

AGRICULTURE MARKET BULLETIN 02/20



Introduction: Our market bulletin helps inform vendors, farmers and consumers of the types of fresh produce grown and sold for the month by its unit, price and total quantity in \$NZ. For further information, contact Ministry of Agriculture (Corporate Services) on phone number 28711 or email us at moa.support@cookislands.gov.ck

Root Crops Sales:

Taro is a constant root crop supplied at the Punanga Nui market and sold in four kilogram bags with an average selling price of twenty two dollars. Similar to the previous month, Tarua, Kumara and Maniota were the other root crops consistently appearing in the market for consumers. These crops are always in demand, hence, its constant supply in the market. An increase in the number of vendors selling Taro and Maniota was also noted in this month.

Fruit Sales:

Drinking Nut continues to be sold at the market as seen in previous months. A 19% increase in the supply was noted when compared to January 2020. The supply of Banana and Pawpaw was seen at the market as they are always in demand by both tourists and locals for their highly nutritional benefits. However, a significant drop of 27% for the supply of Banana and 22% increase in the supply of pawpaw was noted. Other fruits like dragon fruit, cucumber and lime was also captured in this month's market survey.

Vegetable Sales:

The four vegetables captured this month were Lettuce, Pak choy, Rukau and Spinach. Rukau, a favorite local delicacy continues to be sold in bundles at an average price of ten dollars each. Pak Choy was also sold in bundles and bags at an average price of five dollars each. The supply of these vegetables apart from lettuce has increased when compared to previous month.

Root crop sales for the month of February, 2020

Root Crop	February 2020				January 2020	
	No of vendors	Unit	Average Price (\$NZ)	Total quantity	No of vendor	Total quantity
Taro	14	Bags	22.00	103	6	46
Maniota	10	Bags	10.00	139	3	27
Kumara	7	Bags	8.50	63	3	68
Tarua	2	Bags	10.00	11	6	26

Data source: Ministry of Agriculture, AgINTEL

Fruit sale for the month of February, 2020

Fruit name	February 2020				January 2020	
	No of vendors	Unit	Average Price (\$NZ)	Total quantity	No of vendor	Total quantity
Drinking Nut	32	Single	3.00	868	26	728
Banana	18	Single	5	374	36	511
Pawpaw	18	Single	2	732	23	598
Dragon fruit	8	Single	3	514	-	-
Cucumber	6	Single	2	513	-	-
Lime	12	Bags	5	135	-	-

Data source: Ministry of Agriculture, AgINTEL

Vegetable sale for the month of February, 2020

Vegetable name	February 2020				January 2020	
	No of vendors	Unit	Average Price (\$NZ)	Total quantity	No of vendor	Total quantity
Rukau	11	Bundle	10	102	8	79
Lettuce	2	Single	3	80	4	170
Pak Choy	1	Bundle	5	50	-	-
Spinach	1	Bags	5	30	1	20

Data source: Ministry of Agriculture, AgINTEL