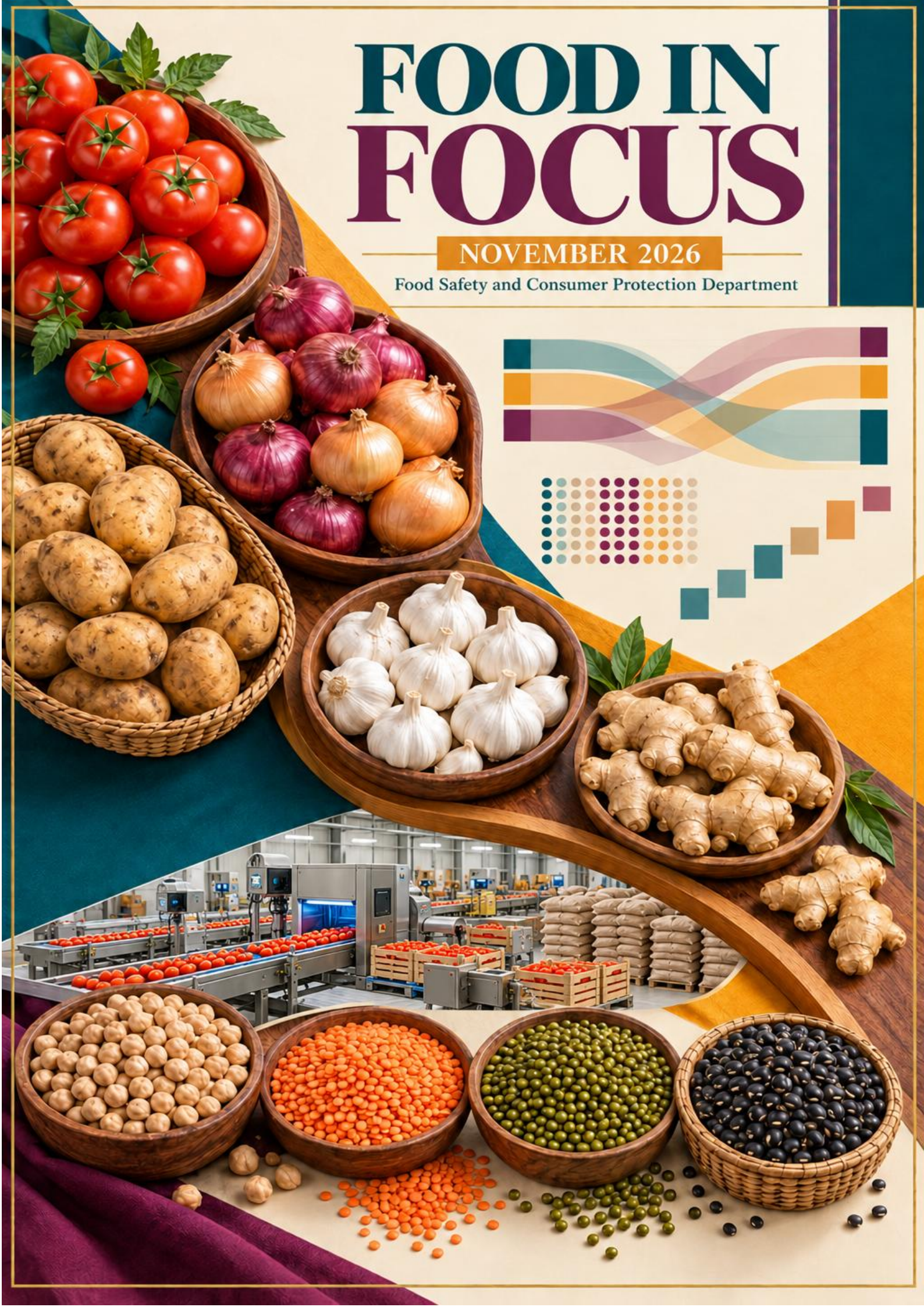
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PREFACE

The Food Safety and Consumer Protection Department presents the twenty fifth edition of its monthly bulletin, "**Food in Focus: Market Analysis Report**." This publication offers a comprehensive evaluation of the supply and price dynamics of essential food commodities, supported by detailed analysis of domestic production trends, consumption patterns, import and export activities, and significant developments in global markets.

In addition, this edition outlines strategic policy recommendations for the District Administration, Agriculture Department, and Market Committees. It emphasizes the importance of continuous monitoring of essential commodity supplies and the adoption of timely, proactive measures to ensure their uninterrupted availability at affordable prices. The report also highlights the persistent disparity between domestic production and national consumption needs, underscoring the continued reliance on imports to bridge this gap.

We believe that the insights and policy guidance presented in this report will support stakeholders in making informed decisions and leveraging emerging opportunities within an increasingly dynamic food market environment. Through Food in Focus, we aim to continue providing a dependable reference and strategic resource for stakeholders across the food sector.

ABSTRACT

This report has been prepared using data from a wide range of credible and authoritative sources, including the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), World Bank, Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS), Agriculture Statistics of Pakistan 2024–25, Economic Survey of Pakistan 2025–26, Federal Board of Revenue (FBR), and the Global Pulses Confederation (GPC), along with the Crop Reporting Service Punjab and Market Committees across Punjab. The report presents a comprehensive analysis of production trends, supply dynamics, price movements, trade patterns, and developments in both domestic and international markets. It also provides in-depth insights into the current market situation, along with an assessment of expected future trends. A concise overview of the prevailing supply and price conditions for major vegetables and pulses is outlined below:

- **Tomato:** Major supply is arriving from KPK and Sindh, while supply from Balochitsan has declined. Supply is likely to remain under stress with high prices in local markets due to high temperature in Sindh.
- **Onion:** Main supply of onion is arriving from Balochistan, moreover production season in Sindh has started and supply will improve gradually. Due to major dependency on Balochistan and start of production season in Sindh, onion prices are on higher side in local markets.
- **Potato:** Fresh local crop will arrive after mid-November. The price is showing stable trend in local markets due to sufficient arrival from local cold storages along with fresh supply from KPK and Balochistan.
- **Garlic:** Sowing of garlic is ongoing in Punjab and fresh crop will be available during March-April 2027. Meanwhile supply from Baluchistan and KPK is available. Thus, its price is showing increasing trend in local markets due to supply from other provinces.
- **Ginger**: Given the negligible domestic production of ginger, domestic demand is primarily met through imports year-round. At present, off production season in Thailand, and import from China is in progress.
- **Green chili**: Production season of local minor crop of Chilli is ongoing and price is showing declining trend in local markets.
- **Pulses:** International prices of major pulses i.e. Gram and Mash are on higher side from the last month. International prices of Masoor remained stable over the last month. Moreover, local crop of moong is available, thus its prices are showing stable trend in local markets.

Advisory Measures:

- The District Administration, in coordination with the concerned EADA (E&M), DOs PAMRA and Secretaries Market Committees, should closely monitor the supply and price situation of essential commodities and undertake all necessary pre-emptive measures to ensure an efficient and stable supply chain. Furthermore, commission agents should be encouraged to coordinate with their counterparts in other provinces to secure adequate supplies during periods of market stress.
- While determining the prices of pulses in the meetings of the District Price Control Committee (DPCC), their international prices of pulses as well as availability of their local crop must be considered.
- The Agriculture Department should accelerate research and development efforts to enhance local production of major crops especially tomato, onion and pulses, to reduce reliance on imports.

1. Potato

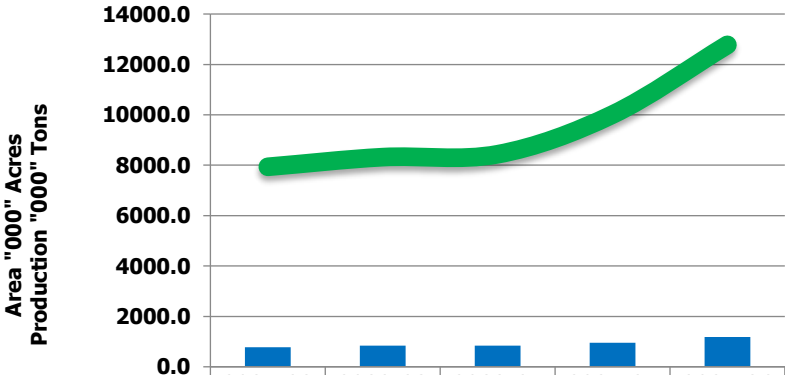


NATIONAL OVERVIEW

Domestic Area & Production:

- Production of poatato in Pakistan exceeds its domestic market needs, leading to a supply surplus. According to data from the Economic Survey of Pakistan and the Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan, the country's potato production reached 12.776 million tons in 2025-26, marking a significant 27.62% increase compared to the previous year.
- During year 2021-22 to year 2025-26, both the area under potato cultivation and total production have exhibited a consistent upward trend.

Area & Production of Potato in Pakistan



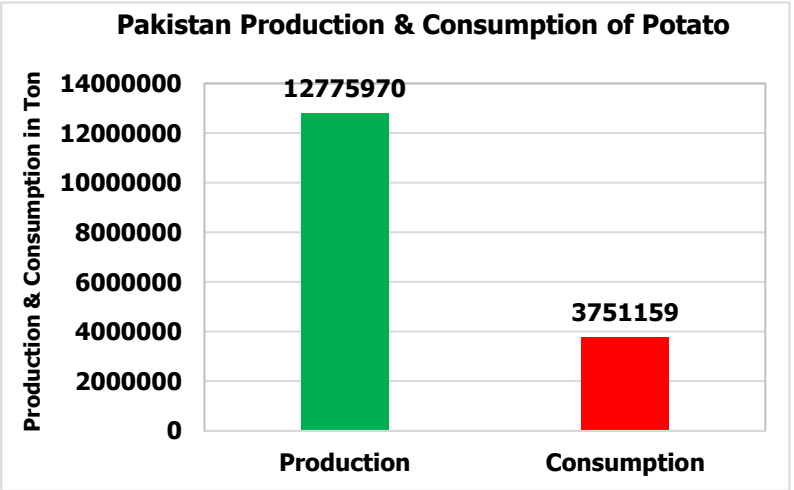
	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Area	776.2	841.6	837.0	955.5	1176.7
Production	7936.9	8319.8	8434.1	10010.2	12776.0

Source: Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Domestic Production & Consumption:

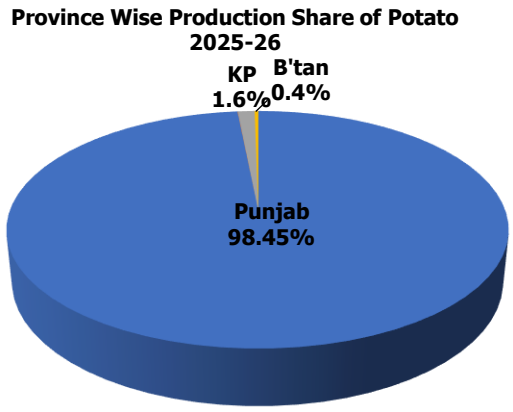
- Annual domestic potato consumption is estimated at 3.751 million tons, while production in year 2025-26 reached 12.776 million tons, generating a substantial surplus of roughly 9.025 million tons.

