

Market Price Report

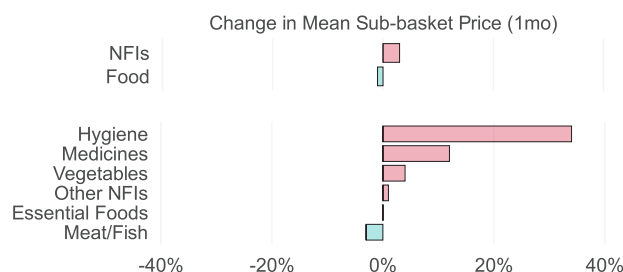


KEY FINDINGS

- Food prices were fairly stable in September, although the total NFI basket price increased 3%;
- Prices for hygiene NFIs rose sharply, and stockouts impacted soap and toothpaste in some markets;
- Cooking oil prices drew back from their August peak, and other essential foods were relatively stable;
- Myaung and Monywa saw prices rise 9-12%, while in Yinmarbin overall prices were mostly stable;
- NFI prices were up 74% year-on-year, while food prices were up 26% year-on-year;
- The total basket price was up 3% month-on-month, and it was up 48% year-on-year.

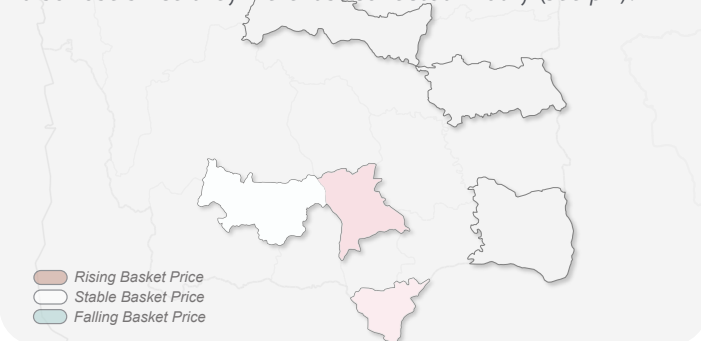
Sub-Basket Analysis

Food and NFI basket prices shifted just 1-3% in September. Stockouts of cheaper items pushed hygiene NFIs higher for a second month, and medicine prices increased 12%. Meat/fish, vegetables, and essential foods were all fairly stable.



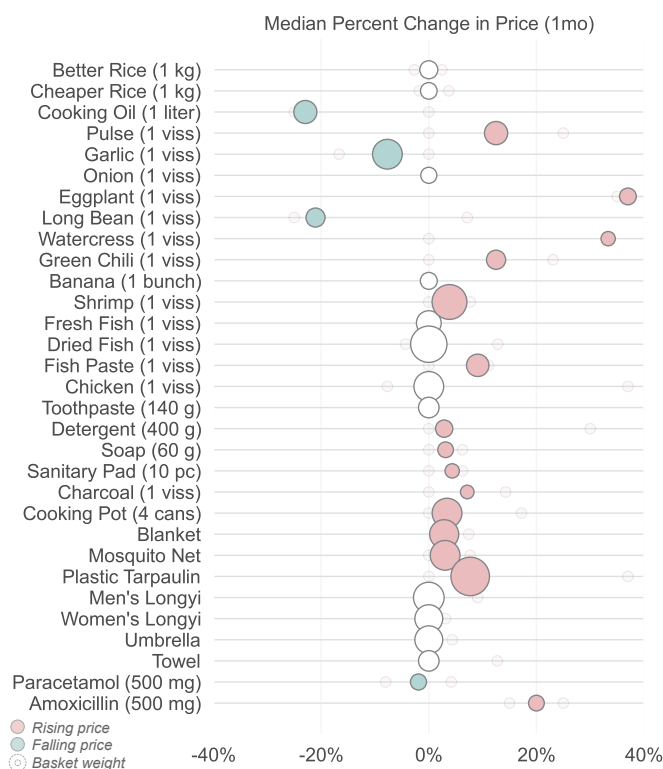
Township Analysis

Monywa and Myaung each saw price increases in September, but prices were overall stable in Yinmarbin. Ye-U prices also rose since they were last collected in July (see p2).



