

Commodity Price Variability Monthly Outlook



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Value

- At least 25% of the days in th...
- A period characterized by a lo...

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Commodity	Days in variability	
	Price variability	Days in variability
	LAST MONTH	LAST 3 MONTHS
Hard wheat	■	■
Soft wheat	■	■
Maize	■	■
Soybean	■	■
Rice	■	■
Cocoa	■	■
Coffee	■	■
Cotton	■	■
Sugar	■	■

Food Price Variability in World Markets

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About the Excessive Food Price Variability Tool

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Days in **extreme** or **moderate** price variability

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Commodity	Price variability	Days in variability
	LAST_MONTH_HIGH_MEDIUM__DATE	LAST_3_MONTH_HIGH_MEDIUM__DATE
Hard wheat	0	0
Soft wheat	0	0
Maize	20	60
Soybean	0	0
Rice	0	0
Cocoa	0	0
Coffee	1	1
Cotton	20	33
Sugar	0	0

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