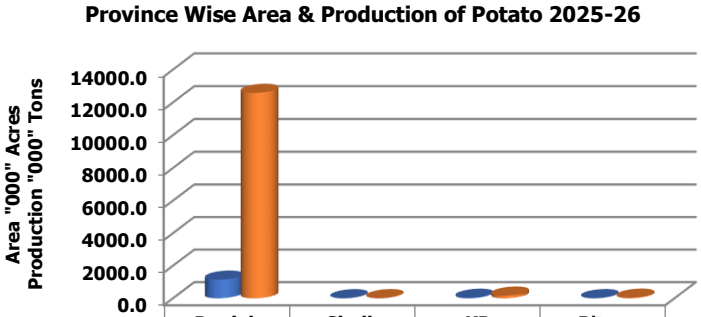
Pakistan Production & Consumption of Potato



Province wise Area & production:

- Punjab accounts for 98.45% of the nation's total potato production, which reflects its primary role as potato production hub in Pakistan. In addition to meeting its own consumption needs, the province acts as the main supplier to other regions, while the contributions from other provinces remain comparatively minor.
- In year 2025-26, Punjab produced 12.577 million tons of potato across 1,142,400 acres. In contrast, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa yielded 160,400 tons, representing just 1.6% of the national total. Production levels in Balochistan and Sindh were significantly lower, at 34,900 tons and 3,200 tons, respectively.



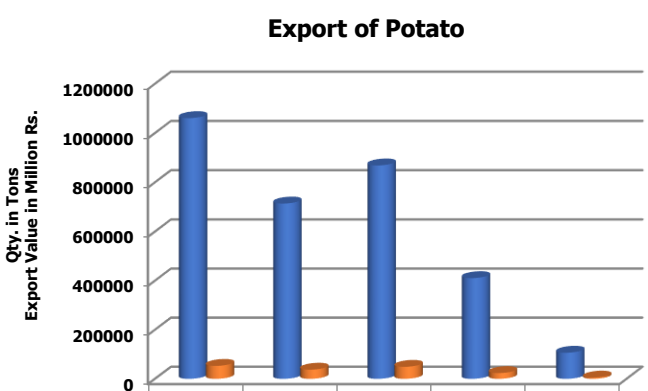


	Punjab	Sindh	KP	B'tan
Area	1142.4	0.9	27.9	5.5
Production	12577.5	3.2	160.4	34.9

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

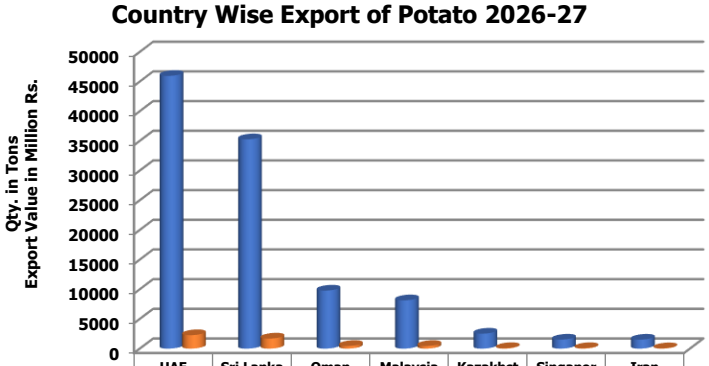
Export Insights:

- Due to substantial potato production, Pakistan exports a significant quantity each year to secure foreign exchange. During the year 2026-27 (July-September 2026), 106,372 tons has been exported, whereas export was recorded at 4,10,458 tons during last year.
- Key export markets for Pakistani potato include the United Arab Emirates, Sri Lanka, Malaysia, Oman, and Singapore.



	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27*
Qty.	1060756	713951	868605	410458	106372
Export Value	52779	37386	48905	23562	5175

**=Export during July 2026 to September 2026*
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

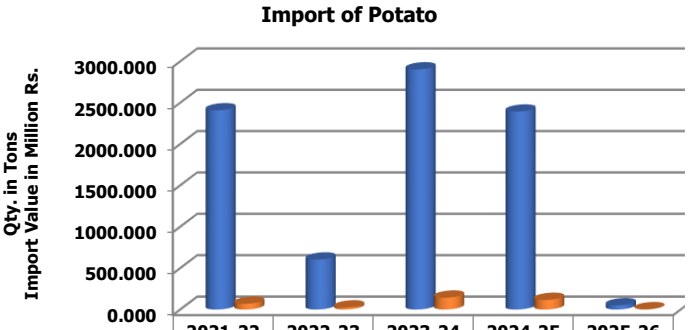


	UAE	Sri Lanka	Oman	Malaysia	Kazakhstan	Singapore	Iran
Qty.	45949	35258	9775	8132	2518	1508	1504
Export Value	2263	1691	445	441	82	79	51

**=Export during July 2026 to September 2026*
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

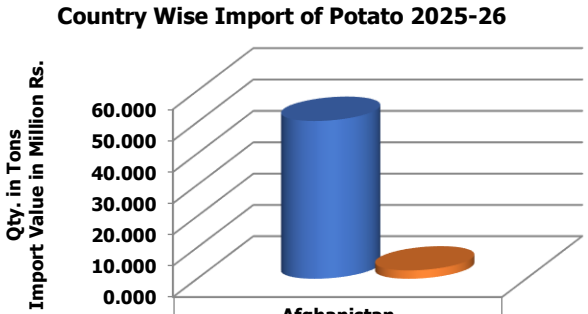
Import Insights:

- As a result of its ample domestic production, Pakistan does not depend on potato imports to meet consumption demand; only a minor amount is imported exclusively for use as seed. In year 2025–26, total imports stood at 50 tons. The seed imports come mainly from Afghanistan.



	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Qty.	2407.089	602.829	2902.834	2391.844	50.420
Import Value	69.326	24.298	143.161	115.527	2.668

Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)



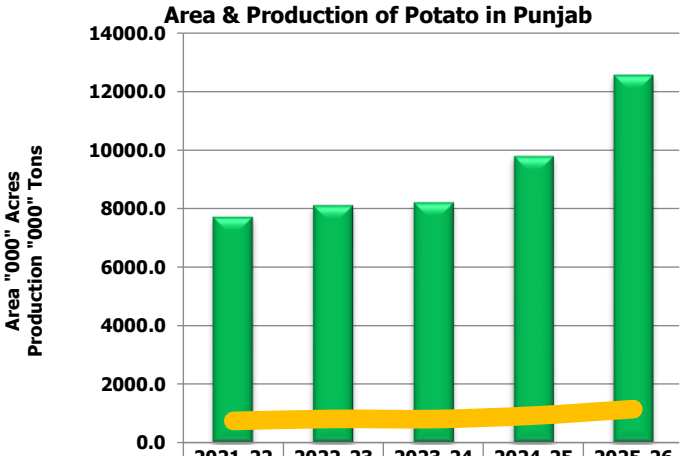
	Afghanistan
Qty.	50.420
Import Value	2.668

Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

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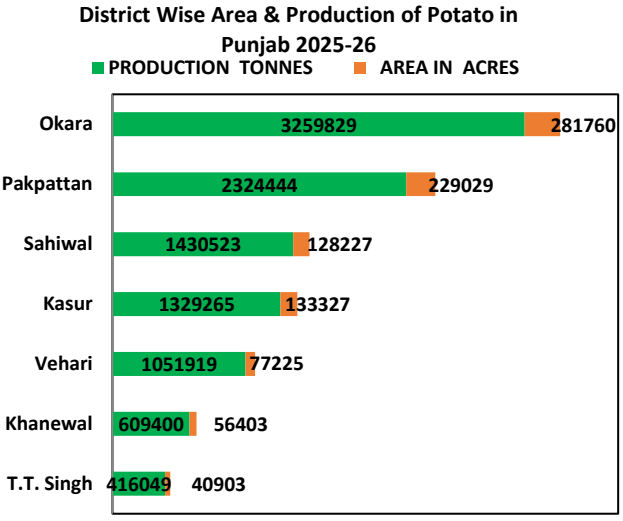
Area & Production:

- Over the past five years, potato cultivation and production in the province have followed a consistently upward trend. In year 2025–26, the harvested area increased to 1,142,000 acres, a 23.9% rise from the previous year.
- Similarly, potato production in Punjab climbed to 12.577 million tons in year 2025–26, marking a 28.17% increase compared to the year before. Key potato-producing districts in Punjab include Okara, Pakpattan, Sahiwal, Kasur, Vehari, Khanewal, and Toba Tek Singh. Among these, Okara stands out as the top producer, with a total production of 3.260 million tons.



	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Production	7736.0	8136.1	8236.3	9812.9	12577.5
Area	740.0	808.0	803.0	921.6	1142.0

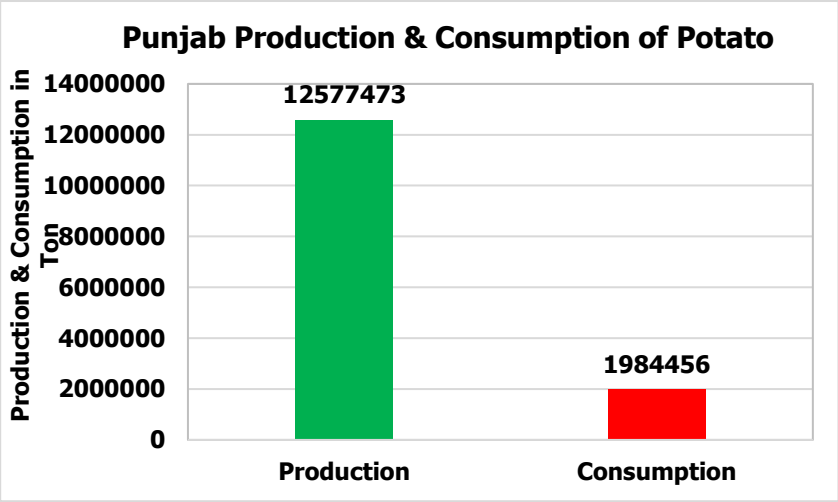
Source: Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan & Crop Reporting Service Punjab



Source: Crop Reporting Service Punjab

Provincial Production & Consumption:

- In year 2025–26, Punjab produced 12.577 million tons of potatoes, against an estimated provincial consumption requirement of 1.9845 million tons. This resulted in a considerable surplus of approximately 10.593 million tons in the province's overall potato supply.



