

HIGHLIGHTS

Paddy production for 2026 Yala season, based on the sown extent as of end June 2026, is forecasted at 2.01 million metric tons, a **12.8% decline** from the previous Yala season



In July 2026, domestic tea production marginally decreased by 1.1% (y-o-y). However, this represents a recovery from the larger production losses recorded earlier during the year



Local rubber production remained broadly stable in July 2026 compared to the same period last year



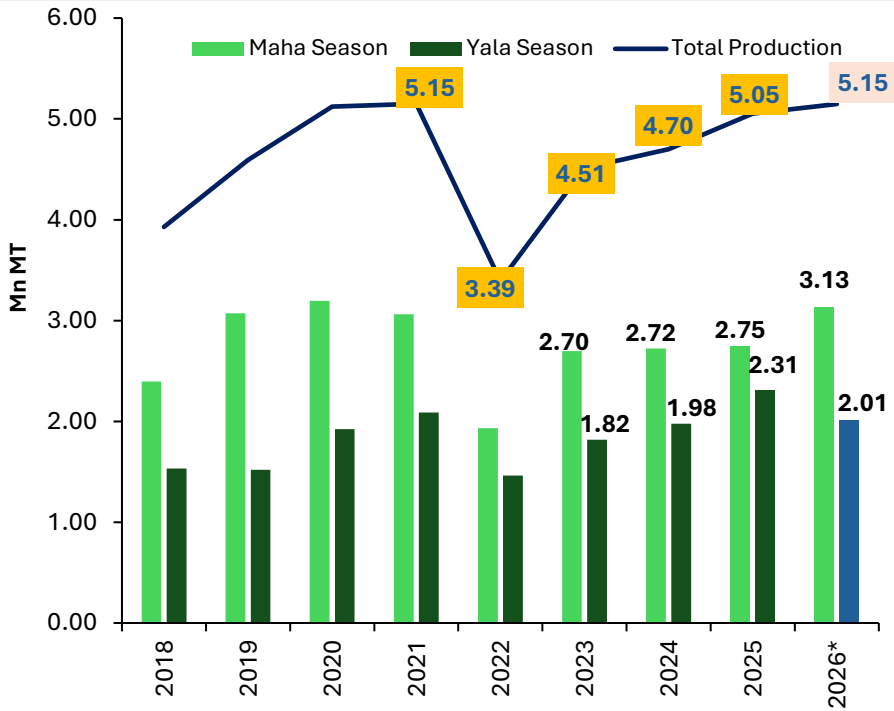
Marine fish production declined by 20.0% (y-o-y) in July 2026 amid rising sea surface temperatures and higher fuel prices



Coconut production during May-June 2026 declined by 8.9% (y-o-y) partly due to the high base effect in the corresponding period of 2025



Paddy Production

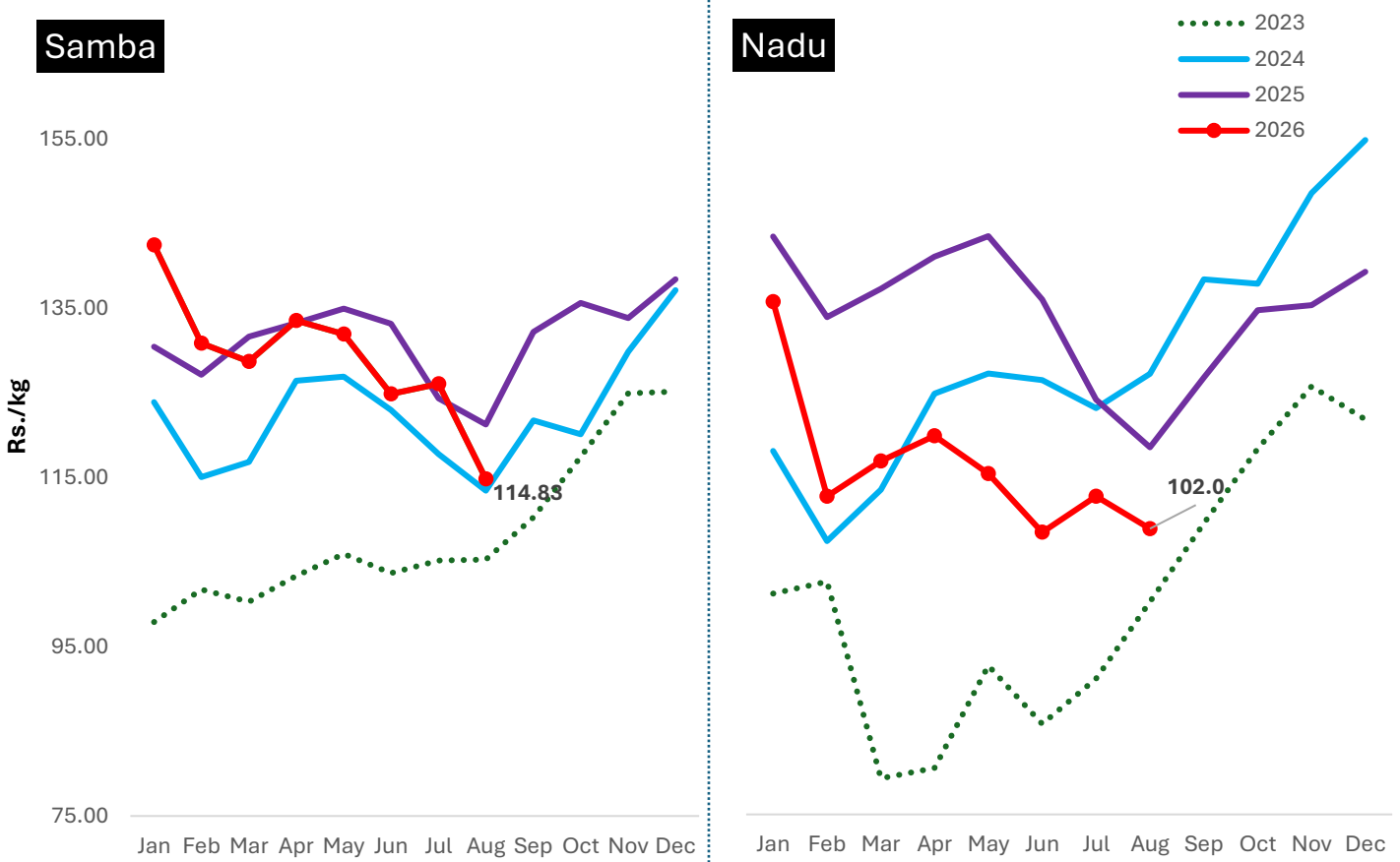


*2026 Yala season production is based on the Department of Agriculture forecast

Season	2024 (mn mt)	2025 (mn mt)	2026* (mn mt)	Growth % (y-o-y)
Maha	2.72	2.74	3.13	14.2
Yala	1.98	2.31	2.01	(12.8)
Annual	4.70	5.05	5.15	1.9

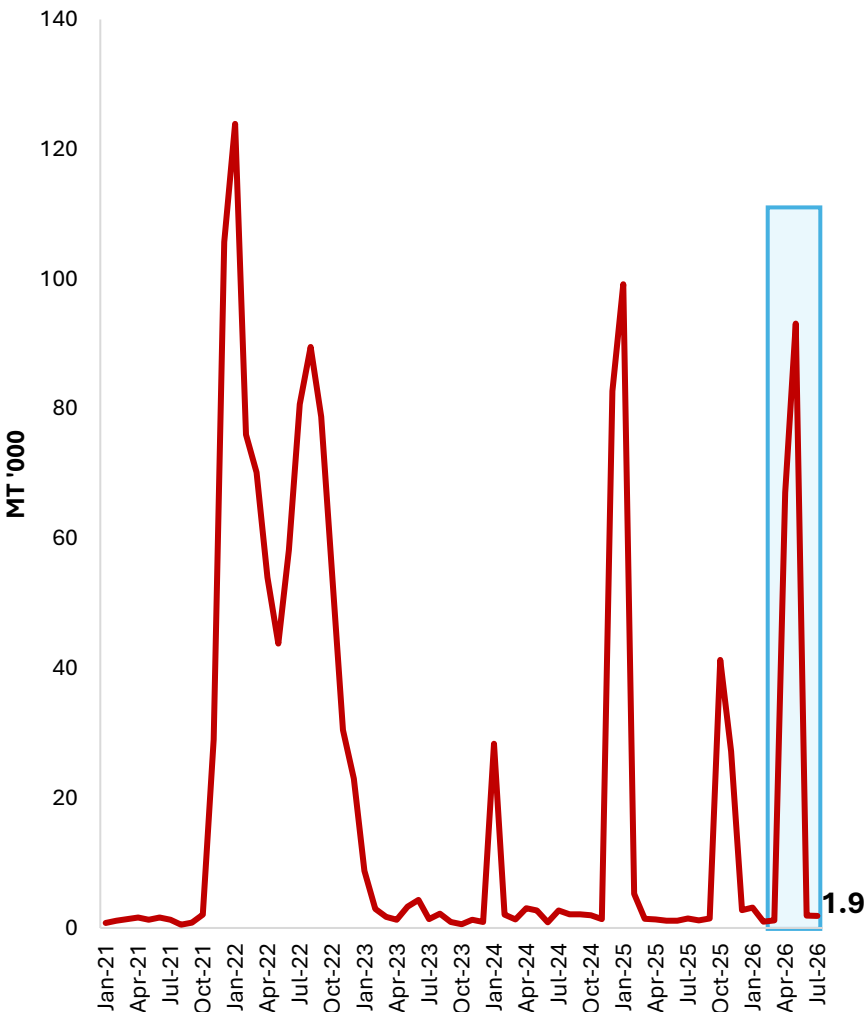
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Farmgate/Producer Prices of Paddy



