

Lebanon Monthly Price Bulletin

Tracking prices for the most essential goods available on the Lebanese market



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ABOUT THIS REPORT

This report is the result of a joint project between the Ministry of Economy and Trade (MoET) and the World Food Programme (WFP). The project aims to implement a market price information system and economic analysis in Lebanon, with the goal of enhancing the Ministry's capacity to monitor prices in the current context of economic volatility and insecurity.

The report is composed of three main sections:

- A high-level view of the latest price trends through the lens of the **Market** Food Price Index (MFPI)
- An **in-depth analysis** per food category and governorate
- An **annex table** displaying the latest prices nationally and per governorate

This report was based on price monitoring data of 75 food and non-food items from a representative sample of around 800 shops located across the eight governorates.

Data is collected weekly and stored on a price monitoring system hosted by WFP.

Collection in the El Nabatieh and South governorates returned to pre-conflict levels starting February 2025.

MARKET FOOD PRICE INDEX (MFPI)

Key highlights

The MFPI rose to 143.8 in March 2025, registering a 4.7 percent monthly increase, driven by a 17.4 percent increase in vegetables and tubers, a 12.4 percent increase in fruits, and an 8.8 percent increase in fresh poultry. The MFPI has increased by 10.6 percent since March 2024.

The price index has been driven since January 2023 by an index evolution in vegetables and tubers (229.2), fruits (275.5), and cereals (121.9).

The highest MFPI was observed in the governorates of North (150.2), Beirut (148.8), and Baalbek-El Hermel (146.5).

	KEY DRIVERS
 Notable Monthly Price Evolution Governorate MFPI Baalbek-El Hermel (+8%) MFPI Components Vegetables & Tubers (+17%) Fruits (+12%) Fresh Poultry (+9%) 	Conflict-related disruptions, lack of rainfall, and rising demand over the month of Ramadan contributed to price surges in locally produced fresh food items.
 Notable Yearly Price Evolution Governorate MFPI North (+16%) Baalbek-El Hermel (+15%) MFPI Components Fruits (+24%) 	The combined effect of conflict, mass displacement, and economic deterioration over the past year had a comparatively more pronounced impact on prices in North and

Baalbek-El Hermel.

Fruits (+24%) •

Beverages (+16%)

MARCH 2025 MFPI 143.8

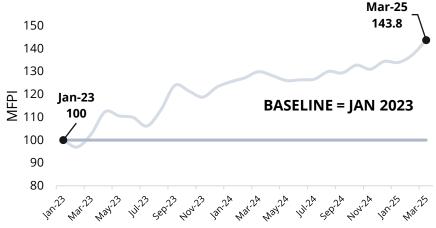
+5 percent monthly evolution +11 percent yearly evolution

Index Components	Price Index (Mar-25)	Monthly Trend	Yearly Trend	
Beverages	124.0	+0.3%	+15.9%	
Canned Fish	113.7	+0.2%	+7.4%	
Cereals	121.9	-0.9%	+6.5%	
Condiments	130.1	-0.1%	+2.3%	
Dairy	117.7	+0.1%	+10.8%	
Eggs	93.9	-3.3%	-0.7%	
Fats & Oils	118.9	+0.2%	+11.3%	
Fresh Poultry	144.7	+8.8%	+12.2%	
Fruits	275.5	+12.4%	+24.0%	
Pulses	135.5	-0.1%	+6.5%	
Sugar	110.0	-1.1%	-3.5%	
Vegetables & Tubers	229.2	+17.4%	+13.5%	
MFPI	143.8	+4.7%	+10.6%	

Base 100 = Jan 23

The Market Food Price Index (MFPI) is a measure of the average change over time in the prices in US dollars paid by consumers for 65 essential food items. It is calculated as the weighted average of price changes for each of its components. The base month of the index is January 2023.

