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Tea Market Report: Sale 41 of 11th - 12th October, 2022

Improved demand at dearer levels for most of the categories of the 180,760 packages (12.10m/kgs) on offer with 29.67% unsold.

Leaf Grades (M2)

Offerings: 103,720 packages (6.82m/kgs) – 28.15% unsold.

BP1:

Best – Met irregular interest and most were steady to USC22 above previous levels but some teas shed up to USC82.

Brighter – Were irregular varying between firm to USC6 dearer to easier by up to USC5; a few select lines however ranged between USC30 dearer to USC36 below last rates.

Mediums – KTDA mediums varied between steady to USC8 dearer to easier by USC14 with plantation mediums a strong feature advancing by up to USC44.

Lower Mediums – Appreciated by up to USC46.

Plainer – Saw improved competition and gained up to USC26.

PF1:

Best – Were firm to USC18 above last levels.

Brighter – Steady to USC10 dearer.

Mediums – Most KTDA mediums ranged between firm to USC4 dearer with selected invoices gain-

Current and Future Fresh Auction Offerings

Country	Sale 41 11 - 12 Oct'22		Sale 41 12 - 13 Oct'21		Sale 42 17 - 19 Oct'22		Sale 43 24 - 26 Oct'22	
	MG	SG	MG	SG	MG	SG	MG	SG
Kenya	114,040	8,720	84,160	8,760	110,880	9,080	115,040	9,157
Uganda	11,960	6,380	12,081	6,117	11,280	6,940	13,120	7,100
Tanzania	1,280	440	200	200	280	320	1,560	960
Rwanda	4,120	600	4,720	1,100	4,120	680	4,360	440
Burundi	640	400	1,840	300	840	320	1,040	240
Zambia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Malawi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Madagascar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zimbabwe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D R Congo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mozambique	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ethiopia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reprints	30,480	1,700	15,620	1,744	38,200	1,080	40,200	1,159
Total	132,040	16,540	103,001	16,477	127,400	17,340	135,120	17,897
	148,580		119,478		144,740		153,017	

ing up to USC13 to easier by up to USC3; plantation mediums appreciated by up to USC22.

Lower Mediums – Were irregular varying between firm to USC10 dearer to easier by up to USC25.

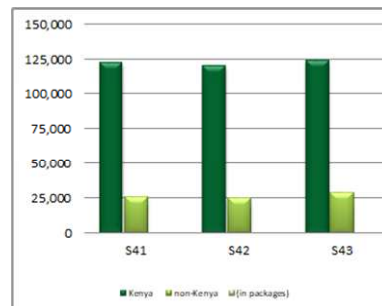
Plainer – Ranged between steady to USC12 dearer to easier by the same margin.

DUST Grades (M1)

Offerings 58,800 packages (4.37m/kgs) – 28.03% unsold.

PDUST:

Best – Were firm to USC15 dearer but some invoices lost up to USC13.



Brighter – Appreciated by up to USC11.

Mediums – KTDA mediums held value while plantation mediums were steady to USC15 above last levels.

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Lower Medium – Saw more competition and advanced by up to USC23.

Plainer – Were firm to USC7 dearer.

DUST1:

Best – A strong feature gaining up to USC50.

Brighter – Were dearer by up to USC46.

Mediums – KTDA mediums were steady to USC10 above previous prices while plantation mediums gained by up to USC33.

Lower Medium – Advanced by up to USC16.

Plainer – Appreciated by up to USC18 but a few lines shed USC2 to USC6.

Secondary Grades (S1)

Offerings: 18,240 packages (910,203.50 kilos) – 12.17% unsold.

In the Secondary Catalogues, **BPs** were firm to dearer while **PFs** were steady. Clean well sorted coloury **Fannings** held value while **similar DUSTs** appreciated. **Other Fannings** were firm with some invoices selectively dearer while **DUSTs** held value. **BMFs** were readily absorbed at steady rates.

Markets

Yemen, other Middle Eastern countries, Kazakhstan and other CIS states showed more support and were strong with improved enquiry from **Pakistan Packers and Bazaar. Egyptian Packers** showed more interest while **Sudan** lent useful but selective participation with maintained activity from **UK. Afghanistan** improved interest with some enquiry from **Russia** and **Iran. Local Packers** were largely outpriced. **Somalia** maintained activity at the lower end of the market.

Mombasa Auction Hammer Market Analysis—Sale No 41/2022

	Category (Band)	Percentage volume sold	Average Price ranges (for the marks within the category)		Min-Max Prices per grade							
					BP1		PF1		PD		DUST1	
			Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
1	Best	93%	2.91	3.58	2.77	4.36	2.88	3.24	2.74	3.06	3.32	3.7
2	Below Best	94%	2.7	2.97	2.56	3.32	2.68	2.99	2.6	2.9	2.7	3.64
3	Good	45%	1.91	2.7	2.23	3.04	2.24	2.8	1.91	2.62	2.06	3.02
4	Best Medium	90%	1.76	2.45	1.96	2.64	1.9	2.52	1.79	2.1	1.75	2.2
5	Medium	79%	1.59	2.1	1.29	2.46	1.66	2.22	1.47	1.98	1.6	2.1
6	Lower Medium	89%	1.35	1.74	1.06	1.58	1.2	1.92	1.4	1.74	1.44	1.8
7	Plain	94%	1.24	1.54	1.02	1.5	1.3	1.62	1.32	1.57	1.46	1.56
	Totals	69%	1.24	3.58	1.02	4.36	1.2	3.24	1.32	3.06	1.44	3.7
	Category (Band)	Percentage of Total Sold	Average Prices per grade								Totals	
			BP1		PF1		PD		DUST1			
			Kgs	Avg	Kgs	Avg	Kgs	Avg	Kgs	Avg	Kgs	Avg
1	Best	11%	132,845	3.05	422,016	2.97	257,984	2.85	53,719	3.51	866,564	2.98
2	Below Best	26%	273,488	2.79	933,559	2.87	637,346	2.75	138,845	3.26	1,983,238	2.85
3	Good	31%	313,490	2.58	1,315,101	2.48	599,578	2.42	163,944	2.49	2,392,113	2.48
4	Best Medium	9%	47,320	2.45	306,542	2.21	304,757	2	54,880	2	713,499	2.12
5	Medium	13%	80,832	1.73	388,204	1.97	427,136	1.8	61,880	1.83	958,052	1.86
6	Lower Medium	6%	57,664	1.27	168,405	1.57	171,365	1.58	91,257	1.61	488,691	1.54
7	Plain	3%	34,716	1.15	63,276	1.38	87,912	1.46	34,120	1.51	220,024	1.4
	Totals	100%	940,355	2.49	3,597,103	2.5	2,486,078	2.3	598,645	2.45	7,622,181	2.43

