Introduction: Pa Enua AgINTEL is a collection of data for vegetables, root crops and fruit trees in the Pa Enua. This report is a snap-shot of the fourth quarter (Q4) of 2020. The information compiled is based on the data provided by the Mangaia Agriculture department. 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 <a href="mailto:moa.support@cookislands.gov.ck">moa.support@cookislands.gov.ck</a>

# Market Bulletin for Quarter 4, 2020

# **Fruits**

Tomatoes, Drinking Nu and Watermelon were the most supplied fruit for this quarter on Mangaia. Warmer weather conditions and being the peak season of certain fruits like Watermelon and Pineapple led to the increase in supply.

#### Fruits for Quarter 4, 2020

Crop Name	Quarter 4			Quarter 3			
	Sold (kg)	Average Price (\$NZ)	Total Value (\$NZ)	Sold (kg)	Average Price (\$NZ)	Total Value (\$NZ)	
Tomatoes	759	3.33	2,530	150.0	5.00	750	
Capsicum	3	3.33	10				
Corn	53	6.68	351				
Watermelon	564	2.50	1,410				
Pineapple	104	8.33	870				
Lychee	8	20.00	160				
Drinking Nu	512	3.00	1,536				
Cucumber	123	2.00	246				

## **Root Crops**

Taro continues to be the most supplied root crop for this year in Mangaia, however a reduction in the quantity supplied was noted. It is believed that most of the root crops harvested were mainly for home consumption rather than made available for sale at the market.

# Rootcrops for Quarter 4, 2020

Crop	Quarter 4			Quarter 3		
Name	Sold (kg)	Average Price (\$NZ)	Total Value (\$NZ)	Sold (kg)	Average Price (\$NZ)	Total Value (\$NZ)
Taro	90	5.00	450	100.0	6.00	600
Carrots	54	3.33	180			

### **Vegetables**

Lettuce, Pak Choi, Silverbeet and Rukau were the only vegetables supplied to the market for this quarter. Similar to root crops and fruits, inconsistent farming patterns and farmers harvesting crops for island home consumption and not for sale at the market were the main reasons for the decrease.

# Vegetables for Quarter 4, 2020

Crop	Quarter 4			Quarter 3		
Name	Sold (kg)	Average Price (\$NZ)	Total Value (\$NZ)	Sold (kg)	Average Price (\$NZ)	Total Value (\$NZ)
Cabbage			-	240.0	5.00	1,200
Lettuce	37.8	6.68	252	119.0	3.00	357
Pak Choi	65.4	6.67	436			
Silverbeet	8.4	4.17	35			
Rukau	8.4	14.29	120			







Chickens were the most common livestock kept by the farmers on the island for this quarter with a total number of 800. This was followed by pigs and goats with total numbers reported at 207 and 180 respectively.

A decrease in the numbers for all the livestock was noted for this quarter which was due to festive season celebrations and family gatherings on the island.

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