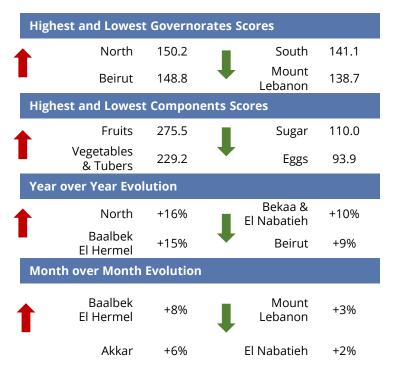
MFPI Evolution (Jan 23 - Mar 25)



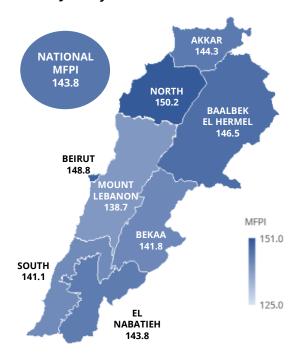
ANALYSIS

Overview

Despite relative macroeconomic stabilization, the monthly increase in food prices between February and March 2025 highlights persistent upward pressure, driven primarily by supply-side challenges such as insufficient rainfall and heightened demand for fresh products during the holy month of Ramadan. Baalbek-El Hermel (+8 percent) and Akkar (+6 percent), both governorates heavily dependent on agriculture and with relatively lower market access and weaker supply chains, recorded the highest monthly increases. The South and El Nabatieh governorates saw a broad decline in prices, only offset by inflation in vegetables and, in the case of El Nabatieh, fresh poultry.

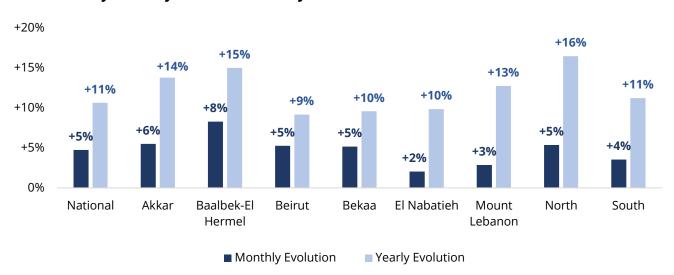


Market Food Price Index by Governorate (March 2025) Base = January 2023



Notable Trends:

- Different price evolutions were observed across governorates:
 - Akkar: Notable monthly increases in fresh poultry (+14 percent), fruits (+10 percent), and vegetables (+22 percent).
 - **Baalbek-El Hermel**: Highest monthly increase in vegetables (+31 percent) and fruits (+26 percent), in addition to 7 percent monthly increase in fresh poultry.
 - Beirut: Notable monthly increases in fresh poultry (+10 percent), fruits (+7 percent), and vegetables (+16 percent).
 - Bekaa: Notable monthly increases in fresh poultry (+10 percent), fruits (+10 percent), and vegetables (+17 percent).
 - **El Nabatieh**: Notable monthly decreases in beverages (-4 percent), canned fish (-2 percent), cereals (-3 percent), condiments (-2 percent), dairy (-4 percent), eggs (-4 percent), fats & oils (-2 percent), fruits (-7 percent), pulses (-4 percent), and sugar (-3 percent). This broad decline was offset by monthly increases in fresh poultry (+8 percent) and vegetables (+24 percent).
 - **Mount Lebanon**: Notable monthly decrease in dairy (-7 percent) and eggs (-7 percent), offset by monthly increases in vegetables (+11 percent) and fruits (+18 percent).
 - North: Notable monthly increases in fresh poultry (+14 percent) and vegetables (+22 percent).
 - **South**: Monthly decreases in beverages (-1 percent), cereals (-2 percent), condiments (-2 percent), eggs (-2 percent), fresh poultry (-1 percent), fruits (-4 percent), and sugar (-3 percent), offset by a 24 percent monthly increase in vegetables.

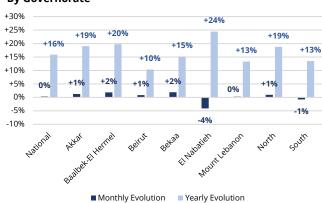


Monthly and yearly price evolution by governorate and component

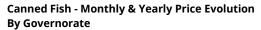
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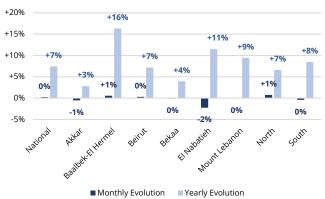
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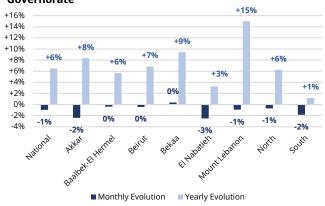


Beverages - Monthly & Yearly Price Evolution By Governorate

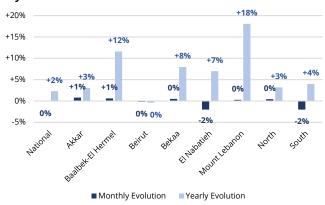




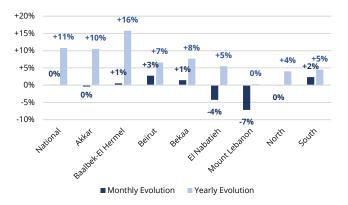
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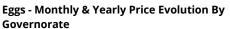


