

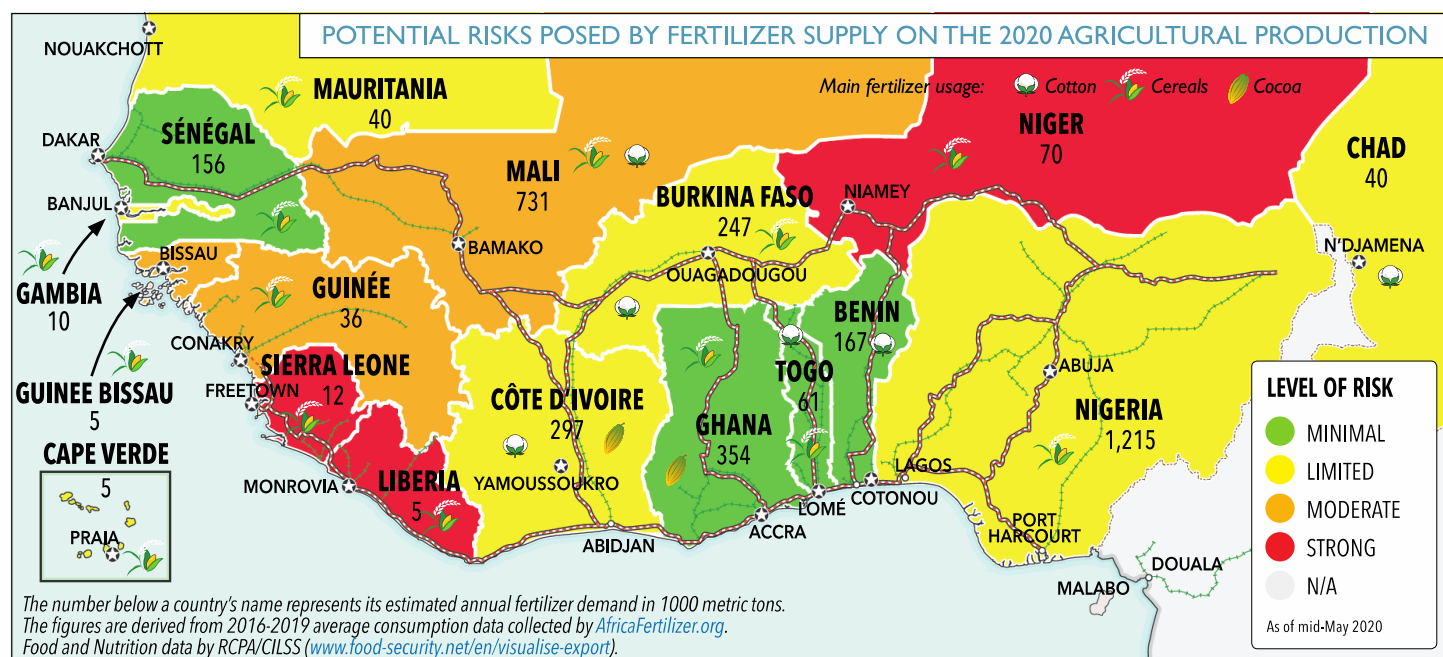
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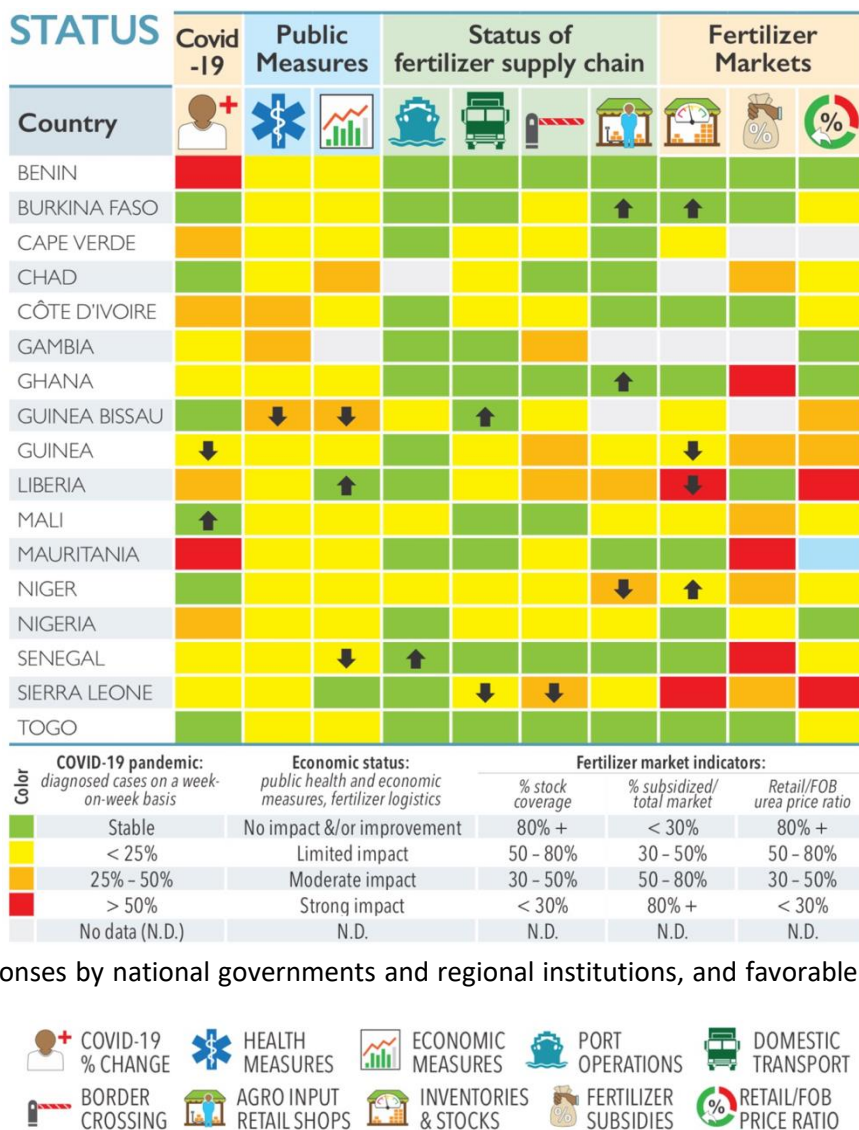
Waiting for the African Fertilizer Watch to prepare the 2021 cropping season

This twelfth issue is the last one dedicated completely to West Africa. From July 2020, a new **Africa Fertilizer Watch** will cover 28 countries across sub-Saharan Africa, including the 17 Western countries, [ECOWAS](#), [UEMOA](#) and [CILSS](#).

This new initiative led by [AfricaFertilizer.org](#) has the support of the African Union, and a group of technical and financial partners, including [BMGF](#), [USAID](#), [AFAP](#), [AGRA](#), [WAFA](#), [IFA](#), and [Development Gateway](#). An improved [FertiNews](#) will provide every month the latest fertilizer prices and market news.

The map below is a composite of the 11 maps published since April, and shows **we are now living a "new normal"**. If COVID-19 preventive measures are maintained or reinforced, the priority is to continue to ensure the free movement of agro-inputs within the ECOWAS region, and the timely supply of these inputs to the greatest number of farmers.

Low fertilizer prices, effective subsidy and distribution programs for small farmers, coordinated responses by national governments and regional institutions, and favorable climatic conditions contribute to **2020 growing season which looks relatively satisfactory for most of the countries**, despite COVID-19 (+25% new cases this week).



In countries at higher risk, such as Niger, Sierra Leone and Liberia, fertilizer unavailability, food and civil insecurity put the most vulnerable at high risks.

