑</b>
	Lattakia	600	-	(0.4)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Lattakia	669	1.1	11.5	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↑</b>
	Quneitra Ar-Raqqa	475 625	2.2	6.3 15.0	↔	$\leftrightarrow$		Quneitra	513 638	2.6	5.9 (20.6)	↔	$\leftrightarrow$
	Rural Damascus	550	-	(14.3)	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↑</b>		Ar-Raqqa Rural Damascus	763	2.6	(20.6)	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	As-Sweida	650	1.9	18.3	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>→</b>		As-Sweida	825	3.1	17.9	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↑</b>
-	Tartous	525	-	(17.6)	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>V</b>		Tartous	600	-	(2.0)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	1	Prices increa	ase above nori	mal price flu	ctuation								

		Current	Price	Price	Average	Average			Current	Price	Price	Average	Average
Commodity	Governorate	Price	change (%)	change (%)	Change	Change	Commodity	Governorate	Price	change (%)	change (%)	Change	Change
		0.704	1M	6 M	1M	6 M				1M	6 M	1M -	
	Aleppo Damascus	3,781 3,350	(1.6)	42.1 8.1	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	<u>↑</u>		Aleppo Damascus	6,294 3,375	17.2 0.8	141.3 5.4	<u>↑</u>	↑ ↔
	Dar'a Deir-ez-Zor	3,350 4,200	- (0.8)	3.3 3.3	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$		Dar'a Deir-ez-Zor	19,500 11,150	450.0 (11.5)	457.1 12.5	<u>↑</u>	↑ ↑
66	Idleb	2,800	12.0	12.0	1	1		Idleb	3,350	-	3.1	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
Meat (beef, kg)	Hama Al- Hasakeh	3,500 2,550	(3.3)	19.8 (10.5)	$\leftrightarrow$	<u>↑</u>	Tea (kg)	Hama Al- Hasakeh	3,625 3,450	5.8 (2.2)	9.2 23.5	$\leftrightarrow$	←→
	Homs	3,533	3.3	21.7	$\leftrightarrow$	1		Homs	3,433	5.2	48.6	$\leftrightarrow$	1
	Lattakia Quneitra	3,313 3,275	(0.4)	(4.0) 13.3	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	←→		Lattakia Quneitra	2,700 3,500	26.2	(5.5) 1.4	<u>↑</u> ↔	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$
	Ar-Raqqa Rural Damascus	2,350 3,550	(1.0)	(6.0) 2.2	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$		Ar-Raqqa Rural Damascus	3,650 3,750	(1.5) (6.0)	2.3 2.1	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	As-Sweida	3,325	-	(3.6)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		As-Sweida	3,525	- (6.0)	17.5	$\leftrightarrow$	1
	Tartous Aleppo	3,438 1,419	1.9 (11.7)	4.3 165.3	$\leftrightarrow$	←		Tartous Aleppo	2,600 1,619	- 12.5	(17.7) 130.5	←	<b>↓</b>
	Damascus	750	5.3	13.6	$\leftrightarrow$	1		Damascus	835	3.1	28.5	$\leftrightarrow$	1
	Dar'a Deir-ez-Zor	725 2,400	47.1	3.1 64.7	←→	←→		Dar'a Deir-ez-Zor	435 3,825	11.1 (15.6)	46.3 57.5	<u>↑</u>	↑ ↑
	Idleb Hama	663 875	6.0 1.0	12.9 (7.7)	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	↑ ↔	<u>§</u>	Idleb Hama	350 1,050	4.7 (2.6)	16.7 11.4	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	↑ ↑
Oil (L)	Al- Hasakeh	625	(4.9)	(18.1)	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>\</b>	Tomato paste (kg)	Al- Hasakeh	600	- 1	(9.1)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
ō	Homs Lattakia	678 769	7.2 2.5	64.3 5.1	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	<u>↑</u>		Homs Lattakia	1,060 750	2.9	21.1 30.4	$\leftrightarrow$	<u>↑</u>
	Quneitra	788 850	0.8	15.2	$\leftrightarrow$	1		Quneitra	440	(0.4)	55.0	$\leftrightarrow$	1
