# Weekly report on the prices of raw materials and everyday foodstuffs

**Week of 7 to 13 September 2026**

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## Introduction

The week of 7 to 13 September 2026 was characterised by mixed trends in commodity prices, reflecting adjustments linked to the global economic outlook.

### 1. Trends in commodity prices

Commodity price movements during the week under review were characterised by a generally mixed picture. This trend was marked in particular by a sharp rise in oil prices, with Brent up 8.24 per cent and WTI up 8.14 per cent, whilst natural gas fell by 3 per cent. Metals recorded a slight overall increase, despite the fall in gold and silver. Exported commodities, on the other hand, showed a clear downward trend, with declines of 6.60 per cent for cocoa, 5.38 per cent for coffee and 4.84 per cent for cotton, whilst timber rose by 1.54 per cent. As for imported commodities, price movements remain more moderate, with rises in rice, soya, fertilisers and copper, contrasting with falls in maize and wheat. Overall, this week has been characterised by a marked rise in energy prices, relative stability in metals and a significant fall in several key agricultural export commodities.

**Table 1** : Overview of commodity prices

| **Commodities** | **Average price (N-1)** | **Average price N** | **Change (N/N-1)** | **Highest price** | **Lowest price** | **Comment** |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **September 2026** | **31 August to 6 September** | **7 to 13 September** | **%** | **H** | **B** | |
| **Energy** | | | | | | |
| Brent crude oil ($/barrel) | 94.544 | 102.332 | **+8.24%** | 108.96 | 82.48 | ▲ Sharp rise |
| Crude oil – WTI (per barrel) | 90.148 | 97.484 | **+8.14%** | 103.78 | 92.71 | ▲ Sharp rise |
| Natural gas (per kWh) | 861.04 | 835.25 | **-3.00%** | 855.77 | 826.46 | ▼Moderate decline |
| **Metals** | | | | | | |
| Gold ($/g) | 141.90 | 140.35 | **-1.09%** | 141.51 | 138.80 | ▼Slight fall |
| Silver ($/kg) | 2,117.28 | 2,104.36 | **-0.61%** | 2,163.07 | 1,226.00 | ▼Virtually stable, trending downwards |
| Steel ($/tonne) | 1,216.25 | 1,231.40 | **+1.25%** | 1,234.00 | 1,226.00 | ▲ Slight rise |
| Aluminium ($/tonne) | 3,433.75 | 3,457.00 | **+0.68%** | 3,511.25 | 3,451.25 | ▲ Virtually unchanged, trending upwards |
| **Exported products** | | | | | | |
| Cocoa ($/tonne) | 6,378.25 | 5,957.20 | **-6.60%** | 6,082.00 | 5,886.00 | ▼Moderate fall |
| Cotton ($/tonne) | 32.25 | 30.69 | **-4.84%** | 31.24 | 29.77 | ▼Moderate fall |
| Coffee ($/tonne) | 7,374.46 | 6,977.63 | **-5.38%** | 7,032.75 | 6,922.52 | ▼Moderate fall |
| Rubber | 39.2 | 38.35 | **-2.17%** | 37.80 | 37.00 | ▼Slight fall |
| Timber ($/1,000 board feet) | 298.8 | 303.4 | **+1.54%** | 308.00 | 301.00 | ▲ Slight rise |
| **Imported products** | | | | | | |
| Maize ($/tonne) | 189.86 | 187.71 | **-1.13%** | 188.17 | 186.70 | ▼Slight fall |
| Soya ($/tonne) | 475.74 | 478.38 | **+0.56%** | 484.56 | 476.47 | ▲ Virtually unchanged, trending upwards |
| Rice ($/tonne) | 560.37 | 575.00 | **+2.61%** | 575.74 | 574.26 | ▲ Slight rise |
| Wheat ($/tonne) | 272.91 | 263.21 | **-3.56%** | 267.55 | 261.30 | ▼Slight rise |
| Fertiliser ($/tonne) | 3,629.40 | 3,670.85 | **+1.14%** | 3,721.20 | 3,614.75 | ▲ Slight rise |
| Copper ($/tonne) | 14,370.13 | 14,515.50 | **+1.01%** | 14,737.00 | 14,238.50 | ▲ Slight rise |

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

The market for widely consumed agricultural products in the major cities remained stable during the period under review, despite some upward pressure on certain staple foods. Tomatoes recorded the most significant rise, whilst potato prices also increased, reaching 7,500 FCFA per 15-litre bucket. Maize prices rose moderately, whilst peanuts sold in 5-litre buckets saw a slight decline. Prices for cassava, potatoes, onions, garlic, salt, sugar, mackerel and beans remain stable. Refined oil remains at the approved price, whilst red palm oil shows no change. Overall, the market appears relatively stable, with upward pressure concentrated mainly on certain fresh foodstuffs and cereals, with no widespread movement in the prices of essential goods.

**Table 2:** Overview of widely consumed agricultural products

| Products | Market price in CFA francs (N-1) | Market price in CFA francs (N) | Observation |
|---|---|---|---|
| **September 2026** | **31 August to 6 September** | **7 to 13 September** | |
| Tomatoes (CFA francs per crate) | 3,500–4,000 | 5,000–6,000 | A slight rise in prices over the week. |
| Cassava (F CFA/net) | 14,000 – 15,000 | 14,000 – 15,000 | Prices remained stable over the week. |
| Potatoes (F CFA/net) | 7,000 – 8,000 | 7,000 – 8,000 | Prices remained stable over the week. |
| Macabo (F CFA/net weight) | 24,000 – 25,000 | 25,000 – 26,000 | Prices remained stable over the week. |
| Onions (CFA francs/100 kg bag) | 65,000 — 70,000 | 65,000 — 70,000 | Prices remained stable over the week. |
| Garlic (F CFA/100 kg bag) | 150,000 – 160,000 | 150,000 – 160,000 | Prices remained stable over the week. |
| Garoua groundnuts (CFA francs per 100 kg bag) | 40,000 – 43,000 | 40,000 – 43,000 | Prices remained stable over the week. |
| Garoua peanuts (CFA francs per 5-litre bag) | 2,600 – 3,000 | 2,500 – 2,500 | A slight fall in prices over the week. |
| Salt (F CFA/bag) | 2,800 – 3,000 | 2,800 – 3,000 | Prices remained stable over the week. |
| Potatoes (CFA francs per 15-litre bucket) | 6,000 – 4,500 | 6,000 – 7,500 | Prices rose slightly over the week. |
| Sugar (CFA francs/kg) | 900–1,000 | 900–1,000 | Prices remained stable over the week. |
| Mackerel (CFA francs/kg) | 2,300 – 2,400 | 2,300 – 2,400 | Price stable over the week. |
| Red beans (F CFA/15-litre bucket) | 7,500 – 8,000 | 7,500 – 8,000 | Prices remained stable over the week. |
| White beans (F CFA/15-litre bucket) | 13,500 – 14,000 | 13,500 – 14,000 | Prices remained stable over the week. |
| Refined oil (F CFA/litre) | 1,400 – 1,500 | 1,400 – 1,500 | Approved price. |
| Red palm oil (1L) | 900–1,000 | 900–1,000 | Prices remained stable over the week. |
| Maize (F CFA/15-litre bucket) | 4,000–4,500 | 4,500–5,000 | Prices rose slightly over the week. |