

Spices: Approximate Average Monthly New York Spot Prices

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	-----Dollars per pound-----												
1999	2.725	2.750	2.750	2.780	2.775	2.863	3.080	3.800	3.950	3.580	3.375	3.280	3.142
2000	3.213	3.300	3.310	3.300	3.275	3.230	3.138	3.075	3.000	2.950	2.950	2.890	3.136
2001	2.813	2.763	2.750										

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Pimento (Allspice)													
Guatemalan/Honduran													
1997	0.914	0.950	0.950	0.950	0.970	0.965	0.950	0.950	0.928	0.950	0.965	0.970	0.951
1998	0.970	0.970	0.970	0.985	0.990	0.970	0.994	1.123	N/A	1.400	N/A	N/A	1.041
1999	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1.950	1.790	1.483	1.300	2.110	2.400	2.410	1.920
2000	2.738	3.200	2.930	2.600	2.200	2.020	2.000	2.413	2.420	2.300	2.300	2.300	2.452
2001	2.163	2.100	2.100										
Jamaican													
1997	1.180	1.180	1.180	1.180	1.180	1.180	1.180	1.180	1.180	1.180	1.180	1.180	1.180
1998	1.180	1.180	1.180	1.250	1.250	1.250	1.250	1.280	1.388	1.472	1.763	1.800	1.353
1999	1.800	1.925	2.425	2.370	2.250	2.250	2.190	2.150	2.150	2.340	2.650	2.710	2.268
2000	3.645	4.000	3.960	3.688	3.300	3.000	3.000	3.400	3.600	3.825	3.775	3.750	3.579
2001	3.700	3.588	3.450										
Mexican													
1997	0.856	0.880	0.880	0.880	0.880	0.880	0.880	0.880	0.880	0.900	0.900	0.900	0.883
1998	0.920	0.950	0.950	0.950	0.950	0.950	0.968	1.100	1.235	1.274	1.280	1.330	1.071
1999	1.388	1.588	2.188	2.160	2.100	2.025	1.790	1.483	1.300	2.110	2.400	2.410	1.912
2000	2.738	3.200	2.930	2.600	2.200	2.020	2.000	2.325	2.100	2.100	2.063	2.050	2.360
2001	1.913	1.800	1.800										
Turmeric													
Indian Alleppey 5.00 Curcumin													
1999	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.830	0.830	0.830	0.830	0.830	0.830	0.830	0.642
2000	0.820	0.810	0.778	0.750	0.730	0.686	0.660	0.660	0.660	0.660	0.660	0.660	0.642
2001	0.660	0.660	0.660										
Indian Alleppey 5.50 Curcumin													
1997	0.778	0.820	0.778	0.745	0.740	0.755	0.780	0.780	0.780	0.780	0.780	0.790	0.775
1998	0.838	0.955	0.993	1.000	0.996	0.980	0.980	0.980	0.980	0.980	0.980	0.980	0.970
1999	0.980	0.980	0.980	0.958	0.843	0.825	0.860	0.860	0.860	0.860	0.860	0.860	0.894
2000	0.850	0.840	0.808	0.780	0.760	0.706	0.680	0.680	0.680	0.680	0.680	0.680	0.735
2001	0.680	0.680	0.680										
Indian Alleppey 6.00 Curcumin													
1997	0.802	0.840	0.798	0.765	0.760	0.778	0.810	0.810	0.810	0.810	0.810	0.820	0.801
1998	0.868	0.975	1.015	1.020	1.016	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	0.991
1999	1.000	1.000	1.000	0.986	0.873	0.810	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.472
Madras													
1997	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550
1998	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.650	0.558
1999	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.620
