

**Average world primary commodity price indices over three-year periods,
1978-80 and July 2005 to June 2008**

Base year: 2000 = 100

Commodity group	Average price index for 1978-80	Average price index for July 2005 to June 2008			Change in average real price from 1978-80 to July 2005 to June 2008, in per cent
		Index of actual prices	Deflated* to 1978-80 values	Deflated price as per cent of 1978-80	
Tropical beverages					
Coffee	247	161	91	37	- 63
Cocoa	349	219	123	35	- 65
Food					
Sugar	189	149	84	44	- 56
Beef	134	138	78	58	- 42
Maize	128	171	96	75	- 25
Wheat	132	190	107	81	- 19
Rice	186	181	102	55	- 45
Bananas	78	163	92	117	+ 17
Vegetable oilseeds and oil					
Soya beans	132	169	95	72	- 28
Groundnut oil	132	182	103	78	- 22
Palm oil	197	221	125	63	- 37
Agricultural raw materials					
Cotton	137	105	59	43	- 57
Cattle hides	69	86	49	70	- 30
Rubber	184	334	188	102	+ 2
Tropical logs	89	155	87	98	- 2
Minerals, ores and metals					
Aluminium	93	164	92	99	- 1
Phosphate rock	85	218	123	146	+ 46
Iron ore	88	307	173	196	+ 96
Tin	277	226	127	46	- 54
Copper	102	366	206	203	+ 103
Gold	133	238	134	101	+ 1
Crude oil	92	258	146	159	+ 59
Prices of manufactures	72.7	128.9	--	--	--

* Actual prices deflated by the unit value of manufactured goods. The prices are deflated between the two three-year periods by a factor of 0.5638.

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