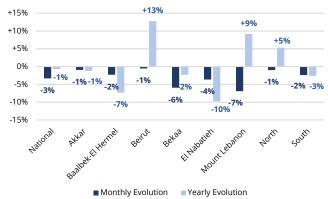
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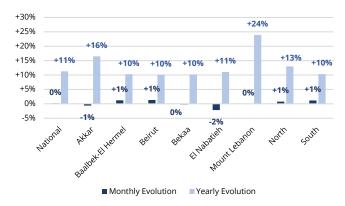
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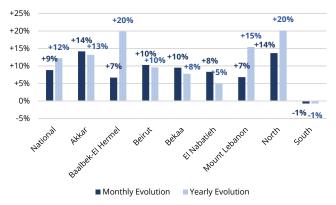




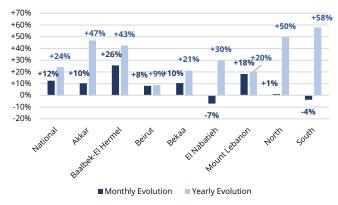
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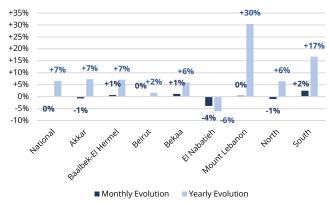
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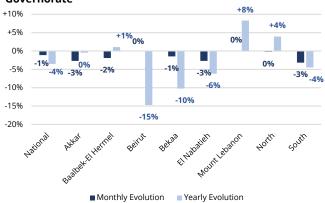
Fruits - Monthly & Yearly Price Evolution By Governorate



Pulses - Monthly & Yearly Price Evolution By Governorate



Sugar - Monthly & Yearly Price Evolution By Governorate



Vegetables & Tubers - Monthly & Yearly Price Evolution By Governorate



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ANNEX

Component	ltem	Weight (gr or ml) or units	Max. Price	Avg. Price	Min. Price	Akkar	Baalbek- El Hermel	Beirut	Bekaa	El Nabatieh	Mount Lebanon	North	South
	Arabic Coffee	180 g	\$3.7	\$2.94	\$1.83	\$2.77	\$2.8	\$2.95	\$3.06	\$3.2	\$2.68	\$2.98	\$3.1
BEVERAGES	Drinking Water	2 liters	\$2.2	\$1.37	\$0.48	\$1.26	\$1.36	\$1.66	\$1.29	\$1.4	\$1.34	\$1.47	\$1.35
BEVER	Nescafe 3 in 1	One stick	\$0.33	\$0.22	\$0.16	\$0.25	\$0.24	\$0.18	\$0.22	\$0.21	\$0.19	\$0.24	\$0.21
	Tea Bags	160 g	\$2.79	\$2.03	\$1.31	\$2.02	\$1.99	\$2.13	\$2.06	\$1.97	\$2.07	\$2.08	\$1.99
	Yerba Mate	250 g	\$1.99	\$1.49	\$1.22	\$1.41	\$1.44	\$1.67	\$1.45	\$1.47	\$1.49	\$1.55	\$1.52
CANNED FISH	Sardines (canned)	125 g	\$1.29	\$0.8	\$0.56	\$0.67	\$0.81	\$0.81	\$0.79	\$0.85	\$0.81	\$0.8	\$0.81
CAN	Tuna (canned)	185 g	\$2.19	\$1.62	\$1.05	\$1.51	\$1.53	\$1.85	\$1.53	\$1.8	\$1.61	\$1.58	\$1.64
	Arabic Bread	800 g	\$0.88	\$0.79	\$0.58	\$0.74	\$0.82	\$0.86	\$0.79	\$0.82	\$0.76	\$0.74	\$0.81
	Brown Bulgur	900 g	\$1.52	\$1.03	\$0.72	\$0.97	\$1.03	\$1.04	\$1.04	\$0.96	\$1.12	\$1	\$1.04
Ŋ	Egyptian Rice	900 g	\$1.75	\$1.01	\$0.77	\$0.96	\$1	\$1.04	\$1.03	\$1.03	\$1.05	\$1	\$1.09
CEREALS	Noodles	70 g	\$0.86	\$0.4	\$0.22	\$0.4	\$0.38	\$0.42	\$0.44	\$0.47	\$0.36	\$0.42	\$0.33
	Pasta	500 g	\$1.64	\$0.96	\$0.41	\$0.76	\$0.83	\$1.18	\$0.97	\$0.97	\$1	\$0.95	\$1
	Sweet Corn	340 g	\$1.69	\$1.12	\$0.61	\$0.84	\$1.13	\$1.28	\$1.03	\$1.11	\$1.31	\$1.11	\$1.11
	Wheat Flour	900 g	\$1.4	\$0.84	\$0.55	\$0.68	\$0.79	\$0.78	\$0.78	\$0.8	\$0.92	\$0.9	\$0.87
S	Bouillon Cubes (chicken or meat)	20 g	\$0.4	\$0.2	\$0.11	\$0.21	\$0.25	\$0.17	\$0.19	\$0.22	\$0.18	\$0.19	\$0.21
.NEN.	Pomegranate Molasse	270 g	\$1.98	\$1.64	\$1.1	\$1.51	\$1.68	\$1.54	\$1.67	\$1.61	\$1.64	\$1.68	\$1.68
CONDIMENTS	Salt	700 g	\$1.03	\$0.28	\$0.12	\$0.24	\$0.29	\$0.35	\$0.32	\$0.28	\$0.3	\$0.31	\$0.19
0	Thyme (dry)	400 g	\$4.44	\$1.54	\$0.8	\$1.45	\$1.58	\$2.54	\$1.63	\$1.69	\$1.53	\$1.45	\$1.23

