



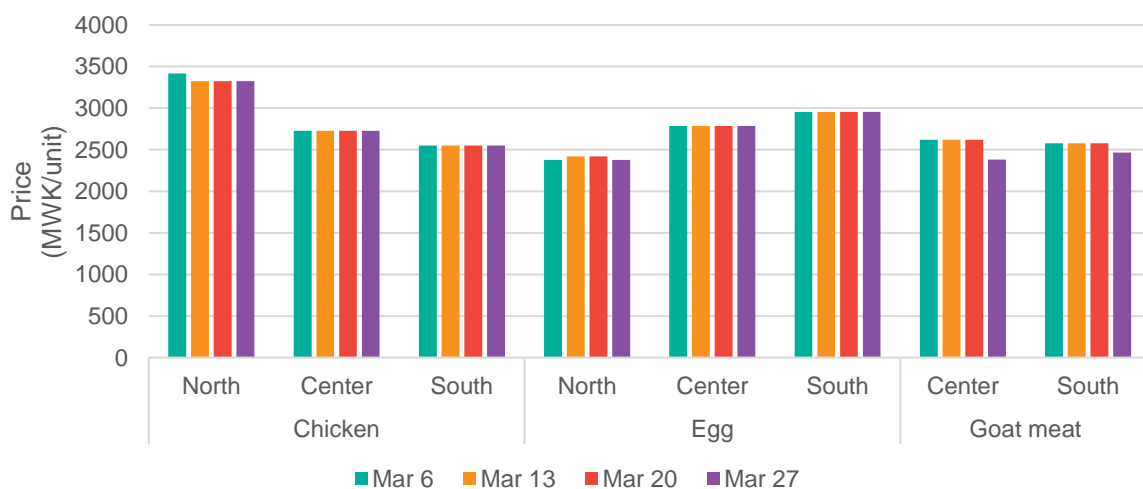
*This price bulletin was developed by researchers at IFPRI Malawi with the goal of providing clear and accurate information on the variation of weekly retail prices of selected agricultural commodities that are important for food security and nutrition in Malawi. The reports are intended as a resource for those interested in agricultural markets in Malawi.*

## Highlight

- Average retail prices of chicken and eggs decreased by 1 percent while goat meat prices decreased by 6 percent during March.
- Average retail prices of fresh mlamba, fresh chambo and fresh usipa decreased by 1 to 12 percent while prices for fresh micheni increased by 5 percent.
- Average retail prices for dried chambo, dried micheni, dried usipa and dried Mlamba increased by 2 to 20 percent.