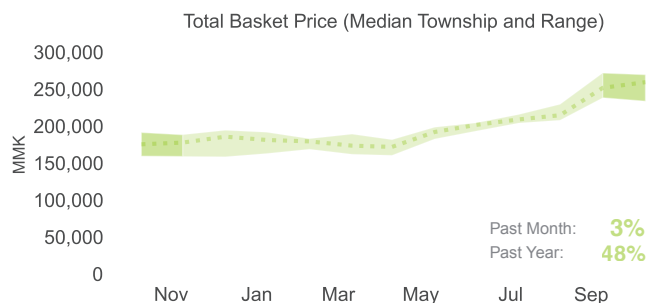
Product Analysis

Cooking oil prices fell 20% in September after rising as much in August. Long bean prices fell, but eggplant and watercress prices rose. Tarps, blankets, and mosquito nets rose 3-7%.



Time Series Analysis

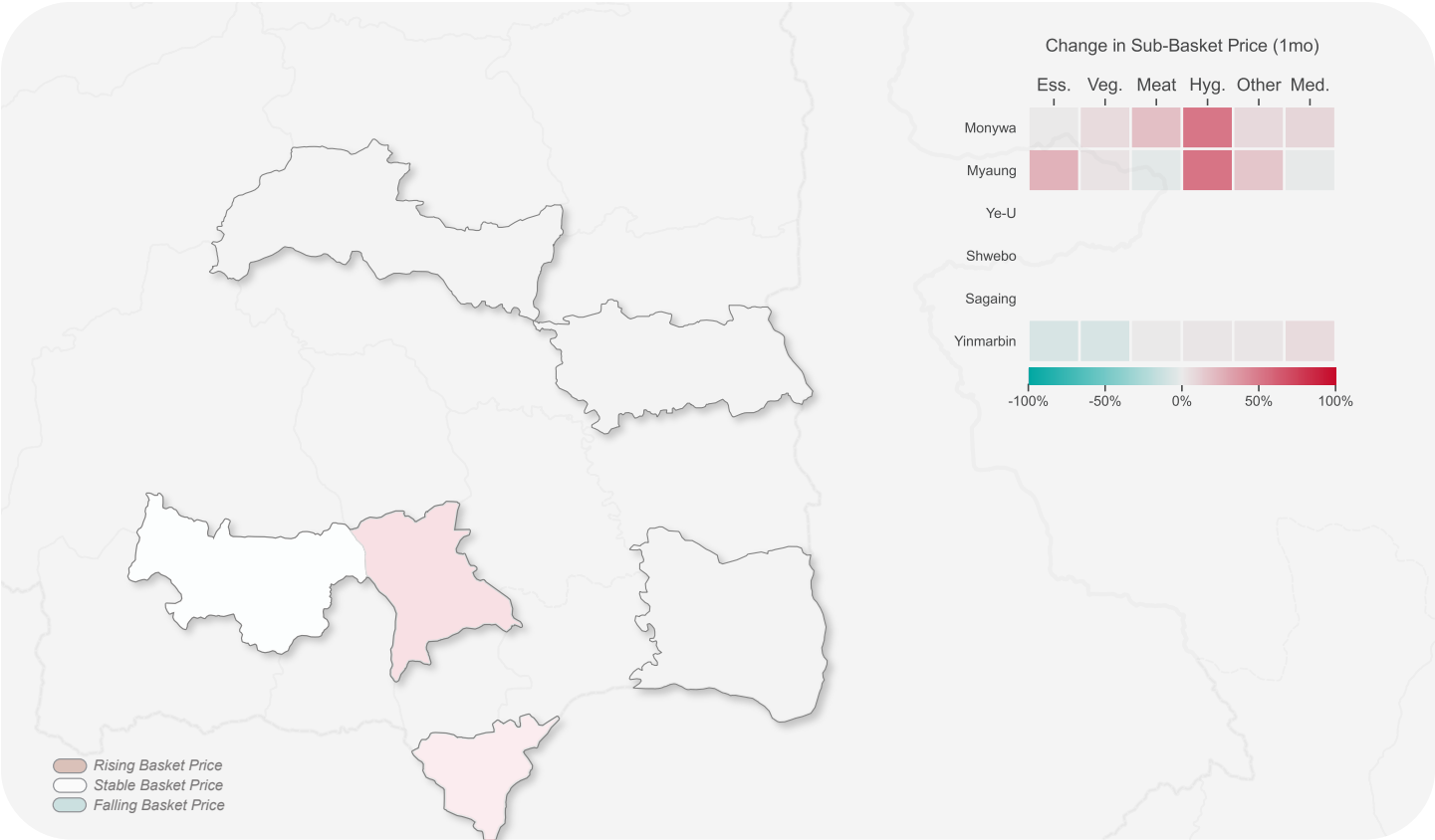
The total basket price rose 3% month-on-month in September, returning to its pre-August pace. The total basket price was up 48% year-on-year (see p3).