METHODOLOGY, INDICATORS & SOURCES

Methodology

- This Watch monitors a series of indicators aiming at facilitating access and use of fertilizers and agro-inputs by small holder farmers across West Africa, which will evolve according to further developments in the COVID-19 pandemic (new cases over previous 7 days and total confirmed cases); on the government/public measures taken (health and economy); and on fertilizer-specific measures and/or logistic issues affecting movement and transport out of ports to farms as planting seasons start (ports, roads, borders, retail, stocks and sector-wide responses)
- IFDC, WAFA and AfricaFertilizer.org are report on these indicators every Friday, for the coming 3 months. The West Africa Fertilizer Watch is available on the AfricaFertilizer.org, IFDC websites, and disseminated through social media, emails and WhatsApp alerts.
- This Country Status below, compiling information from 17 countries serves as a basis for publication of the Weekly Watch. They provide some figures and information on the fertilizer market in the country, covering volumes consumed, types of fertilizers, fertilized crops, prices, and duties and taxes.

Sources

- The West Africa Fertilizer Association (WAFA) Board Members, its Coordinating Unit, and their 62 members across the 12 West African countries
- The IFDC, EnGRAIS and AfricaFertilizer.org teams, working in the field and from home in 8 countries in West Africa.
- [AfricaFertilizer.org](https://africafertilizer.org) for historical statistics on fertilizer consumption and trade, local prices
- Official and governmental websites
- Fertilizer and Price Reporting Agencies
- <https://www.ecowas.int/covid-19/the-status-within-ecowas-member-states/> for COVID-19 cases, except for Chad and Mauritania by Johns Hopkins University.

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Indicators

Sets	Indicators	Comments
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures	Official cases, recovery, and death records from ECOWAS or Johns Hopkins University
Government measures	Health measures	Main public health and sanitary measures taken by government.
	Economic measures	Main economic measures taken by government, e.g. tax relief, business operations, curfews, lockdowns etc.
Logistics	Port Operations	Any issues affecting Port operations?
	Inland transport	Are transporters allowed to transport fertilizer across the country? Any restrictions, delays, any other issues?
	Transit and border crossing	Are transporters allowed to move fertilizer across borders? Any restrictions, delays, any other issues?
	Agro input dealers	Are there any issues affecting trade at retail level?
	Fertilizer stock availability	Is there enough fertilizer in stock to supply expected demand (basal, top-dressing)? Any indication of volumes in-country?
Fertilizer market	Current organization Volumes and types	Main crops and methods of fertilizer distribution (subsidies? integrated program?)
	Fertilizer for food crops	Volumes and main types of fertilizers, crops targeted
	Fertilizer for cash crops	Volumes and main types of fertilizers, crops targeted
	Impact and responses to COVID-19	Are they activities to facilitate supply, access in the value chain? Finance? Subsidy? Donor Response?
Prices	Commercial prices	Prices quoted in May 2020 by WAFA and AfricaFertilizer.org, unless otherwise stated.
	Subsidized prizes	
	Duties and taxes	Customs duties and VAT on fertilizers

BENIN

LEVELS	INDICATORS	FLAG	COMMENTS
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures		902 confirmed cases 277 cases cured 13 deaths +70% new confirmed cases compared to the previous week
Government measures	Health measures		The government has decided to remove health barriers throughout the country and to reopen physical schools from CM2 to high school from Monday 11 May. However, the government has indicated that the other measures are still in force.
	Economic measures		Government launches \$74 billion response plan to try to contain the effects of the health crisis and revive the economy
Logistics	Port Operations		The port is active, but crew quarantines can lead to delays.
	Inland transport		Transport of goods is allowed. Passenger transport is again permitted since 2 June.
	Transit and border crossing		Movement of goods is allowed but there may be delays and congestion due to mandatory testing of drivers.
	Agro input dealers		Retail stores are largely in operation, with no major obstacles reported.
	Fertilizer stock availability		No stock problems envisaged.
Fertilizer market Prices	Current organization		No fertilizer subsidy. Farmers obtain most of their fertilizer through the main cotton company, which provides it on credit and is repaid from the harvest. Part of the donated fertilizer is intended to be used for food crops.
	Volumes and types		Fertilizer demand for 2020 is estimated at 250,000 tonnes. NPK Cotton 14-18-18 + 6S +1B;
	Fertilizer for food crops		About 60,000 MT of NPK. NPK Maïs 13-17-17 + 6S (maïs) ; Urea; NPK 20-10-10. All food crops account for 31% fertilizer consumption
	Fertilizer for cash crops		About 70% of fertilizer consumption, of which more than 90% is cotton. About 190,000 kt of NPK 14-18-18 + 6S +1B cotton in 2020
	Impact and responses to COVID-19		No specific answer for the fertilizer sector.
Prices	Commercial prices		Urea 50 kg = FCFA 13 000 NPK 15-15-15 50kg = FCFA 13 000 NPK 20-10-10 50kg = FCFA 13 000

	Subsidized prizes		No subsidy but a single price (equalization) of 11,900 FCFA per 50 kg bag for cotton producers regardless of the type of fertilizer (NPK Cotton 14-18-18 + 6S +1B; NPK Maize 13-17-17 + 6S, Urea).
	Duties and taxes		Tariffs: 0% on straight fertilizers; 5% on NPK VAT: 0% VAT

BURKINA FASO

LEVELS	INDICATORS	FLAG	COMMENTS
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures		934 confirmed cases 826 cured cases 53 deaths + 4% new confirmed cases compared to the previous week
Government measures	Health measures		[June 03] Curfew lifted, places of worship, market and schools reopened. Wearing of masks is compulsory in public places
	Economic measures		[Apr 2] Economic relief measures announced by the President for a total value of CFA 100 billion CFA 30 billion budgeted to purchase agro inputs and animal feed to sustain agricultural production
Logistics	Port Operations		Ports of Abidjan, Tema and Lome serving Burkina Faso are all three functional.
	Inland transport		[June 03] Roads reopened, free internal traffic...
	Transit and border crossing		Slow transit through the free zone due to health measures and reduced staff numbers June 17] Government Considers Proposals on Possible Border Reopening
	Agro input dealers		May 14] markets reopen and farmers resume fertilizer purchases June 04] Wholesalers and importers remained active in supplying their fertilizer stores. They hope to have a large turnout by mid-June. June 25] Sales normally take place with slight disruptions in some areas.
	Fertilizer stock availability		June 04] Fertilizer dispatching has started and is continuing by technical support area. June 24] SOFITEX's deliveries have been completed. SOFITEX's needs are covered. The market is well supplied
Fertilizer market Prices	Current organization		2 main types of fertilizer markets in Burkina Faso: the cotton fertilizer market and the non-cotton or food crop fertilizer market. Cotton benefit the mechanisms of the "Fund for smoothing" and the "Cotton Input Fund". Food crop benefit subsidies input and fertilizer. This year 30, 000t fertilizer subsidies for food crops
	Volumes and types		Cotton - Sofitex 2019: 112,800 t (NPK 14-18-18: 83,500 t / Urea 29,300 t) Subsidies 2019: 31,796 t (NPK 18,144 t / Urea 9,901 t / DAP 3,751 t) Estimated subsidized fertilizer in 2020: 30,000 t
	Fertilizer for food crops		cereals 63% of fertilizer consumption with Maize (48%) it is the major crop consuming fertilizer and rice (4%)

