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Key Highlights

- ❑ **National Stability:** In November, the median cost of the food basket decreased by **3%**, from **24,280 gourdes** to **23,543 gourdes**, reflecting improved product availability and confirming overall price stability.
- ❑ **Metropolitan Area Trend:** The food basket in the metropolitan area stood at **25,027 gourdes**, a moderate decrease of about **100 gourdes** compared to October. Despite this decline, it remains **over 6% above** the national average.
- ❑ **Departmental Variations:** Prices were mostly stable or declining, except in the **Nord**, which recorded a sharp **19% increase** compared to September and **6% year-on-year**, signaling localized tensions.
- ❑ **Food Commodities & Market Supply:** Food prices generally followed a downward trend, with a notable example: **black beans (-33%)**, despite limited availability in some markets. Markets were well stocked in November, supporting price stability; however, **red beans remain scarce**, particularly in Nippes, Nord, and Nord-Est, accentuating regional disparities.
- ❑ **Inflation Context:** Monthly inflation slowed (from **2.1% in July** to **1.5% in October**), though annual inflation remains high (**32.2% in October 2025 vs 25.3% in October 2024**), supported by dollar stability which helped limit cost increases.



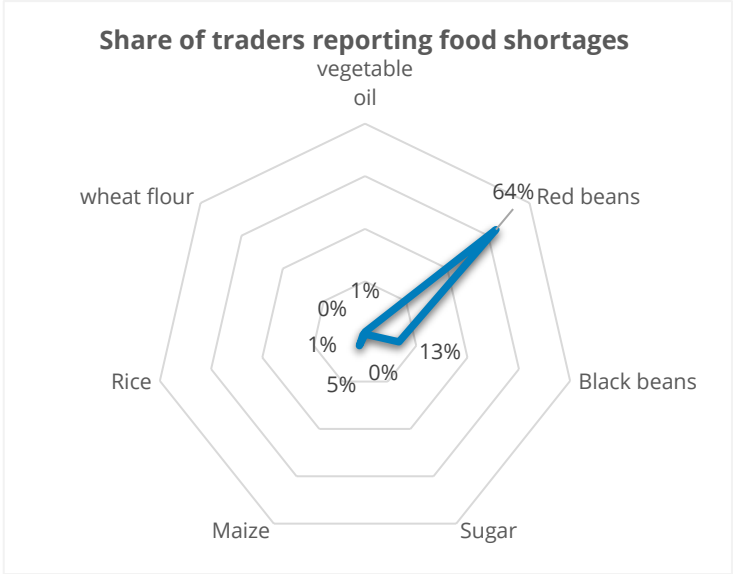
Food availability-November 2025

During November, food products were generally available across markets in all departments. However, bean availability remains a concern, with limited or absent presence in several areas.

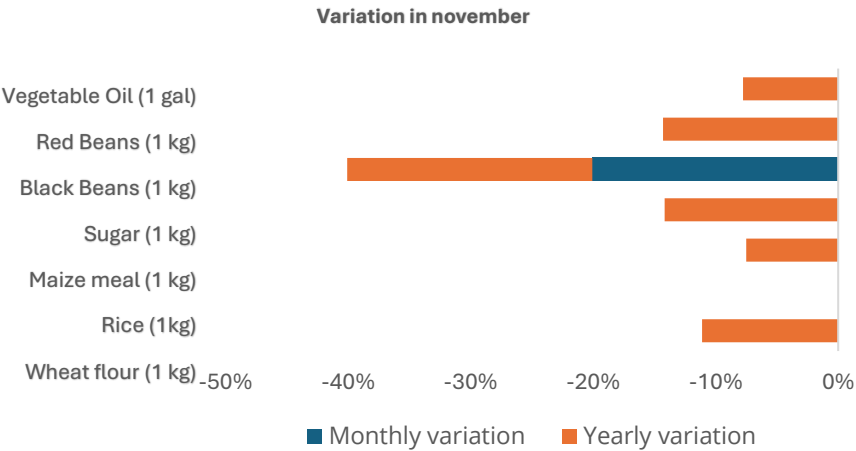
Despite slight improvements, red beans remain insufficient, with particularly low availability rates in Artibonite (83%), Centre (67%), Sud (67%), Ouest (41%), Grand'Anse (40%), and Sud-Est (39%). Departments such as Nord-Est, Nippes, and Nord also face critical gaps.