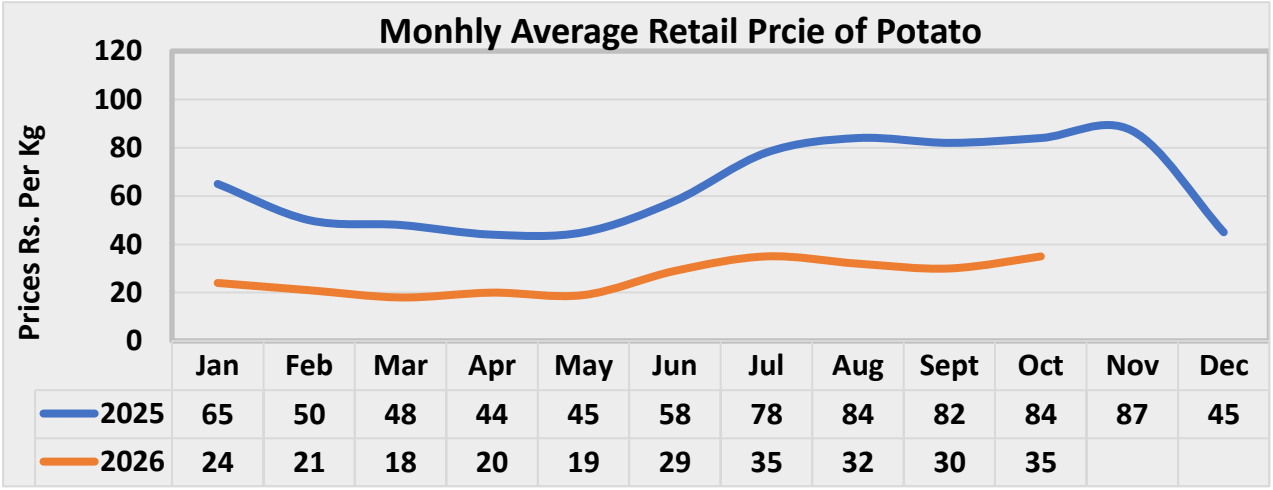
Supply Cycle:

- The major potato-producing districts in each province, along with their respective production seasons, are given below:

Province	Top Production Districts	Availability of Potato Crop in Markets
Punjab	Okara, Pakpattan, Sahiwal, Kasur, Vehari, Khanewal & T.T. Singh etc.	November – June
Sindh	Khairpur, Dadu, Ghotki, Sukkur, N. Feroze & Shaheed Benazir Abad etc.	December – January
KP	Malakand, Kohat, Bajour, Khyber, Muhmand, Oriakzai & Shangla etc.	June – November
Balochistan	Barkhan, Killa Saifullah, Kalat, Pishin, Ziarat, Harani & K. Abdullah etc.	15 August – October

Retail Market Prices:

- Fresh potato supplies are currently arriving from KPK and Balochistan, complementing the primary volume being released from local cold storage facilities. In October 2026, the monthly average retail price for potatoe stood at Rs. 35 per kilogram, which remains significantly lower compared to the same period last year.



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2025	65	50	48	44	45	58	78	84	82	84	87	45
2026	24	21	18	20	19	29	35	32	30	35		

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Assessment

Main supply is arriving from local cold stores, whereas fresh potato is arriving from KPK (Khyber Pakhtunkhwa) and Balochistan. Therefore, supply and price of Potato is stable in the markets.

Forecast



Availability will improve further in mid-November 2026 when local fresh crop from northern districts of Punjab arrives, ensuring a consistent market supply throughout the upcoming months.

Advisory



- After mid-November fresh crop of potato will arrive therefore, commission agents should arrange supply of fresh potato from Northern districts of Punjab like Sialkot, Gujranwala, and Lahore etc.
- EADAs (E&M) and Secretaries Market Committees should regularly monitor auction proceedings in Agricultural Produce Markets to ensure price fixation in a fair and transparent manner.
- Price Control Magistrates should take stern action against overcharging by the retailers in the local markets to minimize the gap between wholesale rates and open market rates.

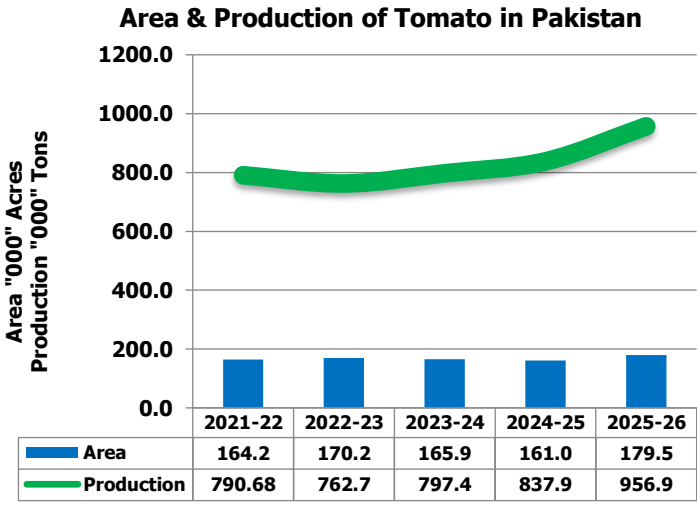
2. TOMATO



NATIONAL OVERVIEW

Domestic Area & Production:

- Even though the area for tomato cultivation has shown slight fluctuations, domestic tomato production has kept rising steadily over the last four years. In year 2025–26, total tomato production across the country reached 9,56,887 tons, a 14.2% increase from the previous year. Meanwhile, the harvested area rise to 179,500 acres, representing a 11.49% increase compared to the year before.

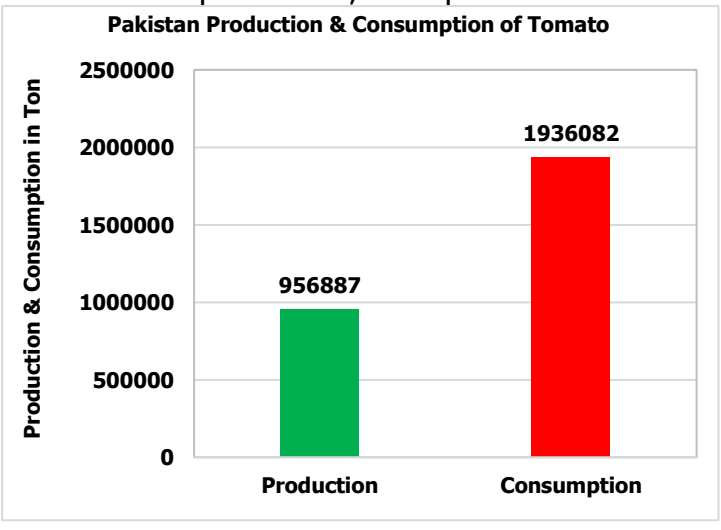


	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Area	164.2	170.2	165.9	161.0	179.5
Production	790.68	762.7	797.4	837.9	956.9

Source: Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

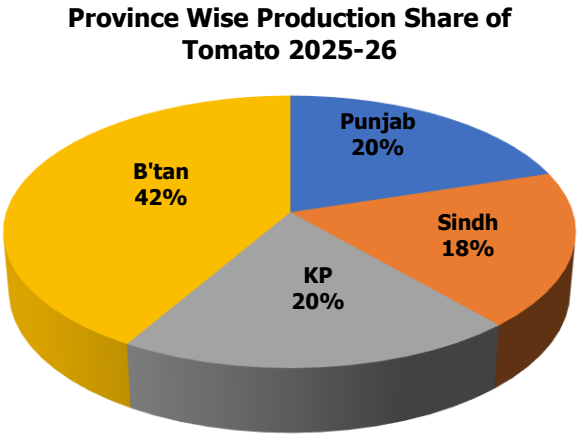
Domestic Production & Consumption:

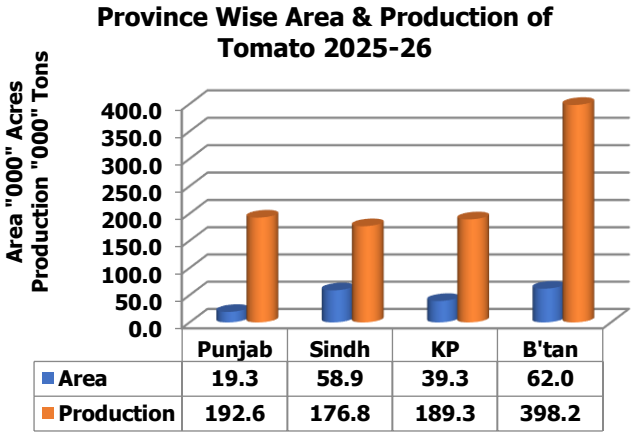
- Despite the steady increase in domestic tomato production, total production remains far below the country's consumption requirements. With an estimated demand of 1,936,082 tons and actual production of only 956,887 tons, Pakistan faces an annual tomato shortfall of 979,195 tons.
- Consequently, Pakistan continues to rely on tomato imports to ensure a consistent and uninterrupted supply in local markets throughout the year.



Province wise Area & Production:

- Balochistan is the leading tomato-producing province, contributing 42% of the nation's total production of tomato. Punjab accounts for 20%, Sindh for 18%, and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa for 20% of domestic tomato production.
- In year 2025–26, Balochistan recorded the highest production level at 398,200 tons from 62,000 acres. Punjab followed with 192,600 tons grown on 19,300 acres, while Khyber Pakhtunkhwa produced 189,300 tons from 39,300 acres. Sindh reported the lowest production among the provinces, with 176,800 tons harvested from 58,900 acres.