Average Auction Hammer Quantities and Prices by Country

Country of Origin	Main			Secondary			Total			Total for Corresponding Sale for Last Year		
	Pkgs	Kgs	USC	Pkgs	Kgs	USC	Pkgs	Kgs	USC	Pkgs	Kgs	USC
Kenya	94,200	6,595,254	251	8,020	409,306	143	102,220	7,004,560	245	88,520	6,007,972	194
Uganda	11,680	730,313	155	5,860	278,924	121	17,540	1,015,252	145	16,676	961,736	130
Tanzania	1,000	60,840	144	680	29,485	108	1,680	90,325	133	320	18,528	122
Rwanda	4,340	303,878	289	580	38,688	248	4,920	343,435	284	5,440	367,332	232
Burundi	800	52,920	247	340	14,732	152	1,140	67,652	227	1,880	115,200	204
Zambia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malawi	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mozambique	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Madagascar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zimbabwe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
D R Congo	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ethiopia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	112,020	7,743,205	243	15,480	771,135	139	127,500	8,521,224	233	112,836	7,470,768	188

Sale Number	Previous Sale's Quantities and Prices									Tot+Q20:Q23al for Corresponding Sale for Last Year		
	Main			Secondary			Total			Pkg	Kgs	USC
Sale 40/22	98,380	6,743,042	241	13,080	655,453	138	111,460	7,398,495	232			
Sale 39/22	103,180	7,094,711	238	17,300	857,289	138	120,480	7,952,000	227	95,320	6,268,468	218
Sale 38/22	109,680	7,487,363	236	17,748	872,550	134	127,428	8,359,913	225	94,532	6,159,143	210
Sale 37/22	103,560	7,119,631	236	19,720	969,014	135	123,280	8,088,644	224	89,879	5,878,182	204
Sale 36/22	107,460	7,368,554	238	15,840	789,175	135	123,300	8,157,730	228	88,960	5,719,925	198
Sale 35/22	93,200	6,453,068	239	17,378	877,720	133	110,578	7,330,788	226	96,504	6,250,381	201

Average Auction Hammer Prices by Grade and Country

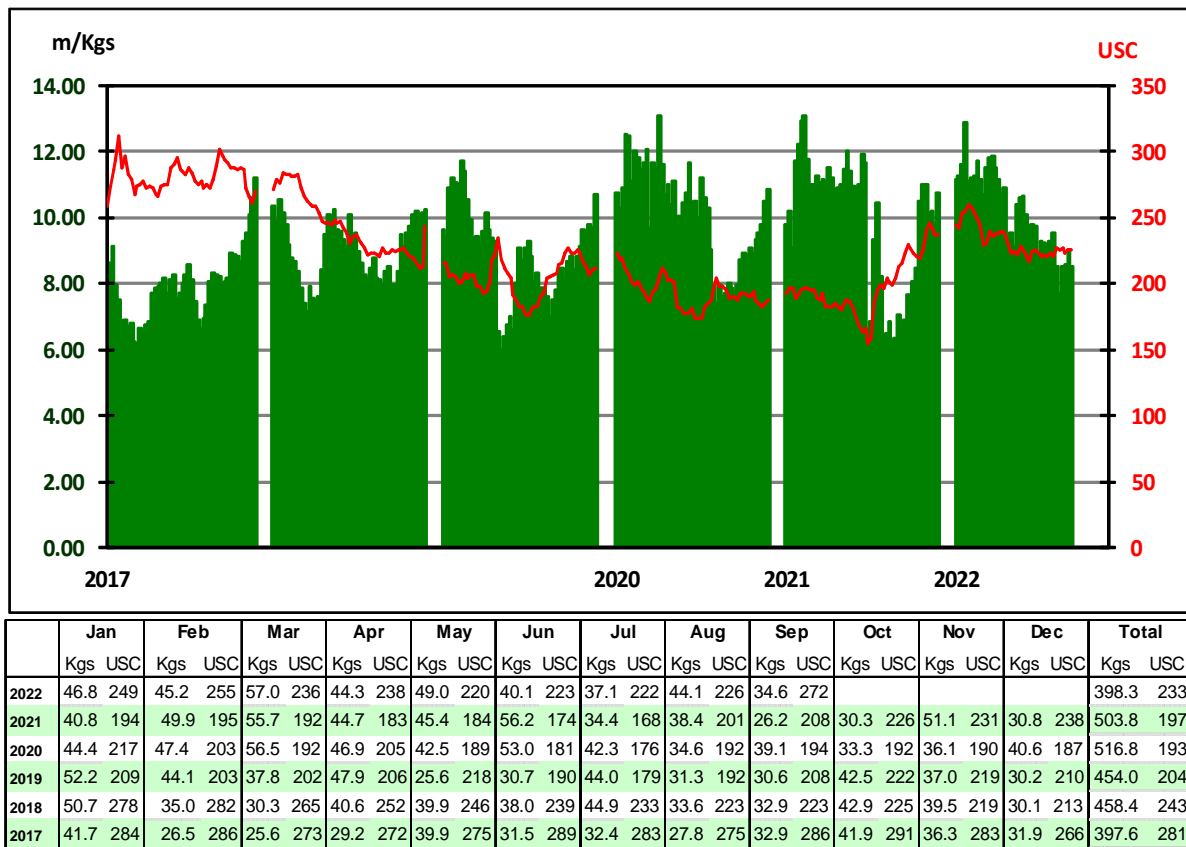
Country of Origin	Current Sale's Prices per Grade										Corresponding Prices per Grade for Last Year									
	BP1	PF1	PD	D1	BP/2	PF/2	D/2	F/1	BMF	Av	BP1	PF1	PD	D1	BP/2	PF/2	D/2	F/1	BMF	Av
Kenya	262	255	238	266	151	160	146	141	109	245	214	197	200	198	168	130	104	112	73	194
Uganda	132	159	157	161	114	143	134	121	103	145	147	137	146	142	148	118	93	93	71	130
Tanzania	114	146	151	155	-	-	121	115	98	133	-	131	-	139	140	123	85	80	-	122
Rwanda	313	282	281	281	288	247	244	164	-	284	242	245	236	236	223	167	180	156	74	232
Burundi	240	271	232	245	-	-	150	153	-	227	218	220	196	199	-	-	121	129	-	204
Zambia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malawi	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mozambique	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Madagascar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zimbabwe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
D R Congo	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ethiopia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	250	250	229	244	183	155	152	134	105	233	205	196	194	191	179	127	111	108	72	188