	Fertilizer for cash crops		cash crop 37% of fertilizer consumption mainly cotton
	Impact and responses to COVID-19		<p>FCFA 30 billion budgeted for the purchase of agricultural inputs and animal feed to support agricultural production. Planned quantities are 30,000 tons of fertilizers for rice, corn and cowpea. The lead partner is the Ministry of Agriculture and Hydro-agricultural Development (MAAH)</p> <p>FCFA 40 billion from the support project for the promotion of agricultural value chains (PAPFA) financed by IFAD to sustainably improve food security and the incomes of farms that are involved in the production and adding value to products in the rice, market gardening, sesame and cowpea sectors . This project should boost the use of fertilizers, especially in the production of rice, which is a strategic sector for food and nutritional security.</p> <p>June 24] bill to finance support the creation of an agribusiness bank (PACBA). The implementation of this project amounts to CFAF 5.988 billion (€9.168 million) and is being supported by the Burkinabe government and the AfDB.</p>
Prices	Commercial prices		Urea - 15,000 XOF/50KG, NPK 15-15-15 - 16,000 XOF/50KG (Rice and Maize), NPK 14-23-14 - 16,500 XOF/50KG (Cereals)
	Subsidized prizes		Urea - 12,000 XOF/50KG NPK 15 15 15 15 - 12,000 XOF/50KG NPK 14 23 14 - 12,000 XOF/50KG
	Duties and taxes		Tariffs: 0% on Simple fertilizer; 5% on NPKs VAT: 0% VAT

CAPE VERDE

LEVELS	INDICATORS	FLAG	COMMENTS
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures		999 confirmed cases 479 cured cases 8 deaths + 28% more new confirmed cases compared to the previous week
Government measures	Health measures		Effective March 28, 2020 the Government of Cabo Verde declared a “State of Emergency” that will remain in place through April 17 All citizens have been instructed to remain at home unless they need to carry out essential activities
	Economic measures		Closure of all public services and public companies, except for essential services such as airports, ports, and hospitals; and reductions to local transportation services. The World Bank Board of Executive Directors approved today a \$5 million credit from the International Development Association (IDA) to support Cabo Verde in strengthening its preparedness and response to the COVID-19 pandemic
Logistics	Port Operations		Cargo and humanitarian transport will continue but to face heightened screening measures. the port is operating almost normally.
	Inland transport		Inter-island and intra-island transport has been precautionarily limited to COVID-19
	Transit and border crossing		Almost as normal, with small additional delays/costs
	Agro input dealers		Fertilizer stores are operating normally
	Fertilizer stock availability		[May 28] Stocks cover 50% of demand
Fertilizer market Prices	Current organization		
	Volumes and types		
	Fertilizer for food crops		
	Fertilizer for cash crops		

	Impact and responses to COVID-19		
Prices	Commercial prices		
	Subsidized prizes		
	Duties and taxes		

CHAD

LEVELS	INDICATORS	FLAG	COMMENTS
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures		860 confirmed cases 770 cured cases 74 deaths + 1% new confirmed cases compared to the previous week
Government measures	Health measures		[May 21] Gov announces some relaxation in lockdown Lifting the curfew
	Economic measures		April 16] the government has mounted a response plan to the tune of 943 billion FCFA, including 25 billion FCFA to reinforce the stocks of the National Food Security Office (ONASA).
Logistics	Port Operations		June 17] The fertilizers landed at the port of Douala and were transported to Chad by road. The measures taken to combat COVID 19 have somewhat disrupted and are delaying operations. Operations continued all the same.
	Inland transport		[June 17] Intercity transportation allowed
	Transit and border crossing		June 17] Cross-border transmission continues with some disruptions
	Agro input dealers		Delays in the supply of fertilizers due to health restrictions and the closure of Cameroon's borders.
	Fertilizer stock availability		June 17] About 60% of the demand is available.
Fertilizer market Prices	Current organization		Primary distributors of fertilizer in Chad are Cotontchad for the cultivation of cotton and ANADER to small farmers (rice). About 40% of consumption is drawn from the private market.
	Volumes and types		June 17] about 42,500 t for 2020 NPK Expert of Latvia shipped 15,500 t NPKs for the Cotonchad tender awards.
	Fertilizer for food crops		[Apr 30] cereals+vegetables: around 30% of fertilizer consumption, mainly on rice.
	Fertilizer for cash crops		After 30] cotton accounts for 71% of fertilizer consumption. The formulas used are urea and NPK 19-12-19 +5S +1.2B (31,000 t in 2020) [Ministry of Agriculture and CotonTchad].
	Impact and responses to COVID-19		[apr 22] The Chadian state will allocate over FCFA 3 billion each year for 5 years to subsidize cotton fertilizer prices , with a Subsidy rate equivalent to 50%.
Prices	Commercial prices		Urea and NPK 20-10-10 = 15,000 XOF/50kg

	Subsidized prizes		<p>Cotton fertilizers: Urea = 7,500 XOF/50kg</p> <p>NPK 19-12-19- +5S +1,2B = 7,500 XOF/50Kg</p> <p>The transfer prices for cotton fertilizers are unchanged. They are fixed at the beginning of the agricultural season.</p>
	Duties and taxes		

COTE D'IVOIRE

LEVELS	INDICATORS	FLAG	COMMENTS
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures		8,164 confirmed cases 3,419 cured cases 58 deaths + 44% more new confirmed cases compared to the previous week
Government measures	Health measures		[June 11] ban, until 30 June, on gatherings of more than 50 people in Greater Abidjan and more than 200 people in cities in the interior June 25] Maintenance of the state of emergency and isolation of Abidjan until the end of June. Bars, cinemas and entertainment venues still closed in Abidjan
	Economic measures		[Apr 29] In order to limit speculation, a decree has been instituted through price ceilings for certain staple foods, namely rice, sugar, table oil, concentrated tomato and meat over a period of three months. [June 16] FCFA 120 billion has been spent on the Emergency Agricultural Programme to support the export sector to the tune of FCFA 79.54 billion, FCFA 39.96 billion for food production.
Logistics	Port Operations		[Apr 10] Government announced that all demurrages costs incurred during the pandemic will be waived for all imports [May 11] 100% exemption from penalties incurred on agricultural inputs from 15 March to 15 June 2020 June 15] The lifting of the curfew is helping to bring about a gradual return to normalcy. On ships supplying the mixers with raw materials, especially Urea, in May.
	Inland transport		[Mar 23] Essential goods (food, energy, health products) are allowed to move freely in the country [Apr 2] Government added fertilizers and agro inputs to the list of essential commodities Apr 17] no major price/cost changes
	Transit and border crossing		[Mar 23] Authorized for goods with authorization issued by the Ministry of Security [June 25] Border closures until 30 June
	Agro input dealers		[June 4] the dealers sell the fertilizer well. The fear of a Covid-19 slump is gradually dissipating, and everything is going as if nothing had happened. June 4] some delays are known in fertilizer supply, resulting in partial disruption of some types of fertilizer in some markets. June 15] Orders have been pouring in since May.
	Fertilizer stock availability		[May 14] Available fertilizers stocks for the season (+80%) and fertilizers are currently distributed to farmers.