- Paddy production for the 2025/26 Maha season is recorded at **3.13 million metric tons**, a **14.2% increase** from the previous Maha season, while production in the 2026 Yala season is estimated at **2.01 million metric tons**, a **12.8% decline** from the previous Yala season, based on the sown extent reported as at end-June 2026
- Accordingly, total paddy production estimate for 2026 is **5.15 million metric tons**, representing a **1.9% increase** from the previous year

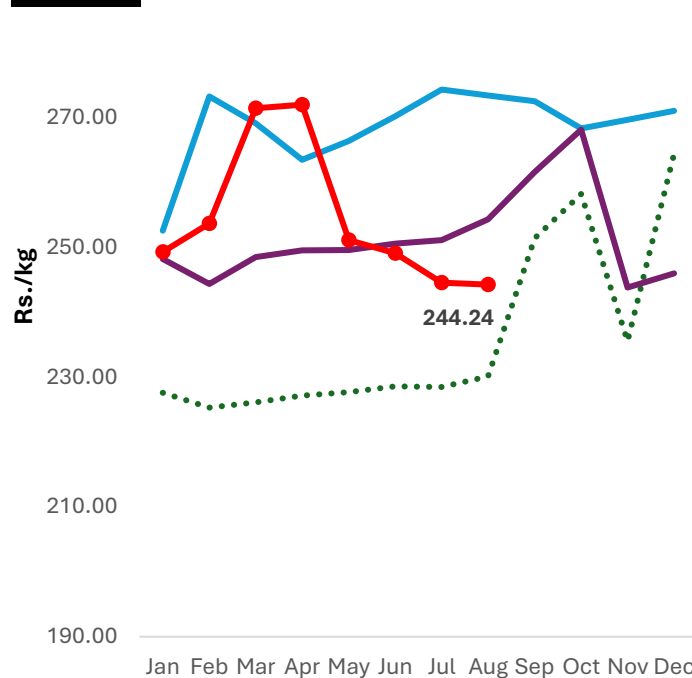
Rice Imports



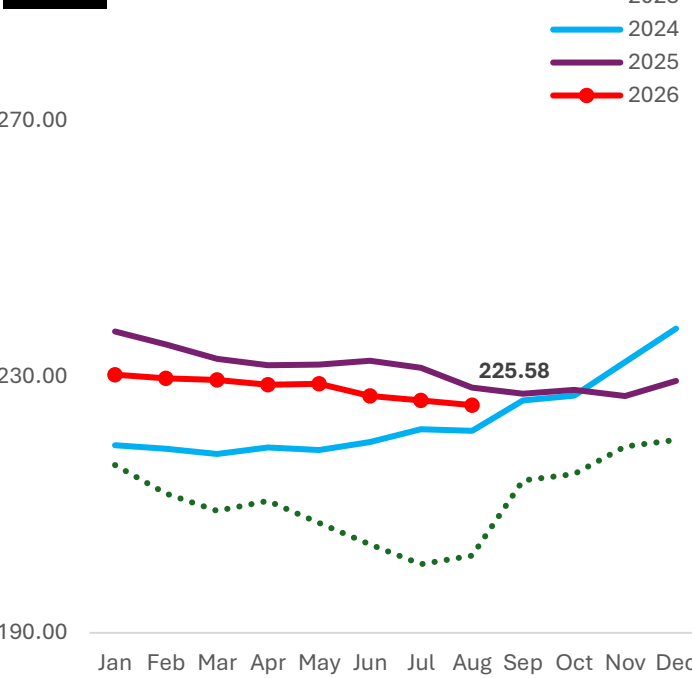
Rice imports declined in July 2026 as the temporary relaxation of import restrictions ended

Retail Rice Prices

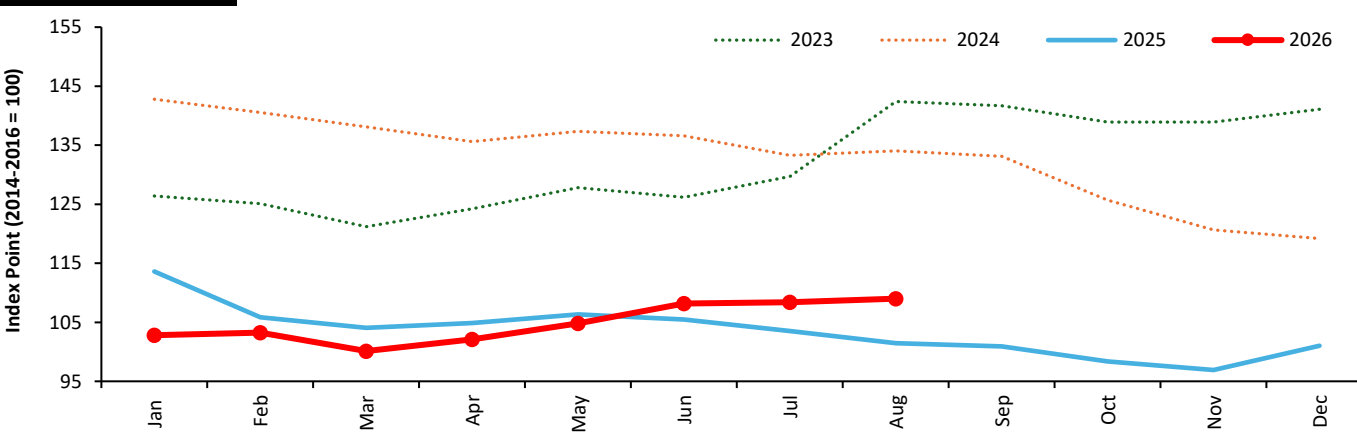
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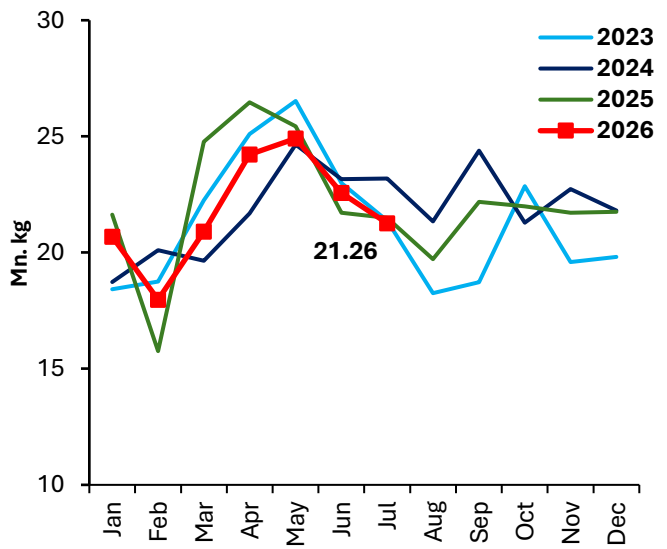


FAO All Rice Price Index

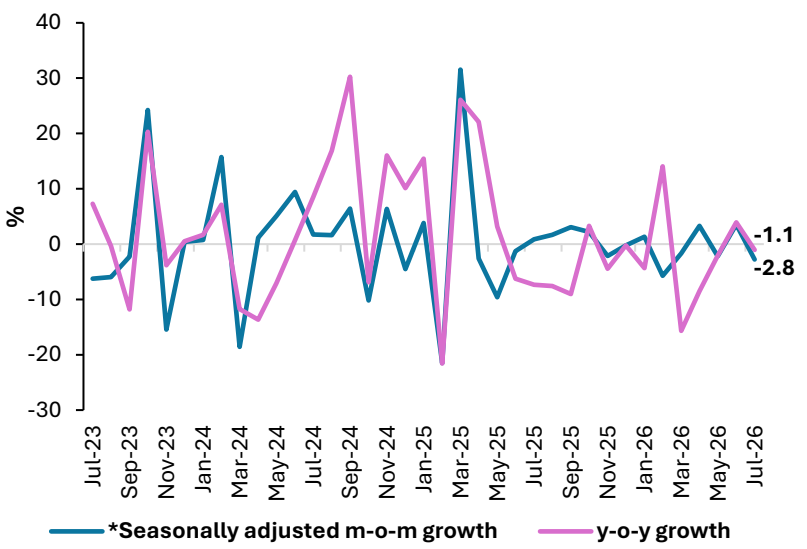


Tea

Tea Production



Tea Production Growth

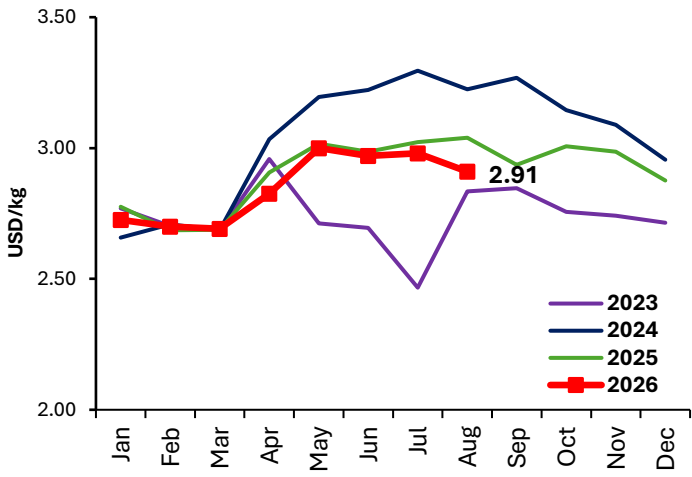


- Domestic tea production marginally declined by **1.1%** (y-o-y) in July 2026
- This also represents a **2.8%** m-o-m decrease (seasonally adjusted)