Sale Number	Previous Sale's Prices per Grade										Corresponding Prices per Grade for Previous Year									
	BP1	PF1	PD	D1	BP/2	PF/2	D/2	F/1	BMF	Av	BP1	PF1	PD	D1	BP/2	PF/2	D/2	F/1	BMF	Av
Sale 40/22	247	248	226	236	177	149	159	133	104	232	228	259	231	225	132	135	120	127	74	226
Sale 39/22	247	247	225	222	170	154	154	136	101	227	235	247	215	222	137	127	108	125	74	218
Sale 38/22	248	243	221	227	181	157	150	130	98	225	216	242	213	214	138	130	104	123	74	210
Sale 37/22	238	241	230	227	196	156	148	129	100	224	235	231	202	211	143	123	107	124	73	204
Sale 36/22	249	246	225	226	172	161	143	129	95	228	216	227	203	198	140	126	104	118	72	198
Sale 35/22	249	244	227	238	165	154	151	128	88	226	224	233	199	198	123	124	112	114	73	201

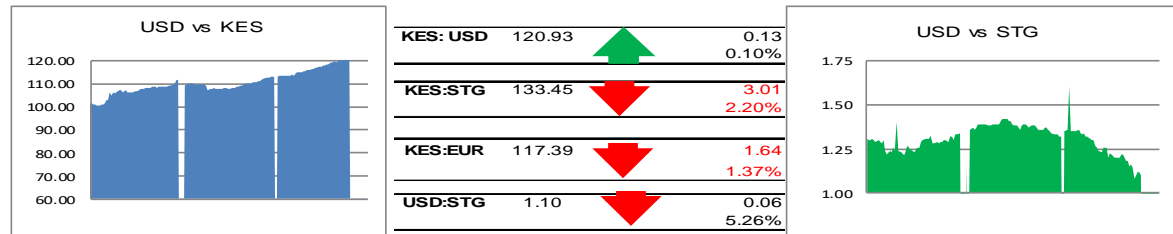
Average Auction Prices and Quantities by Country

Country	Previous Sale Sale 40/22		Year To Date 2022		Last Year Sale 40/21		Year To Date 2021		Variance Year To Date	
	Kgs	USC	Kgs	USC	Kgs	USC	Kgs	USC	Kgs	USC
Kenya	6,647,004	239	322,043,114	249	6,152,976	197	331,937,597	202	-9,894,483	47
Uganda	921,732	143	55,148,225	133	1,062,993	128	52,153,500	121	2,994,725	12
Tanzania	66,396	125	4,519,410	123	13,608	109	4,632,598	113	-113,188	10
Rwanda	335,668	280	19,512,511	229	380,760	248	18,245,829	278	1,266,682	-49
Burundi	93,356	219	5,147,268	229	131,483	205	6,527,237	217	-1,379,969	12
Zambia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
Malawi	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
Mozambique	-	-	-	-	-	-	262,989	83	-262,989	-83
Madagascar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
Zimbabwe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
D R Congo	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
Ethiopia	-	-	23,839	148	-	-	702,404	115	-678,565	33
Total	8,064,156	229	406,394,367	233	7,741,820	190	414,462,154	194	-8,067,787	39

Mombasa Weekly Average Auction Quantities and Prices 2017—2022



Exchange Rates (2020-2022)



During the week the Kenya Shilling traded between KES 120.70 -121.20 and reached 120.75 at its lowest end week. Expectations are that the Kenya Shilling against US Dollar will trade at the level of 120.80 - 121.20 in the coming week.

(These figures are given as a guide and readers are advised not to use them as a basis for business transactions)

Auction Quantities

Country Offerings	This Week Sale 41/22		Year To Date 2022		Year To Date 2021		Variance Year To Date	
	Packages	Kgs	Packages	Kgs	Packages	Kgs	Packages	Kgs
Kenya	122,760	8,374,596	5,021,810	342,046,128	4,833,416	326,679,846	188,394	15,366,283
Uganda	18,340	1,053,220	981,840	56,590,383	968,061	55,974,763	13,779	615,620
Tanzania	1,720	95,152	87,240	4,656,446	79,279	4,326,500	7,961	329,946
Rwanda	4,720	325,928	286,400	19,760,977	285,879	19,583,494	521	177,483
Burundi	1,040	58,060	87,198	5,282,964	81,420	5,057,392	5,778	225,572
Zambia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Malawi	0	0	1,120	65,848	0	0	1,120	65,848
Mozambique	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Madagascar	0	0	2,020	99,835	0	0	2,020	99,835
Zimbabwe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D R Congo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ethiopia	0	0	400	22,879	2,140	121,068	-1,740	-98,189
Total	148,580	9,906,956	6,468,028	428,525,460	6,250,195	411,743,063	217,833	16,782,398

Sellers' Main Grade Quantities (in Packages)