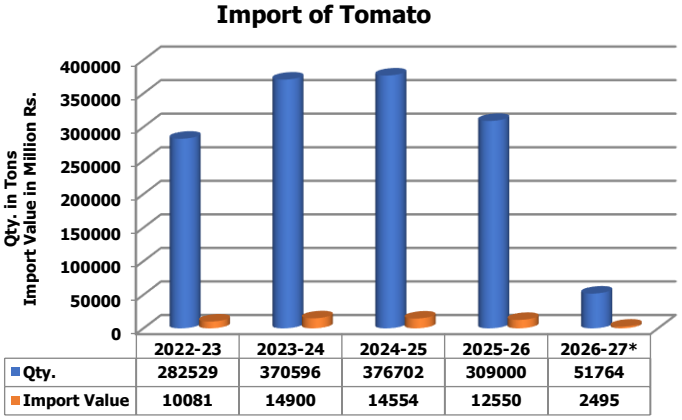


	Punjab	Sindh	KP	B'tan
Area	19.3	58.9	39.3	62.0
Production	192.6	176.8	189.3	398.2

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

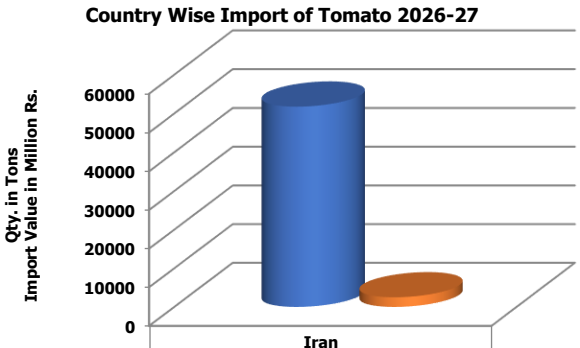
Import Insights:

- When domestic tomato supplies run low, Pakistan relies heavily on imports from Afghanistan and Iran to meet local consumption needs.
- In 2026-27 (July-September 2026), 51,764 tons of tomato has been imported worth 2495 million Rupees, whereas import was recorded at 3,09,000 tons during last year. This import is primarily from Iran.



	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27*
Qty.	282529	370596	376702	309000	51764
Import Value	10081	14900	14554	12550	2495

**=Import during July 2026 to September 2026*
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

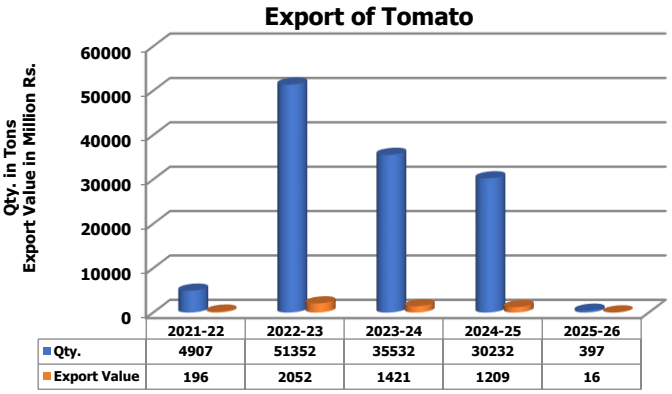


	Iran
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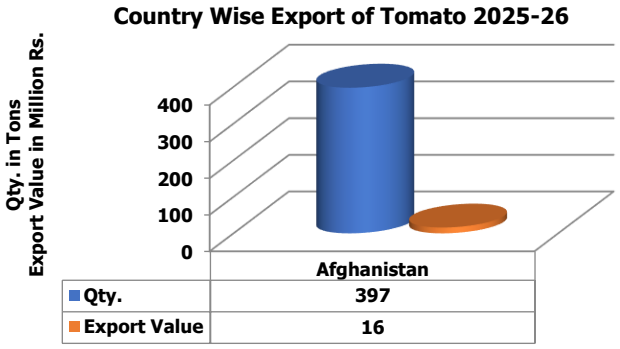
Export Insights:

- Despite a heavy reliance on imports to meet domestic demand, Pakistan also exports tomato. Although export volumes are considerably lower than imports, they still contribute to foreign exchange earnings.
- During 2025–26, exports totaled 397 tons, earning Rs. 16 million, representing a significant decline in both export quantity and value as compared to the previous year.
- Tomato exports are mainly directed to Afghanistan and Iran, particularly between January and May. However, due to border tensions with Afghanistan and the war situation in Iran, tomato exports remained minimal last year.



	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Qty.	4907	51352	35532	30232	397
Export Value	196	2052	1421	1209	16

Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)



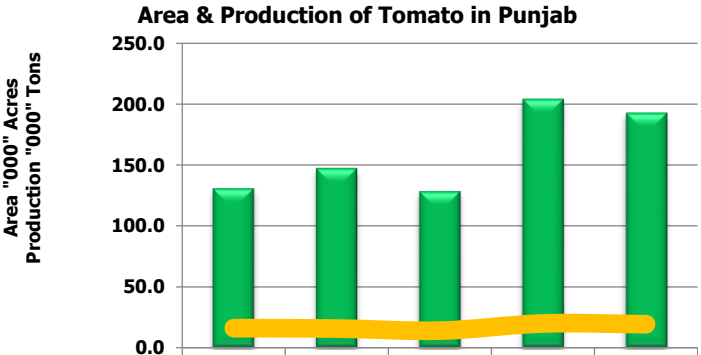
	Afghanistan
Qty.	397
Export Value	16

Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

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Area & Production:

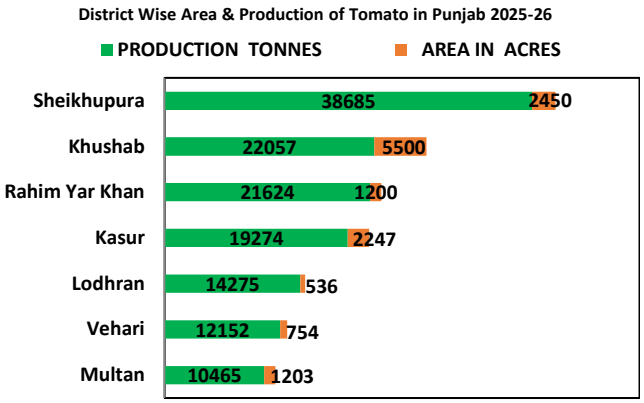
For the last 5 years, cultivated area and production of tomato have been showing instability in Punjab province. In year 2025–26, tomato production is recorded at 1,92,629 tons, which represents almost 5.59% decrease in contrast with last year.



	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Production	130.8	147.6	128.6	204.0	192.6
Area	16.0	15.7	14.0	19.9	19.3

Source: Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan & Crop Reporting Service Punjab

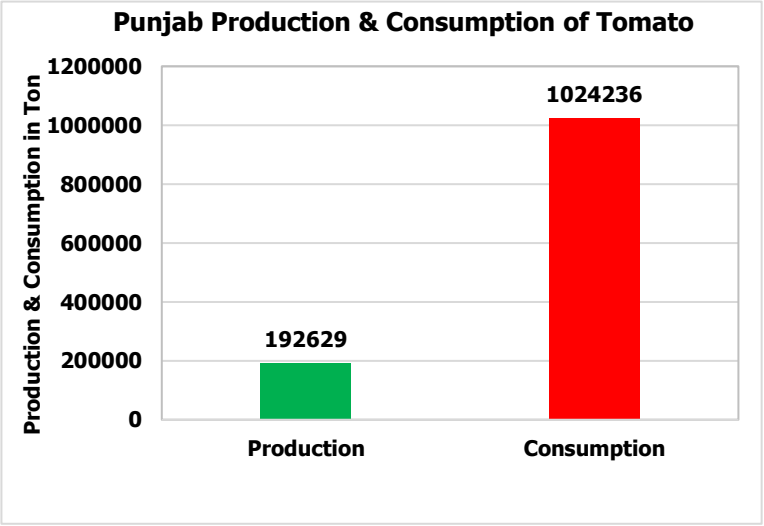
- Tomato production in Punjab is largely centered in several key districts, namely Sheikhupura, Khushab, Rahim Yar Khan, Kasur, Lodhran, Vehari and Multan.
- Among these, Sheikhupura ranked as the top-producing district with 38,685 tons, followed by Khushab at 22,057 tons and Rahim Yar Khan in third place with a production of 21,624 tons.



Source: Crop Reporting Service Punjab

Provincial Production & Consumption:

- In year 2025–26, total tomato production in the province stood at 1,92,629 tons, which is significantly lower than the estimated consumption requirement of 1,024,236 tons. This gap resulted in a substantial shortfall of 831,607 tons.



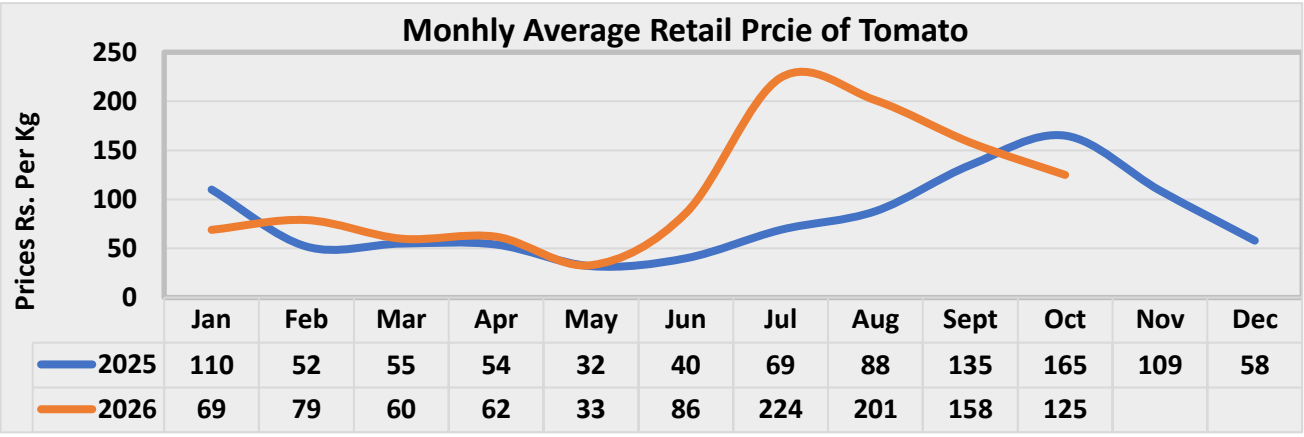
Supply Cycle:

- The key tomato-producing districts in each province, along with their respective production seasons, are presented below:

Province	Top Production Districts	Availability of Tomato Crop in Markets
Punjab	Sheikhupura, Khushab, R.Y.Khan, Kasur, Lodhran, Vehari, Multan etc.	April – June
Sindh	Thatta, Badin, Mirpurkhas, Matiari, T.M.Khan, Larkana & Sanghar etc.	November – April
KP	Swat, Malakand, Kurram, Muhmand, Charsada, Peshawar & Dir Upper etc.	June – November
Balochistan	Lasbela, Khuzdar, Barkhan, Nasirabad, Killa Saifullah, Kalat & Loralai etc.	End June – Mid November

Retail Market Price:

Major supply of tomato is arriving from KPK and Sindh, while supply from Balochistan has declined. However, due to inconsistent ovreall supply tomato price is showing fluctuations in local markets. In October 2026, the monthly average retail price of tomato in Punjab was recorded at Rs. 125 per kilogram.



