

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 NZD\$. 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, Maniota, Kumara has increased and continued to be the most consistently supplied root crops on the market this month compared to previous

month. Tarua has made an appearance on the market with 27.2kg another promising rootcrops.

Rootcrops	February 2022				January 2022	
	No. of Vendors	Total Weight (Kg)	Average Price (\$\$) per Kg	Total Value (\$NZ)	No. of Vendors	Total Weight (kg)
Kumara	4	205.1	4.08	837.31	1	2.3
Cassava	9	252.6	3.40	859.24	2	40
Taro	8	327.0	4.44	1,453.13	4	67
Tarua	2	27.2	2.97	80.84		

Data source: Ministry of Agriculture, AgINTEL

Fruit Sales



Noticeable appearance of watermelon on the market this month which has increased in total. Drinking Nuts and Banana has increased twice the number

from the previous month. Cucumber has shown an appearance on the market with a total weight of 481.3kg.

Lemon, Pawpaw and Tomato has increased comparing to January month. Pineapple has decline during this month as it production is coming to an end.

Other tropical fruits shows an appearance in their supplies due to less demands seen with only a few people buying from these market vendors. These reductions could also be due to unfavorable weather conditions experienced this month affecting these crops.

Fruits	February 2022				January 2022	
	No. of Vendors	Total Weight (Kg)	Average Price (\$NZ) per Kg	Total Value (\$NZ)	No. of Vendors	Total Weight (kg)
Avocado	16	341.62	5.20	1,774.77	8	90.78
Banana	29	875.22	4.86	3,919.70	12	116.93
Cucumber	6	481.3	4.81	2,313.86		
Dragonfruit	4	360.72	5.04	1,816.69	5	109.35
Drinking Nut	29	1465.8	3.38	5,828.82	14	423.2
Lemon	16	355.6	5.00	1,253.38	6	112.8
Pawpaw	14	489.16	4.37	2,136.87	8	138.54
Pineapple	7	211.2	8.32	3,448.92	3	267
Tomato	5	365.4	5.23	1,443.82	5	318.6
Watermelon	7	4364.51	2.37	10,359.86	6	876

Data source: Ministry of Agriculture, AgINTEL

Capsicum, Corn, Breadfruit, Lime, Pumpkin, Beans, Starfruit, Eggplant, Mangoes, Oranges, and Mandarin, Bitter melon, Passionfruit and Custard apple were the other fruits reported in smaller quantities during the survey this month.

Vegetable Sales



Rukau strongly appeared consistence on the market with 253.3kg for this month. Surprisingly, Watercress and Spinach made a huge comeback with 67.2kg and 19.8kg compared to January. Other vegetables such as cabbage and spring onion manage to appear on the market with 3.0kg and 3.2kg. A lot of seedlings were sold out to the farmers, however, February was expected as a rainy month the reason a few vegetables appeared this month with small supplies.

Vegetables	February 2022				January 2022	
	No. of Vendors	Total Weight (kg)	Average Price (\$\$) per Kg	Total Value (\$NZ)	No. of Vendors	Total Weight (kg)
Cabbage	1	3.0	5.00	15.00		
Rukau	7	253.3	8.43	2,090.75	2	43.6
Spinach	2	19.8	8.55	163.29		
Spring Onion	1	3.2	7.50	24.00		
Watercress	1	67.2	8.68	586.25		

Data source: Ministry of Agriculture, AgINTEL