On average, traders reported having about **11 days of stock** (including shelves and reserves). Departments like Nord, Centre, Ouest, and Nord-Est maintain larger inventories, likely due to proximity to the Dominican border where trade remains active despite restrictions. About **35% of traders** experienced stock-outs, mainly due to transport challenges or liquidity constraints, prompting strategies such as frequent supplier visits and diversifying sources.

Persistent structural barriers continue to hinder interdepartmental supply flows, limiting trade and negatively impacting market functioning. These constraints, combined with insecurity and logistical challenges, underscore the need for targeted interventions to improve supply chain fluidity and strengthen market resilience.



Source: WFP, 2025



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Price trends for staple foods – November 2025

For the seventh consecutive month, prices of essential goods have generally shown a trend toward stability, with some declines observed. **The most notable decreases were recorded for ground corn (up to -20%) and black beans (-28%).** However, **significant increases were reported** for red beans in the Centre (+60%) and Sud-Est (+45%). **Vegetable oil also rose in several departments: +14% in Sud, +13% in Nippes, and +10% in Centre.** Sugar remained relatively stable, with slight increases of 8% in Sud-Est and 5% in Nippes.

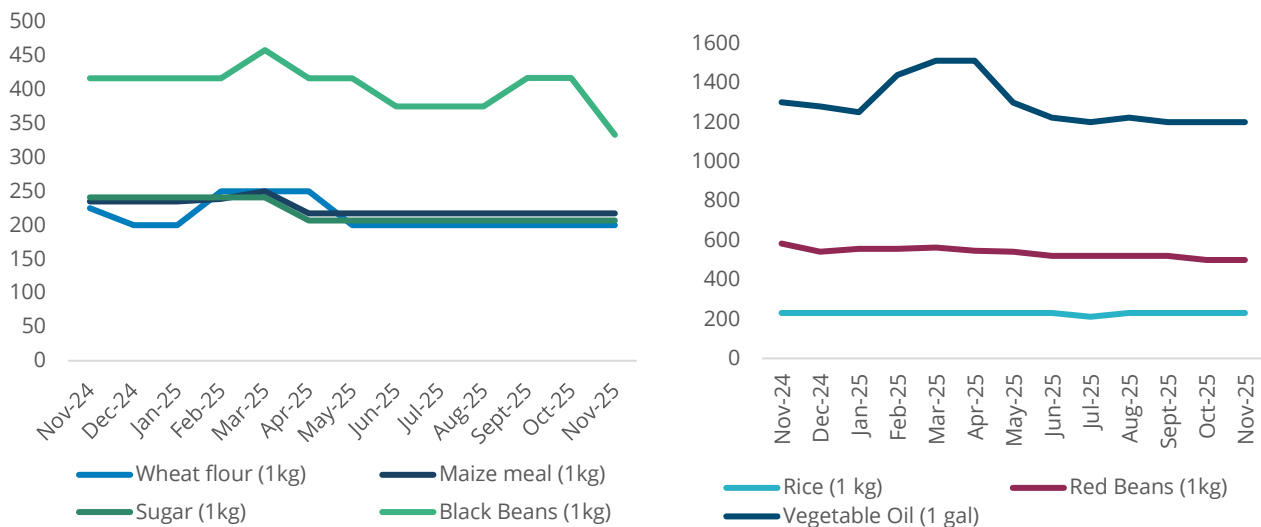
Despite improved product availability among traders, supply chains remain constrained by persistent insecurity along major routes, characterized by clashes between armed gangs and extortion targeting transporters. These disruptions limit interdepartmental trade, particularly with Ouest, and compel traders to rely on local sourcing strategies to maintain stock levels.

