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**Department of Statistics (DOS): Agricultural Producers Price Index Increased by 6.1%
During the First Nine Months of 2025**

The Department of Statistics (DOS) issued its monthly report for the year 2025 on the Agricultural Producers Price Index (APPI), which recorded an increase in the prices of agricultural producers by 6.1% in the first nine months of 2025 compared to the same period in 2024, an increase in September 2025 by 17.4% compared to September 2024, and an increase by 27.6% compared to August 2025.

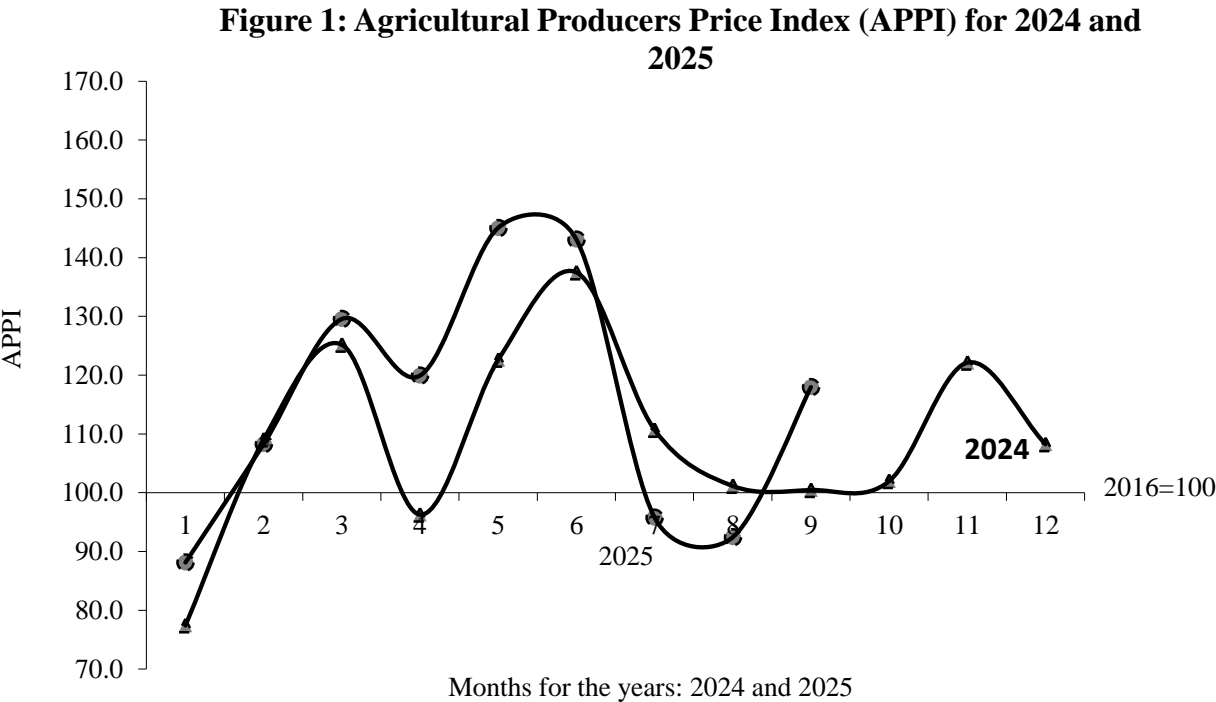
Accordingly, the cumulative APPI for the first nine months of 2025 has reached 115.6, compared to 108.9 for the same period in 2024. Additionally, the APPI of September 2025 recorded 118.0, compared to 100.5 in September 2024 and 92.4 in August 2025.

Comparing the first nine months of 2025 with the same period in 2024, prices for several crops have increased, most notably: Chili Peppers by 31.5%, Green Sweet Peppers by 24.7%, and Bananas by 19.8%, with a relative importance of 43.2%. Meanwhile, the average APPI witnessed a decrease in the prices of several crops, most notably: Potatoes by (31.6%), Sweet Colored Peppers by (18.9%), and Eggplants by (16.7%), with a relative importance of (56.8%).