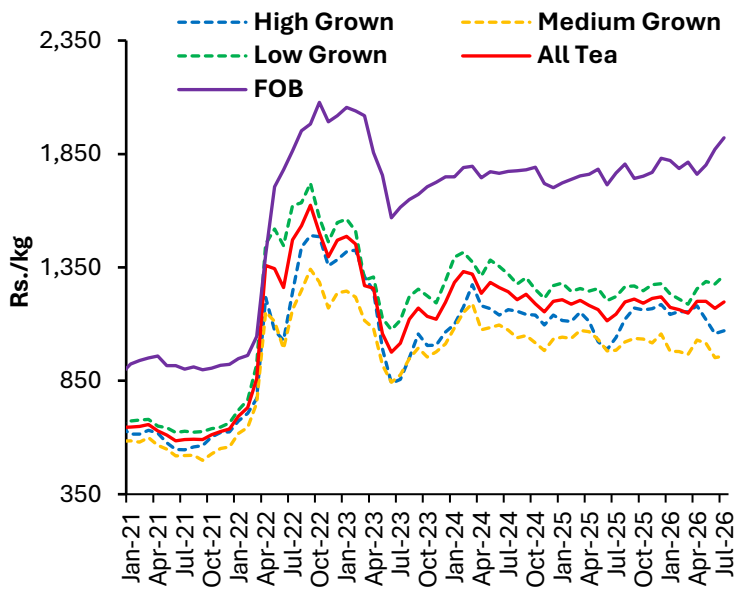
Global tea prices slightly decreased in August 2026 compared to the previous month, with Kolkata auction recording a decline in the average price, while Colombo and Mombasa recorded slight increases

Tea Production (mn kg)	2025	2025 Jan-Jul	2026 Jan-Jul	Growth % (y-o-y)
High grown	56.2	34.4	34.9	1.2
Medium grown	47.7	29.2	27.6	(5.5)
Low grown	158.8	93.6	90.0	(3.8)
Total	262.8	157.3	152.5	(3.0)

International Tea Prices

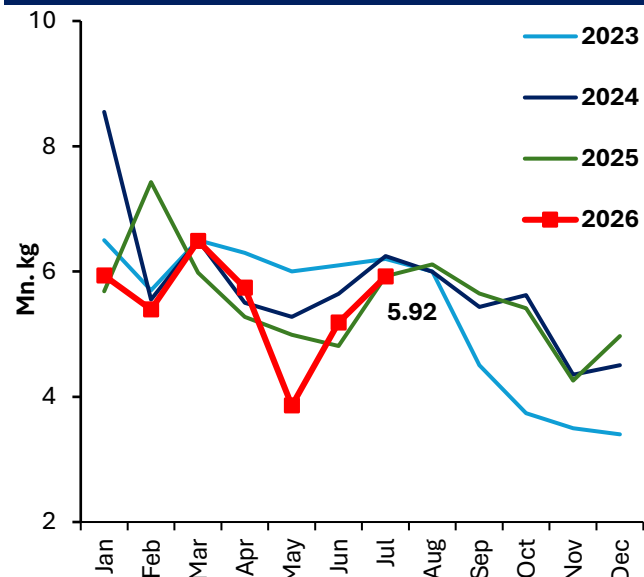


Tea Auction Prices & FOB Prices



Rubber

Rubber Production



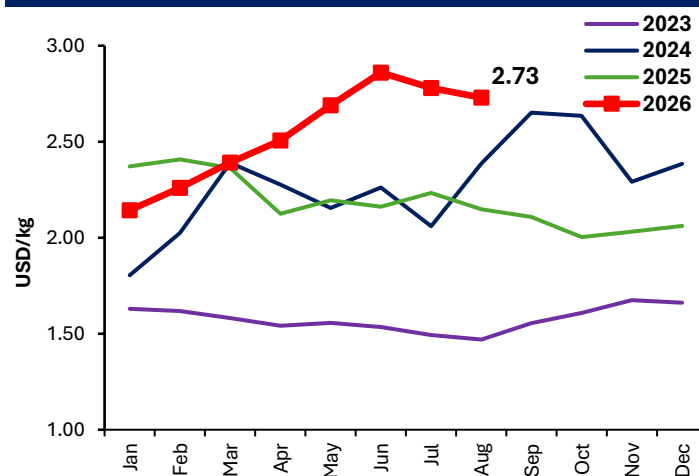
Rubber Production Growth



- Domestic rubber production remained broadly stable in July 2026 compared to previous year. Further, this represents a **0.7%** marginal (m-o-m) increase (seasonally adjusted)
- Global natural rubber prices declined slightly, primarily driven by the gradual entry of seasonal production from Southeast Asia into the market, easing supply concerns

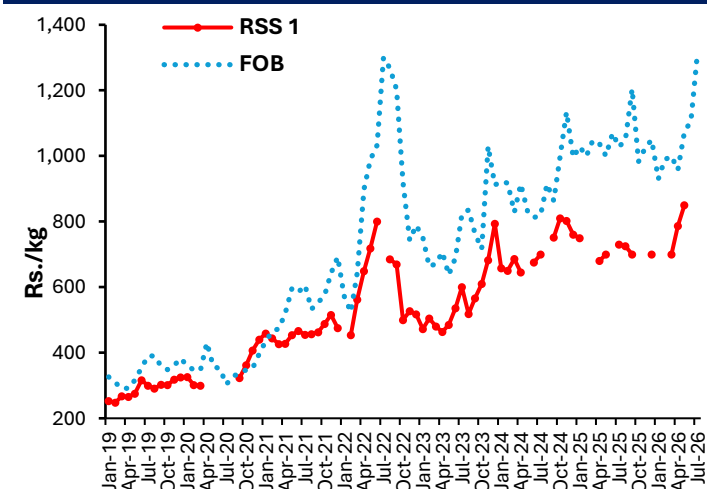
Rubber Production (mn kg)	2025	2025 Jan-Jul	2026 Jan-Jul	Growth % (y-o-y)
Sheet Rubber	33.0	19.5	16.0	(17.8)
Crepe Rubber	11.1	6.3	6.3	(1.1)
Other	22.4	14.2	16.2	13.9
Total	66.5	40.1	38.5	(3.9)

International Rubber Prices



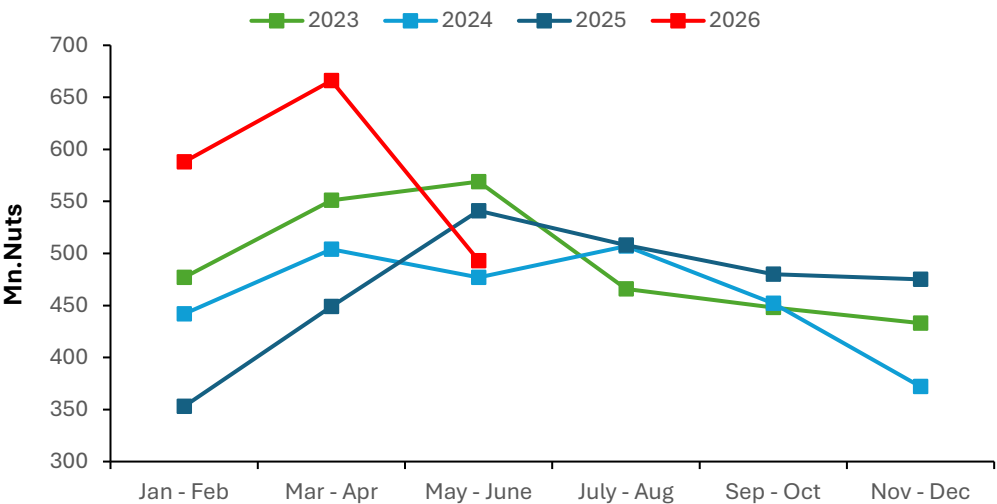
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Rubber Auction Prices & FOB Prices