Origin	BP 1			PF 1			PD			D 1			Total		
	S 41	S 42	S 43	S 41	S 42	S 43	S 41	S 42	S 43	S 41	S 42	S 43	S 41	S 42	S 43
KTDA	18640	19400	19877	55160	53720	60160	29880	30960	34160	4400	3920	5200	108080	108000	119397
Unilever Tea	120	760	360	160	160	160	260	160	160	80	80	80	620	1160	760
James Finlay	400	360	480	400	360	960	280	320	440	0	0	0	1080	1040	1880
Eastern Produce	640	1080	880	2680	3280	2160	1920	600	840	560	800	640	5800	5760	4520
Others (K)	3580	3640	3100	13060	13880	12880	11140	14080	12380	2180	2080	2240	29960	33680	30600
Uganda	1880	1680	1800	4400	4360	4840	4600	4160	4760	1960	1720	2080	12840	11920	13480
Tanzania	390	390	430	760	760	1040	520	560	840	220	220	500	1890	1930	2810
Rwanda	1480	1640	1400	1740	1660	1800	1280	1180	960	480	480	720	4980	4960	4880
Burundi	240	320	360	320	280	480	400	280	280	240	240	200	1200	1120	1320
DR Congo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Malawi	0	0	0	80	80	80	80	80	80	0	0	0	160	160	160
Zimbabwe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Madagascar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mozambique	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zambia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ethiopia	0	0	0	0	0	0	160	160	160	0	0	0	160	160	160
Total	27370	29270	28687	78760	78540	84560	50520	52540	55060	10120	9540	11660	166770	169890	179967

Buyer Purchases of Teas Offered by Grade (in Packages)

BUYER	%	Total	BP1	PF1	PD	D1	BP2	PF2	D2	FNGS	BMF
1 GLOBAL TEA & COMMODITIES KENYA LTD.	11.30	20,480	2,400	9,760	7,240	520			540	20	
2 LAB INTERNATIONAL KENYA LTD	8.38	15,200	760	4,440	6,600	3,080		240	80		
3 CHAI TRADING COMPANY LTD	7.20	13,060	1,040	8,360	2,940	300		140	80	200	
4 CARGILL KENYA LTD	7.02	12,720	160	10,240	2,120	200					
5 MOMBASA COFFEE LTD	4.75	8,620	80	3,000	3,680	1,720	140				
6 JAMES FINLAY MOMBASA LIMITED	4.51	8,180	680	1,640	4,600			780		480	
7 COFFTEA AGENCIES LTD	3.67	6,660	4,040	960	280			320		1,060	
8 SSOE (KENYA) LIMITED	2.57	4,660	960	1,280	1,120	400	120	340	320	120	
9 DEVCHAND KESHAVJI (K) LTD	2.27	4,120	40	4,040	40						
10 M.J. CLARKE LTD	2.26	4,100		360	2,400	320		80	80	860	
11 CUP OF JOE LTD	1.94	3,520	1,400	2,120							
12 ABBAS TRADERS LTD	1.68	3,040	360	460	1,440	120	220	360	60	20	
13 VAN REES KENYA LIMITED	1.48	2,680	440	1,800	80			280		80	
14 ALIBHAI RAMJI (MSA) LTD	0.98	1,780		1,440	80	40		100	80	40	
15 AL EMIR LIMITED	0.95	1,720	40	1,160	360	40		40	60	20	
16 GOLD CROWN FOODS (EPZ) LTD	0.86	1,560						60	280	620	600
17 SWAFI FOODS LIMITED	0.84	1,520	320	560	240	80	80	60	80	100	
18 TUSHA TEA LTD	0.83	1,500	400		560	200				340	
19 EMPIRE KENYA (EPZ) LTD	0.82	1,480	1,040	80	200					160	
20 SUMMER LINER CO. LTD	0.77	1,400	520				140	20		380	340
21 INDO-AFRICAN TEA CO. (K) LTD.	0.64	1,160	200	880	80						
22 SHAKAB EXPORT & IMPORT CO. LTD	0.63	1,140		680	40	40	200	20	120	40	
23 AIMCO ENTERPRISES LTD	0.45	820						40	20	340	420
24 MCLEOD RUSSEL AFRICA LIMITED	0.43	780	360	40	40	280			60		
25 GREEN LEAF TRADING CO. LTD	0.34	620							60	80	480
26 AFRO TEAS LTD	0.26	480	160	80		160		80			
27 RANFER TEAS KENYA LTD	0.26	480	80		40	360					
28 IMPERIAL TEAS (EPZ) LTD	0.25	460		320	40			20	80		
29 MAYMUN ENTERPRISES	0.25	460								20	440
30 PWANI HAULIERS	0.23	420									420
31 STANSAND (A) LTD	0.20	360		80	280						
32 LULA TRADING COMPANY	0.18	320									320
33 SARDIA INTERNATIONAL CO. LTD	0.15	280									280
34 TEAVANA TEA STORE LTD	0.15	280									280
35 MAISHA COMMODITIES	0.13	240		40					60	140	
36 TRANS-ATLANTIC TRADING Co. LTD	0.13	240				40			180	20	
37 KIRINDO TRADERS LIMITED	0.12	220					20				200
38 AXIS TEA & SERVICES LIMITED	0.11	200									200
39 DRINCO INTERNATIONAL LIMITED	0.11	200		200							
40 TROPICAL CROPS & COMMODITIES	0.08	140					20			20	100
41 LINDOP & COMPANY (KENYA) LTD	0.04	80		80							
42 RIOTANA TRADING LIMITED	0.03	60					60				
43 GOKAL TRADING KENYA LTD	0.02	40	40								
44 TANZIL TRADING LIMITED	0.01	20									20
Total Sold	70.33	127,500	15,520	54,100	34,500	7,900	1,000	2,980	2,240	5,160	4,100
Withdrawn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unsold	29.67	53,800	10,860	23,580	15,380	1,360	100	380	220	1,600	320
% Unsold			41	30	31	15	9	11	9	24	7
Grand Total	100.00	181,300	26,380	77,680	49,880	9,260	1,100	3,360	2,460	6,760	4,420
Sale 40/22	60.64%	111,060	18,320	46,860	26,120	6,680	740	2,080	1,900	5,400	2,960
Sale 39/22	66.34%	120,480	17,740	49,140	29,360	6,940	1,160	3,020	2,220	6,840	4,060
Sale 38/22	68.73%	127,428	21,800	50,720	30,220	6,940	1,200	2,940	2,000	6,788	4,820
Sale 37/22	66.21%	123,280	14,440	50,440	31,480	7,200	1,060	3,640	2,400	7,240	5,380
Sale 36/22	72.56%	123,300	18,200	51,220	31,220	6,820	1,380	2,920	2,040	5,900	3,600
Sale 35/22	68.69%	110,578	14,400	43,000	29,140	6,660	1,200	2,800	2,418	7,360	3,600