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2025	110	52	55	54	32	40	69	88	135	165	109	58
2026	69	79	60	62	33	86	224	201	158	125		

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Assessment

- Presently, KPK and Sindh are the main sources of supply for tomato, contributing (69%). Supply from Balochistan has declined and reduced to (31%). However, due to inconsistent supply of tomato, its price is fluctuating in local markets.

Forecast

High temperature in some areas of Sindh have adversely affected tomato crop yields, therefore, supply of tomato will be under stress with elevated market prices in local markets especially during November 2026.



Advisory



- With the start of Sindh harvest season, the EADAs (E&M)/DOs PAMRA, and Secretaries Market Committees are advised to mobilize local commission agents to procure maximum tomato supplies from Sindh, thereby safeguarding seamless market availability.
- EADAs (E&M)/DOs PAMRA and Secretaries Market Committees must oversee auction proceedings on regular basis and ensure that wholesale and retail prices are fixed in a fair & transparent manner.
- Price Control Magistrates must strictly enforce regulated pricing to curb overcharging by retailers and shopkeepers in local markets.
- Tomato paste and puree should be promoted to ensure smooth availability of tomato during off production season.

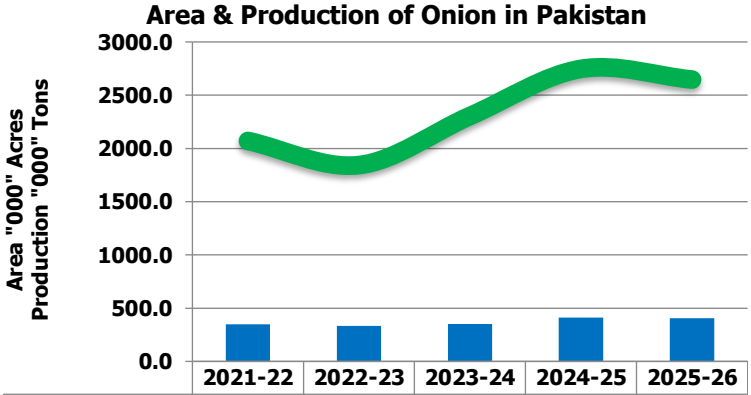
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NATIONAL OVERVIEW

Domestic Area & Production:

- Over the last three years (2022-2025), Pakistan has seen a steady increase in both onion production and cultivated area. However, during year 2025–26, total cultiavted area of onion is recorded at 405,000 acres which is 1.36% less over the last year.
- Likewise, domestic production of onion is recorded at 2,646,655 tons, which reflects 3.65% decrease over last year's production.

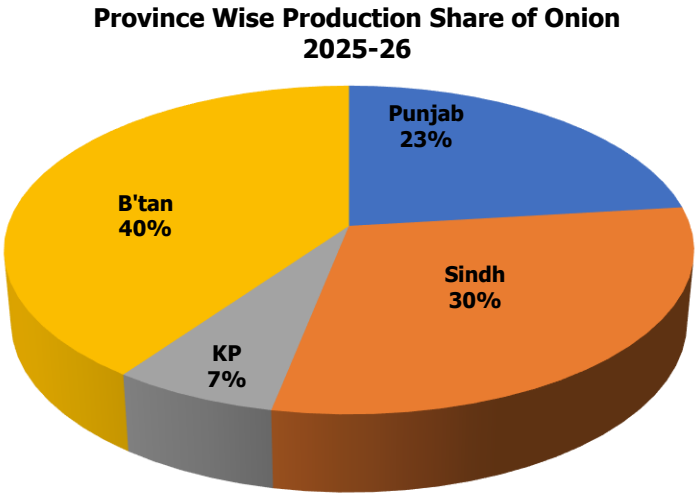


	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Area	348.0	334.8	352.6	410.6	405.0
Production	2070.2	1843.5	2304.6	2747.1	2646.7

Source: Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

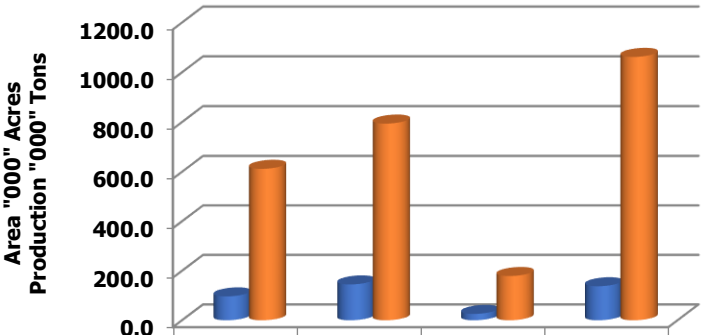
Province wise Area & Production:

- A significant shift in provincial onion production patterns took place in year 2025-26, when Balochistan became the leading producer, accounting for 40% of national production. It was followed by Sindh at 30%, Punjab at 23%, and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa at 7%.



- In year 2025–26, Balochistan became the top onion-producing province, with a total production of 1,061,800 tons. Sindh followed closely, producing 793,900 tons, while Punjab contributed 612,068 tons. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa held a comparatively smaller share, with production recorded at 178,900 tons.

Province Wise Area & Production of Onion 2025-26



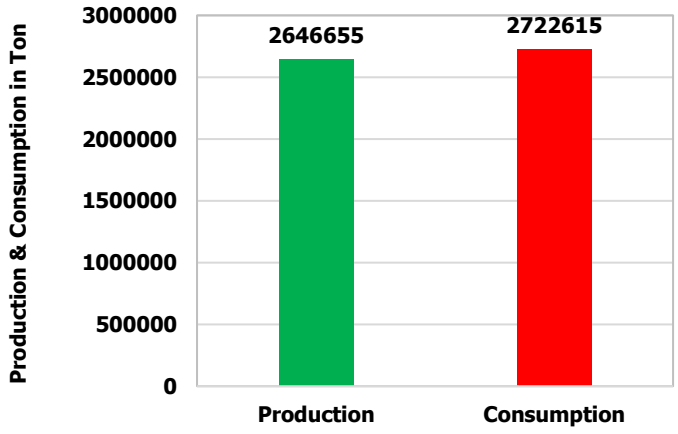
	Punjab	Sindh	KP	B'tan
Area	96.6	145.0	25.8	137.7
Production	612.1	793.9	178.9	1061.8

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Domestic Production & Consumption:

- In year 2025–26, national onion production totaled 2,646,655 tons, falling behind the estimated consumption requirement of 2,722,615 tons, creating a deficit of 75,960 tons.

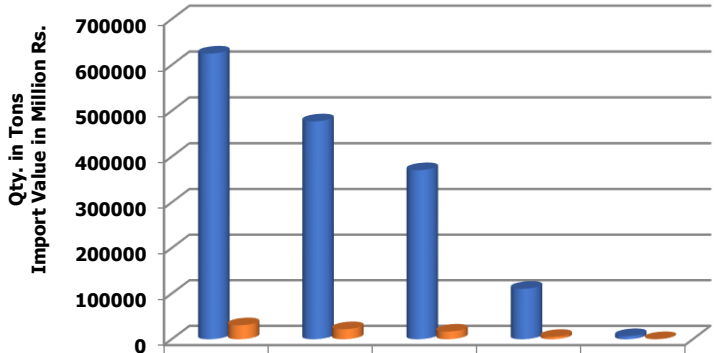
Pakistan Production & Consumption of Onion



Import Insights:

- During year 2026–27 (July-September), Pakistan imported 6961 tons of onions from Iran at a cost of Rs. 335 million, while during 2025–26, onion imports totaled 110,672 tons, with an expenditure of Rs. 5,208 million.
- After December 2026, onion imports will no longer be needed, as sufficient supplies will be available from Sindh and Punjab.

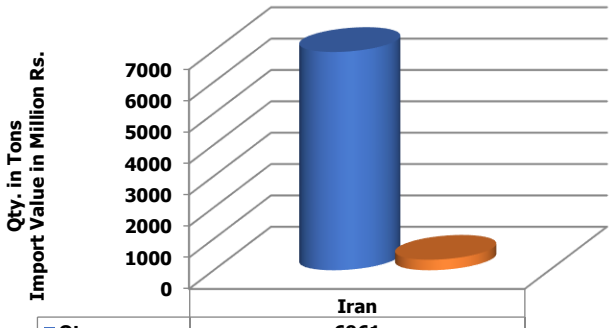
Import of Onion



	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27*
Qty.	625059	477099	370689	110672	6961
Import Value	30696	22068	16878	5208	335

**=Import during July 2026 to September 2026*
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Country Wise Import of Onion 2026-27



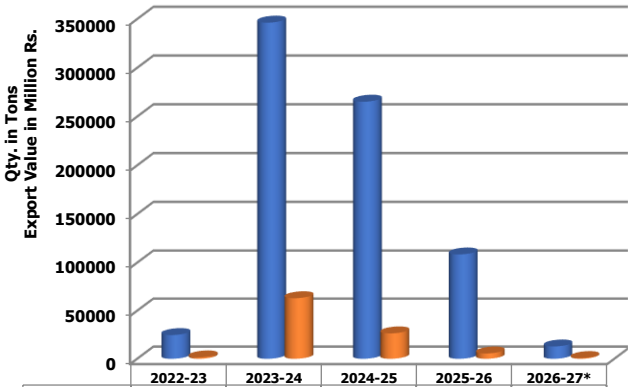
	Iran
Qty.	6961
Import Value	335

**=Import during July 2026 to September 2026*
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Export Insights:

- In addition to using imports to meet domestic demand, Pakistan also exports onions to international markets, contributing to foreign exchange earnings.
- During 2026-27, (July-September 2026) 12,849 tons of Onion have been exported, whereas export was recorded at 108,680 tons during the last year.
- Pakistan's onion exports are primarily destined for Malaysia, the United Arab Emirates, Sri Lanka, Oman, Qatar, Singapore, and Bahrain. Among these, shipments to Malaysia, the UAE, and Singapore remained significantly higher than those to other markets.