Coconut

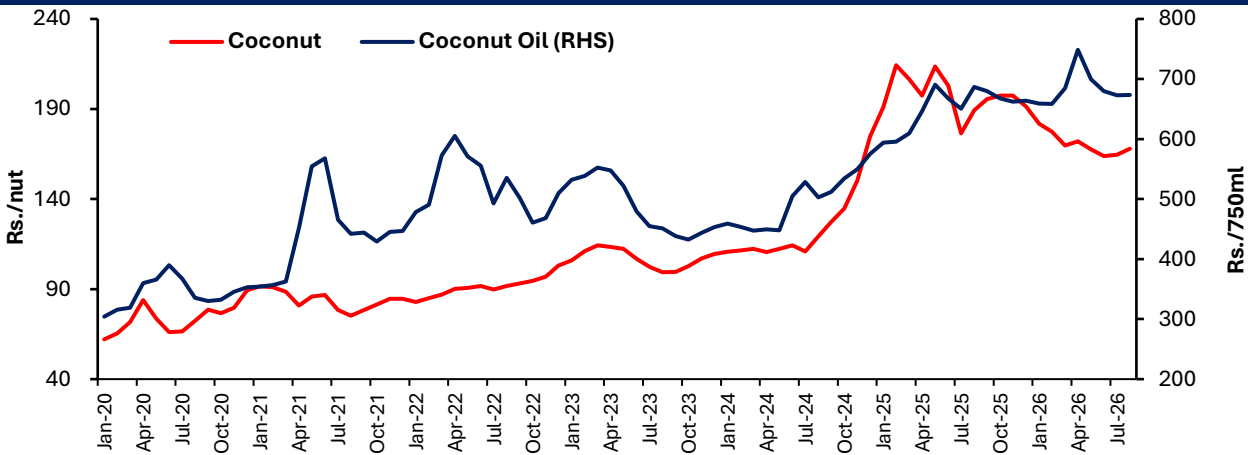
Coconut Production



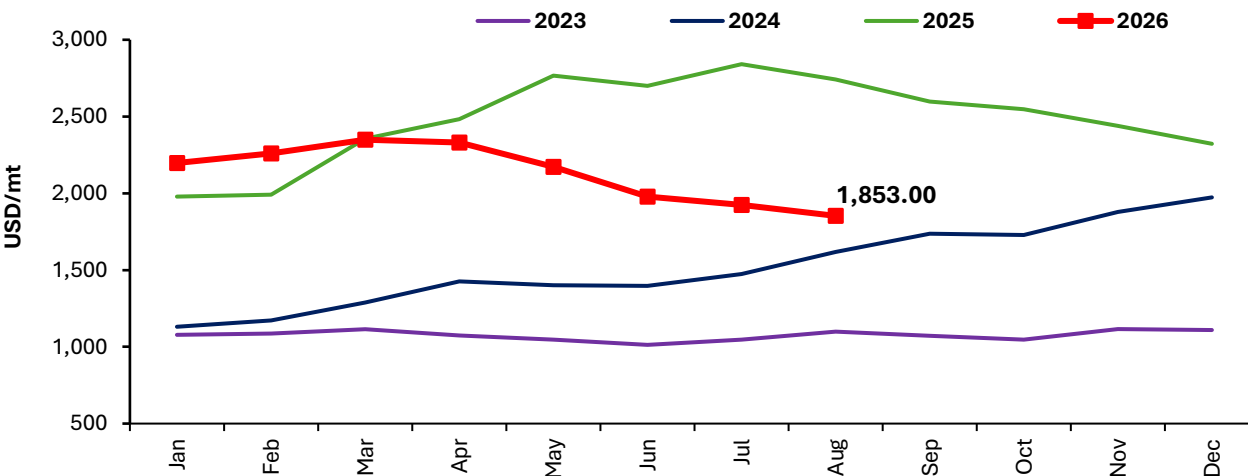
	2025	2025 Jan-Jun	2026 Jan-Jun	Growth % (y-o-y)
Desiccated Nut (MT)	34,381	12,538	20,641	64.6
Coconut Oil (MT)	33,696	15,978	24,979	56.3
Local consumption (Mn Nuts)	1,496	685	800	16.8

Coconut production during May-June 2026 declined by **8.9%** (y-o-y), contributing to a slight increase in retail coconut prices in August, while coconut oil prices remained broadly stable

Retail Price of Coconut and Coconut Oil

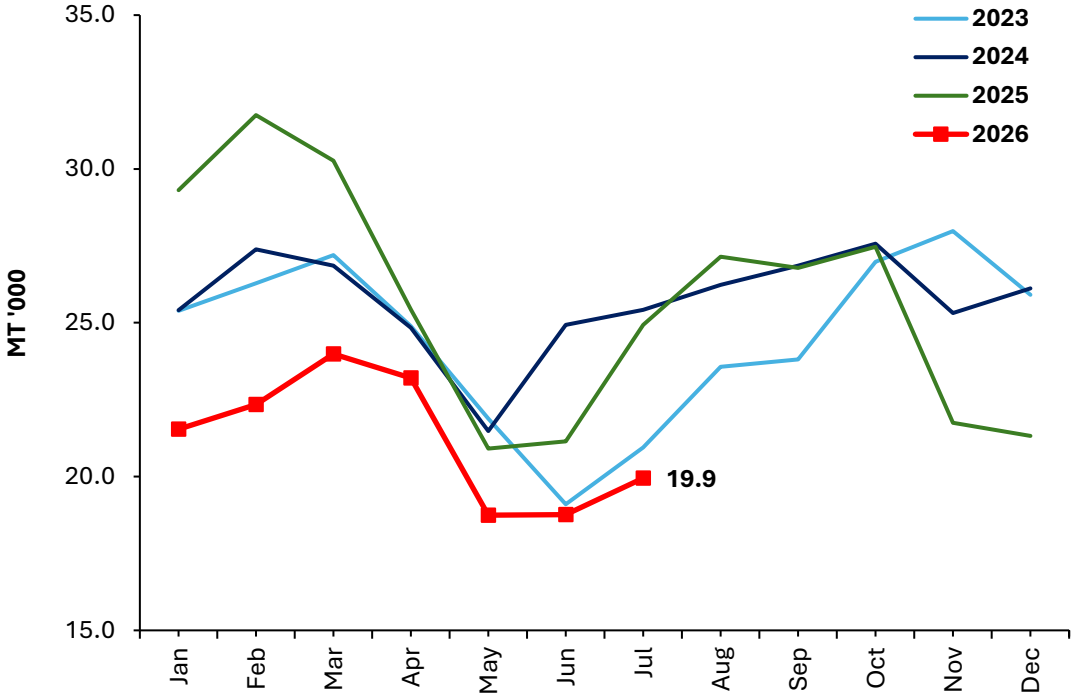


International Coconut Oil Prices



International coconut oil prices continued to decline in August 2026 compared with previous months

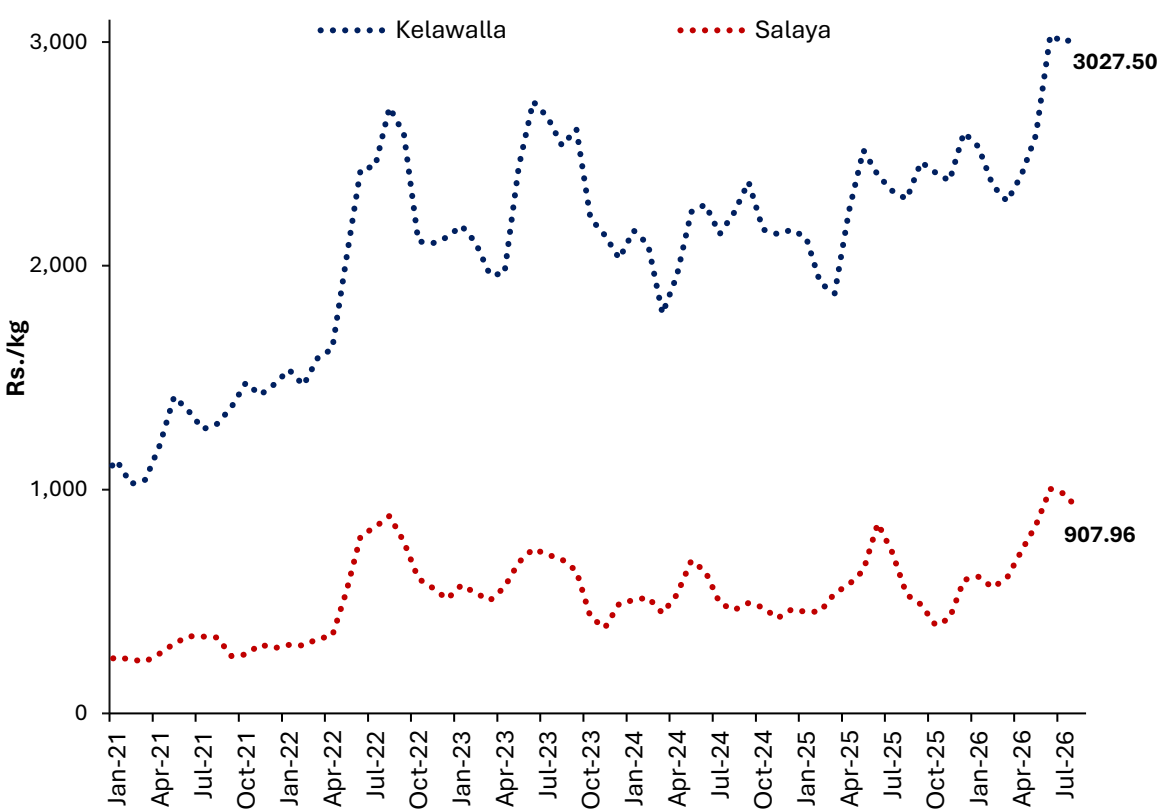
Marine Fish Production



	2025	2025 Jan-Jul	2026 Jan-Jul	Growth % (y-o-y)
Marine Fish Production (MT '000)	308.2	183.7	148.5	(19.2)