Other Tea Auction Centres

Colombo: at Sale 39 held on 4th and 5th October, 2022. The 0.61Mkg of Ex estate teas on offer met with fair demand. Select Best Western High Grown BOPs were firm, the below best and plainer varieties too were firm to a little dearer at times. Select Best Western High Grown BOPFs were firm on last levels, the below best and plainer sorts too followed a similar trend. Nuwara Eliya BOPs were firm, the BOPFs were firm to dearer. Uda Pussellawa BOPs were irregular, the BOPFs were irregular following quality. UVA BOPs /BOPFs were firm on last levels. Low grown CTC BP1s were firm, the High and Medium sorts were barely steady. Low Grown CTC PF1s were firm, however the High and Medium sorts were irregularly easier. The 2.1Mkg of Low Grown teas which were on offer met with lower demand. In the Leafy segment, OP/OPA shed a few rupees. Select best OP1s were substantially lower, others too were lower. In the Semi Leafy segment, BOP1s were lower. Pekoe varieties were firm to lower, Pekoe1s were mainly firm. In the Small Leaf segment, FBOPs were lower to last. FBOPF varieties continued with lower demand. Better FBOPF1s declined, others were firm. BOPF.SP, BOPF, BOP.SP and BOPs were firm. All Premium Flowery teas were lower. Russia, Iran and the C.I.S countries lent fair support, Turkey was selective. Libya and Iraq were active.

Chittagong: at Sale 22 held on the 3rd October, 2022, **CTC LEAF:** 49,857 packages of Current Season teas were on offer. Strong demand continued. **BROKENs:** All well made good liquoring Broken were again a stronger market and prices appreciated further by Tk.5/- and more following competition. Good varieties sold well at firm to slightly dearer rates in line with quality. Medium varieties met with a fairly good demand and sold at around last levels. Browner Plainer types were again a selective market and were mostly easier in line with quality with fair withdrawals. BLFs once again met with less demand at around last levels with fair withdrawals. **FANNINGS:** Best liquoring Fannings continued to meet with a strong demand and were dearer by Tk.5/- and more following competition. Good and medium varieties also sold well at mostly firm to occasionally dearer rates. Plainer types met with limited interest only and were mostly easier following quality with fair withdrawals. BLFs once again met with less demand at around last levels with fair withdrawals. **CTC DUST:** 10,937 packages of Current Season Teas on offer met with good general demand.

Good liquoring Dusts sold well at around last levels. Their Mediums tended slightly dearer with competition. Plain and BLF Dusts witnessed a decline in price levels with more withdrawals. Blenders lent strong support with fair interest from the Loose tea buyers. **COMMENTS:** There was a slightly larger weight of browner, plainer varieties which met with a selective demand and witnessed fair withdrawals. However, a handful of good and best liquoring types continued to attract more competition this week and prices appreciated further. Blenders were more active whilst Loose tea buyers lent less support. Good liquoring Dusts met with more competition.

Cochin: at Sale 38 held on the 22nd September, 2022. **CTC Leaf:** Good demand, All grades sold irregular around last levels. **Buying pattern:** Up country buyers operated. **ORTHODOX Leaf:** Good demand. Well-made whole leaf and larger broken sold irregular. Smaller broken and fannings showed an improved demand and appreciated in value. **Buying pattern:** CIS operating with support from ME. **Dust:** Good demand. Popular marks and better mediums sold irregular and sometimes lower by 2-3c. Plainer sorts sold around last levels. **Buying pattern:** Major blenders active. Internal buyers operated cautiously.

Calcutta: at Sale 39 held on the 27th and 29th September, 2022, there were 249,973 packages on offer. **CTC:** There was good general demand. Better Assams witnessed a further decline in levels, except for clean well-made & good liquoring descriptions which were barely steady. Cleaner, well-made medium Assams met with good demand and sold at irregular levels around last whilst other medium descriptions were easier. Better Dooars were steady and sold around last levels. Plainer Dooars were barely steady. **Dust:** There was

Auction Offerings

	Week 41	Week 42	Week 43	Week 44
Centre	12-Oct	19-Oct	26-Oct	27-Oct
Mombasa	180,760	184,020	194,376	
Limbe				
Colombo	5.4m/kgs	5.5m/kgs	5.3m/kgs	
Jakarta	8,740			
Calcutta	172,989	180,451	161,733	-
Guwahati	160,956	161,161	200,525	-
Chittagong	73,517			
Total	588,222	525,632	556,634	-