## Livestock and Livestock Products

**Figure 1.** Regional average retail prices (MWK/unit) of livestock and livestock products, March 2021

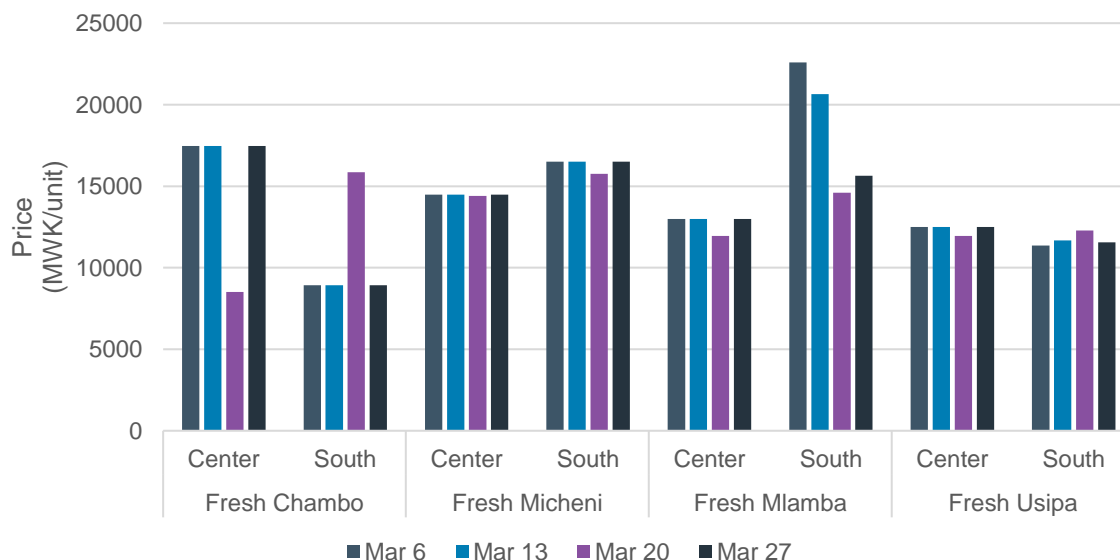


**Table 1.** Retail prices of livestock and livestock products (MWK/unit) during March 2021

Market	Chicken					Egg					Goat meat					Change since Feb 27		
	Feb 27	March 6	March 13	March 20	March 27	Feb 27	March 6	March 13	March 20	March 27	Feb 27	March 6	March 13	March 20	March 27	Chicken	Egg	Goat meat
<b>North</b>																		
Chitipa-boma	3750	3083	2750	2750	2750	3000	2400	2400	2400	2400	-	-	-	-	-	↓27%	↓20%	-
Jenda	2917	3167	3167	3167	3167	2208	2208	2208	2208	2208	-	-	-	-	-	↑9%	→0%	-
Karonga-boma	3000	4167	4167	4167	4167	2500	2333	2500	2500	2333	-	-	-	-	-	↑39%	↓-7%	-
Mzuzu	3500	3500	3500	3500	3500	2567	2567	2567	2567	2567	-	-	-	-	-	→0%	→0%	-
<b>Center</b>																		
Chimbiya	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2600	2600	2600	2600	2600	2500	2500	2500	2500	2200	→0%	→0%	↓12%
Mchinji	2650	2650	2650	2650	2650	2700	2700	2700	2700	2700	-	-	-	-	-	→0%	→0%	-
Mitundu	2717	2783	2783	2783	2783	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	2700	2700	2700	2700	2500	↑2%	→0%	↓7%
Salima-boma	2750	2875	2875	2875	2875	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↑5%	-	-
Salima-kamuzu road	-	-	-	-	-	2500	2833	2833	2833	2833	-	-	-	-	-	-	↑13%	-
<b>South</b>																		
Balaka	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	2567	2500	2500	2500	2200	→0%	→0%	↓14%
Bangula	-	-	-	-	-	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	-	-	-	-	-	-	→0%	-
Lunzu	2800	2367	2367	2367	2367	2400	2400	2400	2400	2400	-	-	-	-	-	↓15%	→0%	-
Mangochi	2900	2900	2900	2900	2900	4050	4050	4050	4050	4050	2600	2600	2600	2600	2500	→0%	→0%	↓4%
Ngabu	-	-	-	-	-	2700	2700	2700	2700	2700	-	-	-	-	-	-	→0%	-
Bvumbwe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2600	2600	2600	2600	2600	-	-	→0%
Chiringa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2500	2500	2500	2500	2400	-	-	↓4%
Liwonde	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2667	2667	2667	2667	2500	-	-	↓6%
Mwanza	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2700	2600	2600	2600	2600	-	-	↓4%
<b>All markets</b>	<b>2939</b>	<b>2948</b>	<b>2912</b>	<b>2912</b>	<b>2912</b>	<b>2747</b>	<b>2711</b>	<b>2725</b>	<b>2725</b>	<b>2711</b>	<b>2609</b>	<b>2586</b>	<b>2586</b>	<b>2586</b>	<b>2445</b>	<b>↓-1%</b>	<b>↓-1%</b>	<b>↓-6%</b>

**Note:** Chickens are priced per live chicken; eggs are priced per tray (tray = 30 eggs); goat meat is priced per kg; - = commodity not monitored in this market.

**Figure 2.** Retail prices of fresh fish (MWK/unit) during March 2021



**Table 2.** Retail prices of fresh Chambo and fresh Micheni (MWK/unit) during March 2021

Market	Fresh Chambo					Fresh Micheni					Change since Feb 27	
	Feb 27	March 6	March 13	March 20	March 27	Feb 27	March 6	March 13	March 20	March 27	Fresh Chambo	Fresh Micheni
<b>Center</b>												
Area 2 fish market	21000	21000	21000	8750	21000	-	19500	19500	-	19500	→ 0%	→ 0%
Kasungu boma	21000	18000	18000	-	18000	-	15000	15000	-	15000	↓ -14%	→ 0%
Nkhotakota boma	18800	17100	17100	10667	17100	12000	15000	15000	15000	15000	↓ -9%	↑ 25%
Salima-kamuzu road	17400	14100	14100	7333	14100	13533	8800	8800	14000	14000	↓ -19%	↑ 3%
<b>South</b>												
Limbe	-	9708	9708	-	9708	-	15000	15000	-	15000	→ 0%	→ 0%
Liw onde	-	6400	6400	-	6400	-	13067	-	13200	-	→ 0%	↓ -1%
Lunzu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mbulumbuzi	-	9000	9000	-	9000	-	12000	12000	-	12000	→ 0%	→ 0%
Mulanje boma	21000	-	-	21000	-	19500	-	-	19500	-	→ 0%	→ 0%
Songani	14533	18000	18000	17500	18000	17500	18000	18000	17500	18000	↑ 24%	↑ 3%
Zomba market	24000	24000	24000	10350	24000	10350	24000	24000	10350	10350	→ 0%	→ 0%
<b>All markets</b>	<b>13460</b>	<b>12338</b>	<b>12338</b>	<b>12338</b>	<b>12338</b>	<b>14641</b>	<b>15383</b>	<b>15383</b>	<b>15383</b>	<b>15383</b>	<b>↓ -8%</b>	<b>↑ 5%</b>