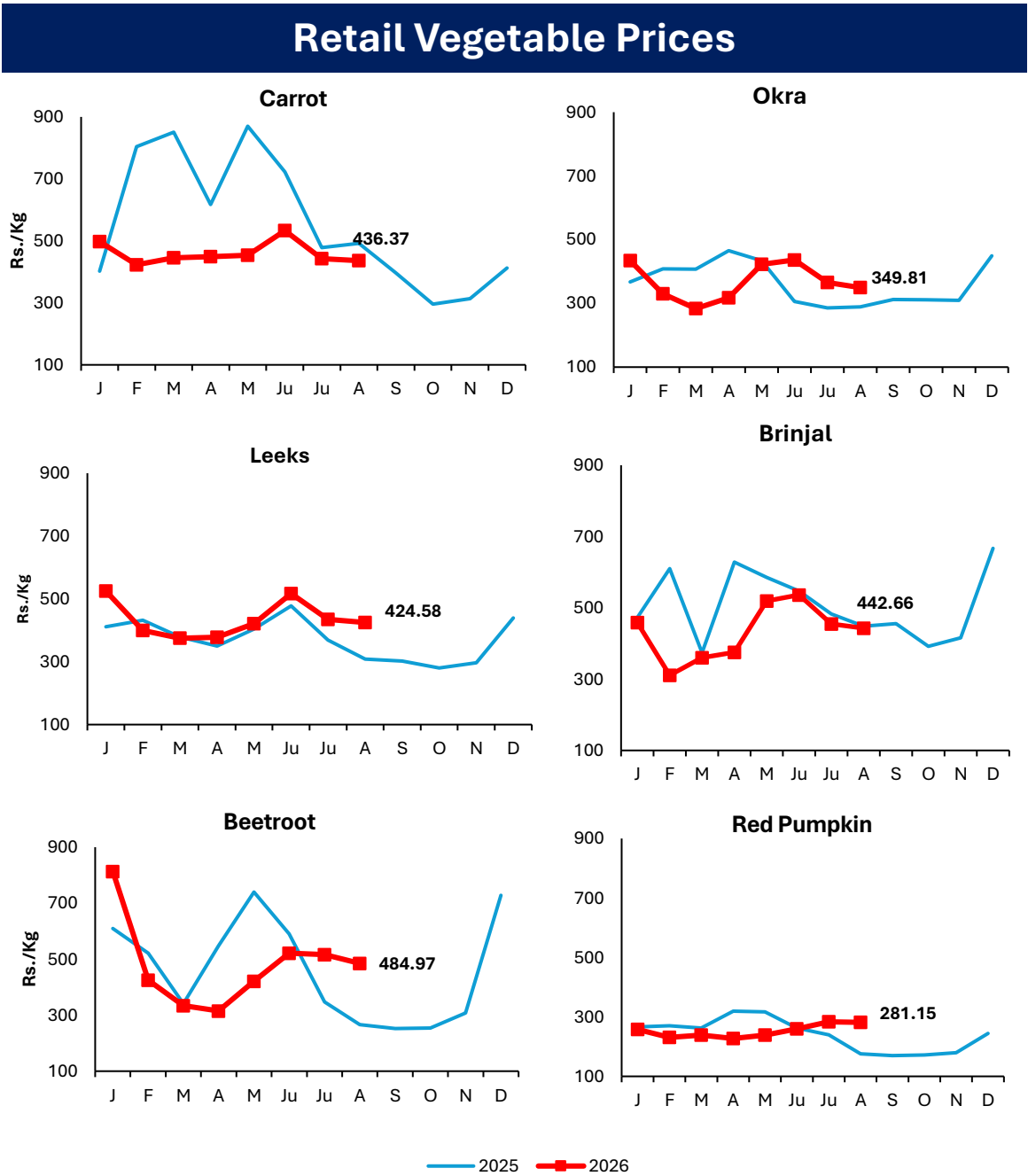
Note: Inland fish production data have been removed from the bulletin due to the unavailability of data since January 2026

Retail Fish Prices



- According to provisional data, total marine fish production continued to decline by **20.0%** (y-o-y) in July 2026, amid rising sea surface temperatures and higher fuel prices
- Despite slight declines in the prices of some varieties, retail fish prices remained elevated during recent months of 2026

Vegetable Production (MT)							
	2023 Yala	23/24 Maha	2024 Yala	24/25 Maha	2025 Yala	25/26 Maha	25/26 Maha Y-o-Y
Up Country							
Tomatoes	34,169	39,293	34,945	28,480	33,012	35,382	↑
Cabbage	47,773	58,552	48,242	41,811	20,495	42,971	↑
Carrot	25,267	48,836	24,374	25,604	18,886	28,602	↑
Beetroot	21,444	17,332	20,034	15,825	12,033	16,112	↑
Raddish	27,557	40,159	27,567	31,271	15,974	22,207	↓
Beans	25,287	36,345	26,128	20,468	26,225	43,438	↑
Low Country							
Luffa	18,417	22,225	18,521	20,465	18,670	19,982	↓
Okra	31,351	37,620	35,003	40,296	32,681	35,873	↓
Brinjal	54,450	69,584	54,660	64,545	55,578	64,252	↓
Cucumber	26,603	17,937	27,161	18,982	15,388	16,787	↓
Red pumpkin	41,779	46,890	42,565	48,389	42,975	44,897	↓
Ash plantain	22,833	33,783	24,477	29,506	22,124	29,701	↑
Long bean	27,456	35,539	28,855	34,926	29,515	33,281	↓

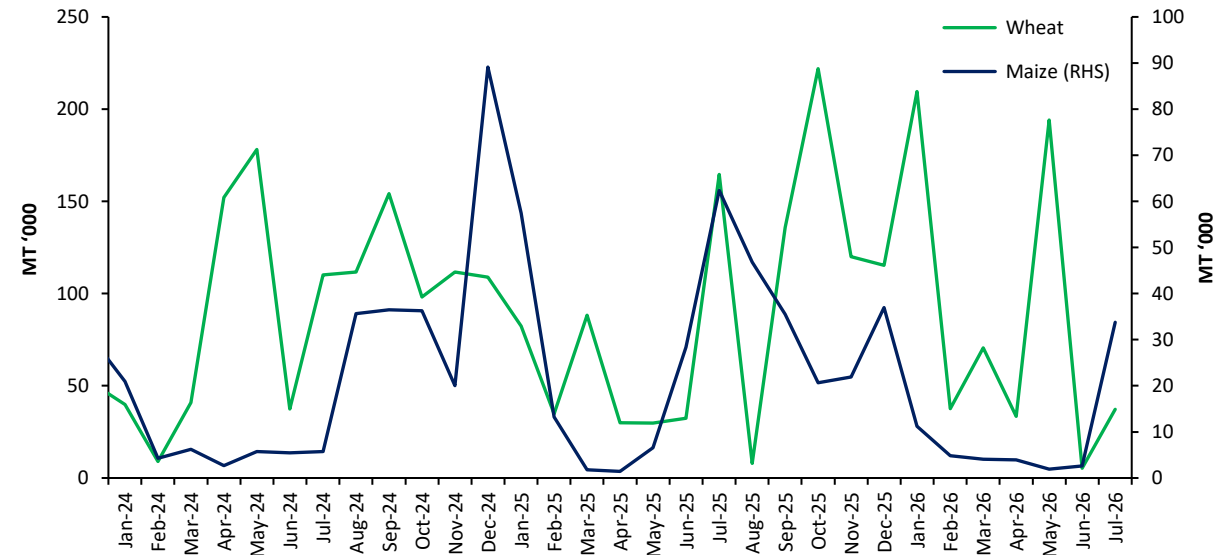
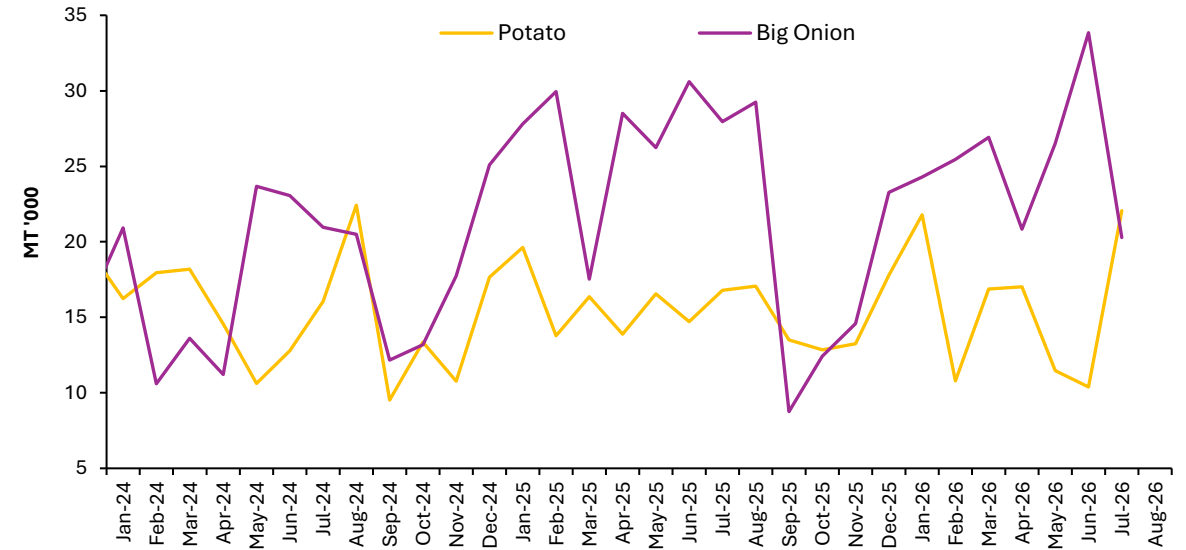