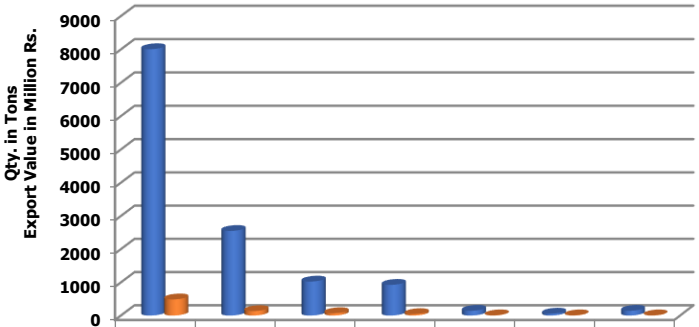
Export of Onion



	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27*
Qty.	24715	346378	265318	108680	12849
Export Value	1477	63092	26466	5558	756

**=Export during July 2026 to September 2026*
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Country Wise Export of Onion 2026-27



	Malaysia	UAE	Singapore	Sri Lanka	Qatar	Brunei	Oman
Qty.	8007	2548	1023	924	144	58	144
Export Value	487	134	71	44	7	7	6

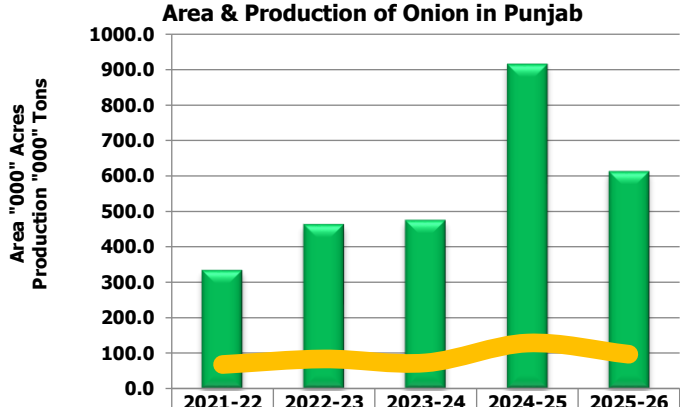
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PROVINCIAL OVERVIEW

Area & Production:

- The cultivated area and prouction of onion in Punjab have shown fluctuations during year last five years.
- During year 2025–26, the area under onion cultivation significantly reduced to 96,600 acres, marking a sharp decrease of 24.64% compared to the previous year.
- As a result, onion production dropped from 914,000 tons to 612,068 tons, reflecting a significant decrease of 33.03% over the preceding year.

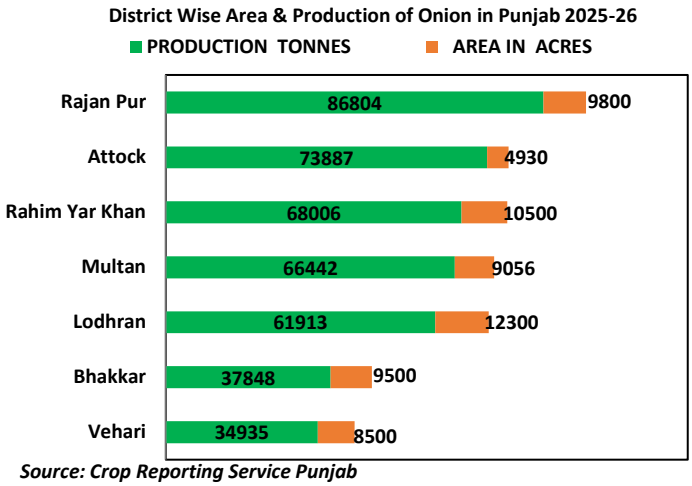
Area & Production of Onion in Punjab



	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Production	333.0	462.2	474.6	914.0	612.1
Area	67.7	83.4	72.3	128.2	96.6

Source: Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan & Crop Reporting Service Punjab

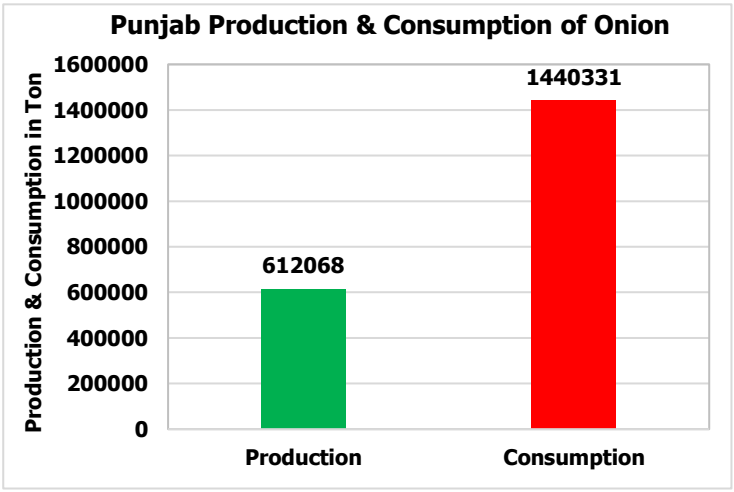
- The leading onion-producing districts in Punjab include Rajanpur, Attock, Rahim Yar Khan, Multan, Lodhran, Bhakkar and Vehari.
- Rajanpur ranked first with an onion production of 86,804 tons. Attock secured second place with 73,887 tons, while Rahim Yar Khan stood in third position with 68,006 tons.



Source: Crop Reporting Service Punjab

Provincial Production & Consumption:

- During year 2025–26, the province produced 6,12,068 tons of onions, which fell short of the estimated provincial demand of 1,440,331 tons, resulting in a significant deficit of 828,263 tons.



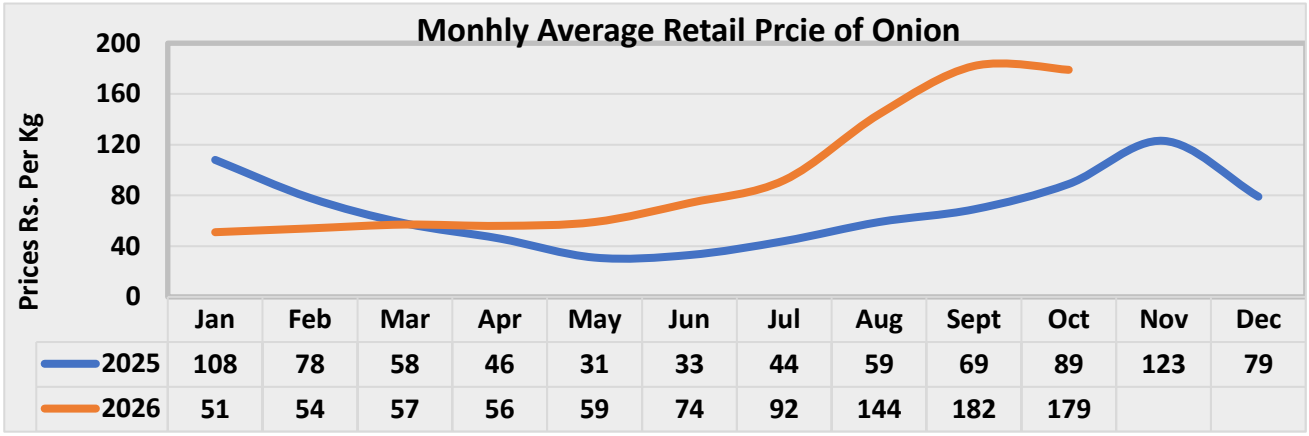
Supply Cycle:

- The key onion-producing districts in each province, along with their respective production seasons, are presented below:

Province	Top Production Districts	Availability of Onion Crop in Markets
Punjab	Rajan Pur, Attock, R.Y.Khan, Multan, Lodhran, Bhakkar & Vehari etc.	Jan to July
Sindh	Jamshoro, Mirpurkhas, Matiari, Sanghar, Jacobabad, Shaheed Benazir Abad & N. Feroze etc.	November – April
KP	Swat, Malakand, Dir Lower, Muhmand, Dir Upper, Bajour & Khyber etc.	June – September
Balochistan	Khuzdar, Nasirabad, Kharan, Awaran, Lasbela, Washuk & Kalat etc.	June – November

Market Price:

- The onion supply is majorly dependent on arrival from Balochistan. Moreover, production season in Sindh has started and its arrival is increasing day by day. However, due to major dependence on Balochistan, and start of production season in Sindh, onion price is on higher side in local markets. The graphical trend below illustrates the monthly average retail price of onions in Punjab:



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2025	108	78	58	46	31	33	44	59	69	89	123	79
2026	51	54	57	56	59	74	92	144	182	179		

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Assessment

Production season of Onion in Sindh has started and its supply is further improving after mid-November-2026.

Forecast



Production season in Sindh has started and onion supply from Sindh is expected to increase in coming days. Due to Sindh's significant share in domestic onion production, its supply and price situation is expected to stabilize in coming days. Moreover, local crop of onion will also be available from some areas of Punjab including D.G. Khan, Rajanpur, Lodhran, Vehari and Multan.

Advisory



- EADAs (E&M), DOs PAMRAs, and Secretaries Market Committees should actively encourage local commission agents to procure maximum supplies of onion from Sindh and south Punjab districts to ensure an uninterrupted supply of onion in the local markets.
- A wide gap (29.17%) exists between notified retail prices and wholesale prices as indicated by report of Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS). Price Control Magistrates must expedite activities to curtail gap in prices and prevent over-charging by retailers.
- EADAs (E&M)/DOs PAMRA and Secretaries Market Committees should ensure regular supervision of auction proceedings and ensure that wholesale and retail prices are fixed in a fair & transparent manner.
- Dehydrated and rosted onion may be promoted to overcome short supply during off production season.

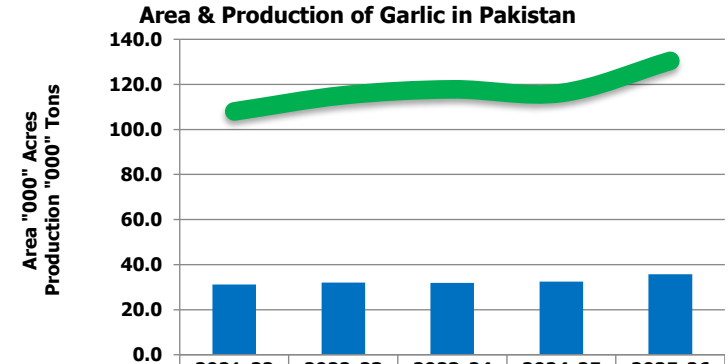
4. GARLIC



NATIONAL OVERVIEW

Domestic Area & Production

- In the 2025–26 season, the land used for garlic growing increased to 35,800 acres, 10.15% higher from the previous year. Reultantly, domestic production totaled 130,434 tons, showing an increase of 12.22% compared to the previous year.