2000	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.590	0.590	0.590	0.590	0.590	0.590	0.590	0.590	0.598
2001	0.590	0.590	0.590										
Anise Seed													
Chinese Star Whole													
1997	2.140	2.100	2.050	2.000	1.950	1.900	1.900	1.900	1.900	1.900	1.900	1.900	1.962
1998	1.900	1.900	1.898	1.890	1.778	1.750	1.740	1.700	1.700	1.700	1.700	1.700	1.780
1999	1.550	1.525	1.500	1.500	1.500	1.500	1.500	1.675	1.950	1.950	1.973	1.968	1.674
2000	1.950	1.950	2.290	2.500	2.500	3.160	3.250	3.388	3.830	4.075	4.225	4.310	3.119
2001	4.800	4.950	5.250										
Spanish													
1997	1.350	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1.350
Syrian													
1999	1.300	1.300	1.285	1.268	1.250	1.250	1.212	1.195	1.180	1.126	1.075	1.050	1.208
2000	1.030	1.040	1.050	1.050	1.050	1.046	1.023	0.913	0.888	0.865	0.845	0.830	0.969
2001	0.830	0.830	0.830										
Turkish													
1997	0.974	1.030	1.070	1.070	1.070	1.135	1.158	1.238	1.393	1.348	1.335	1.618	1.203
1998	1.698	1.675	1.610	1.540	1.514	1.473	1.500	1.525	1.480	1.480	1.480	1.480	1.538
1999	1.465	1.393	1.313	1.288	1.270	1.270	1.238	1.223	1.200	1.200	1.200	1.170	1.269
2000	1.100	1.115	1.130	1.130	1.130	1.102	1.073	0.963	0.938	0.885	0.865	0.850	1.023
2001	0.850	0.850	0.850										
Cardamom													
Bleached "AA"													
1997	11.750	11.750	11.750	11.750	11.750	11.750	11.750	11.750	11.750	11.750	11.750	10.750	11.667
1998	10.750	10.750	10.750	10.750	10.550	10.500	10.500	10.500	10.500	10.500	10.500	10.500	10.588
1999	10.500	10.500	10.500	10.500	10.500	10.500	10.500	10.500	11.250	12.000	12.000	12.000	10.938
2000	12.000	12.000	12.000	12.000	12.000	12.000	12.000	12.000	12.000	12.000	12.000	12.000	12.000
2001	12.000	12.000	12.000										
Fancy Greens													
1997	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000
1998	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.250	3.375	3.960	5.900	6.500	3.665
1999	6.500	6.500	6.500	6.500	6.500	6.500	6.500	6.500	6.500	6.650	N/A	N/A	5.429
2000	8.500	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	9.000	8.958
2001	9.375	9.500	9.500										
Decorticated													
1997	1.800	1.750	1.775	1.800	1.800	1.800	1.800	1.800	1.800	1.800	1.800	1.800	1.794
1998	1.800	1.800	1.800	1.800	1.760	1.750	1.780	1.800	1.850	2.220	3.350	3.850	2.130
1999	3.850	3.850	3.850	3.850	3.888	4.150	4.150	4.150	4.150	4.390	4.575	4.600	4.121
2000	5.575	8.350	8.900	8.900	8.900	8.700	8.700	8.700	8.700	8.700	8.700	8.800	8.469
2001	10.100	10.500	10.500										
Mixed Greens													
1997	2.100	2.100	2.100	2.100	2.100	2.100	2.100	2.100	2.100	2.100	2.100	2.100	2.100
1998	2.100	2.100	2.100	2.100	2.100	2.100	2.140	2.500	2.575	2.690	2.750	4.250	2.459
1999	4.350	4.350	4.350	4.350	4.350	4.350	4.350	4.350	4.350	4.350	N/A	N/A	4.350
2000	4.838	6.438	6.920	6.850	6.575	5.840	5.750	5.750	5.750	5.750	5.750	5.750	5.997
2001	5.750	5.750	5.750										