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CONDIMENTS	Tomato Ketchup	340 g	\$1.18	\$0.81	\$0.65	\$0.8	\$0.82	\$0.87	\$0.79	\$0.82	\$0.83	\$0.78	\$0.79
	Tomato Paste	660 g	\$2.85	\$1.78	\$0.97	\$1.61	\$1.75	\$1.72	\$1.69	\$1.92	\$1.81	\$1.81	\$1.83
CON	White Vinegar	950 ml	\$1.54	\$0.8	\$0.4	\$0.62	\$0.8	\$0.71	\$0.84	\$0.89	\$0.77	\$0.84	\$0.82
	Canned Cheese	120 g	\$2.16	\$1.2	\$0.56		Data not available	\$1.18	Data not available	\$1.24	\$1.15	Data not availabl e	\$0.98
	Cheese Triangles	108 g	\$1.62	\$1.06	\$0.51	\$0.89	\$1	\$0.96	\$1.3	\$0.99	\$1.03	\$1.22	\$1.09
DAIRY	Laban	1,000 g	\$2.85	\$1.73	\$0.94	\$1.21	\$1.7	\$1.77	\$1.79	\$1.83	\$1.73	\$1.81	\$1.86
	Labneh	450 g	\$3.38	\$2.47	\$1.11	\$1.79	\$2.35	\$2.7	\$2.63	\$2.27	\$2.5	\$2.76	\$2.64
	Milk Powder (Full Fat)	750 g	\$8.8	\$5.87	\$4.39	\$5.61	\$6.13	\$5.98	\$6.08	\$5.88	\$5.96	\$5.77	\$5.59
	Processed Cheese	120 g	\$1.92	\$0.98	\$0.52	\$0.91	\$0.76	\$1.06	Data not available	\$1.18	\$0.92	\$0.88	\$1.01
EGGS	Eggs	30 eggs	\$4.73	\$3.44	\$2.54	\$3.22	\$3.02	\$3.96	\$2.99	\$3.36	\$3.59	\$3.84	\$3.54
	Butter	200 g	\$3.19	\$2.29	\$0.44	\$1.58	\$2.14	\$2.71	\$2.37	\$2.51	\$2.3	\$2.1	\$2.51
ß	Olive Oil	500 ml	\$8.62	\$3.95	\$1.55	\$3.56	\$2.53	\$5.85	\$3.8	\$4.23	\$4.29	\$5.02	\$2.88
FATS & OILS	Sunflower Oil	5,000 ml	\$17.32	\$9.22	\$6.3	\$8.7	\$9.07	\$9.84	\$9.08	\$9.31	\$9.03	\$9.39	\$9.51
FAT	Tahini Sauce	800 ml	\$6.24	\$4.48	\$2.53	\$3.7	\$4.36	\$5.29	\$4.62	\$5.01	\$4.85	\$4	\$4.52
	Vegetable Ghee	700 ml	\$4.59	\$2.38	\$1.24	\$2.27	\$2.37	\$3.02	\$2.14	\$2.58	\$2.46	\$2.34	\$2.26
- ×	Chicken (Whole)	1,000 g	\$5.95	\$3.83	\$2.98	Data not available	\$3.54	\$4.38	\$3.64	\$3.63	\$3.72	\$4.24	\$3.28
FRESH POULTRY	Chicken Breast	1,000 g	\$10.64	\$8.64	\$6	\$7.61	\$7.26	\$8.65	\$7.86	\$8.09	\$9.14	\$8.3	\$8.44
7	Chicken Legs	1,000 g	\$4.39	\$3.06	\$2.2	\$3.45	\$2.6	\$2.95	\$2.83	\$3.16	\$3.11	\$3.15	\$2.72 9

