

ATIUI FARMER'S REPORT FROM JAN – JUNE 2020



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 produce for the second quarter (Q2) of 2020. The information compiled is based on the data provided. This bulletin informs farmers and consumers of the types of crops with its value and quantity. For further information, contact Ministry of Agriculture, Corporate Services Division on phone number 28711 or email us at moa.support@cookislands.gov.ck

Market Bulletin for Quarter 2, 2020

Fruits

Banana, cucumber, tomatoes, oranges and watermelons were some of the fruits that were harvested this quarter. An increase in the number of fruits was noted for this quarter due to the rolling out of the Agriculture Response package. Similar to last quarter, it is deemed that these fruits were only for home consumption and wasn't available for sale on the market.

Fruits for Q2		Fruits for Q1	
Crop Name	Number of Plants Harvested	Crop Name	Number of Plants Harvested
Banana	1,300	Banana	220
Capsicum	100	Capsicum	0
Corn	200	Corn	0
Cucumber	560	Cucumber	320
Orange	420	Orange	220
Pawpaw	0	Pawpaw	24
Tomatoes	400	Tomatoes	300
Watermelon	60	Watermelon	500

Root Crops

Taro was the only root crop that was supplied to the market for this quarter. A decrease in the supply of taro was noted for this quarter and it is deemed that due to less demand the farmers chose to leave the crop in the ground rather than harvesting and supplying it to the market. Other crops like maniota and tarua were harvested for this quarter, however, these were mainly for home consumption and not for sale at the market.

Rootcrops for Q2					Rootcrops for Q1				
Crop Name	Number of Plants Harvested	Sold (kg)	Average Price (\$NZ)	Total Value (\$NZ)	Crop Name	Number of Plants Harvested	Sold (kg)	Average Price (\$NZ)	Total Value (\$NZ)
Maniota	4,300				Maniota	5,050			
Taro	13,000	25.0	4.00	100.00	Taro	16,200	250.0	4.00	1,000.00
Tarua	2,100				Tarua	400			

Vegetables

Pak Choi, lettuce and cabbage were the only vegetables that was supplied to the market this quarter.

Rolling out of the Agriculture Response Package was the main reason for the increase in supply of these vegetables.

Vegetables for Q2		Vegetables for Q1	
Crop Name	Number of Plants Harvested	Crop Name	Number of Plants Harvested
Cabbage	100	Cabbage	0
Lettuce	180	Lettuce	0
Pak Choi	590	Pak Choi	0
Saladeer	0	Saladeer	280



Land use

Almost 90% of the land utilized for agriculture use was for planting of root crops and vegetables on the island. In comparison to last quarter, an increase in the land usage for agriculture purposes for all crops was noted.

LAND USE	SQUARE METRES	ACRES	SQUARE METRES	ACRES
	Q1	Q1	Q2	Q2
Under root crops	74,314	18.4	96,217	23.8
Under tree crops (Fruits & Nuts)	9,423	2.3	11,747	2.9
Under vegetable crops	5,200	1.3	25,329	6.3

Livestock

Pigs, goats and cattle were the only livestock reported for this quarter on the island of Atiu. Pigs comprised more than 70% of the livestock reported, followed by goats and cattle. It is believed that there are other livestock like chicken and ducks on the island, however, this wasn't reported in this quarter.

Note: Livestock data collected are only for those being well managed by farmers.