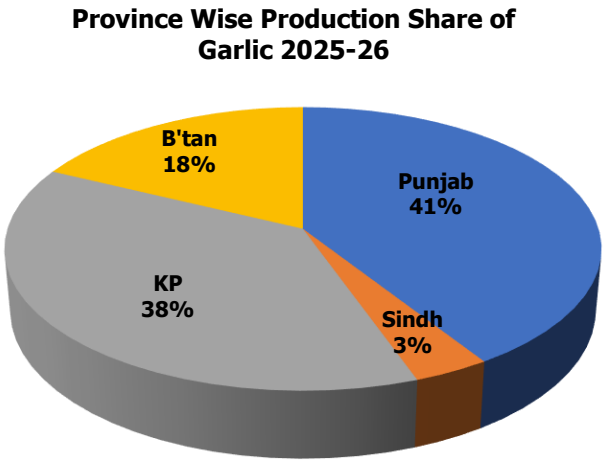


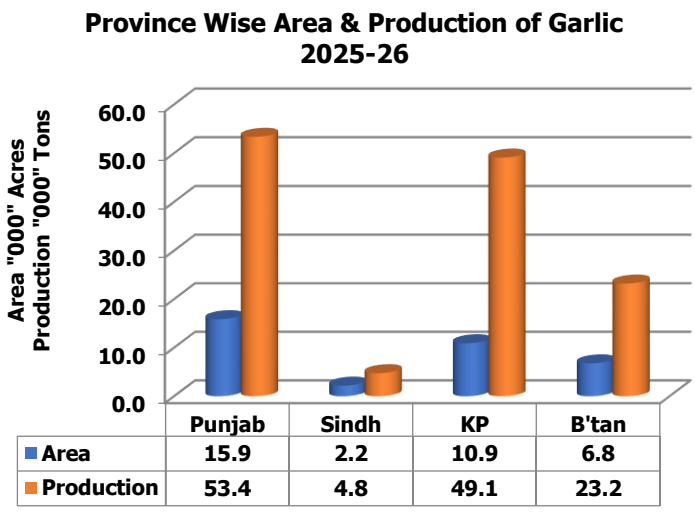
	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Area	31.1	32.1	31.9	32.5	35.8
Production	107.99	115.1	117.8	116.2	130.4

Source: Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

Province wise Area & Production:

- Punjab holds the largest share of national garlic production, accounting for 41% of the total production, followed by Khyber Pakhtunkhwa at 38%, Balochistan at 18%, and Sindh at 3%.
- In year 2025–26, Punjab produced 53,400 tons of garlic on 15,900 acres. In comparison, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa yielded 49,100 tons from 10,900 acres, while Balochistan generated 23,200 tons from 6,800 acres. Sindh reported the smallest contribution, with a harvest of 4,800 tons from 2,200 cultivated acres.



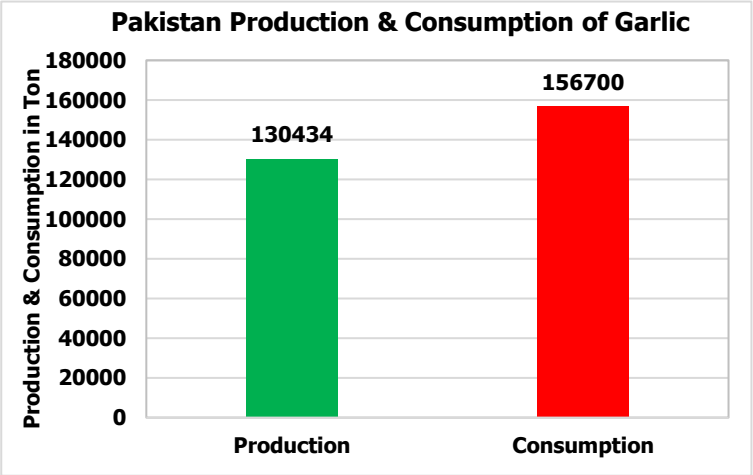


	Punjab	Sindh	KP	B'tan
Area	15.9	2.2	10.9	6.8
Production	53.4	4.8	49.1	23.2

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

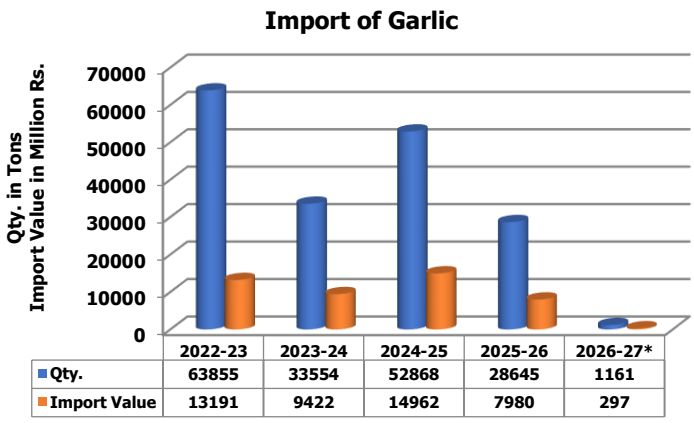
Domestic Production & Consumption:

- During the 2025-26 period, domestic garlic production reached 130,434 tons, which fell short of the estimated consumption requirement of 156,700 tons, leading to a deficit of 26,266 tons.



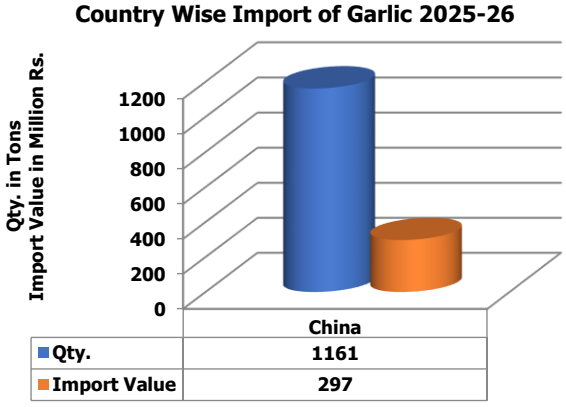
Import Insights:

- To meet its annual consumption needs, Pakistan relies heavily on garlic imports, mainly from China. During the year 2026-27 (July-September 2026), 1,161 tons has been imported, whereas 28,645 tons of garlic were imported during last year.



	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27*
Qty.	63855	33554	52868	28645	1161
Import Value	13191	9422	14962	7980	297

**=Import during July 2026 to September 2026*
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)



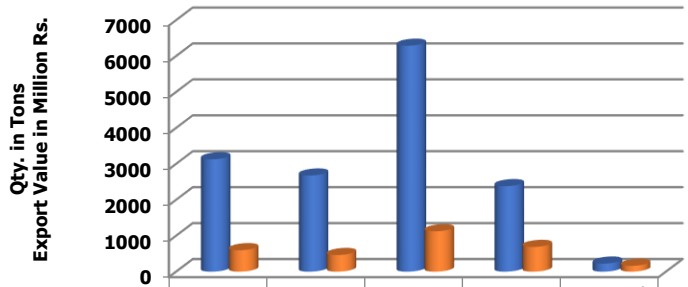
	China
Qty.	1161
Import Value	297

**=Import during July 2026 to September 2026*
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Export Insights:

- During the year 2026-27 (July-September 2026), 224 tons has been exported, whereas export was recorded at 2,379 tons during last year.
- The main destinations for Pakistani garlic are the USA, Netherlands, Baharain, Canada, and Sweden.
- Netherlands received the largest share of export volumes, while shipments to other countries remained comparatively lower. However, in terms of financial returns, exports to the USA yield significantly higher revenue than those sent to Netherlands.

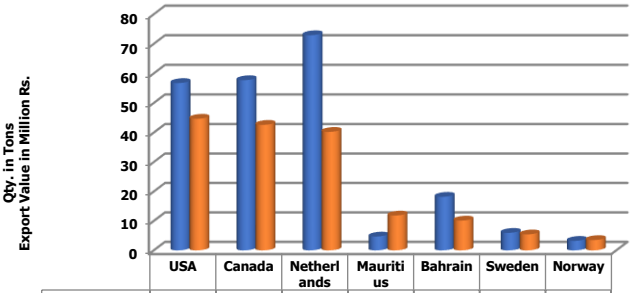
Export of Garlic



	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27*
Qty.	3126	2675	6287	2379	224
Export Value	597	463	1123	689	162

**=Export during July 2026 to September 2026*
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Country Wise Export of Garlic 2026-27



	USA	Canada	Netherlands	Mauritius	Bahrain	Sweden	Norway
Qty.	57	58	73	5	18	6	3
Export Value	45	43	40	12	10	5	3

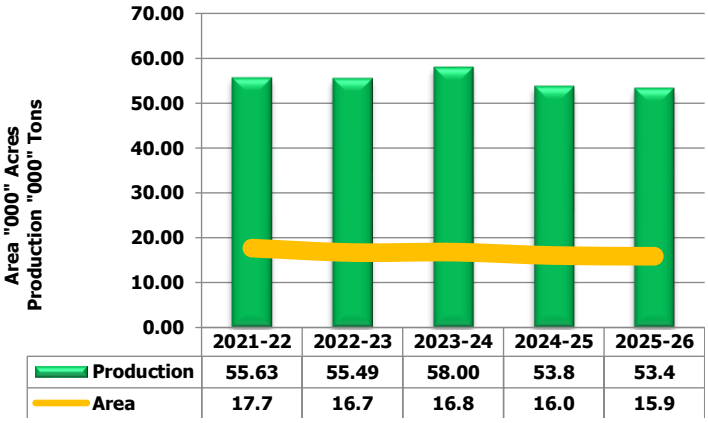
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PROVINCIAL OVERVIEW

Area & Production:

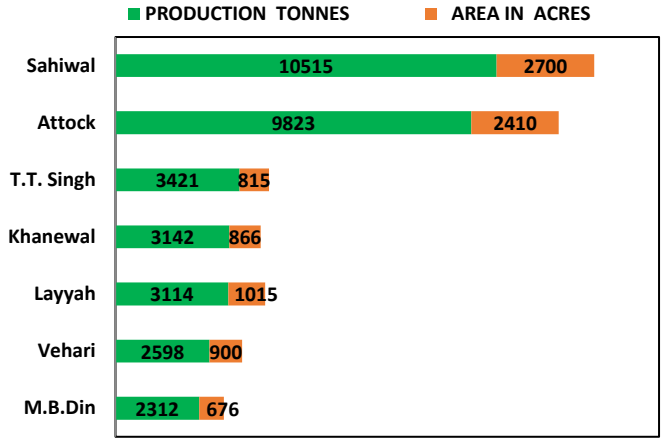
- Over the last four years, both the area under cultivation and the production levels of garlic in Punjab have shown almost stable trend.
- In 2025–26, the land used for garlic cultivation in Punjab was recorded at 15,900 acres, reflecting a 0.625% decrease from the previous year.
- Garlic production in the province reached 53,362 tons, which represents a 0.81% reduction from the prior year.
- The key garlic-growing districts in Punjab include Sahiwal, Attock, Layyah, Toba Tek Singh, and Mandi Bahauddin. Among these, Sahiwal stands out as the largest garlic-producing district, with an production of 10,515 tons from 2,700 acres of cultivated land.