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	Apple (red or yellow)	1,000 g	\$2.77	\$1.53	\$0.95	\$1.75	\$1.53	\$1.85	\$1.43	\$1.52	\$1.45	\$1.95	\$1.56
	Banana	1,000 g	\$1.2	\$0.89	\$0.65	\$0.82	\$0.99	\$1.04	\$0.82	\$0.86	\$0.89	\$0.87	\$0.83
FRUITS	Clementine	1,000 g	\$2.53	\$1.37	\$0.6	\$0.63	\$1.78		Data not available	\$1.08	\$1.33	\$1.75	\$1.85
FRL	Grapes	1,000 g	\$4.5	\$3.3	\$2.06	Data not available	\$3.2		Data not available	\$2.66	\$3.36	\$4.5	\$2.42
	Lemon	1,000 g	\$1.2	\$0.71	\$0.36	\$0.67	\$0.64	\$0.72	\$0.59	\$0.58	\$0.83	\$0.67	\$0.54
	Orange	1,000 g	\$1.66	\$0.88	\$0.42	\$0.69	\$0.9	\$0.82	\$0.74	\$0.88	\$0.91	\$1.05	\$0.97
LUNCHEON MEAT	Beef Luncheon	200 g	\$2.42	\$1.04	\$0.52	\$1.29	\$0.8	\$1.52	\$1.2	\$0.95	\$1.04	\$1.32	\$0.87
LU N	Chicken Luncheon	200 g	\$2.22	\$0.88	\$0.61	\$0.75	\$0.81	\$1.15	\$0.75	\$0.85	\$1.16	\$0.8	\$0.9
	Chickpeas	900 g	\$3.29	\$2.06	\$1.2	\$1.81	\$1.66	\$1.95	\$2.06	\$2.21	\$2.16	\$2.05	\$2.38
	Fava Beans (canned)	400 g	\$1.02	\$0.67	\$0.47	\$0.55	\$0.69	\$0.74	\$0.71	\$0.65	\$0.71	\$0.68	\$0.67
PULSES	Green Peas (canned)	400 g	\$2.44	\$1.15	\$0.48	\$0.75	\$0.89	\$1.7	\$1.08	\$1.16	\$1.3	\$1.21	\$0.98
IN	Hummus Tahini (canned)	400 g	\$1.2	\$0.77	\$0.51	\$0.62	\$0.73	\$0.89	\$0.78	\$0.75	\$0.88	\$0.79	\$0.75
	Lentils	900 g	\$2.7	\$1.78	\$1.02	\$1.64	\$1.73	\$1.69	\$1.58	\$1.59	\$1.97	\$1.82	\$1.97
	White Beans	900 g	\$2.98	\$2.02	\$1.2	\$1.76	\$1.82	\$2.13	\$2.15	\$2.07	\$2.11	\$1.98	\$2.16
SUGAR	White Sugar	5,000 g	\$6.72	\$4.87	\$3.56	\$4.56	\$4.96	\$4.81	\$4.64	\$5.02	\$5.5	\$4.97	\$4.81