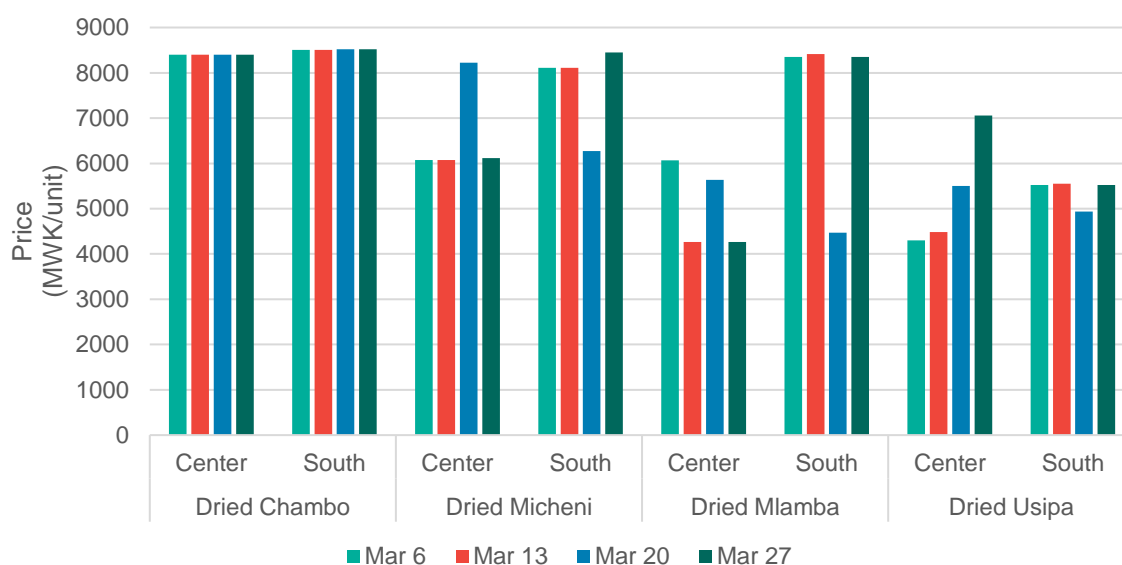
**Note:** Chambo and Micheni are priced per dozen fish; - = commodity not monitored in this market.

**Table 3.** Retail prices of fresh Mlamba and fresh Usipa (MWK/unit) during March 2021

Market	Fresh Mlamba					Fresh Usipa					Change since Feb 27	
	Feb 27	March 6	March 13	March 20	March 27	Feb 27	March 6	March 13	March 20	March 27	Fresh Mlamba	Fresh Usipa
<b>Center</b>												
Area 2 fish market	-	9840	9840	-	9840	-	12500	12500	-	12500	→ 0%	→ 0%
Kasungu boma	-	9200	9200	-	9200	-	-	-	-	-	→ 0%	-
Nkhotakota boma	13920	13920	13920	13920	13920	12500	12500	12500	12500	12500	→ 0%	→ 0%
Salima-kamuzu road	14467	16500	16500	4920	16500	11667	12500	12500	11667	12500	↑ 14%	↑ 7%
<b>South</b>												
Limbe	-	33000	33000	-	33000	-	11250	11250	-	11250	→ 0%	→ 0%
Liw onde	-	8640	8640	-	8640	-	11250	11250	-	11250	→ 0%	→ 0%
Lunzu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mbulumbuzi	-	12000	12000	-	12000	-	11250	11250	-	12500	→ 0%	↑ 11%
Mulanje boma	9840	-	-	9840	-	12500	-	-	12500	-	→ 0%	→ 0%
Songani	18720	30187	30187	16432	16432	12000	11250	12500	12000	11250	↓ -12%	↓ -6%
Zomba market	15855	-	-	15855	-	12500	12500	12500	12500	12500	→ 0%	→ 0%
<b>All markets</b>	<b>16350</b>	<b>17795</b>	<b>16823</b>	<b>13531</b>	<b>14315</b>	<b>12143</b>	<b>11845</b>	<b>12024</b>	<b>12143</b>	<b>11964</b>	<b>↓ -12%</b>	<b>↓ -1%</b>