	Ar-Raqqa Rural Damascus	875	(2.6)	(12.9) 6.7	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Ar-Raqqa Rural Damascus	613 850	1.0 7.1	(31.3) 45.1	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↓</b>
	As-Sweida Tartous	800 738	-	1.6 10.3	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	←→ ↑		As-Sweida Tartous	500 713	2.5 (1.8)	6.6 19.1	$\leftrightarrow$	←→ ↑
	Aleppo	198	-	597.0	$\leftrightarrow$	1		Aleppo	291	7.3	127.7	$\leftrightarrow$	1
	Damascus Dar'a	50 38	2.1	72.6	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	<u>↑</u>		Damascus Dar'a	207 250	37.7	38.6	<u>↑</u>	<b>↑</b>
9466	Deir-ez-Zor Idleb	150 50	7.1	(33.3) 12.5	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	<b>V</b>	Tomatoe (kg)	Deir-ez-Zor Idleb	1,490	5.6	37.1 (12.9)	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	↑ ↓
Parsley (packet)	Hama	50	-	10.0	$\leftrightarrow$	<u>↑</u>		Hama	208	24.1	42.5	<b>↔</b>	<b>↓</b>
y (ba	Al- Hasakeh Homs	75 73	46.7	12.5 68.6	← ↑	↑ ↑		Al- Hasakeh Homs	313 208	5.1 38.3	2.5 71.6	←→	←→
Parsle	Lattakia	50	-	25.0	$\leftrightarrow$	1		Lattakia	200	-	84.7	$\leftrightarrow$	1
_	Quneitra Ar-Raqqa	40 88	85.0	166.7 15.0	<u>↑</u> ↔	<u>↑</u>		Quneitra Ar-Raqqa	158 450	9.0 16.7	46.1 46.2	←→	↑ ↑
	Rural Damascus As-Sweida	55 65	30.0	41.3 125.6	← ↑	↑ ↑	-	Rural Damascus As-Sweida	235 200	45.0 14.3	4.1 14.3	↑ ↑	←→ ↑
	Tartous	50	5.0	40.6	$\leftrightarrow$	1		Tartous	219	0.6	65.2	$\leftrightarrow$	1
	Aleppo Damascus	569 500	32.0		<b>↑</b>	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	Unskilled Labor wage	Aleppo Damascus	1,425	15.0	46.7	<u>↑</u>	<b>↑</b>
	Dar'a	475	6.3	(00.0)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Dar'a	1,050	2.0	15.0	$\leftrightarrow$	1
	Deir-ez-Zor Idleb	1,400	10.0	(86.2)	<u>↑</u>	$\leftrightarrow$		Deir-ez-Zor Idleb	1,150 1,700	-	19.0 (1.7)	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↑</b>
(kg)	Hama Al- Hasakeh	370 338	5.8 (1.9)	13.1	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	<b>↑</b> ↔		Hama Al- Hasakeh	1,600 900	10.0	26.7 4.5	<b>↑</b> ↔	↑ ↔
asta (kg)	Homs	395	14.0	55.0	<b>↑</b>	<b>↑</b>		Homs	1,067	5.9	52.6	$\leftrightarrow$	1
Ьа	Lattakia Quneitra	257 255	(0.9)		$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Lattakia Quneitra	1,900 1,250	5.5 4.2	18.8 4.2	$\leftrightarrow$	↑ ↔
	Ar-Raqqa Rural Damascus	625	-		$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Ar-Raqqa	1,600	-	(7.5)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	As-Sweida	625 475	(3.8)		$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$		Rural Damascus As-Sweida	1,500 1,500	-	15.4	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	←
	Tartous Aleppo	272 690	(1.2)	72.2	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	←→		Tartous Aleppo	1,650 1,063	1.4 28.4	10.0 608.8	←→	↑ ↑
	Damascus	425	- 1	6.3	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$	Wheat Flour (kg)	Damascus	280	2.0	15.5	$\leftrightarrow$	1
	Dar'a Deir-ez-Zor	488 925	(1.4)	(10.0)	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$		Dar'a Deir-ez-Zor	213 595	3.5	119.4	$\leftrightarrow$	←→
	Idleb Hama	475 518	5.6 5.7	5.6 21.7	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		ldleb Hama	213 225	11.8 12.5	41.7 25.1	↑ ↑	↑ ↑
Rice (kg)	Al- Hasakeh	838	(1.8)	2.2	$\leftrightarrow$	<u>↑</u> ↔		Al- Hasakeh	263	-	25.2	$\leftrightarrow$	1
Rice	Homs Lattakia	495 500	8.2 2.6	31.5 9.6	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	↑ ↔		Homs Lattakia	217 246	5.8 3.4	22.1 3.4	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	↑ ↔
