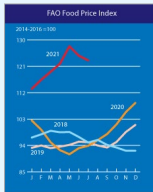




HIGHLIGHTS



FAO Food Price Index

The index tracks monthly changes in the international prices of commonly traded food commodities. July's average of 123.0 points was down 1.5 points from June, but 29.1 points higher compared to the same period last year.

[Press release](#)



Recommended reads ahead of the Food Systems Summit – Action track 2: Shift to sustainable consumption patterns

Action track 2 recognizes that we need to eliminate wasteful patterns of food consumption and facilitate healthier and safer diets. Ahead of the [Food Systems Summit](#), browse a list of FAO publications to learn more about this subject.

COVID-19 POLICY BRIEFS AND RESOURCES



COVID-19 precautionary measures for agricultural farmers: Pre-harvest operations (from planting to harvesting)

(Kabul, 4 pp.)

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb4597en>



COVID-19 safety measures for backyard poultry keeping

(Kabul, 2 pp.)

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb4702en>

NEWSLETTERS



FAO markets and trade July 2021



FAO Malawi newsletter – UN Food Systems Summit dialogues: the Malawi story so far June 2021 – Issue No.6 (Lilongwe, 2 pp.)



Right to Food newsletter July 2021 – Issue No.10

BROCHURES



Activity Book – Our actions are our future. Better production, better nutrition, a better environment and a better life

(24 pp., Russian. Also available in
English, French, Italian and Spanish)

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb5047ru>



Bhutan food systems assessment: Working towards the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) – Catalyzing the transformation of sustainable food systems: Early insight

(2 pp.)



Corrélations entre les Directives volontaires visant à assurer la durabilité de la pêche artisanale dans le contexte de la sécurité alimentaire et de l'éradication de la pauvreté et le Cadre d'action pour la sécurité alimentaire et la nutrition lors des crises prolongées

(8 pp. Also available in [English](#)
and [Spanish](#))



Costa Rica's progress in developing a national land use, land cover and ecosystems monitoring system – Strengthening national capacities to monitor natural, agricultural and biodiversity resources to support decision-making and increase the ambition and effectiveness of climate actions
(2 pp.)



Driving preparedness and anticipatory actions through innovation: A web-based Rift Valley fever Early Warning Decision Support Tool (July 2021)
(4 pp.)



FISH4ACP Marshall Islands – Unlocking the potential of tuna fisheries on the Marshall Islands
(2 pp.)



Food and Nutrition Security Resilience Programme: Building food system resilience in protracted crises – Somaliland
(2 pp.)



Global webinar to launch the report on: Joint rapid appraisal on strengthening agricultural innovation systems in Africa, Asia and Latin America by regional research and extension organizations
(2 pp.)



Guide to improve governance of pastoral land tenure systems in Mauritania
(16 pp., Arabic)



La labor de la FAO con los pueblos indígenas en el ámbito de la actividad forestal
(8 pp. Also available in [English](#))



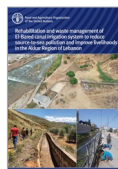
Marcando la diferencia en la seguridad alimentaria y la nutrición: instrumentos de la FAO y el Comité de Seguridad Alimentaria Mundial (CSA) para la sostenibilidad de la pesca en pequeña escala y los sistemas alimentarios
(4 pp. Also available in [English](#) and [French](#))



Our actions are our future – Better production, better nutrition, a better environment and a better life
(16 pp., Arabic. Also available in [Chinese](#), [English](#), [French](#), [Russian](#) and [Spanish](#))



Regenerative agriculture: good practices for small scale agricultural producers – Research and Extension – Technologies and Practices for Small Agricultural Producers (TECA) Webinar
(2 pp.)



Rehabilitation and waste management of El-Bared canal irrigation system to reduce source-to-sea pollution and improve livelihoods in the Akkar Region of Lebanon
(8 pp.)

MAXIMIZING NUTRITION – IN BRIEF



Eswatini and Zimbabwe – livestock sector
(4 pp.)

Ghana – crop production sector
(4 pp.)