On the monthly change domain, the APPI of September 2025 has increased compared to the same month in 2024 due to the increase in the price index of several crops, most notably: White Cabbage by 144.4%, Lemon by 108.2%, Cauliflower by 73.6%, whereby the relative importance of crops whose prices increased represented 63.8%. In contrast, the price index of several crops has decreased, most notably: Potatoes by (51.4%), Dry Onion by (36.7%), Prickly Pear by (28.7%), whereby the relative importance of crops whose prices declined represented by (36.2%).

Comparing the APPI of September 2025 to August 2025, the prices of several crops increased, with their relative importance representing 71.4%. Notably, the price increases were most significant for Tomatoes by 267.9%, Sweet Colored Peppers by 238.0%, and Onions and Shallots Green by 60.2%. Meanwhile, the price index of several crops has decreased, most notably: Clementine by (34.5%), Guavas by (29.9%), Spinach by (25.4%), with a relative importance of (28.6%).

The following graph illustrates the APPI trend in 2024 and 2025.



It is worth mentioning that DOS has revised the methodology of collecting data on agricultural prices through a specialized technical committee from DOS and the Ministry of Agriculture. This revision was based on the recommendations of the *Permanent Experts Committee for Agricultural Statistics*, which is part of the National Agricultural Strategy. To improve data quality, agricultural price data for all crops have been sourced from the central markets on a monthly basis. The year 2016 was adopted as the base year (2016=100), and the *Laspeyres Equation* was used to compute the index.

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Table (1): The Cumulative APPI for September 2025 compared to September 2024

Crop	Average 2025	Average 2024	Increase / Decrease Percentage (%)
Chili Pepper	151.0	114.8	31.5
Sweet Green Peppers	170.8	137.0	24.7
Bananas	134.7	112.5	19.8
Cucumbers	139.7	123.7	12.9
Squash	144.5	129.0	12.0
Cauliflower	107.8	102.0	5.7
Potatoes	85.3	124.8	-31.6
Sweet Colored Peppers	133.5	164.6	-18.9
Eggplants	126.3	151.7	-16.7
Tomatoes	58.5	63.7	-8.2
String Beans, green	110.4	115.6	-4.5

Table (2): Prices of Agricultural Producers for September 2024 compared to September 2025 (Qirsh /Kg)

Crop	September 2024	September 2025	Increase / Decrease Percentage (%)
White Cabbage	12	30	144.4
Lemons	40	84	108.2
Cauliflower	29	51	73.6
Sweet Green Peppers	28	48	68.3
Gourds	38	63	65.2
Chili Pepper (cumulative)	30	49	63.6
Cucumbers	23	35	57.1
Okra	168	262	56.4
Seige	44	68	52.7
Radish	17	25	48.5
Potatoes	45	22	-51.4
Dry Onion	25	16	-36.7
Prickly pear	127	91	-28.7
Lettuce	14	11	-26.8
Green Maize	38	29	-25.7
Onions and Shallots, Green	94	72	-23.5
Guavas	149	116	-22.1
Mushroom	400	312	-22.1
Jew's Mallow	137	109	-20.5
Custard Apple	304	242	-20.2

Table (3): Prices of Agricultural Producers for August 2025 and September 2025 (Qirsh /Kg)

Crop	August 2025	September 2025	Increase / Decrease Percentage (%)
Tomatoes	3	12	267.9
Sweet Colored Pepper	16	53	238.0
Onions and shallots, green	45	72	60.2
Squash	43	65	51.7
Dry Onions	12	16	36.9
Strawberries	125	165	32.6
Dates	35	46	30.8
Oranges (cumulative)	52	67	30.0
Tomato Chery	112	144	28.1
Cauliflower	40	51	27.7
Clementines	105	69	-34.5
Guavas	165	116	-29.9
Spinach	52	39	-25.4
Grapefruit	68	55	-19.2
White Cabbage	36	30	-17.9
Lemon	101	84	-17.1
Pomelos, Shaddocks	112	93	-17.0
Babys cucumbers	91	77	-14.7
Green maize	32	29	-11.9
Pomegranates	76	68	-9.9