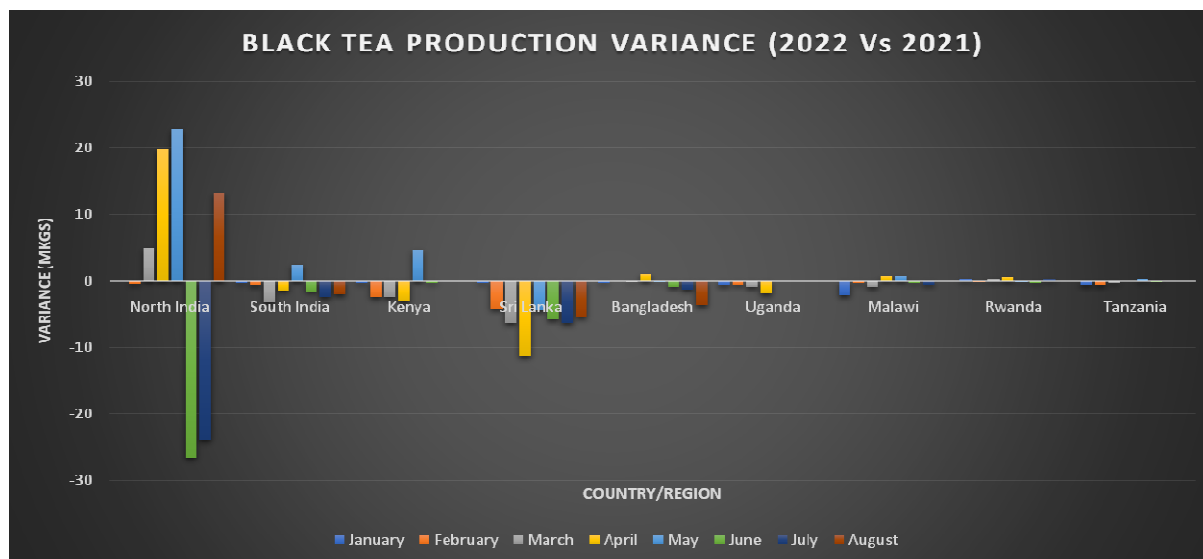
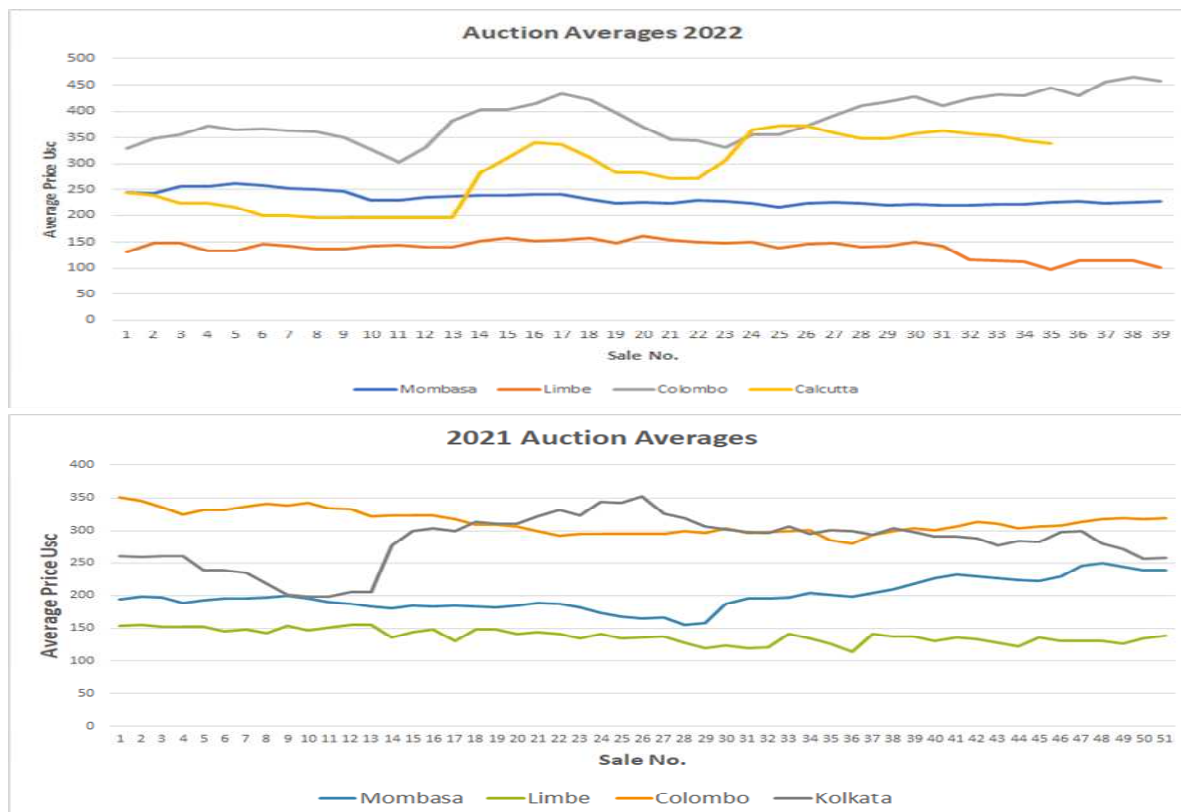
good demand. Better liquoring Assams were barely steady whilst the remainder was irregularly easier. Ms Tata Consumer Products operated on cleaner, well-made teas in both markets with useful support on plainer Dooars. Ms Hindustan Unilever was active in both markets with useful support on brighter liquoring dust grades. Western India buyers operated on better Assams along with useful activity from a regional packeteer on good liquoring Assams in the dust market. Exporters showed limited interest on larger broken. Local buyers operated on the Dooars & other clean, well-made descriptions.

Guwahati: at Sale 39 held on the 27th September, 2022, there were 200,101 packages on offer.

Market: **CTC** The market this week saw only fair demand witnessing noticeable amount of withdrawals. The demand further slackened with the progress of the sale and levels were overall easier following quality. **Buying Pattern:** There was fair support from HUL and TCPL. Western India buyers operated selectively on the better liquoring teas. Buyers from other destinations were selective. Exporters this week were subdued.

Market: **DUST** market saw relatively better enquiry compared to leaf. Select better liquoring sorts were barely steady while remainder tended irregular and easier following quality. **Buying Pattern:** **DUST** HUL operated mostly on the medium to better liquoring teas while TCPL was more active on the plainer to medium varieties. There was fair support from Western India and buyers from other destinations.

Auction Prices Trends



News Articles of Interest



WEDNESDAY, 12 OCTOBER 2022

Indian orthodox tea players to benefit as Sri Lankan production plummets to 25-yr low: Ind-Ra

Synopsis

Orthodox tea accounts for around 90% of the country's tea production, most of which is exported.