			June 19] Approximately 42,000 t (Urea, MOP,) are being delivered to cover the year's demand, and to cover sales to Mali and Burkina Faso.
Fertilizer market Prices	Current organization		Côte d'Ivoire fertilizer market is a fully liberalized market. The fertilizer market is driven by cash crops. 4 major cash crops (cotton, Cocoa, Oil Palm, Sugar Cane) account 83% of fertilizer consumption.
	Volumes and types		Its annual fertilizer demand is accounting 297,000 t (Average on 2016-2019) In 2019: 380,000 t (Apparent Consumption)
	Fertilizer for food crops		food crops account only 10% of the fertilizer market. Maize: 5% (NPK+Urea) Rice: 4% (NPK+Urea)
	Fertilizer for cash crops		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cocoa : 30% of Fertilizers (NPK only) • Cotton : 32% of fertilizers used in total (7% for Urea and 26% for NPK) • Others (Oil Palm+Sugar canne + Banana) : 15% of total fertilizers (NPK+Urea)
	Impact and responses to COVID-19		<p>[May 8] FCFA 300 billions to support agriculture : FCFA 250 billions for cash crops and FCFA 50 billions for food crops</p> <p>[Mar 7] FCFA 50 billion in support of the agricultural sector, of which FCFA 10 billion for food have already been spent on the emergency plan.</p> <p>[Apr 27] The Emergency Rice Program will enable the production of an additional 500,000 of milled rice, and will provide a concrete response to the harmful effects of COVID-19 on the industry. This will lead to an additional demand for agricultural inputs and thus fertilizers for the rice sector. The programme will require orders of 10,000 t Uree and 5,000 t NPK for the current season. Several companies have been contacted for quotations</p>
Prices	Commercial prices		NPK T15 : FCFA 14,000 /50 Kg bag PK 0-23-19 : FCFA 15,000 /50 Kg bag Urea : FCFA 14,000 /50 Kg bag
	Subsidized prizes		N/A
	Duties and taxes		Tariffs: 0% on straight fertilizers; 5% on NPK compound VAT: 0% VAT

THE GAMBIA

LEVELS	INDICATORS	FLAG	COMMENTS
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures		42 confirmed cases 26 cured cases 2 deaths +24% new confirmed cases compared to the previous week
Government measures	Health measures		
	Economic measures		
Logistics	Port Operations		
	Inland transport		
	Transit and border crossing		
	Agro input dealers		
	Fertilizer stock availability		
Fertilizer market Prices	Current organization		The Ministry of Agriculture is the main importer of fertilizer. The private market is almost nonexistent. Fertilizer is distributed through cooperatives.
	Volumes and types		Quantity of subsidized fertilizer distributed in 2019: 7,500 t. Forecast of the quantities of fertilizer to be subsidized for the 2020-2021: 14,000 t
	Fertilizer for food crops		Fertilizers are mainly used on food crops (rice, maize)
	Fertilizer for cash crops		
	Impact and responses to COVID-19		
Prices	Commercial prices		Urea = 1,000 Dalasi = FCFA 12,000 per 50 kg bag
	Subsidized prizes		700 Dalasi per 50kg bag
	Duties and taxes		Tariffs: 0% on Simple fertilizer; 5% on NPKs VAT: 0% VAT

GHANA

LEVELS	INDICATORS	FLAG	COMMENTS
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures		15,013 confirmed cases 11,078 cured cases 95 deaths +23% new confirmed cases compared to the previous week
Government measures	Health measures		Three after imposing the lockdown on the greater Accra Region and Kumasi, The President of the Republic of Ghana, Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo lifted the restriction. However, wearing face masks when going out and observance of social distancing are still compulsory.
	Economic measures		Bank of Ghana and private banks reduced interest rates and other fees to support SMEs.
Logistics	Port Operations		During the lockdown period there was a serious slowdown at the Tema port. The situation has mostly normalized since.
	Inland transport		in country, especially that of goods is mostly normal.
	Transit and border crossing		Cargos are permitted in and out of Ghana, though drivers and mates are to be tested for COVID-19 at the borders.
	Agro input dealers		Retail stores are largely in operation, with no major obstacles reported.
	Fertilizer stock availability		Despite delays there is enough stock already within the country to ensure a normal distribution of PFJ Fertilizer.
Fertilizer market Prices	Current organization		Farmers in Ghana, especially small holders, access fertilizer through two subsidy mechanisms. These are the Planting for Food and Job program that covers food crops and the COCOBOD for cocoa farmers.
	Volumes and types		The total demand of fertilizer in Ghana this year can be estimated at around 700 t
	Fertilizer for food crops		PFJ Program has called for 394 t of inorganic fertilizer in 2020
	Fertilizer for cash crops		COCOBOD has announced Subsidy for 350 t in 2020
	Impact and responses to COVID-19		With an already large subsidy program on the ground; Ghana did not have specific response to COVID19 in the fertilizer Sector
Prices	Commercial prices		Urea 50kg - 115 GHS NPK 50kg (23:10:5) - 114 GHS NPK 50kg (20:10:10 + S) - 130 GHS

	Subsidized prizes		PFJ Prices Urea 25kg - 40 GHS NPK 25kg (23:10:5) - 42 GHS (for every NPK) NPK 25kg (20:10:10 + S) - 42 GHS
	Duties and taxes		Tariffs: 0% on straight fertilizers; 5% on NPK VAT: 0% VAT

GUINEA

LEVELS	INDICATORS	FLAG	COMMENTS
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures		5,174 confirmed cases 3,861 cured cases 29 deaths + 12% more new confirmed cases compared to the previous week
Government measures	Health measures		[May 16] The curfew is lifted inside the country, In Conakry it remains. It is now from 11PM to AM Gathering of 30 people maximum allowed. [June 16] state of emergency extended for 30 days
	Economic measures		Access to public and private places (markets, restaurants, banks, etc.) will be subject to the respect of sanitary barriers) Approval by the President of an "economic response plan" to Covid-19, endowed with more than Guinean francs 3,000 billion (292 million euros).
Logistics	Port Operations		The billing of demurrage at the port and airport is suspended for three months [June 24] Port health team has to inspect vessels crew before local pilots ; authorities and stevedore come on board and also air and land borders is closed.
	Inland transport		[May 14] The transport of fertilizers and other goods is allowed (the driver and 2 assistants); however, these persons may only travel with negative test results available after 48 hours
	Transit and border crossing		Road Freight: Border closed since March 22nd
	Agro input dealers		Open but farmer's reluctance to buy
	Fertilizer stock availability		[May 14]The available stock of fertilizer is insufficient to cover the needs of the season especially for food crops (Rice and vegetables); The following imports are planned <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30,400 tons of urea; • 21,600 tons of NPK 15 15 15; • 1,200 tons of cotton fertilizer.
Fertilizer market Prices	Current organization		The ongoing fertilizer subsidy in Guinea has enabled the country to acquire 100,000 t of fertilizer in 2017 to cover 2 agricultural seasons. The subsidy is intended for almost all crops but mainly for cereals (rice, maize) and vegetables. The private market is small, mainly for fruits and vegetables / potatoes

	Volumes and types		<p>35,000 t to 50,000 t (NPK 15 15 15, Cotton NPK and Urea) [May 27]30 400 t of Urea; 21 600 t NPK 15-15-15 and 1 200 t of cotton fertilizers have been ordered for this campaign for the government subsidy program</p> <p>Food crops (cereals and vegetables) and cotton are the targeted crops</p> <p>The Ministry of Agriculture has issued a tender to purchase 30,400 t of urea for shipment during May to September.</p>
	Fertilizer for food crops		96% of total fertilizers used on cereals and vegetable crop (38 KT of NPK and 15 KT of Urea)
	Fertilizer for cash crops		Only 4% of fertilizers go on cash crops especially on cocoa
	Impact and responses to COVID-19		<p>Planned to distribute 50,000 t of fertilizers for cotton and cereals. The subsidy rate represents 50% of the commercial price of fertilizer (NPK and Urea)</p> <p>[June 11] - From Argus report – covid-19 stymies government attempt to hold tender for NPK 15-15-15 and Urea but informal discussions ongoing</p> <p>[May 16] the government announces support for cashew nuts, potato, and pineapple sectors, which have been strongly impacted by the crisis</p>
Prices	Commercial prices		<p>NPK 15-15-15 = GNF 270000</p> <p>Urea = GNF 265000</p>
	Subsidized prizes		<p>NPK 15-15-15: GNF 1350000</p> <p>Urea: GNF 132500</p> <p>Subsidized prices are fixed at the beginning of the agricultural season.</p>
	Duties and taxes		<p>[Tariffs: 0% on straight fertilizers; 5% on NPK</p> <p>VAT: 0% VAT</p>