	Quneitra	425	-	(5.6)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Quneitra	205	-	-	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Ar-Raqqa Rural Damascus	650 500	(3.8) 5.0	(10.1) 0.2	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	<b>↓</b>		Ar-Raqqa Rural Damascus	363 325	(5.3)	(2.5) (20.0)	$\leftrightarrow$	
	As-Sweida Tartous	345 525	1.5	15.0 5.0	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	↑ ↔		As-Sweida Tartous	263 233	5.0	(4.5) (3.6)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Aleppo	68,125	(28.8)	(45.3)	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>	Yogurt (kg) White beans (kg)	Aleppo	628	5.5	(0.0)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Damascus Dar'a	86,625 70,000	3.3 (2.9)	1.6 11.7	$\leftrightarrow$	←→		Damascus Dar'a	475 375	6.3	26.8	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	←→
Φ	Deir-ez-Zor	N/A 77,500	(3.1)	2.0	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Deir-ez-Zor Idleb	1,850	6.7	(68.2)	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>\</b>
d Mal	Hama	80,500	(4.9)	1.2	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$		Hama	565	4.5	21.2	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	<> ↑
2Y oli	Al- Hasakeh Homs	75,000 81,000	2.0	12.5 31.3	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	↑ ↑		Al- Hasakeh Homs	813 540	(12.1) 5.3	19.9	<b>↓</b>	←→
Sheep 2Y old Male	Lattakia	75,000	(3.2)	(9.1)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Lattakia	657	(1.0)	.5.5	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
<u>s</u>	Quneitra Ar-Raqqa	101,250 57,500	(8.1)	(6.9) (25.4)	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Quneitra Ar-Raqqa	393 850	(1.5)		$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$
	Rural Damascus As-Sweida	92,500 71,500	(7.3)	4.0 (12.6)	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Rural Damascus As-Sweida	535 525	(2.7)		$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
	Tartous	67,650	(5.5)	(27.6)	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>V</b>		Tartous	525	-		$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$
Sugar (kg)	Aleppo Damascus	2,066 425	2.8 3.1	488.5 (1.4)	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	↑ ↔		Aleppo Damascus	803 313	(1.4)	65.7 47.9	$\leftrightarrow$	↑ ↑
	Dar'a	438	-	17.4	$\leftrightarrow$	1		Dar'a	250	-	10.0	$\leftrightarrow$	1
	Deir-ez-Zor Idleb	2,150 450	(4.1)	72.5 5.9	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	<u>↑</u>		Deir-ez-Zor Idleb	1,050 213	10.0 16.9	65.0 11.8	<u>↑</u>	↑ ↑
	Hama Al- Hasakeh	425 538	4.5 (12.2)	12.4 (20.2)	$\leftrightarrow$	1		Hama Al- Hasakeh	510 200	9.8 5.6	23.4	$\leftrightarrow$	1
	Homs	377	5.7	66.6	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>↓</b>		Homs	275	4.7	22.3	$\leftrightarrow$	<> ↑
	Lattakia Quneitra	419 425	1.5 2.3	9.8 3.3	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Lattakia Quneitra	265 220	(0.5)	32.3 27.4	$\leftrightarrow$	↑ ↑
	Ar-Raqqa	538	(3.2)	(16.7)	$\leftrightarrow$	<b>V</b>		Ar-Raqqa	188	(1.9)	25.0	$\leftrightarrow$	1
	Rural Damascus As-Sweida	500 423	6.3 (0.6)	(7.9) (17.5)	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Rural Damascus As-Sweida	323 275	1.3	26.3 10.0	$\leftrightarrow$ $\leftrightarrow$	<u>↑</u>
	Tartous	425	2.9	-	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$		Tartous	269	(2.0)	13.2	$\leftrightarrow$	<u>†</u>