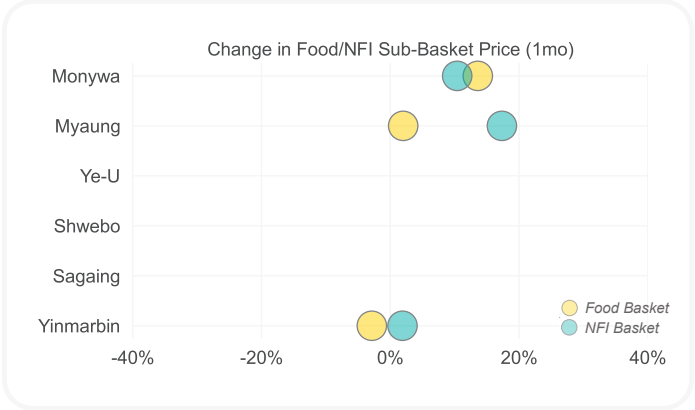
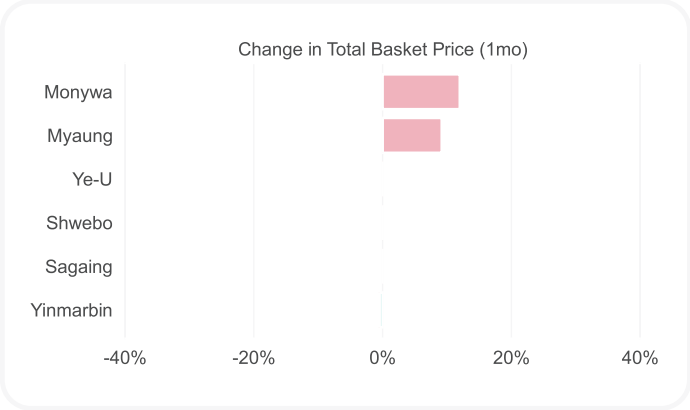
What to Watch

- Difficulty importing goods from China—a key source of NFIs—is likely to push **NFI** prices higher;
- Prices for **hygiene** NFIs may still pull-back slightly in October if retailers are able to restock scarce items;
- The possible impact of conflict on **rice** cultivation and prices may start to become visible in October;
- The financial impact on households of August's price hikes is likely to be felt still for months to come.

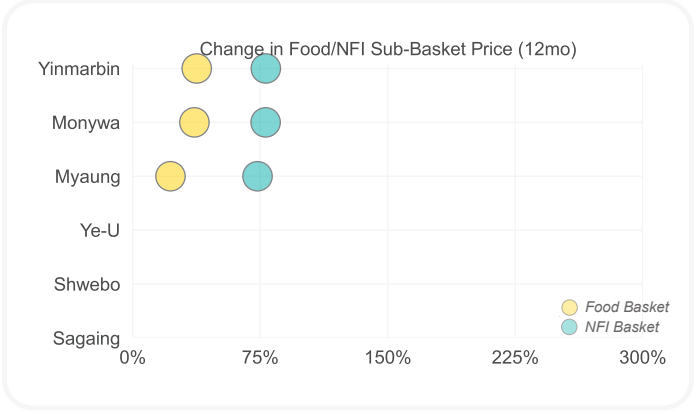
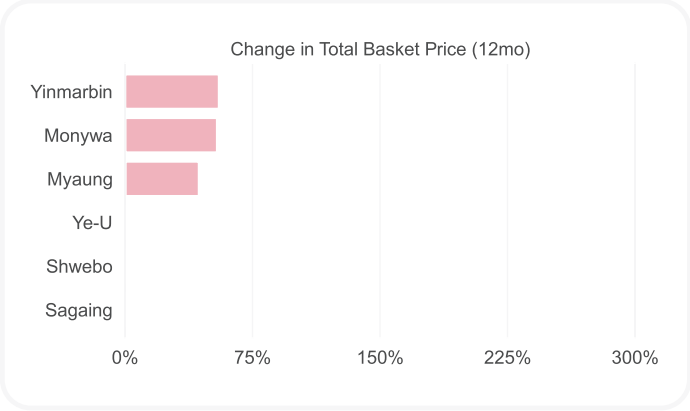
Further Township Analysis



Prices were up 9% and 12%, respectively, in Myaung and Monywa, and they were stable in Yinmarbin. Food and NFI prices moved in unison in Monywa and Yinmarbin, but in Myaung NFIs rose faster than foods.