GUINEA BISSAU

LEVELS	INDICATORS	FLAG	COMMENTS
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures		1,556 confirmed cases 191 cured cases 19 deaths + 4% new confirmed cases compared to the previous week
Government measures	Health measures		The curfew is maintained, but the population can now go out for one hour between 07:00 and 18:00. All cafés, restaurants and bakeries are restricted to take-away sales.
	Economic measures		Closure of all non-essential businesses except for grocery stores, drugstores..
Logistics	Port Operations		Port is still operates but vessel will be inspected and controlled by health Authorities
	Inland transport		June 10] the traffic permit for public transport.
	Transit and border crossing		The closure of land borders and a ban on all flights landing at Osvaldo Viera International Airport beginning All movement from land or airport has been suspended as of 18th March 2020 until further notice.
	Agro input dealers		
	Fertilizer stock availability		More than 50% of fertilizer stocks are available for the season. However, if stocks are reduced, irrigated rice and lowland rice cultivation will be heavily impacted.
Fertilizer market Prices	Current organization		Main of fertilizers come from donors through project development No fertilizer market
	Volumes and types		
	Fertilizer for food crops		Fertilizers are mainly used on rice (more than 75%) and vegetable crops
	Fertilizer for cash crops		Main cash crop is cashew nut and no fertilizers is used on this crop
	Impact and responses to COVID-19		With the support of Japanese cooperation, the supply of fertilizers for rice to the government makes possible to reduce fertilizer price to farmers
Prices	Commercial prices		May Urea: FCFA 16,000-17,000 NPK T15: FCFA 18,000

	Subsidized prizes		n/a
	Duties and taxes		

LIBERIA

LEVELS	INDICATORS	FLAG	COMMENTS
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures		662 confirmed cases 270 cases cured 34 deaths + 30% more new confirmed cases compared to the previous week
Government measures	Health measures		[30th April] The Government of Liberia has extended the lockdown by another 2 weeks and has made the use of face masks compulsory in public places. [22th June] extension of a state of emergency, announced on April 8 and due to expire on Monday, for another 30 days until July 21 The government announced that a 21:00 curfew would henceforth start at 18:00, ending as before at 06:00
	Economic measures		On monday 13th April, the IMF granted Liberia debt service relief under the Catastrophe Containment and Relief Trust (CCRT) in order to address the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The US embassy in Liberia has donated approximately \$40 million as part of its yearly \$100 million commitment to the health sector to assist in curbing the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic. The World Bank has approved a \$7.5 million International Development Association (IDA) financing to help Liberia respond effectively to the COVID-19 pandemic.
Logistics	Port Operations		Sea Freight: Sea port is open under health task force observation
	Inland transport		Authorities have urged people to minimize travel within Liberia The Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) and the Executive Committee on COVID-19 (ECOC) have launched Liberia's first Agriculture Transport Permit System, a tool that enables agriculture authorities to grant temporary permission to agriculture actors to move between approved counties amidst the lockdown.
	Transit and border crossing		On Monday, March 30, authorities announced the immediate closure of the country's land borders with Guinea and Cote d'Ivoire in an effort to contain the spread of COVID-19
	Agro input dealers		Risk of closures in lockdown counties

	Fertilizer stock availability		[May 14] Supply of inputs is limited in Liberia. This situation has a significant impact on the large agricultural companies that are the biggest users of fertilizer. Some of them are planning to reduce their operations because of their inability to import essential inputs, including fertilizer.
Fertilizer market Prices	Current organization		The small fertilizers market is dominated by cash crops (more than 70%, especially oil palm and rubber, who import their own fertilizers). Smallholders farmers will benefit of the food security emergency response plan COVID-19 initiated by the government.
	Volumes and types		Estimated 4,000 T
	Fertilizer for food crops		Less than 30% of fertilizers are used by smallholders (mainly on rice)
	Fertilizer for cash crops		Fertilizers market is dominated by cash crops (more than 70%, especially oil palm and rubber)
	Impact and responses to COVID-19		[May 27] The government, through the food security emergency response plan COVID-19, has accelerated the process of purchasing various types of fertilizers and tractors for distribution to the country's farmers before the planting season.
Prices	Commercial prices		Urea \$45 per 50kg bag NPK \$45-50 per 50 kg bag
	Subsidized prizes		n/a
	Duties and taxes		n/a

MALI

LEVELS	INDICATORS	FLAG	COMMENTS
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures		2,001 confirmed cases 1,333 cured cases 112 deaths + 6% new confirmed cases compared to the previous week
Government measures	Health measures		June 17] the lifting of the curfew and the reopening of recreational facilities since 3 June.
	Economic measures		No restrictions. The public and private sectors continue normal work Cutting down working time by 2 hours. New working hours (from 7H30 to 14H00 without break)
Logistics	Port Operations		Two major ports serving Mali (Dakar and Abidjan) are operating for commodities and fertilizers Operational, but with delay in customs operations at the border due to COVID-19 barriers measures.
	Inland transport		Slightly lower transport supply due to the deteriorated cash flow situation of several transport companies; Slow public transport due to numerous checkpoints
	Transit and border crossing		Cross border transport are ongoing for goods trade, border closed for passenger transportation. Borders are open to the movement of goods including fertilizers But a lot of checkpoints, cumbersome procedures...
	Agro input dealers		June 4] Sales are still shy because it's only the beginning of the agricultural season June 24] Some farmers like those in the Koutiala area would refuse to grow cotton this year. Negotiations between the cotton growers, CMDT and the Malian government are still ongoing. Regarding the 2020-2021 agricultural campaign, agro dealers have started selling unsubsidized fertilizers to individual farmers since mid-May in Sikasso and since early June in Ségou.
	Fertilizer stock availability		[May 14] Stocks cover more than 80% of demand June 4] suppliers are well supplied. June 19] last deliveries are made for the CMDT crop year. Many agro dealers have old stocks of fertilizer which they can sell during this agricultural campaign. There is no problem of fertilizer supply at the level of agro dealers. Major fertilizer distributors such as TOGUNA, DPA, etc. are able to meet their demand for chemical fertilizers. Elephant Vert, PROFEBA are able to meet their demands for organic fertilizers.

