

ATIU MARKET REPORT FROM JANUARY TO MARCH 2020



Introduction: Pa Enuu AgINTEL is a collection of data for vegetables, root crops and fruit trees in the Pa Enuu. This report is a snap shot of the above mentioned produce for the first quarter (Q1) 2020 based on the data provided. It is aimed for farmers and consumers to be able to identify the types of crops with its value and quantity so that producers can supply according to demand. For further information, contact Ministry of Agriculture, Corporate Service on phone number 28711 or email us at moa.support@cookislands.gov.ck

Market Bulletin for Quarter 1, 2020

Fruit & Vegetable sales:

Fruits like watermelon, bananas and pawpaw were harvested for this quarter however, this was mainly for home consumption. No information on vegetable crops harvested or sold, was provided for this quarter.

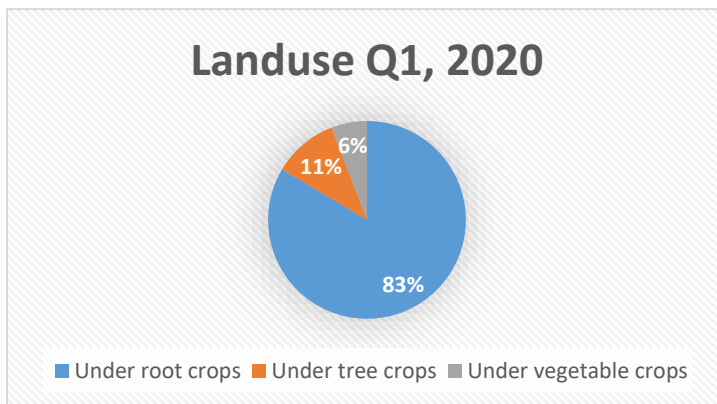
Root crop sales:

Taro was the only root crop harvested and supplied by the farmers in this quarter. This was sold at an average price of \$5/kg generating a total of one thousand dollars.

Root Crop Sales for Quarter 1, 2020

Root Crop name	Weight (kg)	Price/kg	Total Value (\$NZ)
Taro	200	5	1,000

Land use

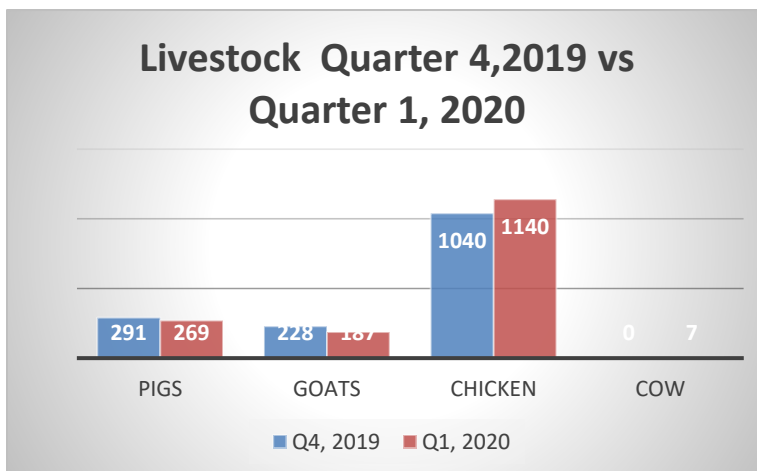


83% of land utilized for agricultural purposes was for root crops, that is, the planting of taro.

11% of land utilized was for growing tree crops as these require less management by the farmers.

A very small portion, (6%), of land is being utilized for vegetable crops this month. We anticipate that in the next quarter there will be a surge in the supply of vegetables due to the roll out of the agriculture sector response package and the coming cooler season.

Livestock



Minimal decreases were seen in the number of livestock for this quarter excepting cows and chickens. Festive season functions may have contributed to these reductions.

Local Chickens, which is the easiest livestock to manage, reported an increase in number to 1,140 for this quarter. This was due to the introduction of a new breed for egg production. Pigs, followed by goats, were the other livestock with the most numbers, but the population of goats has significantly decreased during this quarter. Cows are the other livestock kept on the island and has now been reported for the first time.