Kolkata: According to India Ratings and Research (Ind-Ra), the performance of Indian orthodox tea players is likely to get a boost because of the strong tea prices and increase in export opportunities owing to the production disruptions in Sri Lanka, the largest exporter of the orthodox tea variety. "Tea companies had witnessed a strong improvement in EBITDA margins in FY21 as the pandemic affected production, leading to a rise in tea prices. However, with an increase in production in FY22, prices started to fall, which coupled with an increase in wage rates in early 2021, affected profitability. Orthodox players are likely to see a margin expansion in FY23 while crush-tear-curl (CTC) variety margins are likely to remain range-bound, with cost pressure emanating from the wage hikes announced by the governments of key tea producing states," said the credit rating agency, in a statement. Ind-Ra added that tea production in Sri Lanka fell nearly 20% YoY to 171.4 million kg in 8M2022, lowest since 1996 when the country produced 169.7 million kg. In recent years, the production in Sri Lanka has been affected by the restrictions on the use of fertilisers, pesticides and herbicides, but the decline has been exacerbated in 2022 with the

shortage of fuel and fertilisers affecting the output resulting in a decline in production at all elevations. Production in August 2022 remained 23% lower YoY, indicating a continued weakness. Orthodox tea accounts for around 90% of the country's tea production, most of which is exported. This results in the country accounting for around half of the global orthodox tea trade. Iraq, Russia, UAE and Turkey have been among the key countries importing Sri Lankan tea. Production in Kenya was down marginally to 270 million kg in 6M2022. The disruption in Sri Lankan production has resulted in a significant increase in orthodox tea prices with average India auction prices at around INR320/kg in August 2022 surpassing the 2020 high of INR280/kg. Notwithstanding some softening in the last couple of weeks, prices averaged 22% YoY higher in September 2022 and are likely to remain higher in FY23. Ind-Ra believes the strong prices are likely to offset the cost pressures emanating from the recent hikes of INR27-30/day in the basic wages announced by the Assam and the West Bengal governments and support the EBITDA margins of the orthodox players. After a fall in FY22, prices of the CTC variety also recovered 7% yoy in 2QFY23, on a lower-than-expected output, which is likely to provide some cushion against the impact of wage hike in FY23. Source:

<https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/small-biz/sme-sector/indian-orthodox-tea-players-to-benefit-as-sri-lankan-production-plummets-to-25-year-low-ind-ra/printarticle/94806596.cms>

WEDNESDAY, 05 OCTOBER 2022

Kenya Expands Its Tea Export Market To West And Central Africa

Under the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA), Kenya has



expanded its tea export market to West and Central African trading communities by flagging off a shipment of teas on Wednesday. "The first consignment of #Kenyan Tea is set to leave the country for Ghana under the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) Guided Trade Initiative," the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) Secretariat, the Kenya Tea Development Agency (KTDA), and the ministry of trade are driving the agreement. The AfCFTA partnership enables nations to conduct trade outside of preexisting trade restrictions. Kenya, one of the six nations chosen to take part in the pilot phase of the AfCFTA Initiative on Guided Trade, shipped its first goods to Ghana in late June in accordance with the terms of the AfCFTA agreement. The other five nations are Tanzania, Ghana, Rwanda, Egypt, and Cameroon. The six pilot countries must identify products that can enter the markets of the pilot countries. Kenya has identified several products for this initiative through an Ad Hoc Committee formed to spearhead it. They include tea, Exide batteries, confectionery, leather bags, incinerators, beaded products, vehicular filters, textiles, sisal fibre, avocados and fresh produce. Source:

<https://www.citizen.digital/business/kenya-exports-tea-to-ghana-under-the-afcfta-n306848>

Regional Weather Conditions and World Crop

Kenya: Muranga: Was dry, sunny and warm (**24°C / 11°C**). Crop intake averaged **94** tonnes/day on a **6** day plucking cycle.

Nyeri: The week was mostly sunny and warm, no rainfall received. The highest and lowest temperatures were **23°C & 13°C** respectively. Crop intake averaged **67** tonnes/day on a **6** day plucking cycle.

Meru: The week was dry and hot. On average the highest and lowest temperatures were **26°C & 16°C** respectively. Crop intake averaged **42** tonnes/day on a six day plucking cycle.

Sotik: The area experienced cloudy conditions accompanied by short durations of sunny intervals and scattered showers. Recorded a total of **53.8mm** of rainfall in **six** wet days. The highest and lowest temperatures were **25°C & 12°C** respectively.

Kericho: The week was partly sunny in the mornings followed



The trouble with weather forecasting is that it is right too often for us to ignore it and wrong too often for us to rely on it.

by cloudy and rainy afternoons. A total of 56.6mm rainfall was recorded. Average temperatures were highs of **23°** Celsius and lows of **10°** Celsius. Crop intake went down by 13% compared to previous week's levels. Crop on offer is likely to maintain current low levels due to recent hail storms.

Uganda: less rains were received in the tea growing areas with Fort Portal receiving **13mm**. Kibale received **16mm**, Hoima received **22mm** and Bushenyi received **21mm** of rainfall. The maximum temperatures maintained at an of average 28°C

while the minimum temperatures averaged 17°C. Crop levels have slightly improved.

DETAILED REGIONAL FORECAST FOR 13- 17 OCTOBER 2022

Most parts of the country are likely to be sunny and dry. However, rainfall is expected over a few parts of the Highlands West of the Rift Valley.

Crop production Kenya: Crop volumes are low, but have slightly gone up in some areas due to the warmer temperatures. However, the crop is very low in places hit by hail a couple of weeks ago.

Uganda: Crop levels have slightly improved.

Malawi: Crop intake started to decline.