Fertilizer market Prices	Current organization		<p>Several public fertilizer distribution systems co-exist in Mali: These include cotton sector (CMDT, National Union of Cooperative Societies of Cotton Producers and the OHVN), rice sector with Regional directorates of agriculture and agricultural development offices (Office du Niger, Office Riz Ségou, Office Riz Mopti, OPIB, Office de Selingué etc.), and Agricultural development agencies and programs.</p> <p>The sale of subsidized fertilizer for the 2020-2021 agricultural campaign has not yet started in Mali. However, the traditional sale of fertilizers by agro dealers in order to meet the needs of the dry season was regular in the Office du Niger area (Ségou) from October 2019 to February 2020 for vegetables and from February to June 2020 for irrigated rice</p>
	Volumes and types		<p>Quantity of subsidized fertilizers distributed in 2019: 446,045 tons</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inorganic fertilizer demand for 2020: 704,470 T • Organic fertilizer demand for 2020: 148,304 T • Total fertilizer demand for 2020: 852,774 T <p>The main types of fertilizers used in Mali are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPK 14-18-18 + 6S + 1B Complex or Bulk cotton for cotton • NPK 18-46-0 DAP for rice and sugar cane • NPK 16-26-12 + 4.5S + 0.3Zn for rice • NPK 17-17-17-17-4S Complex or Bulk cereals for maize, millet, sorghum • NPK 10-15-20-5S-0.3Zn-0.02B for potatoes and vegetable crops. • Urea for all cultures. • MOP for sugar cane.
	Fertilizer for food crops		Fertilizers used for cereal 2019: 271,458 tons = 39%
	Fertilizer for cash crops		<p>Fertilizers used for cotton 2019: 424,587 tons = 61% June 17] Cotton Mali: The new system provides for subsidizing the price of cotton purchased from farmers rather than the price of fertilizer. If this is implemented, the farmer would have to buy fertilizer at market price. The farmer would then have to pay FCFA 18,000 for the purchase of a 50 kg bag of fertilizer.</p>
	Impact and responses to COVID-19		<p>06/10/2020]</p> <p>The government plans to provide XOF 35 billion in subsidies to cotton producers. Usually this subsidy is used to pay part of the fertilizer purchase price. During the 2020-2021 agricultural campaign, because of the fall in the price of cotton on the international market, the CMDT and the other players in the sector decided to reorient the use of this subsidy. In fact, each producer will receive a bonus of CFA</p>

			<p>50 per kg on the basis of the volume produced during the agricultural campaign.</p> <p>June 17] Cotton crisis: discussions are underway to formulate proposals for solutions to be examined by the Government at the request of the National Assembly.</p> <p>The average growth rate of fertilizer use for cereals and cotton in Mali is estimated at 22.52% between agricultural season (2019-2020) and agricultural season (2020-2021). Demand for prilled urea and DAP for the “Riz Initiative” campaign could be in the 150,000-160,000t range for all fertilizers.</p>
Prices	Commercial prices		<p>April</p> <p>Urea: 50 kg bag: FCFA 16,000</p> <p>NPK 17 17 17 17 +4 S: 50 kg bag: FCFA 20,000</p> <p>NPK 14 18 18 +6S + 0,1 B 50 kg bag: FCFA 20,000</p> <p>May</p> <p>Urea: 50 kg bag: FCFA 16,000</p> <p>NPK 17 17 17 17 +4 S: 50 kg bag: FCFA 17,500</p> <p>NPK 14 18 18 +6S + 0,1 B 50 kg bag: FCFA 18,000</p>
	Subsidized prizes		<p>April</p> <p>Urea: 50 kg bag: FCFA 11,000</p> <p>NPK 17 17 17 17 +4 S: 50 kg bag: FCFA 11,000</p> <p>NPK 14 18 18 +6S + 0,1 B 50 kg bag: FCFA 11,000</p> <p>Same price for all types of subsidized fertilizers</p> <p>May</p> <p>Urea: 50 kg bag: FCFA 11, 000</p> <p>NPK 17 17 17 17 +4 S: 50 kg bag: FCFA 11,000</p> <p>NPK 14 18 18 +6S + 0,1 B 50 kg bag: FCFA 11,000</p> <p>Same price for all types of subsidized fertilizers</p> <p>Price and Quality of Fertilizers</p> <p>Compared to the previous agricultural campaign, retail prices of fertilizers at the level of agro dealers are stable or slightly increasing.</p> <p>In Mali, fertilizer samples from importers 'and blenders' stores are tested by a laboratory (LABOSEP) approved by the Ministry of Agriculture before sale to agro dealers.</p>
	Duties and taxes		<p>Tariffs: 0% on straight fertilizers; 5% on NPK</p> <p>VAT: 0% VAT</p>

MAURITANIA

LEVELS	INDICATORS	FLAG	COMMENTS
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures		3,519 confirmed cases 1,074 cured cases 116 deaths + 58% new confirmed cases compared to the previous week
Government measures	Health measures		All major airports closed Curfew (from 8pm to 6am until further) imposed until further notice Schools and universities are closed Gatherings of festivals, sporting events banned [May] reopening of places of worship and markets
	Economic measures		The World Bank allocated a \$5.2 million grant to Mauritania through the International Development Association for strengthening the nation's health system in the wake of COVID-19
Logistics	Port Operations		[Apr 28] The Port is operational. Fertilizers continue to arrive through the port. Logistics operations are not impacted Slowdown in operations due to downsizing
	Inland transport		[Apr 28] Operates normally. Goods continue to circulate. Transport costs are stable
	Transit and border crossing		8 out of Mauritania's 45 border crossings remain active for the transportation of goods and food
	Agro input dealers		[Apr 28] Fertilizer sales continue as usual
	Fertilizer stock availability		Fertilizers are rarely stored. It is a market driven by the demand for the subsidized fertilizers distributed by the CSA. Fertilizers ordered by CSA are placed directly at the farmer level. CSA has placed an order for 19,500 t of urea.
Fertilizer market Prices	Current organization		[Apr 28] Subsidized by the Mauritanian State. Supply needs are set by the Ministry of Rural Development, every year before the national agricultural season, which is always launched by the President of the Republic. Subsidy rates are 50% for cooperatives, 40% for the private sector. Distribution is made through the points of sale of CSA (Food Safety Commission) which ensures the coordination of agricultural inputs mainly at Rosso, Boghé, Celibaby, and all along the river for all farmers.
	Volumes and types		[Apr 28] Volume 2019 = 39,700 tons of which 29,000 tons of Urea and 10,700 tons of DAP. [Apr 28] Volume 2020 (east) 40,000 tons

			Apr 2020, Mauritania issued a call for tenders for 19,500 tons of Urea
	Fertilizer for food crops		[Apr 30] 100% of subsidized fertilizers are used on cereals mainly rice. Fertilizer types urea and DAP
	Fertilizer for cash crops		
	Impact and responses to COVID-19		[Apr 30]. Rice is a priority strategic sector for food security. The state will likely increase the amount of subsidized fertilizer for farmers who are satisfied and want more.
Prices	Commercial prices		[Apr 28] No private market. Fertilizers are subsidized for all farmers. [May] 100% subsidized, no commercial price.
	Subsidized prizes		Prices are fixed at the beginning of the agricultural season. Urea: for cooperatives at 9,3 mru/kg and 11 mru /kg for private individuals. DAP: for cooperatives at 13 mru/kg et 14 mru/kg for private individuals
	Duties and taxes		

NIGER

LEVELS	INDICATORS	FLAG	COMMENTS
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures		1,056 confirmed cases 917 cured cases 67 deaths + 4% new confirmed cases compared to the previous week
Government measures	Health measures		May 15] Reduction of restrictive measures, reopening of schools and places of worship and lifting of curfews Lifting of the isolation measure of the city of Niamey
	Economic measures		Establishment of off-take credit facilities for any importer who so desires for a period of 15 to 90 days, conditional on the production of a bank guarantee
Logistics	Port Operations		May 14] Slow progress in the port countries supplying Niger leading to delays in fertilizer supply Lack of port labour due to COVID-19 extending the delay by 1 to 2 months + additional costs
	Inland transport		May 18] Resumption of interurban transport activities following the lifting of the isolation of the city of Niamey on 28 March.
	Transit and border crossing		May 14] Cumbersome customs control procedures for the internal transport of fertilizers leading to unjustified additional costs (incidental expenses) and higher transport costs.
	Agro input dealers		June 4] Replenishment is becoming difficult due to health restrictions and the closure of Nigerian borders. Agrodealers are forced to turn to Togo, Mali and Burkina Faso for supplies. June 25] demand is relatively low. No significant sales between retailers and farmers due to the delay in the implementation of the subsidy. Farmers prefer to sow without fertilizer and without delay. This delay will inevitably affect yields.
	Fertilizer stock availability		Breakdown of NPK 15 15 15 and Urea in almost all production areas [17 apr] From January to March 2020 1,585 tons of fertilizers entered the country May 14] stocks cover less than 30% of demand, which could affect vegetable crops. June 4] the local market is supplied in small quantities through Benin, Togo, Mali and Nigeria. Stock-outs observed for NPK 15 15 fertilizers and Urea in Agadez, Niamey, and Tillabéri. June 4] CAIMA launches an order for 35,000 tons of fertilizer

