





## **COMPARING BASKETS: FARMGATE SEPT 2022 VS SEPT 2023**



Since September 2023, the overall price of produce has increased by 43% when compared to September 2022. The price increase is primarily attributed to severe drought conditions which significantly decreased the volume of production output.

## Percentage Increase by Category



54%

## HERBS & SPICES

Thyme showed the most significant price fluctuation within this category, experiencing a 160% increase, soaring from an average of \$763/kg in Sept 2022 to \$1,980/kg in Sept 2023.



Within the tubers category, dasheen exhibited a 100% price increase, doubling from \$220/kg in Sept 2022 to \$440/kg in Sept 2023.





Green Sweet Pepper, Tomato, and Green saw increases, with Green Sweet Pepper going from \$176/kg to \$440/kg, Tomato from \$220/kg to \$550/kg, and Green increasing from \$220/kg to \$550/kg. Notably, all these commodities witnessed a 150% increase in prices over the period.



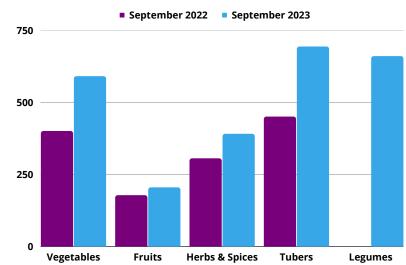
Under the fruits category, Watermelon had the most significant price change of 44% moving from a price of \$122/kg to \$176/kg between sept 2022 and 2023.

No price change was observed for legumes, as there was no reported price for Sept2022. Nonetheless, in Sept 2023, dried gungo peas were priced at \$660/kg.

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## Average Prices Per Category for Sept 2022 & 2023



Over the period tubers recorded the highest average price of \$694/kg in Sept 2023 while the fruits recorded the lowest average price of \$178/kg in Sept 2023.

NB: These are the average of the modal prices collected islandwide.

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