Other Field Crops

Production (MT)	2023 Yala	23/24 Maha	2024 Yala	24/25 Maha	2025 Yala	25/26 Maha	25/26 Maha Y-o-Y
Potato	21,026	21,291	20,916	15,010	14,360	10,687	↓
Red Onion	22,678	24,762	19,749	24,440	18,311	24,138	↓
Big Onion	4,755	257	8,572	395	20,994	201	↓
Green Chillie	25,128	40,438	26,200	38,285	23,136	37,037	↓
Cowpea	5,779	5,955	5,458	6,307	4,546	6,084	↓
Black gram	1,437	8,518	1,828	7,224	1,790	6,325	↓
Maize	22,647	196,871	26,626	245,351	26,705	229,865	↓
Ground Nut	10,666	17,336	11,626	18,751	10,594	14,972	↓
Gingelly	8,651	2,210	8,293	1,675	8,576	1,997	↑
Green gram	5,514	6,156	8,909	6,754	9,089	6,881	↑

Imports (MT)	2024	2025	2025 Jan - Jul	2026 Jan - Jul
Dhal	163,881	180,225	135,677	154,514
Potato	180,121	186,145	111,702	110,390
Big Onion	212,720	276,862	188,580	178,154

Import Trend of Selected Food Items

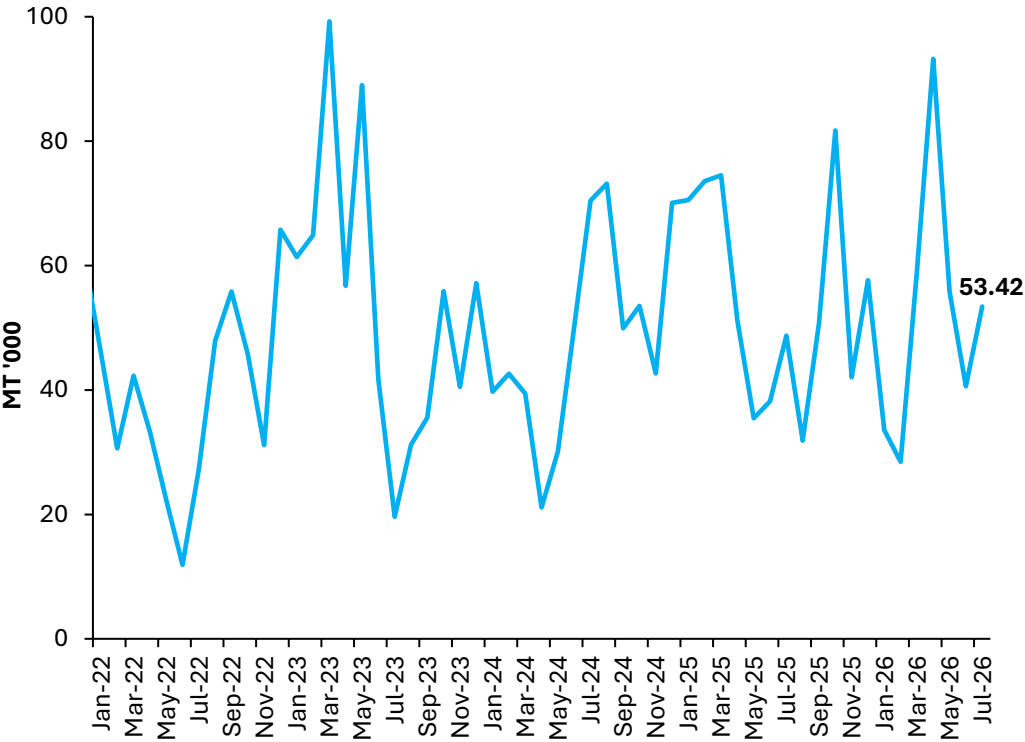


Sources: Department of Census and Statistics, Sri Lanka Customs

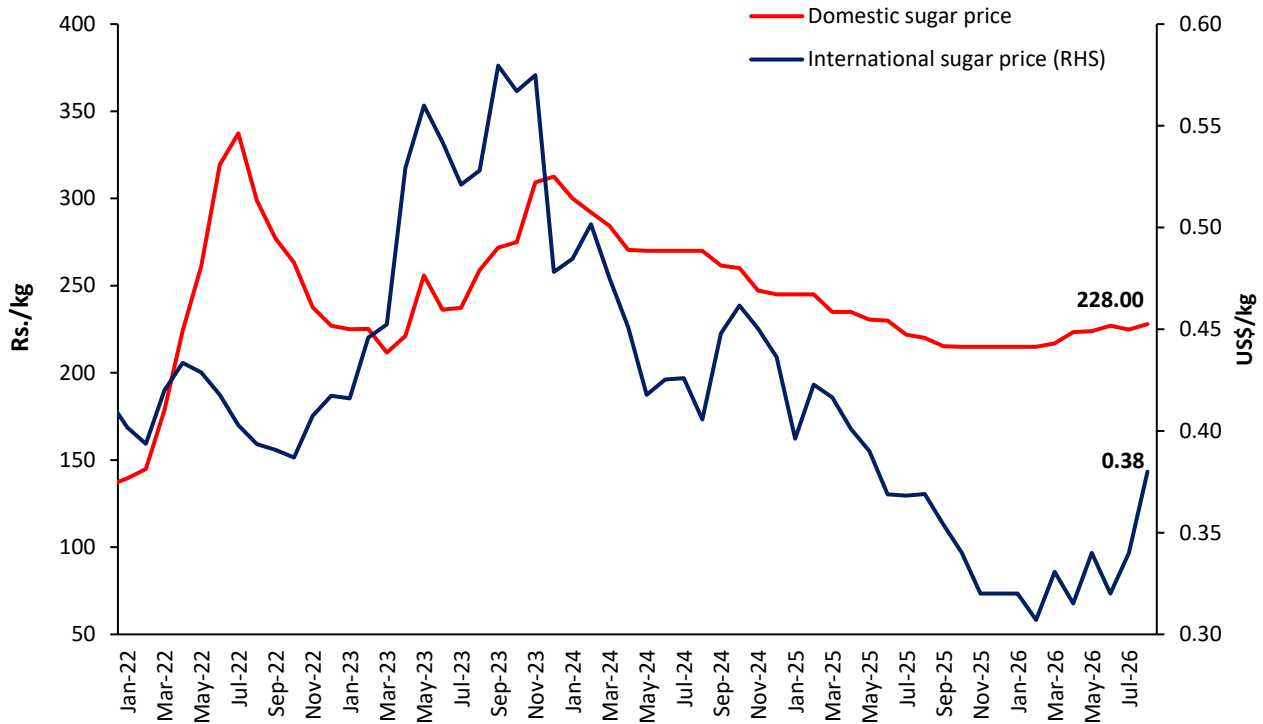
Sugar

	2025 Jan - Jul	2026 Jan - Jul
Sugar Production (MT)	36,509	46,295
Sugar Imports (MT)	392,127	364,195

Sugar Import Trend



Sugar Price Trend



International sugar prices increased in August 2026 amid tighter global supply prospects, driven by hot and dry weather in the EU, El Niño-related conditions in Asia, and lower sugar production in Brazil

Further, India's sugar export ban remains in effect until the end of September 2026