Fertilizer market Prices	Current organization		CAIMA is responsible for the distribution of subsidised fertilizers. The subsidy rate is 50% for all crops. The fertilizers ordered are placed directly at the farmers' level. The amounts and volumes of the subsidy to be allocated to inputs by the government are currently being validated.
	Volumes and types		Volumes consumed in 2019: 80,000 t; the government bought 45,000 t with CAIMA and sold it to farmers at a price of FCFA 13,500 per 50kg bag (all fertilizers combined). Demand 2020 (estimated) 68,708 t of which Urea (28,827 t) NPK 15 15 15 (25,687 t) DAP (14,215 t)
	Fertilizer for food crops		More than 80% of subsidized fertilizers are used on cereals and vegetable crops
	Fertilizer for cash crops		Less than 20% of subsidized fertilizers are used on cereals and vegetable
	Impact and responses to COVID-19		
Prices	Commercial prices		<p>April NPK 15 15 15 = 14,400 XOF/50Kg Urea 14,200 XOF / 50 kg</p> <p>May NPK 15 15 15 = 15.125 XOF/50kg (average) Urea = 14.320 XOF/50KG (average)</p> <p>June 4] Rising fertilizer prices from Benin and Togo, and relative stability in fertilizer prices transiting through the border with Nigeria</p>
	Subsidized prizes		<p>April NPK 15 15 15 and Urea - 13,500 XOF/50KG (all crops)</p> <p>May NPK 15 15 15 and Urea: 13,500 XOF/50kg (all crops)</p> <p>For the 2020 campaign, officially we still don't know the exact price of the subsidy, or even how it will be paid.</p>
	Duties and taxes		Tariffs: 0% on Simple fertilizer; 5% on NPK 5% on NPK VAT: 19%. Negotiations between the Government and the IFDC's PARSEN programme are under way to abolish VAT.

NIGERIA

LEVELS	INDICATORS	FLAG	COMMENTS
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures		22,020 confirmed cases 7613 cases cured 542 deaths + 28% more new confirmed cases compared to the previous week
Government measures	Health measures		Since May, the Federal government has lifted the lockdown on Abuja and Lagos. Also, several states lifted the lockdown imposed by the state Governments. However, interstate travel and social distancing are still enforced. In addition, wearing of the mask is now compulsory in most places.
	Economic measures		The CBN has intervened to support SMEs with reduced interest rates and a moratorium. The FG has also stepped in with a stipend of 5000 per month over a period of 3 months for poor families.
Logistics	Port Operations		With Lagos lockdown, the port was getting congested as only essential goods were allowed to move and several workers were under the stay at home order. Since, the lifting of the lockdown operations are going smoothly again.
	Inland transport		Interstate transport is still restricted to essential goods. Even Though, fertilizers are essential goods, the restriction still puts a burden on the transport. The lack of business and harassment from law enforcement agents forced transporters to increase prices.
	Transit and border crossing		Border crossing for fertilizers permitted with authorisations Land borders and airports completely closed to human traffic
	Agro input dealers		Agro dealers continue to operate shops and to serve farmers in rural areas. However, they are affected by high transport prices and law enforcement harassment. Also, prices to farmers have started to rise has urea production has stopped at both producing plants.
	Fertilizer stock availability		While there is enough stock of DAP and MOP for NPK production, the urea production stopped at Indorama and Notore.
Fertilizer market Prices	Current organization		NPK 20 10 10 is provided at a reduced cost by the Presidential Fertilizer Initiative. Urea and other grades are still provided through normal distribution channels.
	Volumes and types		In 2019 about 800KT of fertilizer was consumed in the country. There was no PFI production.

			The demand of fertilizer in 2020 is estimated at 1 200 000 tons including 600 T PFI NPK
	Fertilizer for food crops		About 1M t of Fertilizer including almost all the PFI NPK 20-10-10 go to food crops (Maize, Sorghum).
	Fertilizer for cash crops		About 200 T of various grades go to cash crops
	Impact and responses to COVID-19		The Federal Government has reduced the price of NPK fertilizer from N5,500 to N5,000 per 50kg bag, Governor Muhamad Badaru of Jigawa, who is the Chairman, Presidential Fertilizer Initiative (PFI), has announced.
Prices	Commercial prices		Urea Average Price 6,500 Naira Per 50Kg bag NPK 20 10 10 Price 9,000 Naira Per 50Kg bag
	Subsidized prizes		NPK 20 10 10 (PFI) Price 5,500 Naira despite Government intervention to push PFI 20-10-10 Price 5,000, farmers is the country are still paying an average of 5,500Naitra per 50kg Bag
	Duties and taxes		Tariffs: 0% on straight fertilizers; 5% on NPK VAT: 0% VAT

SENEGAL

LEVELS	INDICATORS	FLAG	COMMENTS
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures		6129 confirmed cases 4072 cured cases 93 deaths + 17% new confirmed cases compared to the previous week
Government measures	Health measures		[Apr 1] Restrictions on most businesses except for essential ones including banks, health workers, grocery stores, etc. [May 12] No restrictions. "Business as usual" for the public and private sectors. The office hours are changed from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
	Economic measures		[Apr 10] FCFA 1,000 billion Economic and Social Resilience Program with national and international mobilization to replenish the Covid-19 Pandemic Response and Solidarity Fund. The private sector has already contributed FCFA 10 billion.
Logistics	Port Operations		The port is active, but crew quarantines can lead to delays.
	Inland transport		[June 11] On June 4, the Government of Senegal lifted the ban on travel between regions. Public transportation limitations eased for farm workers
	Transit and border crossing		The passage of goods is allowed but there may be delays and congestion due to mandatory testing of drivers.
	Agro input dealers		May 14] Markets reopened, farmers' fertilizer purchases resumed. June 4] The first notifications of the lists of fertiliser distributors approved under the subsidy have been available since mid-May. Fertiliser distributors have started to set up their quotas at the level of the distribution commissions.
	Fertilizer stock availability		No stock problems envisaged. Fertilizer suppliers are working hard to increase available stocks.
Fertilizer market Prices	Current organization		The subsidy rate is equivalent to 50 per cent of the purchase price of fertilizers and covers groundnuts, cereals and vegetables. Cotton fertilizer is not subsidized. In 2020, the cost of the subsidy programme is CFAF 23.7 billion.
	Volumes and types		The size of the market is estimated at 160,000 tons. Subsidized volumes 2019: 122,500 tons of which NPK (75,000 tons), Urea (47,500 tons) Subsidized volumes 2020: 150,000 tons including NPK (87,000 tons) Urea (63,000 tons)
	Fertilizer for food crops		The 3 main cereals (Rice + Millet + Maize) = 63% of fertilizer consumption with rice (36%), millet (17%), maize (10%)
	Fertilizer for cash crops		Groundnuts account for about 17% of fertilizer consumption and cotton 3%.
	Impact and responses to COVID-19		A document on food security in response to COVID 19 was prepared by the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Equipment (MAER) of Senegal. The government has increased the subsidy rate from 50% to about 80% on certain products (urea + DAP used in rice).