Uganda – forestry sector
(4 pp.)

Kenya – fisheries and aquaculture sector
(4 pp.)

BOOKS

AGRICULTURE



In action – Nuclear applications in agriculture. On-the-ground success, Part V

This publication highlights the coordinated research projects and technical cooperation projects of the Joint FAO/IAEA Centre of Nuclear Techniques in Food and Agriculture. Successful practices are presented, such as using veterinary diagnostic tools to prevent animal disease outbreaks.

(44 pp.)



Instrumento para la evaluación del desempeño agroecológico (TAPE) – Proceso de desarrollo y directrices para la aplicación. Versión de prueba

This framework informs policymakers, development institutions and other stakeholders on the performance of agroecology and its contribution to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals. It stresses the importance of producing and sharing data.

(96 pp. Also available in [English](#))

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/ca7407es>



Joint rapid appraisal on strengthening agricultural innovation systems in Africa, Asia and Latin America by regional research and extension organizations – Synthesis report 2021

The report finds that it is necessary to integrate both technical and functional capacities into innovation processes. To strengthen capacity building, it advocates for change in educational systems and the development of training materials for facilitators.

(52 pp.)

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb5995en>

ANIMAL PRODUCTION AND HEALTH



Carcass management guidelines – Effective disposal of animal carcasses and contaminated materials on small to medium-sized farms

The guidelines provide carcass waste management recommendations, as well as procedures for veterinary services and official authorities to use when developing animal disease outbreak containment and eradication plans.

(56 pp., Chinese. Also available in [Arabic](#), [English](#), [French](#), and [Spanish](#)) FAO Animal Production and Health Guidelines

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb2464zh>

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT



Análisis de la oferta exportable de los productos agrícolas de la región del Sistema de la Integración Centroamericana (SICA) – Identificando oportunidades 2021

This study seeks to support the reactivation of agrifood markets and production in the region. It suggests accelerating organic production by establishing local or intraregional value chains, and by commercializing agriproducts in extraregional trade.

(Panama City, 72 pp.)

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb5846es>



Register implementation for land cover legends

This document presents the standardized register structure of the Land Cover Legend Registry and a description of attributes used in classification register. Its aim is to facilitate regional and global land cover assessment and monitoring.

(56 pp.) FAO, UoS & STIIMA-CNR

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb5130en>

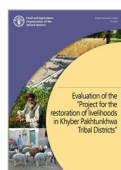
EVALUATIONS



Evaluación de medio término del proyecto «Gestión sostenible de la agrobiodiversidad y recuperación de ecosistemas vulnerables en la región Andina del Perú a través del Patrimonio Agrícola Mundial (SIPAM)»

The evaluation finds that although attention has been given to the sustainable management of agrobiodiversity, landscape restoration and market issues have made little progress. It is necessary to develop actions that directly involve producers and ensure income generation for communities.

(132 pp.) Serie de evaluaciones de proyectos



Evaluation of the “Project for the restoration of livelihoods in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Tribal Districts”

The evaluation shows that FAO's intervention contributed to the rehabilitation of irrigation schemes and income generation. To further improve programme delivery, it suggests establishing realistic target-setting and market-led initiatives for value chain development.

(56 pp.) Project Evaluation Series

FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE

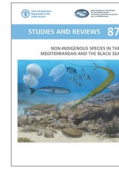


Checklists and technical guidelines to combat illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing – Volume I: a consolidated checklist of coastal, flag and port State responsibilities to combat IUU fishing

The checklists consist of the rights and responsibilities of persons and vessels to ensure their actions align with the law. The document can be used as a reference to identify national legal, institutional and operational weaknesses in combatting IUU fishing.

(76 pp.)

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb5992en>



Non-indigenous species in the Mediterranean and the Black Sea

This study analyses the impacts of non-indigenous species on the Mediterranean and the Black Sea. For example, it finds that the invasive comb jelly *Mnemiopsis leidyi* has caused a loss in biodiversity and a decrease in fish catch in the Black Sea.