Prices rose 40-55% year-on-year in Yinmarbin, Monywa, and Myaung. Foods and NFIs also behaved similarly across these markets in the past year; in each market foods were up 20-35% year-on-year and NFIs were up 70-80%.

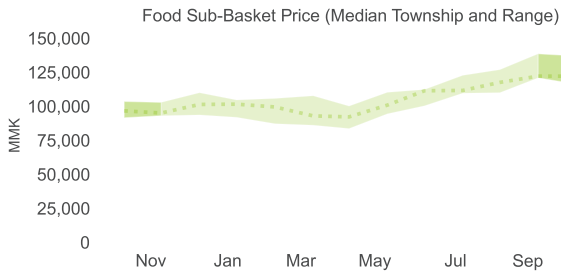


Further Time Series Analysis

The median food basket price was flat in September, while the NFI basket rose 8% month-on-month. NFIs were up 74% year-on-year, compared to just 26% for foods.

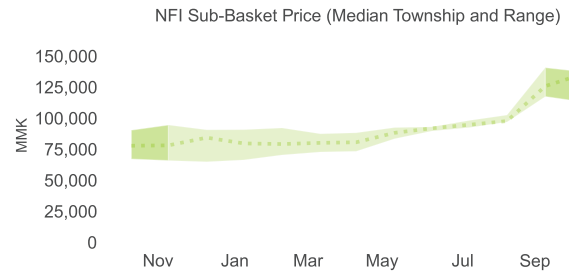
Foods

Past Month: **-0%**
Past Year: **26%**



NFIs

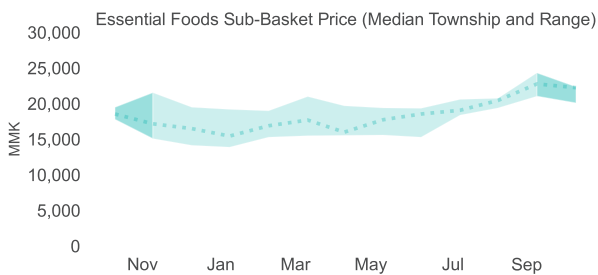
Past Month: **8%**
Past Year: **74%**



Prices for meat/fish and vegetables were up 33% year-on-year, while essential foods were up 20%. Hygiene and other NFIs were up 140% and 60%, respectively, year-on-year. Hygiene NFIs continued to rise more aggressively than other NFIs.

