

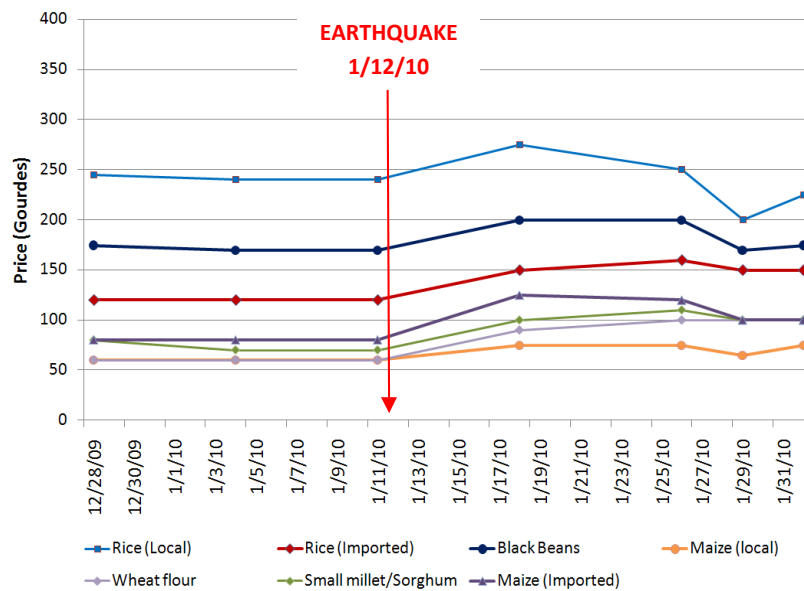


HAITI: Urban Price Update

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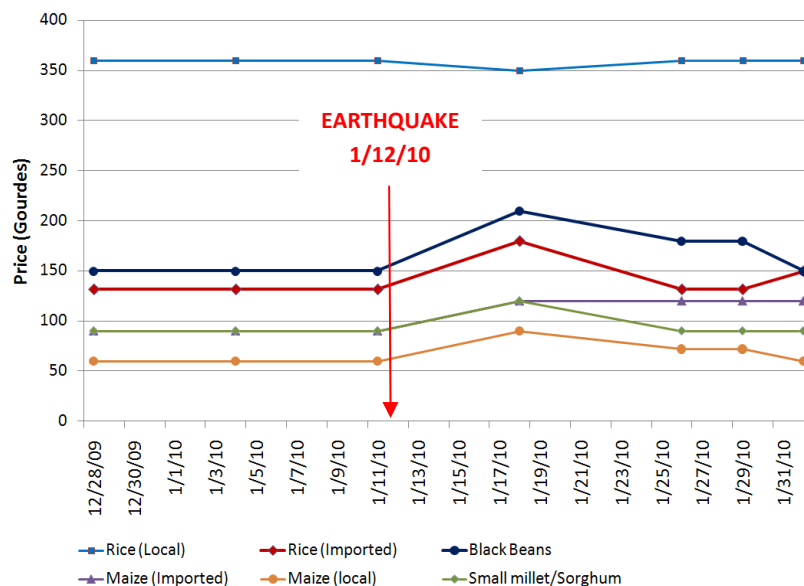
- The major food commodities consumed by the urban poor are imported rice, local beans, local maize and imported wheat flour.
- Between Friday January 29th and Monday February 1st, prices for these foods remained stable in Port-au-Prince, where a major rice distribution occurred on Sunday.
- In Jacmel, prices for these food commodities were stable or declined, except for imported rice.
- Thus far, no food aid commodities have been found on either market.

Figure 1. Trends in staple food prices, Port-au-Prince



Source: FEWS NET

Figure 2. Trends in staple food prices, Jacmel



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Table 1. Recent prices for staple commodities in Port-au-Prince, Haiti (Gourdes)

Commodity	12/28/09	1/4/10	1/11/10	1/18/10	1/26/10	1/29/10	2/1/10
Rice (imported) – 6 lbs	120	120	120	150	160	150	150
Rice (local) – 6 lbs	245	240	240	275	250	200	225
Red beans – 6 lbs	200	180	180	210	210	200	210
Black Beans – 6 lbs	175	170	170	200	200	170	175
Maize (Imported) – 6 lbs	80	80	80	125	120	100	100
Maize (local) – 6 lbs	60	60	60	75	75	65	75
Small millet/Sorghum – 6 lbs	80	70	70	100	110	100	100
Wheat flour – 6 lbs	60	60	60	90	100	100	100
Bulgur wheat – 6 lbs	90	90	90	100	90	75	90
Salt	25	20	20	40	30	30	35
Sugar (white)	110	110	130	150	150	150	150
Sugar (unrefined)	100	100	120	140	125	125	125
Cooking Oil (Alberto brand) – 1 gal	250	250	250	300	300	-	250
Cooking Oil (Rika brand) – 1 gal	250	250	250	300	300	-	250
Spaghetti Itala - 175 g bag	12	12	12	15	13	13	13
Spaghetti (imported) - 175 g bag	12	12	12	15	13	13	13
Charcoal - Large bag	600	600	600	800	700	700	700

Table 2. Recent prices for staple commodities in Jacmel, Haiti (Gourdes)

Commodity	12/28/09	1/4/10	1/11/10	1/18/10	1/26/10	1/29/10	2/1/10
Rice (imported) – 6 lbs	132	132	132	180	132	132	150
Rice (local) – 6 lbs	360	360	360	350	360	360	360
Red beans – 6 lbs	210	210	210	240	300	300	300
Black Beans – 6 lbs	150	150	150	210	180	180	150
Maize (Imported) – 6 lbs	90	90	90	120	120	120	120
Maize (local) – 6 lbs	60	60	60	90	72	72	60
Small millet/Sorghum – 6 lbs	90	90	90	120	90	90	90
Wheat flour – 6 lbs	120	120	120	150	90	90	120
Bulgur wheat – 6 lbs	120	120	120	120	120	120	120
Salt	45	45	45	90	50	50	45
Sugar (white)	150	150	150	180	150	150	180
Sugar (unrefined)	132	132	132	150	132	132	120
Cooking Oil (Alberto brand) – 1 gal	250	250	250	300	300	275	300
Cooking Oil (Rika brand) – 1 gal	275	275	275	275	300	300	300
Spaghetti Itala - 175 g bag	13	13	13	15	15	15	15
Spaghetti (imported) - 175 g bag	13	13	13	15	15	15	15
Charcoal - Large bag	300	300	300	350	200	200	300