This price stability is driven by several factors, including **better availability of local products and a decline in the monthly inflation rate—from 2.1% in July to 1.5% in October—although annual inflation remains high (32.2% in October 2025 compared to 25.3% in October 2024).** The relative stability of the exchange rate has also helped contain cost increases, mitigating inflationary pressures in an otherwise fragile economic environment.

Average food prices per kilogram by department (in haïtien gourdes)

Département	Wheat flour		Rice		Maize		Sugar		Black beans		Red beans		Vegetable Oil	
Centre	175	▼-13%	250	▼-7%	174	▼-20%	241	►0%	313	▲+7%	500	▲+60%	1100	▲+10%
Artibonite	175	►0%	192	▼-13%	174	▲+3%	207	►0%	313	▼-5%	500	▼-20%	1200	►0%
Nippes	175	▼-13%	192	►0%	239	▲+10%	181	▲+5%	302	▼-28%	521	▼-4%	1261	▲+13%
Nord	225	na	231	na	196	na	207	na	417	na	792	na	1181	na
Nord-Est	175	na	231	na	196	na	241	na	354	na	594	na	1200	na
Nord-Ouest	175	▼-7%	231	►0%	201	▲+3%	207	►0%	375	►0%	375	▼-28%	1100	▼-2%
Ouest	200	►0%	231	►0%	304	►0%	207	►0%	354	▲+6%	521	►0%	1119	▼-2%
Sud	175	►0%	192	►0%	174	▼-16%	172	►0%	333	▼-11%	453	▲+9%	1279	▲+14%
Sud-Est	300	▲+9%	250	►0%	261	▼-4%	241	▲+8%	250	▼-11%	500	▲+45%	1279	►0%
Grand'Anse	175	►0%	192	▼-17%	217	►0%	207	►0%	313	►0%	417	►0%	1279	►0%

Price trends for products monitoring over the year

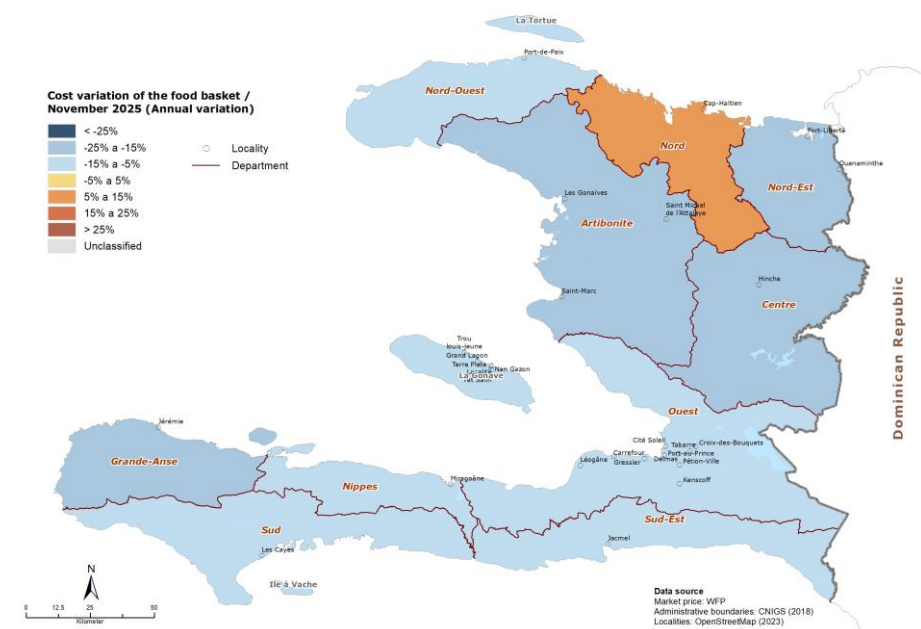
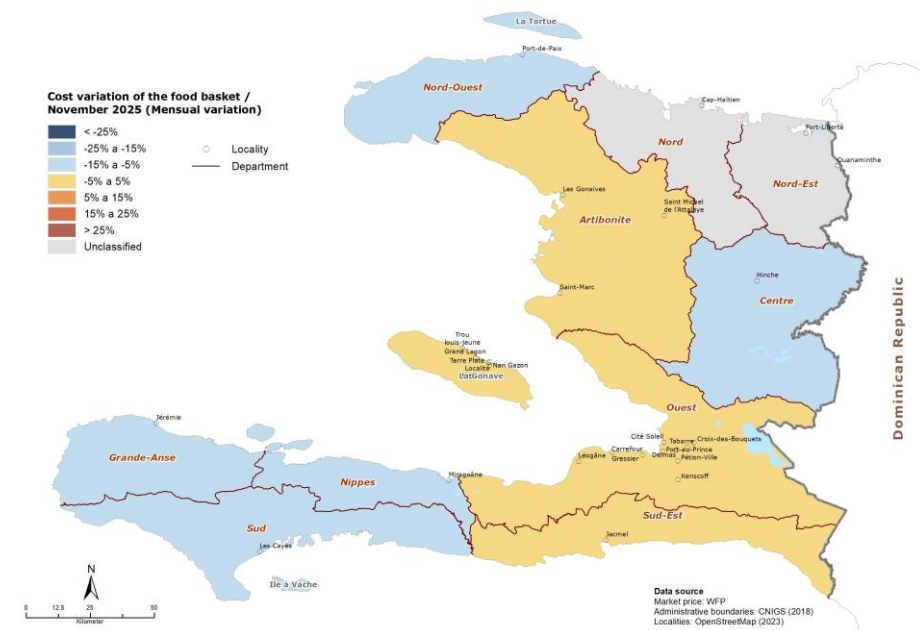