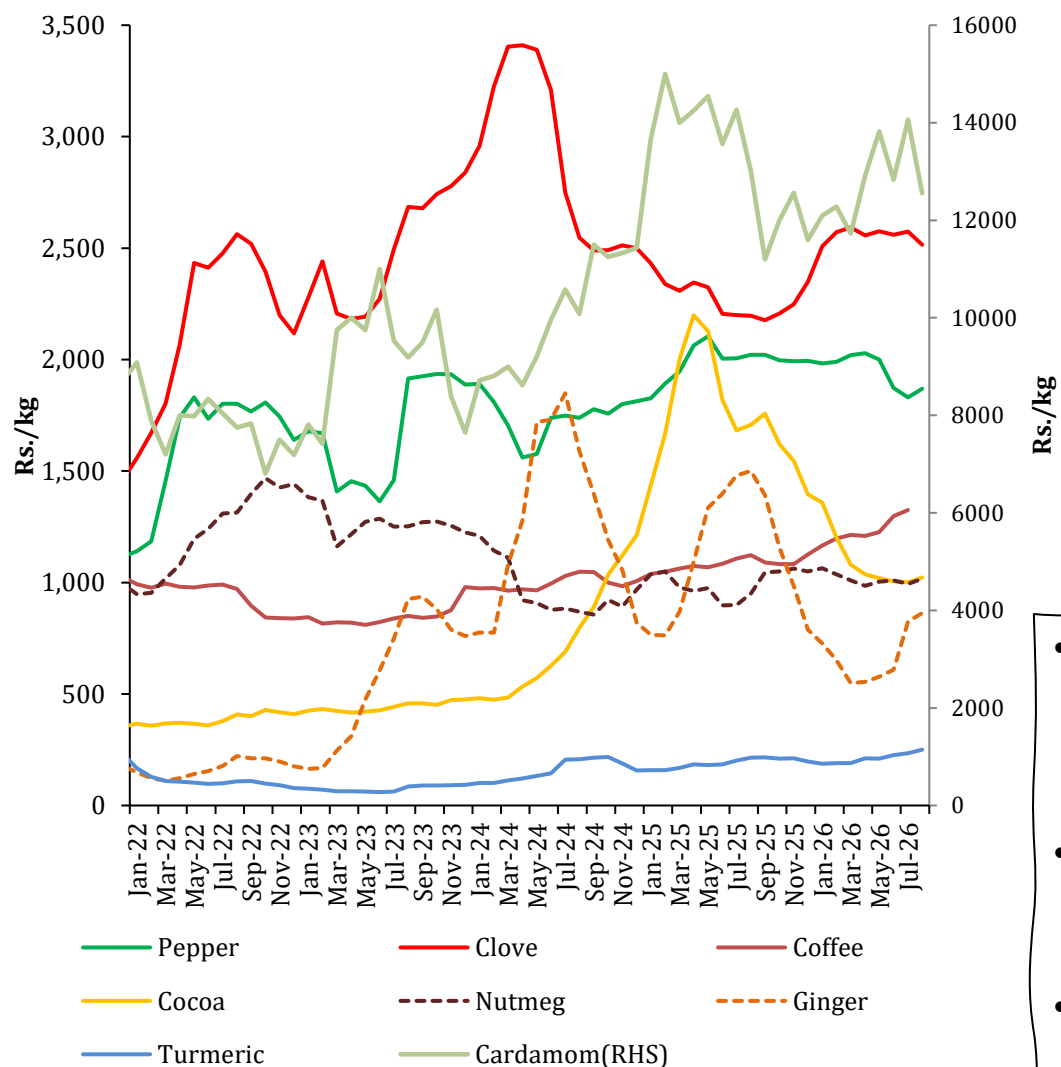
Livestock

	2025 June	2026 May	2026 June
Production	Egg (mn)	305	301
	Chicken (000 MT)	24	26
Price	Egg-White (Rs./egg)	33.3	34.5
	Egg - Red (Rs./egg)	36.6	35.9
	Chicken (Rs./kg)	1,282.3	1,350.8
Cost of Production	Egg (Rs./egg)	28.4-31.6	31.5-34.4
	Chicken (Rs./kg)	765.9	878.0

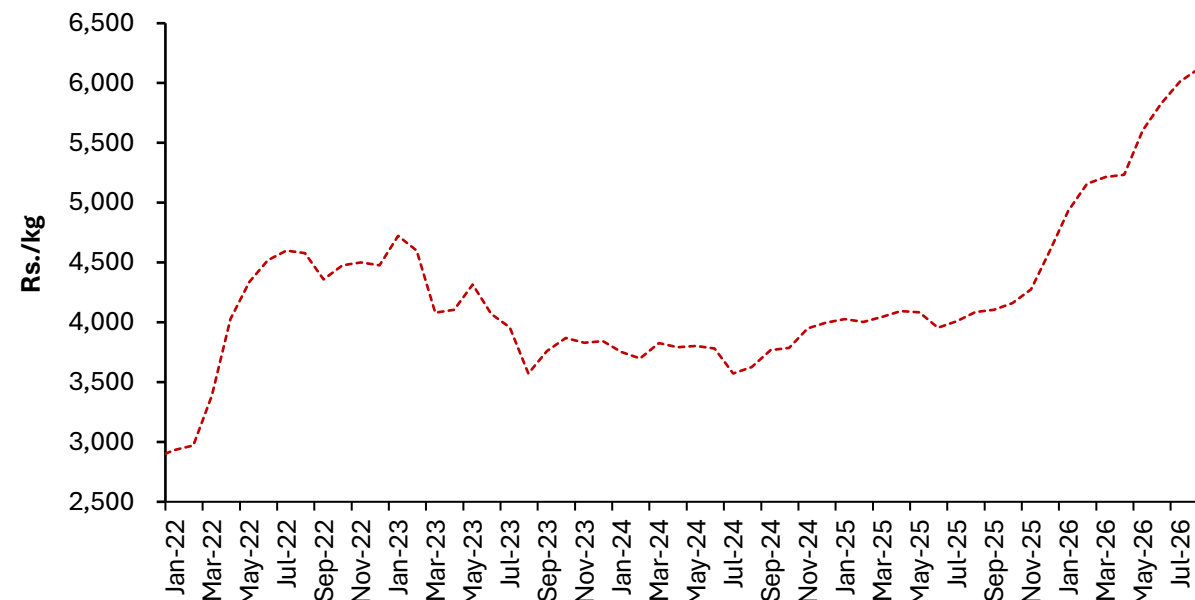
Feed Ingredients (Rs./kg)	2025 June	2026 May	2026 June
Maize	160.3	174.7	174.0
Soya bean meal	180.6	213.3	221.9
Fish meal	454.0-651.7	382.3	422.2-640.0
Rice polish	139.0	130.2	131.3

Other Export Agriculture

Farmgate/Producer Prices of Selected Export Agriculture Crops



Farmgate/Producer Prices of Cinnamon



- In August 2026, market prices of export crops such as pepper, coffee, cocoa, nutmeg, cinnamon, ginger, and turmeric increased (m-o-m), while prices of cardamom and clove declined
- Farmgate prices of cinnamon continued to increase amid growing global demand
- Earnings from spice exports recorded strong growth in August 2026 (y-o-y), mainly driven by a significant increase in pepper exports

Import Trends of Agricultural Inputs

Imports	2024	2025	2025 Jan-Jul	2026 Jan-Jul
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Plants and Seeds

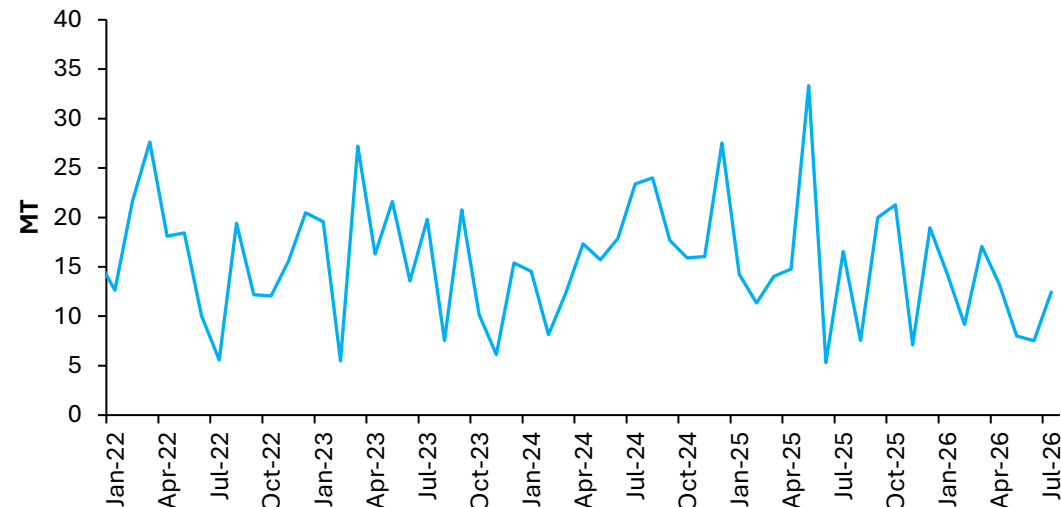
Vegetable seeds (MT)	211	185	110	82
Potato seed (MT)	773	1,002	100	-
Plants & parts (MT)	6,874	5,297	3,130	4,080
Live trees and other plants (No. '000)	1,248	972	534	642

Fertilizers (MT '000)