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Celery Seed													
Indian													
1997	0.380	0.380	0.385	0.390	0.390	0.390	0.390	0.390	0.390	0.390	0.390	0.390	0.388
1998	0.386	0.370	0.363	0.360	0.358	0.350	0.358	0.380	0.380	0.380	0.380	0.380	0.370
1999	0.380	0.380	0.380	0.380	0.380	0.405	0.430	0.430	0.430	0.430	0.430	0.430	0.407
2000	0.430	0.430	0.430	0.430	0.420	0.414	0.420	0.420	0.420	0.420	0.420	0.420	0.423
2001	0.420	0.420	0.420										
Dill Seed													
Indian													
1997	0.480	0.480	0.480	0.480	0.480	0.480	0.480	0.480	0.470	0.460	0.455	0.440	0.472
1998	0.440	0.440	0.440	0.440	0.440	0.440	0.440	0.440	0.460	0.480	0.480	0.525	0.455
1999	0.600	0.600	0.645	0.680	0.680	0.680	0.680	0.680	0.680	0.680	0.680	0.680	0.664
2000	0.680	0.735	0.823	0.890	0.890	0.830	0.860	0.860	0.854	0.850	0.850	0.850	0.831
2001	0.850	0.850	0.850										
Mustard Seed													
Canadian #1 Yellow													
1997	0.460	0.460	0.460	0.460	0.460	0.460	0.460	0.380	0.360	0.356	0.330	0.320	0.414
1998	0.320	0.320	0.320	0.320	0.320	0.320	0.320	0.320	0.320	0.320	0.320	0.320	0.320
1999	0.320	0.320	0.320	0.304	0.300	0.300	0.300	0.300	0.300	0.300	0.300	0.300	0.305
2000	0.300	0.300	0.300	0.300	0.300	0.300	0.300	0.300	0.300	0.295	0.280	0.280	0.296
2001	0.280	0.280	0.280										
Oriental/Brown													
1997	0.350	0.350	0.350	0.350	0.350	0.350	0.350	0.350	0.350	0.346	0.320	0.310	0.344
1998	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310
1999	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310
2000	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.310	0.305	0.290	0.290	0.306
2001	0.290	0.290	0.290										
Poppy Seed													
Dutch A-1													
1997	0.796	0.740	0.680	0.655	0.650	0.650	0.650	0.784	0.900	0.900	0.870	0.810	0.757
1998	0.828	0.988	1.050	1.050	1.050	1.050	1.050	1.050	1.025	0.770	0.690	0.702	0.942
1999	0.720	0.750	0.750	0.722	0.650	0.643	0.576	0.570	0.565	0.530	0.530	0.520	0.627
2000	0.520	0.520	0.520	0.520	0.520	0.588	0.650	0.650	0.650	0.630	0.630	0.630	0.586
2001	0.645	0.648	0.640										
Australian													
1997	0.746	0.715	0.680	0.655	0.650	0.600	0.570	0.714	0.850	0.850	0.825	0.800	0.721
1998	0.782	0.883	0.855	0.860	0.890	0.890	0.874	0.850	0.800	0.714	0.680	0.680	0.813
1999	0.680	N/A	N/A	0.638	0.630	0.623	0.564	0.550	0.540	0.530	0.530	0.520	0.580
2000	0.505	0.490	0.474	0.470	0.475	0.548	0.590	0.590	0.590	0.590	0.590	0.594	0.542
2001	0.635	0.640	0.640										
Turkish													
1997	0.668	0.615	0.565	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.620	0.700	0.700	0.700	0.700	0.622
1998	0.720	0.800	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.660	0.654	0.630	N/A	0.693
1999	0.625	0.650	0.615	0.598	0.590	0.590	0.540	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.400	0.400	0.556
2000	0.410	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.500	0.560	0.560	0.560	0.560	0.560	0.568	0.535
2001	0.580	0.580	0.580										
Sesame Seed													
Central American Hulled													
1997	0.684	0.660	0.660	0.660	0.660	0.660	0.660	0.660	0.660	0.660	0.703	0.750	0.673
1998	0.750	0.750	0.750	0.735	0.730	0.730	0.730	0.730	0.730	0.730	0.730	0.746	0.737
1999	0.783	0.820	0.805	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.784	0.799
2000	0.803	0.825	0.830	0.823	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.807
2001	0.763	0.750	0.750										
Central American Natural													
1997	0.644	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.570	0.570	0.570	0.570	0.570	0.572	0.587	N/A	0.587
1998	N/A	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600
1999	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.600
2000	0.600	0.600	0.600	0.615	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.620	0.615
2001	0.620	N/A	N/A										
Indian Natural													
1997	0.434	0.420	0.420	0.420	0.420	0.420	0.420	0.420	0.420	0.420	0.420	0.420	0.421
1998	0.408	0.400	0.400	0.415	0.440	0.440	0.440	0.440	0.430	0.435	N/A	0.528	0.434
1999	0.520	0.513	0.503	0.546	0.550	0.543	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.520	0.530	0.480	0.517
2000	0.473	0.470	0.470	0.470	0.445	0.430	0.423	0.420	0.420	0.415	0.410	0.402	0.437
2001	0.400	0.400	0.400										
Saffron													
Spanish													
1997	350.000	350.000	346.250	345.000	345.000	345.000	345.000	345.000	357.500	384.000	385.000	385.000	356.896
1998	385.000	362.500	355.000	355.000	355.000	363.750	365.000	365.000	365.000	365.000	365.000	365.000	363.854
1999	365.000	365.000	365.000	365.000	365.000	365.000	365.000	365.000	365.000	365.000	365.000	356.000	364.250
2000	340.000	330.000	330.000	330.000	325.000	320.000	320.000	320.000	320.000	310.000	308.750	305.000	321.563
2001	308.750	310.000	310.000										

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Note: For an historical series of prices, see the Tropical Products: World Markets and Trade circular dated December 1996.

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