Prices	Commercial prices	<p>April NPK 6 20 10 = 13.500 XOF/50Kg (peanut, cowpea, sesame) NPK 15 15 15 = 16, 850 XOF/50Kg (cereals) DAP = 17.600 XOF/50Kg (irrigated rice) Urea = 16.600 XOF/50Kg</p> <p>May NPK 6 20 10 = 11.500 XOF/50Kg (peanut, cowpea, sesame) NPK 15 15 15 = 13.000 XOF/50Kg (cereals) DAP = 14.500 XOF/50Kg (irrigated rice) Urea = 15.500 XOF/50Kg The price of urea is mainly between XOF 12,000 and 17,000 in most cities, with the exception of Ziguinchor and Casamence which have a higher price of XOF 25,000.</p>
	Subsidized prizes	<p>NPK 6 20 10 = 6.100 XOF/50Kg (peanut, cowpea, sesame) NPK 15 15 15 = 8.425 XOF/50Kg (cereals) DAP = 8.800 XOF/50Kg (irrigated rice) Urea = 7.975 XOF/50Kg</p>
	Duties and taxes	<p>Tariffs: 0% on straight fertilizers; 5% on NPK VAT: 0% VAT</p>

SIERRA-LEONE

LEVELS	INDICATORS	FLAG	COMMENTS
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures		1354 confirmed cases 869 cured cases 56 deaths + 11% more new confirmed cases compared to the previous week
Government measures	Health measures		Since June 24 th , the curfew is adjusted from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. A ban on all public gatherings of more than 100 people to prevent spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak.
	Economic measures		Sierra Leone receives 7.5 M USD from world bank for COVID responses IMF Executive Board Approves US\$143 Million Disbursement to Sierra Leone to Address the COVID-19 Pandemic
Logistics	Port Operations		Sea Freight: Port and Customs still operating, BCP in place for Logistics, Shipping and Terminal to keep on operating.
	Inland transport		The lifting of the ban on inter-district travel starting on Wednesday, 24th June 2020. Once all measures are in place, commercial flights will resume in the very short run
	Transit and border crossing		All border with neighbor countries are closed. Airport closure since March 21st. Cargo planes are still allowed.
	Agro input dealers		Free flow of goods into the country, including agro inputs Agri inputs shops can be closed in some areas as supply are not regular
	Fertilizer stock availability		Less than 50% of available stocks of fertilizers. It could have a shortage of main crops which use fertilizers: Rice, Maize and vegetables
Fertilizer market Prices	Current organization		The fertilizer market is dominated by cash crops (large scale farms) that directly import their fertilizers. The private market is low and smallholders' farmers use mostly fertilizers when subsidized fertilizer is available. For now, Transporters of goods including agro inputs (fertilizers) are required to have a pass to move from one district to another.
	Volumes and types		8000 T
	Fertilizer for food crops		30% of fertilizers used on food crops mainly on rice
	Fertilizer for cash crops		70% of fertilizers is used on cash crop (oil palm and sugar cane)
	Impact and responses to COVID-19		[May 14] The Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry is part of Cluster 5: Local food production for the COVID-19 emergency response. and are supporting farmers to produce rice through mechanization which ensures social distancing. [May 14]WFP provided their trucks for transportation of the seeds as part of their support to the COVID-19 emergency response
Prices	Commercial prices		Urea = \$46 NPK 15 15 15 15 = \$46

			Very little supply in the market, and prices haven't changed. Prices may change when new stock arrives.
	Subsidized prizes		Subsidy in SL is in the form of commodity exchange: 50Kg bag of fertilizers for 50Kg bag of rice seeds.
	Duties and taxes		

TOGO

LEVELS	INDICATORS	FLAG	COMMENTS
Covid-19	Key COVID-19 figures		583 confirmed cases 392 cured cases 14 deaths +9% new confirmed cases compared to the previous week
Government measures	Health measures		In April , the government declared a state of emergency throughout the country and a curfew. Also, the most affected towns were cordoned off. All over the country, schools, places of worship and restaurants were closed. Since 9 June, there has been a gradual return to normality with the lifting of the curfew and the curfew regulations, as well as the reopening of schools, places of worship and restaurants. However, barrier measures remain in force and the wearing of masks is compulsory.
	Economic measures		Among the response measures, Togo has set up the NOVISI programme, which consists of money transfers to all individuals who have lost their source of income.
Logistics	Port Operations		The port is in operation without restriction
	Inland transport		After a period during which transportation was difficult due to the closure of some cities, activities have been normalized since mid-June.
	Transit and border crossing		Only the passage of goods is allowed for the moment.
	Agro input dealers		Although at the beginning of the pandemic, farmers had somewhat deserted retail stores, this situation did not last. Retailers have remained active and continue to provide inputs with standardization.
	Fertilizer stock availability		Togo is recording one of its largest fertilizer supplies this year with an estimated volume about double its usual consumption of 61KT. Much of this volume is already available.
Fertilizer market Prices	Current organization		Usually Togo gives a subsidy to farmers for only a few food crops. This subsidy is part of the AGRIPME program for poor farmers. The funds are given directly to the farmer in an electronic wallet and used exclusively to cover part of the amount for the purchase of fertilizers from private distributors. Cash crops such as cotton are not normally covered by the program.
	Volumes and types		Togo's average fertilizer demand is estimated at 61,000 tons. But with the exceptional intervention of the state in the face of COVID19 , the demand for 2020 is estimated at 120,000 tons.

	Fertilizer for food crops		Approximately 30,000 t of NPK T15 and 20,000 t of Urea; for food crops mainly maize.
	Fertilizer for cash crops		Approximately 50,000 t NPK 15-15-15 and 20,000 t in 2020 mainly for Cotton and Soya
	Impact and responses to COVID-19		Initially planned for 80,000 farmers, the government has extended the AGRIPME project to 512,000 farm households, boosting demand this year.
Prices	Commercial prices		NPK 15 15 15 15 = 12,000 XOF/50KG Urea = 13,500 XOF/50KG
	Subsidized prizes		9 000 XOF /50kg bag for NPK and Urea
	Duties and taxes		Tariffs: 0% on straight fertilizers; 5% on NPK VAT: 0% VAT

About the West Africa Fertilizer Watch

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the West Africa Fertilizer Association (WAFA), the International Fertilizer Development Center (IFDC) and its AfricaFertilizer.org (AFO) initiative have launched the West Africa Fertilizer Watch on April 10th, 2020. The West Africa Watch has been greatly appreciated by private sector businesses all along the value chain, public sector and development partners responsible for policy and food security interventions, including Government Ministries, Regional Economic Communities (ECOWAS, CILSS, UEMOA), and the African Union as a valuable tool to monitor actions and analyze data to help in decision making related to fertilizer availability and use. More info on [IFDC website](#)



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About WAFA, IFDC & AfricaFertilizer.org



The West African Fertilizer Association (WAFA) is a non-profit private sector initiative established to address the

challenges of the fertilizer industry in West Africa. Representing all the ECOWAS countries, the member companies combine resources to find solutions to market challenges and promote best practices in fertilizer production and use in order to optimize the region's potential for crop production and food security. Established in 2016, the association has 58 member companies in 11 different countries.



The AfricaFertilizer.org (AFO) initiative is the premier source for fertilizer statistics and information in Africa. It is hosted by IFDC and supported by several partners, key among them being IFA, Argus Media, and Development Gateway. Since 2009, AFO has been collecting, processing, and publishing fertilizer production, trade, and consumption statistics for the main fertilizer markets in sub-Saharan Africa. AFO has an extensive network of fertilizer industry players in the main fertilizer trade corridors and maintains key information on the major producers, their production facilities and capacities, importers/suppliers, various distribution channels, and agricultural service suppliers (laboratory services, research, credit providers, and warehousing/storage ser

