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March 2021

Value

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■ A period characterized by a low ..

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About the Excessive Food Price Variability Tool

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Commodity Price Variability Monthly Outlook



Price variability

Days in variability

Food Price Variability in World Markets

Commodity	LAST MONTH	LAST 3 MONTHS	LAST 12 MONTHS
Hard wheat	■	■	■
Soft wheat	■	■	■
Maize	■	■	■
Rice	■	■	■
Soybean	■	■	■
Cocoa	■	■	■
Coffee	■	■	■
Cotton	■	■	■
Sugar	■	■	■

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

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Price variability	Days in variability	Food Price Variability in World Markets
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Commodity	DAYS IN VARIABILITY IN THE LAST MONT..	DAYS IN VARIABILITY IN THE LAST 3 MO..	DAYS IN VARIABILITY IN THE LAST 12 M..
Soft wheat	0	0	0
Maize	21	21	35
Rice	0	0	94
Soybean	3	9	9
Cocoa	2	2	58
Coffee	0	0	99
Cotton	0	0	60
Sugar	0	29	107
Hard wheat	0	16	61

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