**Note:** Mlamba is priced per dozen; Usipa is priced per 5 litre pail; - = commodity was not monitored.

**Figure 3.** Retail prices of dried fish (MWK/unit), March 2021



**Table 4.** Retail prices of dried Chambo and dried Micheni (MWK/unit) during March 2021

Market	Dried Chambo					Dried Micheni					Change since Feb 27	
	Feb 27	March 6	March 13	March 20	March 27	Feb 27	March 6	March 13	March 20	March 27	Dried Chambo	Dried Micheni
<b>Center</b>												
Area 2 fish market	9600	9600	9600	9600	9600	8320	7200	7200	8020	7200	↔ 0%	↓ -13%
Kasungu boma	4500	4500	4500	4500	4500	9743	7067	7067	8840	7167	↔ 0%	↓ -26%
Nkhotakota boma	9000	9000	9000	9000	9000	7200	4200	4200	7200	4200	↔ 0%	↓ -42%
Salima-kamuzu road	9000	12000	12000	12000	12000	-	4200	4200	-	4200	↑ 33%	↔ 0%
<b>South</b>												
Limbe	3500	4500	4500	4500	4500	6667	5750	5750	6500	7500	↑ 29%	↑ 13%
Liw onde	9100	9133	9133	9200	9200	4667	6800	6800	4667	4667	↑ 1%	↔ 0%
Lunzu	-	-	-	-	-	6333	-	6333	-	-	-	-
Mbulumbuzi	16000	16000	16000	16000	16000	13000	13000	13000	7667	11800	↔ 0%	↓ -9%
Mulanje boma	7200	7200	7200	7200	7200	7200	8100	8100	7200	8100	↔ 0%	↑ 13%
Songani	6167	8167	8167	8167	8167	-	7000	7000	-	7800	↑ 32%	↑ 11%
Zomba market	10500	7200	7200	7200	7200	-	8000	8000	-	8000	↓ -31%	↔ 0%
<b>All markets</b>	<b>8332</b>	<b>8461</b>	<b>8461</b>	<b>8468</b>	<b>8468</b>	<b>7224</b>	<b>7244</b>	<b>7244</b>	<b>7029</b>	<b>7458</b>	<b>↑ 2%</b>	<b>↑ 3%</b>

**Note:** Chambo and Micheni are priced per dozen; - = commodity was not monitored.

**Table 5.** Retail prices of dried Mlamba and dried Usipa (MWK/unit) during March 2021

Market	Dried Mlamba					Dried Usipa					Change since Feb 27	
	Feb 27	March 6	March 13	March 20	March 27	Feb 27	March 6	March 13	March 20	March 27	Dried Mlamba	Dried Usipa
<b>Center</b>												
Area 2 fish market	5675	4000	4000	5925	4000	6500	4750	4750	5600	4750	↓ -30%	↓ -27%
Kasungu boma	4800	4800	4800	5943	4800	5214	4333	4333	5643	5643	→ 0%	↑ 8%
Nkhotakota boma	4000	14800	4000	4000	4000	4750	4000	4500	4750	4500	→ 0%	↓ -5%
Salima-kamuzu road	-	4000	4000		4000	-	4000	4500	-	4500	→ 0%	↑ 13%
<b>South</b>												
Limbe	6533	4833	3500	5200	4833	4833	6000	6000	5417	6000	↓ -26%	↑ 24%
Liw onde	4133	4800	4800	4133	4800	4417	5000	5000	4833	5000	↑ 16%	↑ 13%
Lunzu	4800	-	-	4800	-	4750	-	-	4750	-	→ 0%	→ 0%
Mbulumbuzi	-	6000	6000	-	6000	6000	6500	6500	6500	6500	→ 0%	↑ 8%
Mulanje boma	9200	9200	9200	4000	9200	4750	5000	5000	4750	5000	→ 0%	↑ 5%
Songani	-	18000	18000	-	18000	-	6000	6000	-	6000	→ 0%	→ 0%
Zomba market	-	6000	6000	-	6000	-	4833	5000	-	4833	→ 0%	→ 0%
<b>All markets</b>	<b>5707</b>	<b>7337</b>	<b>6500</b>	<b>5104</b>	<b>6537</b>	<b>5152</b>	<b>5008</b>	<b>5098</b>	<b>5038</b>	<b>6174</b>	↑ 15%	↑ 20%

**Note:** Mlamba are priced per dozen; Usipa is priced per 5 litre pail; - = commodity not monitored in this market.

### How data were collected

With financial support from the European Union, IFPRI Malawi began monitoring retail prices of selected legumes, roots and tubers, and non-maize cereals\* in selected markets in October 2020. Currently, prices are collected from 44 markets across the country, with monitoring occurring once per week. Three monitors report prices from each market. Data is collected by means of automated short message service (SMS) with follow-ups made by telephone the next day if needed. The commodities monitored were phased-in, starting with legumes, root crops and other cereals, and then expanding to include livestock products and fish. Fish prices are included in the bulletins from January 2021. Note that the number of markets monitored vary by commodity because major markets are targeted in areas where these commodities are widely produced.

\* daily retail prices for maize are available from our [monthly maize market reports](#)



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