Weekly report on the prices of raw materials and everyday food products

Week of 1 to 7 June 2026

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Introduction

The week of 1 to 7 June 2026 was marked by mixed trends in commodity prices, reflecting adjustments linked to the global economic outlook and geopolitical tensions. Overall, the week reflected a cautious global market, dominated by a downward trend in prices.

1. Trends in commodity prices

Commodity price movements during the week under review reveal a mixed picture, dominated by a predominantly downward trend, driven by pressures on both import and export commodities. The energy sector confirmed its strength with a notable rise in natural gas (+3.15%) and WTI crude oil (+3.52%), whilst Brent stabilised (+0.17%). Conversely, the agri-food sector as a whole experienced a widespread correction: a downward trend in the import bill due to falls in cereals such as wheat (-4.94%), soya (-3.24%) and maize (-4.78%), but detrimental to export revenues, which were hit by falls in coffee (-6.49%) and cocoa (-3.00%). Furthermore, the metals sector is showing mixed trends, marked by a significant fall in the price of silver (-4.26%) whilst copper bucks the trend with a rise (+2.25%).

Table 1: Overview of commodity prices

Commodity	Average price N-1	Average Price N	Change Y/Y	Highest price	Lowest price	Comment
June 2026	**25 to 31 May**	**1 to 7 June**	**%**	**H**	**B**	
			ENERGY			
Brent crude oil ($/barrel)	95.33	95.49	**+0.17%**	98.04	92.96	▲ Virtually unchanged
Crude oil - WTI ($/barrel)	89.95	93.11	**+3.52%**	96.38	90.26	▲ Sharp rise
Natural gas ($/kWh)	916.58	945.45	**+3.15%**	978.86	929.04	▲ Sharp rise
			METALS			
Gold ($/g)	145.15	143.87	**-0.89%**	144.88	142.57	▼ Slight fall
Silver ($/kg)	2448.11	2343.88	**-4.26%**	2415.77	2182.36	▼ Sharp fall
Steel ($/tonne)	1114.00	1,124.80	**+0.97%**	1126.00	1124.00	▲ Slight rise
Aluminium ($/tonne)	4,017.50	4001.65	**-0.39%**	4,054.25	3,950.25	▼ Virtually unchanged
			EXPORTED PRODUCTS			
Cocoa ($/tonne)	4,082.75	3,960.40	**-3.00%**	4,108.00	3,762.00	▼ Significant fall
Cotton ($/tonne)	28.11	27.93	**-0.65%**	28.30	27.20	▼ Slight fall

Coffee ($/tonne)	5974.53	5586.51	**-6.49%**	5754.07	5,445.42	▼ Sharp fall
Rubber	38.30	37.00	**-3.39%**	37.00	37.00	▼ Slight decrease
Timber ($/1000 p-p)	319.20	307.60	**-3.63%**	316.00	303.00	▼ Significant decrease
IMPORTED PRODUCTS						
Maize ($/tonne)	166.57	158.62	**-4.78%**	163.54	153.62	▼ Significant fall
Soya ($/tonne)	437.04	422.87	**-3.24%**	434.19	412.50	▼ Significant fall
Rice ($/tonne)	472.61	460.29	**-2.61%**	466.54	455.15	▼ Moderate decline
Wheat ($/tonne)	228.87	217.57	**-4.94%**	223.45	213.16	▼ Sharp fall
Fertiliser ($/tonne)	3,190.21	3,162.12	**-0.88%**	3206.45	3096.77	▼ Slight fall
Copper ($/tonne)	13,556.17	13,861.70	**+2.25%**	13,966.00	13,731.00	▲ Slight increase

2. Mass-market agricultural products in the two main cities (Yaoundé and Douala)

The market for widely consumed agricultural products in the major cities showed, over the period under review, an overall trend of near-stability in prices, although this apparent consistency masks divergent trends across different sectors. Essential commodities, such as sugar and salt, as well as regulated products like refined oil, have maintained perfectly stable prices thanks to compliance with approved price levels. A favourable trend for consumption is emerging for staple foods such as maize, red beans and potatoes, which are benefiting from a fall in prices linked to local harvests. In contrast, tubers, groundnuts and onions remain at constant levels. The main area of concern relates to fish products: mackerel remains at high prices due to persistent scarcity on the market stalls, maintaining constant pressure on the household budget.

Table 2: Overview of widely consumed agricultural products

Products	Market price in CFA francs (N-1)	Market price in CFA francs (N)	Observation
June 2026	**25 to 31 May**	**1 to 7 June**	
Tomato (CFA francs/crate)	8,000–9,000	8,000–9,000	Stable over the week.
Cassava (F CFA/bag)	11,000 – 13,000	11,000 – 13,000	Prices stable over the week.

Products	Market price in CFA francs (N-1)	Market price in CFA francs (N)	Observation
Potato (F CFA/net)	10,000 – 12,000	10,000 – 12,000	Prices stable over the week.
Macabo (CFA francs/net)	20,000 – 22,000	20,000 – 22,000	Prices stable over the week.
Onions (CFA francs/100 kg bag)	30,000 – 35,000	30,000 – 35,000	Prices stable over the week.
Garlic (F CFA/100 kg bag)	150,000 – 155,000	150,000 – 155,000	Prices stable over the week
Garoua groundnuts (CFA francs/100 kg bag)	45,000 – 55,000	45,000 – 55,000	Prices stable over the week
Garoua peanuts (CFA francs/5-litre bag)	2,500 – 2,800	2,500 – 2,800	Prices stable over the week.
Salt (F CFA/bag)	2,800 – 3,000	2,800 – 3,000	Prices stable over the week.
Potatoes (CFA francs/15-litre bucket)	4,000 – 4,500	4,000 – 4,500	Prices remained stable over the week.
Sugar (CFA francs/kg)	800–1000	800–1000	Prices stable over the week.
Mackerel (CFA francs/kg)	2,200 – 2,450	2,200 – 2,450	Prices remained high and stable over the week, with the product in short supply on the market.
Red beans (F CFA/15 L bucket)	5,000 – 6,000	5,000–6,000	Price stable over the week.
White beans (F CFA/15 L bucket)	13,000 – 15,000	13,000 – 15,000	Prices stable over the week.
Refined oil (F CFA/L)	1,400 – 1,500	1,400 – 1,500	Approved price.
Red palm oil (1L)	800–900	800–900	Prices stable, supported by improved seasonal availability.
Maize (F CFA/15 L bucket)	2000–2500	2000–2500	Prices remained low and stable over the week.