(104 pp.) Studies and reviews (General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean)

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb5949en>

STRENGTHENING COHERENCE BETWEEN SOCIAL PROTECTION AND FISHERIES POLICIES – FAO FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE TECHNICAL PAPERS



Framework for analysis and action

Drawing from countries' experiences, this document clarifies the benefits of aligning fisheries policies and social protection. It identifies options for improving coherence, such as enhancing the co-management of fisheries-dependent communities.

(52 pp.)

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb5884en>



Diagnostic tool

This diagnostic tool maps the scope and nature of links between fisheries policies and social protection interventions. It identifies options for strengthening coherence, including methodology and interview guides to be applied to country-specific contexts.

(68 pp.)

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb5878en>

FOOD SAFETY



Technical guidance for the development of the growing area aspects of Bivalve Mollusc Sanitation Programmes – Second edition

The guidance is intended for primary production of molluscs for consumption as live or raw bivalves. It includes guidelines on identifying a risk profile, assessing and monitoring, and determining the classification level for the growing area.

(296 pp.) FAO & WHO – Food Safety and Quality Series

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb5072en>

NUTRITION

BACKGROUND PAPER FOR THE FAO/WHO INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON FRUITS AND VEGETABLES 2020



Effects of fruit and vegetable intakes on direct and indirect health outcomes

This paper discusses how fruit and vegetable intake benefits human health. It finds that a higher intake of fruits and vegetables reduces the risk of premature mortality and the incidence of non-communicable disease when compared with lower intakes.

(40 pp.) FAO & PAHO

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb5727en>

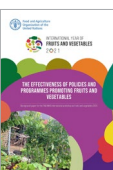


Promoting sustainable and inclusive value chains for fruits and vegetables – Policy review

The paper proposes policy recommendations for building sustainable, inclusive value chains that provide healthy food to consumers. These include developing appropriate post-harvest technologies, investing in infrastructure and promoting short food value chains.

(88 pp.)

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb5720en>



The effectiveness of policies and programmes promoting fruits and vegetables

Based on the NOURISHING framework, this report compares the alignment between current fruit and vegetable policy actions and the existence of systematic review evidence. It finds that school-based interventions are effective in improving fruit and vegetable intake.

(132 pp.)

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb5725en>

FORESTRY



Biomass waste management strategy for Uganda

Due to the use of obsolete equipment and small-scale production processes, the wood processing industry in Uganda generates high quantities of waste. The report suggests reducing waste at the source and finding potential uses for the waste generated.

(Kampala, 76 pp.)

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb5917en>



Concept for restoration/rehabilitation of degraded forests in Uzbekistan

This document describes four pilot sites that serve as learning sites for local communities. The restoration/regeneration activities include restoration of shelterbelts, agroforestry, tree-planting and cost-efficient terracing.

(Tashkent, 92 pp.)

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb4949en>



Occupational health and safety strategy for sawmilling industries in Uganda

This report provides expert advice and technical assistance to support forestry officials, sawmill managers and supervisors in downstream processing and utilization. It identifies hazard reduction measures and features hazard identification exercises.

(Kampala, 60 pp.)

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb5920en>

GENDER



FAO Gender Regional Strategy for Latin America and the Caribbean 2019–2023: Economic autonomy, equal rights and fight against hunger and malnutrition

To close the gender gap, this strategy relies on three regional initiatives: i) Hunger-free, ii) Family Farming and Inclusive Food Systems, and iii) Sustainable Use of Natural Resources, Adaptation to Climate Change, and Disaster Risk Management.

(Santiago, 36 pp. Also available in [French](#) and [Spanish](#))

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/ca4665en>

RECENT RELEASE FROM OTHER UN AGENCIES AND IGOs

UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME – UNEP



The State of Food Waste in West Asia

This report reveals that around 34 percent of food served is wasted, with an estimated 100 to 150 kg/capita of food waste at the household stage. It suggests that promoting sustainable lifestyles and empowering youth will have a positive impact at the consumer level.

(Nairobi, 52 pp.)