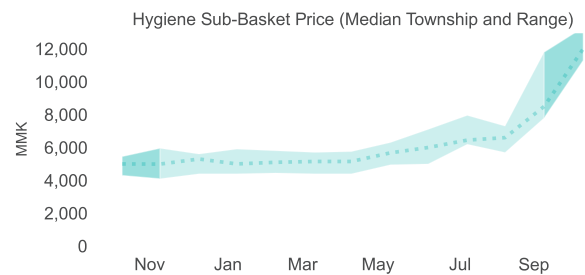
Essential Foods

Past Month: **-2%**
Past Year: **20%**



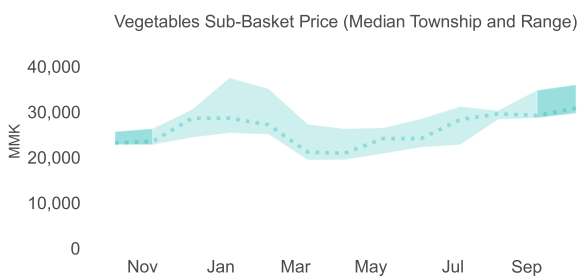
Hygiene

Past Month: **41%**
Past Year: **140%**



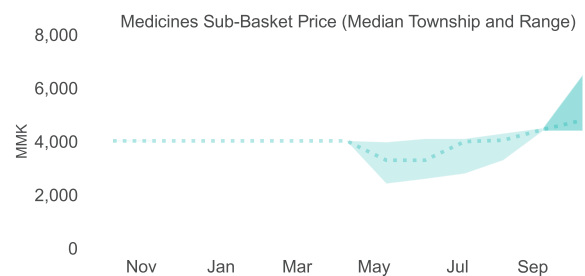
Vegetables

Past Month: **6%**
Past Year: **33%**



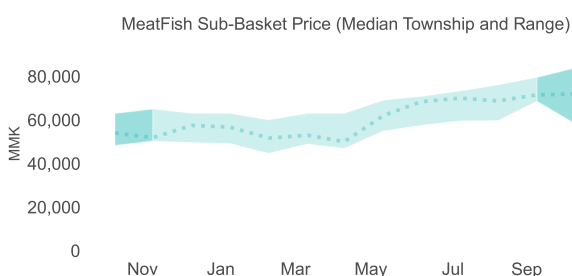
Medicines

Past Month: **8%**
Past Year: **8%**



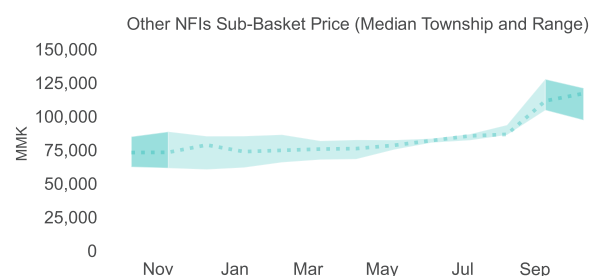
Meat/Fish

Past Month: **1%**
Past Year: **33%**



Other NFIs

Past Month: **5%**
Past Year: **60%**



Price Table - September 2024

	Monywa 	Myaung 	Sagaing 	Shwebo 	Ye-U 	Yinmarbin
Better Rice (1 kg)	3,700	3,600	3,750	-	2,500	4,225
Cheaper Rice (1 kg)	2,800	2,800	2,500	-	1,800	3,000
Cooking Oil (1 liter)	8,500	6,550	6,000	-	8,000	7,500
Pulse (1 viss)	7,350	7,500	10,000	-	7,800	-
Garlic (1 viss)	14,000	12,000	15,000	-	13,000	15,000
Onion (1 viss)	2,200	2,000	2,500	-	3,000	2,500
Eggplant (1 viss)	2,700	4,000	2,500	-	2,900	3,000
Long Bean (1 viss)	4,500	3,000	5,000	-	4,400	3,000
Watercress (1 viss)	1,600	1,200	2,000	-	550	1,500
Green Chili (1 viss)	3,200	4,500	6,000	-	4,750	4,000
Banana (1 bunch)	2,500	3,000	3,000	-	2,250	3,000
Shrimp (1 viss)	28,000	-	-	-	15,000	20,000
Fresh Fish (1 viss)	10,000	8,000	9,000	-	9,000	16,000
Dried Fish (1 viss)	22,000	22,000	10,000	-	20,000	25,000
Fish Paste (1 viss)	6,000	10,000	7,000	-	7,800	4,500
Chicken (1 viss)	18,000	12,000	12,000	-	18,000	14,000
Toothpaste (140 g)	6,800	-	5,500	-	-	3,500
Detergent (400 g)	2,700	3,250	3,500	-	2,300	3,600
Soap (60 g)	1,700	-	2,500	-	2,000	2,500
Sanitary Pad (10 pc)	1,500	850	1,800	-	1,500	2,400
Charcoal (1 viss)	1,600	850	850	-	1,150	1,200
Cooking Pot (4 cans)	17,000	9,000	14,000	-	10,000	15,250
Blanket	14,500	11,250	-	-	12,000	18,000
Mosquito Net	14,000	13,000	18,000	-	13,000	17,000
Plastic Tarpaulin	28,000	45,000	21,000	-	21,000	25,000
Men's Longyi	12,000	15,000	15,500	-	15,000	12,000
Women's Longyi	10,000	12,000	14,000	-	9,500	15,000
Umbrella	10,000	12,000	15,000	-	8,850	12,000
Towel	6,200	3,000	5,500	-	6,650	3,500
Paracetamol (500 mg)	2,500	2,100	3,000	-	2,500	2,300
Amoxicillin (500 mg)	2,300	2,300	3,500	-	2,000	2,500

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