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MARKET INFORMATION SUMMARY: VEGETABLES

Period under review: March 2016 to March 2017
Report 2017/03



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Monthly vegetable market report



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**Trend analysis relating to vegetable sales on the Cape Town Fresh Produce Market:
*in terms of volumes (tons) and prices (rand per ton)***



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AGRICULTURAL MARKETING INFORMATION SYSTEMS (AMIS)

What is AMIS ?

- The Agricultural Marketing Information Systems (AMIS) is a database interface offered by the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF).
- The main purpose of the Agricultural Marketing Information System (AMIS) is to provide reliable & updated information to farmers. In order to assist farmers to plan activities relating to production and marketing in a much informed manner.
- Agricultural market information is provided for horticulture, field crops, livestock and industrial products, and includes the following categories:
 - marketing prices,
 - grading and standard information,
 - annual price trends, and
 - marketing news (pertaining to the application procedures for import and export permits).

How to access AMIS ?

- To access the **DAFF AMIS** website address go to <http://webapps.daff.gov.za/amis> (no subscription fee payable to access system), or alternatively send a sms to ***120*4040#** (sms charges apply)
- *Note: Prices are updated on a daily basis, after 12h00 am.*

SUMMARISED MARKET INFORMATION REPORT: VEGETABLES

Produce name	Average tons marketed for March 2017: (ton) A-Z	Change m/m	Change y/y	Average price obtained for March 2017: (Rand/ton)	Change m/m	Change y/y
1. Potatoes	8 885	26%	57%	↓ R3 250	-44%	-13%
2. Onions	2 711	8%	6%	↑ R2 918	8%	-35%
3. Tomatoes	2 399	13%	-5%	↑ R6 762	8%	11%
4. Butternut Squash	855	21%	-2%	↓ R2 312	-15%	-24%
5. Carrots	719	10%	20%	↑ R3 371	20%	-27%
6. Peppers	622	9%	17%	↑ R9 314	26%	-25%
7. Gem Squashes	568	56%	21%	↓ R1 848	-26%	-5%

SUMMARISED MARKET INFORMATION REPORT: VEGETABLES (CONT.)

Produce name	Average tons marketed for March 2017: (ton)	Change m/m	Change y/y	Average price obtained for March 2017: (Rand/ton)	Change m/m	Change y/y
8. Pumpkin	472	4%	-4%	↑ R1 885	21%	-13%
9. Cabbage	379	12%	14%	↑ R2 636	41%	-39%
10. Lettuce	286	4%	-17%	↑ R5 753	8%	<1%
11. English Cucumber	243	-13%	18%	↑ R15 841	53%	-8%
12. Sweet Potatoes	239	8%	-9%	↓ R5 738	-12%	-4%

The full report containing the above-mentioned commodities is issued on a monthly basis and can be retrieved from the Elsenburg website, by following the link:

<http://www.elsenburg.com/content/market-reports-vegetables>

SUMMARISED MARKET INFORMATION REPORT: NICHE VEGETABLES

Produce name	Average tons marketed for March 2017: (ton) (A-Z)	Change m/m	Average price obtained for March 2017: (Rand/ton)	Change m/m
13. Baby Marrow	116	-7%	↓ R11 388	-19%
14. Cauliflower	108	-6%	↑ R8 877	2%
15. Beetroot	99	12%	↑ R4 569	>100%
16. Green beans	87	-11%	↑ R13 867	54%
17. Sweetcorn	84	-39%	↓ R10 726	-25%
18. Broccoli	52	-21%	↓ R24 049	-17%
19. Brinjals /Eggplant	47	9%	↓ R9 794	-13%
20. Hubbard Squash	31	-13%	↑ R1 378	20%

SUMMARISED MARKET INFORMATION REPORT: NICHE VEGETABLES (CONT.)

Produce name	Average tons marketed for March 2017: (ton)	Change m/m	Average price obtained for March 2017: (Rand/ton)	Change m/m
21. Spinach	29	26%	↑ R11 087	29%
22. Spring Onion	21	-2%	↓ R9 530	-7%
23. Mushrooms	18	33%	↑ R39 919	98%
24. Leeks	14	2%	↓ R5 036	-37%
25. Patty Pans	3.9	25%	↑ R9 333	49%
26. Marrow	2.1	-33%	↓ R1 723	-15%
27. Radish	1.3	-16%	↓ R13 568	-30%

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