World Production from Main Producing Countries over the Past Twelve Months															Production over calendar years	
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	+ / -		
	Variance														2021	2020
Bangladesh	-	1.2	1.6	4.9	6.2	12.6	11.3	10.8	12.6	14.6	10.2	6.9	47.4	(5.3)	79.9	90.7
North India	-	1.8	51.8	71.2	100.2	117.0	133.3	166.4	141.4	167.3	103.0	49.7	641.7	9.8	773.3	1,033.4
South India	15.9	14.6	16.3	20.6	26.9	24.3	19.3	14.3	22.4	21.3	16.6	14.8	152.2	(9.3)	183.9	219.4
Sri Lanka	22.8	18.2	22.0	18.3	26.0	20.1	19.8	18.2	22.6	24.0	20.0	20.4	165.4	(44.2)	232.2	275.9
Kenya	48.7	40.8	46.3	41.2	50.0	43.3	34.7	33.6	43.4	49.0	50.7	54.4	270.3	(3.7)	342.3	570.6
Uganda	6.6	5.5	4.7	5.4	7.0	6.5	5.5	4.5	6.0	7.6	6.6	6.7	22.2	(4.0)	10.6	28.3
Tanzania	2.1	2.7	3.1	2.9	2.7	1.8	1.0	0.9	1.6	2.6	1.9	1.5	15.3	(1.4)	20.2	28.6
Rwanda	3.4	2.9	3.6	3.8	3.6	3.0	2.3	1.5	2.1	3.5	3.3	3.2	22.6	0.6	25.6	33.2
Malawi	4.8	7.0	7.1	7.1	4.5	1.9	1.3	2.0	3.6	2.9	1.4	5.3	39.3	(3.1)	42.4	45.2
Total	104.3	93.5	156.5	175.4	220.1	224.0	187.3	211.7	249.7	282.6	207.1	101.8	1,376.4	(60.6)	1,710.4	2,325.3
Variance	(2.5)	(5.4)	34.0	11.6	5.1	30.4	16.9	10.2	-21.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.3			

Monthly figures in "BLACK" are for 2022 whilst figures in "BLUE" are for 2021

Mombasa Auction—Weekly Sale Average Prices (All teas) 2022

Sale Nos.	Sale Date	Kilos sold Weekly	Kilos Sold monthly	Year : 2022 Av.Price US\$ weekly	Year : 2022 Av. Price US\$ monthly	Year : 2021 Av. Price US\$ monthly	Year : 2020 Av. Price US\$ monthly
1	04-Jan-22	11,166,757		2.44			
2	11-Jan-22	11,233,007		2.42			
3	18-Jan-22	11,588,410		2.53			
4	25-Jan-22	12,859,526	46,847,700	2.55	2.49	1.94	2.17
5	01-Feb-22	11,075,868		2.60			
6	08-Feb-22	11,184,062		2.57			
7	15-Feb-22	11,247,057		2.52			
8	22-Feb-22	11,683,128	45,190,115	2.50	2.55	1.95	2.03
9	01-Mar-22	11,147,057		2.44			
10	08-Mar-22	10,723,050		2.29			
11	15-Mar-22	11,492,906		2.30			
12	22-Mar-22	11,803,557		2.39			
13	29-Mar-22	11,843,379	57,010,756	2.36	2.36	1.92	1.92
3 mths Totals:					\$2.45 149,048,570 Kgs	\$1.94 146,474,310 Kgs	\$2.03 148,359,082 Kgs
14	05-Apr-22	11,483,104		2.38			
15	10-Apr-22	11,133,534		2.38			
16	20-Apr-22	10,758,738		2.39			
17	26-Apr-22	10,890,972	44,266,348	2.38	2.38	1.83	2.05
18	05-May-22	9,409,673		2.30			
19	10-May-22	9,537,586		2.23			
20	17-May-22	9,132,928		2.24			
21	24-May-22	10,373,511		2.22			
22	31-May-22	10,594,907	49,048,605	2.28	2.20	1.84	1.89
23	07-Jun-22	10,632,772		2.27			
24	14-Jun-22	10,105,643		2.22			
25	21-Jun-22	9,643,573		2.17			
26	28-Jun-22	9,765,460	40,147,447	2.24	2.23	1.74	1.79
6 mths Totals:					\$2.38 282,510,969 Kgs	\$1.87 292,688,228 Kgs	\$1.97 290,761,896 Kgs
27	05-Jul-22	9,751,228		2.25			
28	12-Jul-22	8,896,491		2.23			
29	19-Jul-22	9,258,643		2.21			
30	26-Jul-22	9,237,776	37,144,138	2.22	2.23	1.68	1.76
31	02-Aug-22	8,847,424		2.20			
32	08-Aug-22	9,252,926		2.23			
33	16-Aug-22	9,550,677		2.21			
34	23-Aug-22	8,735,668		2.21			
35	30-Aug-22	7,726,507	44,113,201	2.26	2.22	2.01	1.92
36	06-Sep-22	8,505,013		2.27			
37	13-Sep-22	8,552,282		2.23			
38	20-Sep-22	9,003,351		2.25			
39	27-Sep-22	8,501,257	34,561,903	2.33	2.27	2.00	1.94
9 mths Totals:						\$1.88 391,770,296 Kgs	\$1.94 406,720,334 Kgs
40	04-Oct-22	8,064,156		2.29			
41	11-Oct-22						
42	18-Oct-22						
43	25-Oct-22		8,064,156			2.26	1.90
						2.31	1.90
						2.38	2.10
Sale Nos. 1 to 51						503,893,400 Kgs	516,802,891 Kgs
Year end Totals :						\$1.97	\$1.93

Summary : Sale Averages by Country					
Year : 2022			Year : 2021		
Sale Nos: 1 to 39 (9 months)			Sale Nos: 1 to 39 (9 months)		
Country :	Kilos ' 000	Av. Prc US\$	Country :	Kilos ' 000	Av. Prc US\$
Kenya	315,396	2.49	Kenya	309,571	1.97
Uganda	54,226	1.33	Uganda	53,856	1.16
Tanzania	4,453	1.23	Tanzania	3,793	1.01
Rwanda	19,177	2.80	Rwanda	19,279	2.62
Burundi	5,054	2.29	Burundi	5,040	1.98
Malawi	-	-	Malawi	-	-
Mozambique	-	-	Mozambique	-	-
D R Congo	-	-	D R Congo	-	-
Madagascar	-	-	Madagascar	99	1.01
Ethiopia	24	1.48	Ethiopia	132	1.36
Total :	398,330	2.33		391,770	1.88

Year 2021 : 12M	503,893	1.97
Year 2020 : 12M	516,803	1.93
Year 2019 : 12M	454,013	2.04
Year 2018 : 12M	458,361	2.43
Year 2017 : 12M	397,646	2.81
Year 2016 : 12M	407,989	2.29
Year 2015 : 12M	358,639	2.73

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