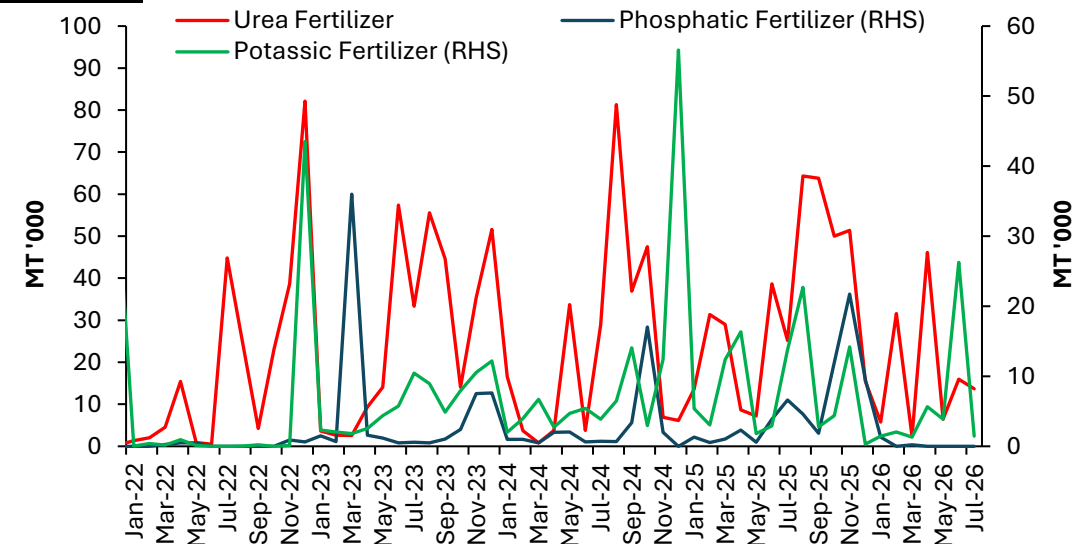
Urea	270	399	154	122
Other nitrogenous fertilizers	68	95	55	31
Phosphatic	31	66	16	2
Potassic	122	100	56	42
Other fertilizers	16	53	19	19

Import Trends of Selected Agricultural Inputs

Vegetable Seeds

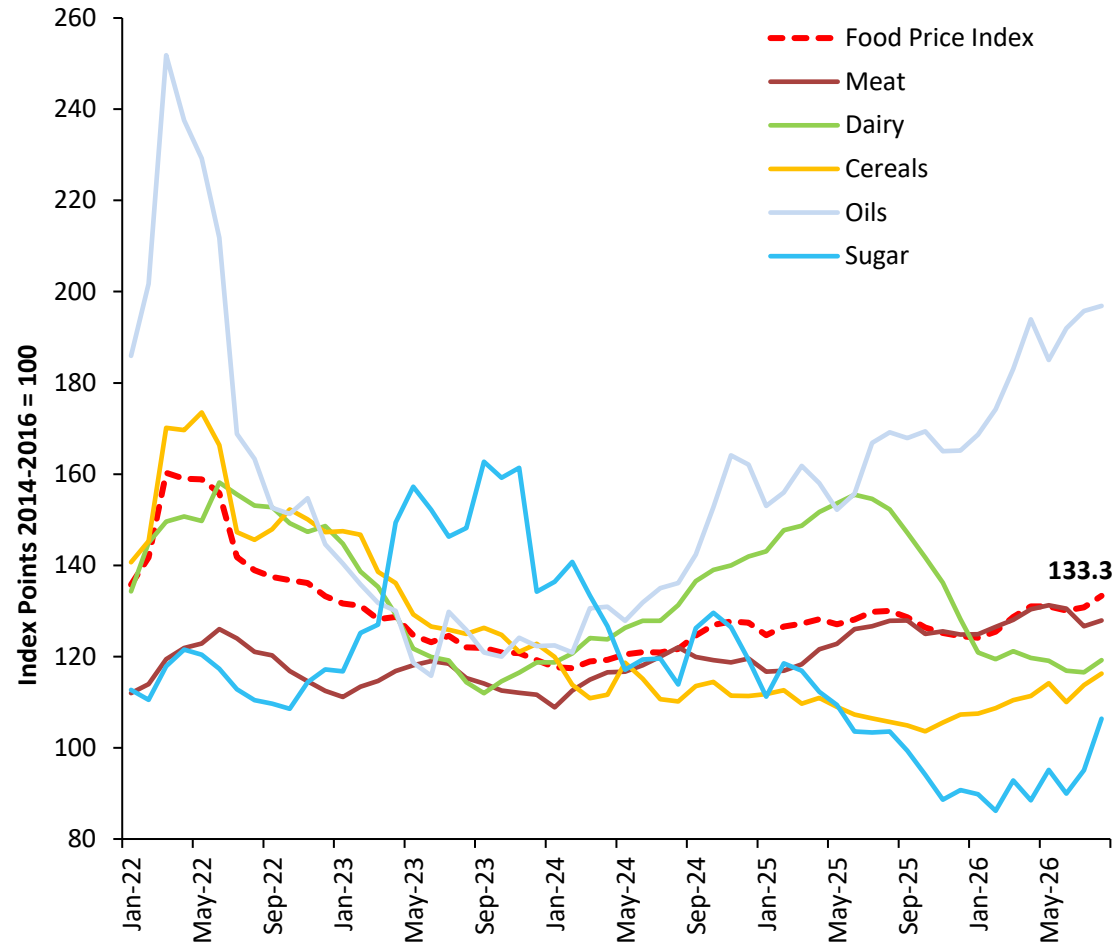


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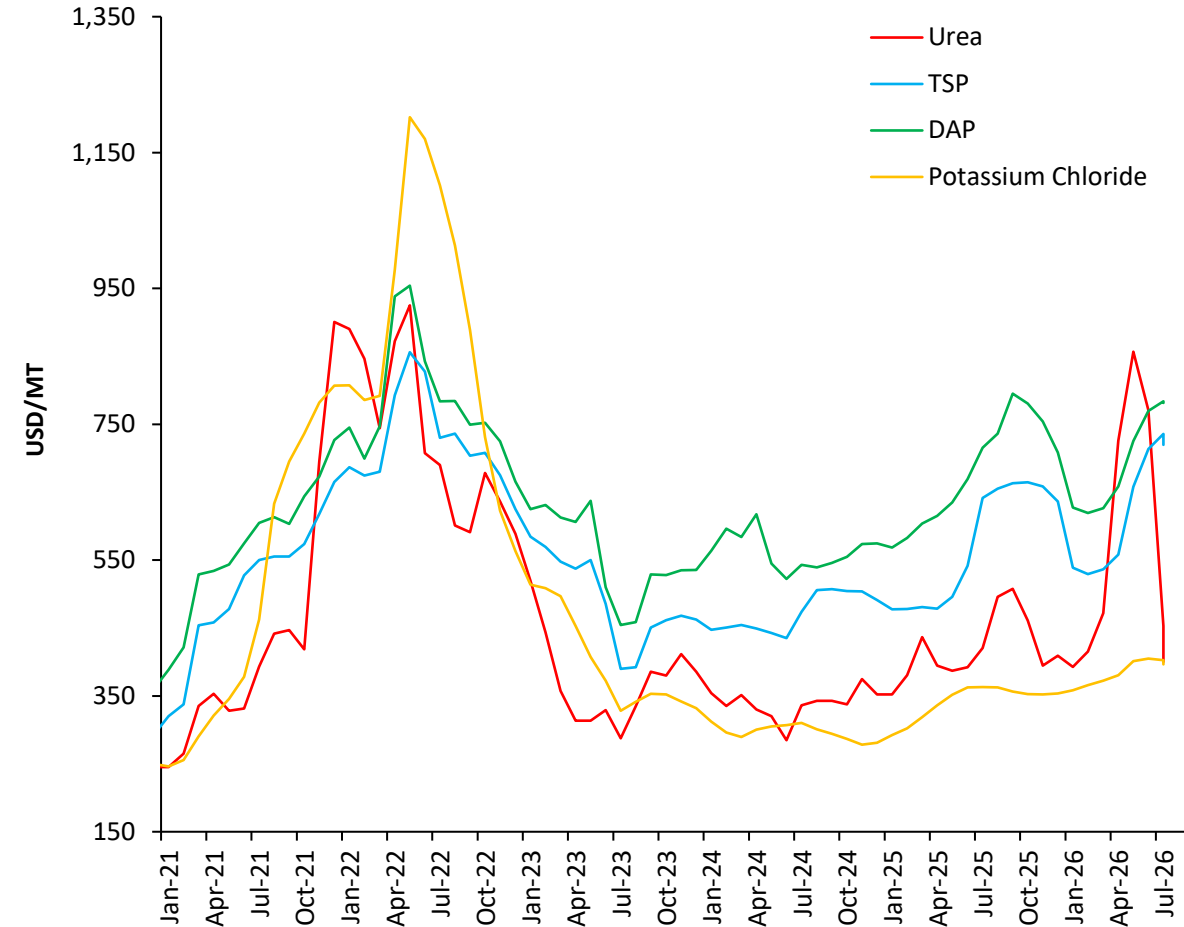


International Agricultural Commodity Prices

FAO Food Price Index



International Fertilizer Prices



In August 2026, the FAO Food Price Index increased compared to the previous month, with price indices rising across all commodity groups- cereals, meat, dairy products, vegetable oils, and sugar



Datasets: <https://www.cbsl.gov.lk/en/statistics/statistical-tables/real-sector/production-indicators>



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