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	Cabbage	1,000 g	\$1	\$0.52	\$0.27	\$0.52	\$0.45	\$0.48	\$0.35	\$0.66	\$0.56	\$0.49	\$0.43
	Carrots	1,000 g	\$1.44	\$0.78	\$0.5	\$0.76	\$0.7	\$1.12	\$0.77	\$0.83	\$0.7	\$1.04	\$0.78
	Cauliflower	1,000 g	\$1.45	\$0.77	\$0.44	\$0.78	\$0.53	\$1.16	\$0.58	\$0.86	\$0.76	\$0.98	\$0.76
	Cucumber	1,000 g	\$2.33	\$1.36	\$0.55	\$1.34	\$1.33	\$1.76	\$1.27	\$1.45	\$1.23	\$1.55	\$1.68
ERS	Eggplant	1,000 g	\$2.45	\$1.41	\$0.34	\$1.1	\$1.29	\$2.16	\$1.37	\$1.32	\$1.39	\$1.63	\$1.7
TUBI	Garlic	300 g	\$2.4	\$1.16	\$0.83	\$1.49	\$1.21	Data not available	\$1.13	\$1.07	\$1.09	\$1.28	\$1.16
ES &	Green Bean (Fresh)	1,000 g	\$5.85	\$3.84	\$2.2	\$2.49	\$4.32	Data not available	\$4.46	\$3.57	\$3.24	\$5.05	\$5.26
VEGETABLES & TUBERS	Lettuce	750 g	\$1.5	\$0.85	\$0.4	\$0.75	\$0.85	\$1.16	\$0.74	\$0.87	\$0.84	\$0.97	\$0.91
EGET	Onion	1,000 g	\$1.1	\$0.77	\$0.52	\$0.69	\$0.67	\$0.85	\$0.64	\$0.73	\$0.84	\$0.84	\$0.71
>	Parsley	300 g	\$0.45	\$0.29	\$0.17	\$0.29	\$0.3	\$0.36	\$0.29	\$0.29	\$0.28	\$0.31	\$0.27
	Potato	1,000 g	\$0.85	\$0.7	\$0.47	\$0.67	\$0.71	\$0.77	\$0.68	\$0.69	\$0.7	\$0.73	\$0.71
	Purslane	300 g	\$1.2	\$0.56	\$0.22	\$0.45	\$0.78	\$0.58	\$0.54	\$0.3	\$0.53	\$0.51	\$0.44
	Tomato	1,000 g	\$1.4	\$0.98	\$0.5	\$0.79	\$1.04	Data not available	\$0.91	\$0.99	\$0.99	\$1.07	\$1.09
	Zucchini	1,000 g	\$2.22	\$1.55	\$0.8	\$1.17	\$1.47	\$1.77	\$1.48	\$1.38	\$1.62	\$1.69	\$1.53
	Baby Diapers	40 diapers	\$10.55	\$6.2	\$3	\$5.2	\$5.66	\$7.11	\$5.84	\$6.32	\$6.37	\$6.06	\$7.06
	Bleach	1,000 ml	\$1.93	\$1.05	\$0.56	\$0.92	\$1.04	\$1.15	\$0.94	\$1.18	\$0.99	\$1.06	\$1.15
	Dishwashing Liquid	700 ml	\$3.28	\$1.5	\$0.67	\$1.16	\$1.1	\$1.87	\$1.62	\$1.37	\$1.62	\$1.59	\$1.61
NON-FOOD ITEMS	Laundry Washing Powder	4,000 g	\$12.99	\$9.17	\$5.55	\$9.18	\$8.25	\$9.91	\$9.38	\$9.04	\$9.23	\$9.46	\$9.03
I QO	Sanitary Napkins	20 napkins pack	\$3.43	\$2.32	\$1.26	\$2.26	\$2.5	\$2.48	\$2.21	\$2.23	\$2.25	\$2.32	\$2.45
N-FO	Shampoo	400 ml	\$4.49	\$3.11	\$1.58	\$3.1	\$2.96	\$2.92	\$3.36	\$3.05	\$3.09	\$3.03	\$3.32
NOI	Soap	One soap bar (125 g)	\$1.38	\$0.83	\$0.21	\$0.68	\$0.86	\$0.82	\$0.93	\$0.85	\$0.83	\$0.79	\$0.9
	Toilet Rolls	32 rolls	\$11.66	\$6.51	\$3.22	\$5.78	\$5.2	\$6.66	\$6.82	\$6.3	\$6.92	\$6.29	\$7.5
	Toothbrush	One toothbrush	\$2.49	\$1.01	\$0.42	\$0.82	\$0.82	\$1.13	\$0.88	\$1.12	\$1.11	\$1	\$1.02
	Toothpaste	125 ml	\$2.65	\$1.37	\$0.9	\$1.29	\$1.4	\$1.31	\$1.35	\$1.6	\$1.28	\$1.4	\$1.37