



This overview aims to provide a brief overview of the food security situation in Yemen, for partners, stakeholders and decision makers to find out and benefit from it

Livestock prices for February and March 2023

Livestock

Livestock is an important basis for providing food, as nutrition scientists estimated the individual's protein needs is about seventy grams per day, and that two-thirds of these needs should be derived from animal sources such as meat, eggs and milk and agricultural production, thus increasing national income, and increasing household income in general, as it provides rural families with means of subsistence in order to enhance resilience in the face of economic shocks and improve food security in the country at large .

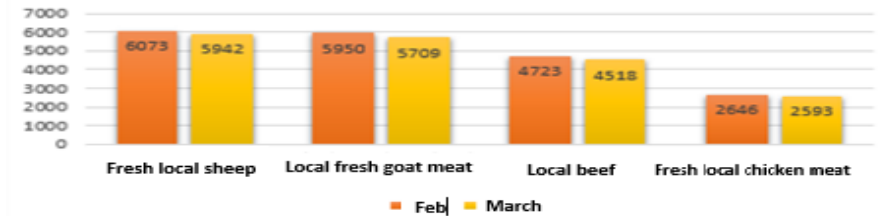
The general average meat prices for the months of February and March 2023

Item	Live chicken	Fresh local sheep (head)	Fresh local goat meat	Fresh local beef
February	2620	6073	5950	4733
March	2590	5942	5709	4518

Poultry prices for the period February - March 2023 witnessed fluctuations in the prices of fresh local chicken in the targeted governorates. As for the total average, it witnessed a slight decrease in March compared to February 2023, which coincided with the beginning of the blessed month of Ramadan, as prices decreased, as the previous table shows. The percentage of decrease reached by -1.1%, as prices did not increase with the start of (the month of Ramadan). The decrease in prices is attributed to the decrease in the prices of chicks in the month of March, as their prices decreased from what they were in the month of February, and as a result of the field campaign carried out by the Ministry of Industry and Trade in this period to monitor meat prices.

Fresh local sheep and goat meat per kilogram remained almost constant in most governorates, with a decrease by a small percentage, where the percentage of decline was by 2.2% and 4%, respectively, in the general average of the targeted governorates. The stability of prices is attributed to consumers' orientation towards poultry due to its lower prices compared to meat and its proportionality with their purchasing capabilities.

Comparison of the general average prices of meat for the months of February and March 2023 (kg / riyals)



The above chart shows a decrease in the average price of beef for the same period by - 4.3 %. This decrease is due to the abundance of beef in all markets coinciding with the rainy season and the availability of fodder and pastures.

In general, all of types of meat are available in all governorate markets, but the consumer's purchasing power is weak.

The general average prices of livestock for the period Feb- Mar 2023

Commodity	Feb-2023	Mar- 2023	percentage change
Local goats weighing 12 kg	48867	49411	1.1%
Local goats weighing 18 kg	66367	73300	10.4%
Local sheep weighing 12 kg	51920	53489	3.0%
Local sheep weighing 18 kg	73700	72167	-2.1%

The average price of a head of local goats weighing 12 kg in March was 49411 Yemeni riyals per head, while the average in the previous month was 48867 Yemeni riyals, with a slight increase of approximately 1%. As is the case for the price of a head of local sheep weighing 12 kg for the month of March, there was an increase of 3% .There was a clear increase in the price of a head of local goats weighing 18 kg by 10.4%, while the average price of a head of local sheep weighing 18 kg decreased by -2.1%

Sources: 1: CSO, Feb- Mar 2023 2: GFUs reports, Feb- Mar 2023