Food Basket Cost Trends- November 2025

At the national level, the cost of the food basket in 2025 has remained broadly stable, with only moderate fluctuations. **Peaks were recorded in February (27,126 gourdes) and April (26,387 gourdes), followed by a gradual stabilization.**

In November, a household of five required **23,543 gourdes to meet its food needs**, about 100 gourdes less than in October. **However, in the metropolitan area of Port-au-Prince, the cost was slightly higher than the national average, reaching 25,027 gourdes (+6%).**

This trend reflects the **impact of local harvests and a decline in the monthly inflation rate**—from 2.1% in July to 1.5% in October—despite annual inflation remaining high at 32.2% in October 2025. At the departmental level, **most areas recorded a decrease in November compared to October, except for Nord**, which saw a sharp increase of nearly 19% compared to September (from 23,429 to 27,797 gourdes) and a 6% rise year-on-year. This contrasts with the stability or decline observed in other departments, where prices were influenced by better local availability and lower monthly inflation.



Description of Methodological approach of market monitoring

The methodology used is the same as that of the Joint Market Monitoring Initiative (JMMI) for harmonization purposes with the system of other actors in the Cash Transfer Working Group (CWG).

- Data are collected through face-to-face interviews with five traders per product on the market. **A total of 413 traders across 69 markets are surveyed .**
- Ten (10) departments are covered by the data collection, with a focus on the Metropolitan Area .
- minimum of four (4) markets per department were selected based on their level of importance .

Choice of foodstuffs and data collection units.

The selection of food items included in the food basket is based on the Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB).

It focuses on seven (7) staple products that make up the typical food basket of Haitian households, taking into account the energy needs of a five-person household (with a daily energy requirement of 2,100 kilocalories

- Wheat flour (30 kg); Rice (20 kg); Ground corn (10 kg); Sugar (3 kg); Black beans (10 kg); Red beans (10 kg); Vegetable oil (1.5 gallons) .
- Data collection is conducted on a monthly basis.
- Data collection tools: Mobile Operational Data Acquisition (MODA) – WFP Data Collection Platform

Limitations and Challenges.

The limited availability of certain traders, especially wholesalers during periods of high demand or specific products in certain markets due to the security situation, may have hindered the ability to reach the planned sample sizes in some areas, thereby reducing the accuracy of the estimates .

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