Area & Production of Garlic in Punjab



	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Production	55.63	55.49	58.00	53.8	53.4
Area	17.7	16.7	16.8	16.0	15.9

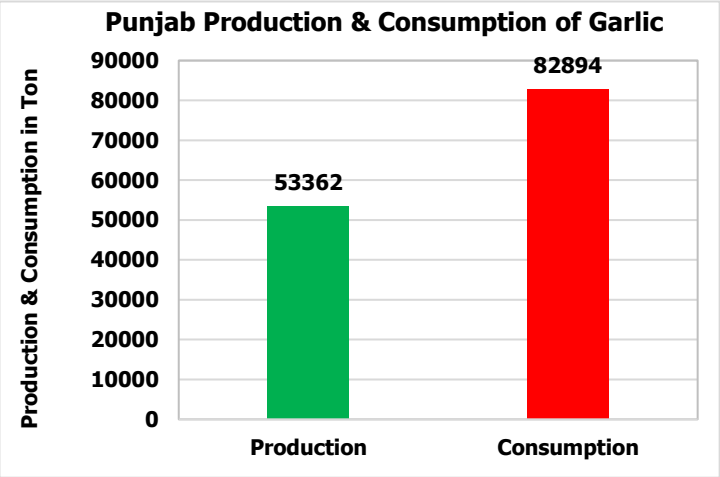
District Wise Area & Production of Garlic Year 2025-26



Source: Crop Reporting Service Punjab

Provincial Production & Consumption:

- Duirng year 2025-26, provincial production of garlic has been recorded at 53,362 tons and provincial consumption requriment is estimated at 82,894 tons, which resulted in supply defict of 29,532 tons.



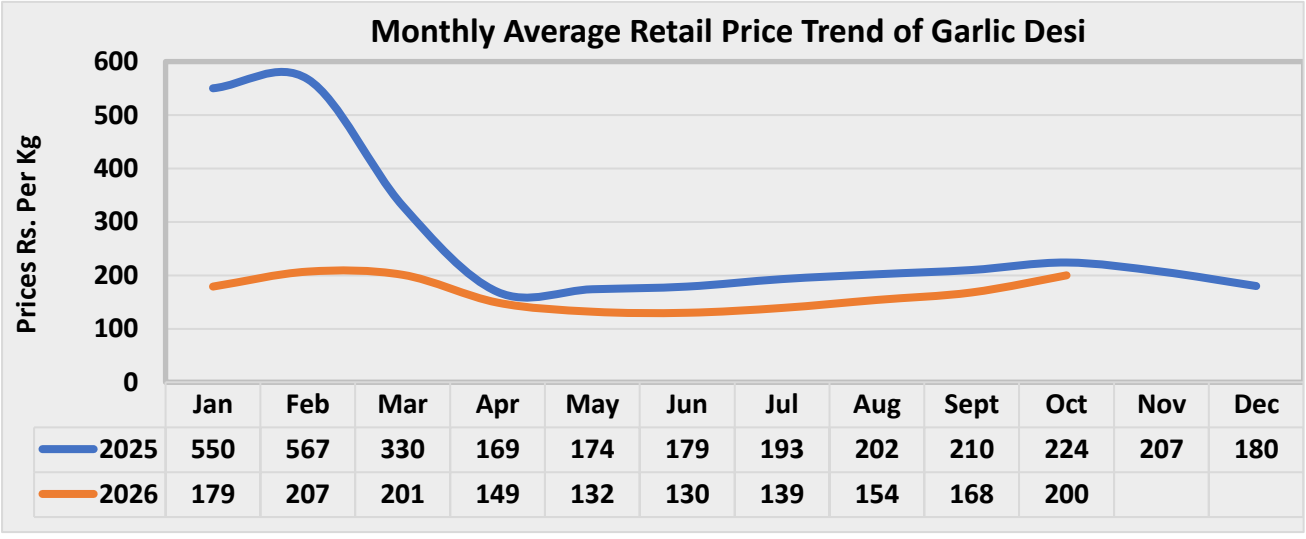
Supply Cycle:

- Province wise major producing districts of garlic along with production season are outlined as under:

Province	Top Production Districts	Availability of Garlic Crop in Markets
Punjab	Sahiwal, Attock, R.Y.Khan, Layyah, T.T. Singh, Faisalabad & M.B.Din etc.	March-May
Sindh	Thatta, T.M.Khan, Matiari, Sanghar, Shikarpur, Larkana & Badin etc.	March-April
KP	Sawabi, Nowshera, Kohat, Mardan, Peshawar, Bannu & Charsada etc.	May-June
Balochistan	Harani, Loralai, Ziarat, Musa Khail, Killa Saifullah, Barkhan & Zhob etc.	May-June

- **Market Prices:**

Garlic prices are on an upward trend due to the heavy reliance of supply from Balochistan and KPK. In October, the monthly average retail price in Punjab stood at Rs. 200 per kg. The graph of monthly average retail price of garlic is given below.



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2025	550	567	330	169	174	179	193	202	210	224	207	180
2026	179	207	201	149	132	130	139	154	168	200		

SUPPLY MANAGEMENT ADVISORY



Assessment

Garlic supply is currently under stress due to off production season in Punjab. Currently, supply is available from Balochistan and KPK. Price is showing increasing trend in local markets due to arrival from other provinces.

Forecast

Supply of Garlic will remain dependent on arrival from Balochistan and KPK. Resultantly, price of garlic is expected to remain on higher side. Fresh local garlic crop will arrive in March–April 2027.



Advisory



- The District Administration, in coordination with the concerned EADA (E&M)/DO PAMRA and Secretaries Market Committees, should closely monitor the supply and pricing of garlic to ensure its continuous availability in local markets.
- The EADAs (E&M)/Dos PAMRA and Secretaries Market Committees should monitor auction process in Agricultural Produce Markets to ensure a transparent price fixation process.
- The processing of garlic into paste should be actively encouraged and promoted to ensure year-round availability and maintain price stability.

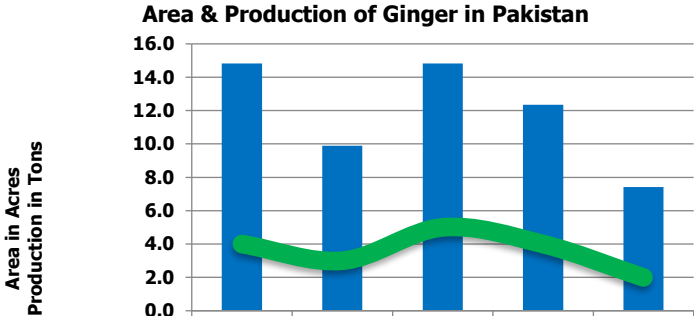
5. GINGER



NATIONAL OVERVIEW

Domestic Area & Production

- Domestic production of ginger is almost negligible, that's why Pakistan is almost entirely dependnet on imports to meet its ginger consumption requirements.
- In the 2025-26 domestic ginger production was recorded at only 2 tons from a cultivated area of 7.4 acres.

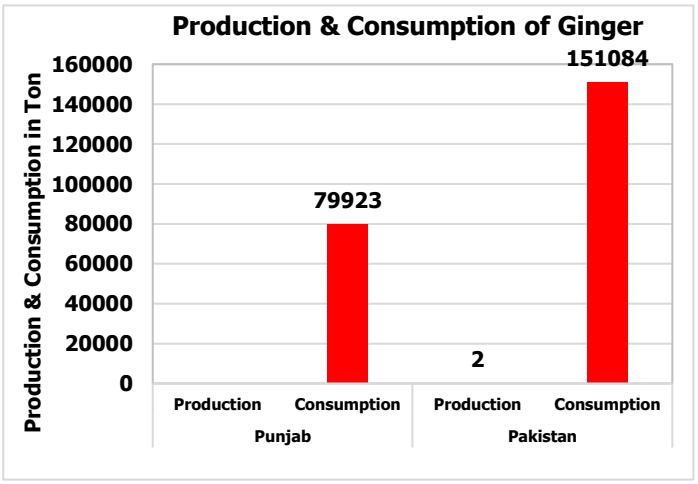


	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Area	14.8	9.9	14.8	12.4	7.4
Production	4	3.0	5.0	4.0	2.0

Source: Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

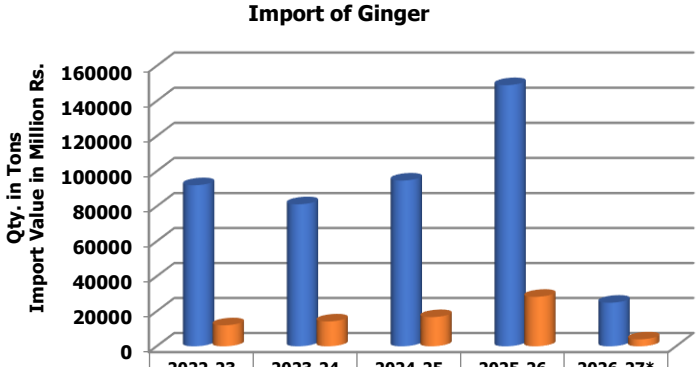
Domestic Production & Consumption:

- Domestic ginger production stands at merely 2 tons, while the national consumption requirement is estimated at 151,084 tons. In Punjab alone, the demand for ginger is 79,923 tons.



Import Insights

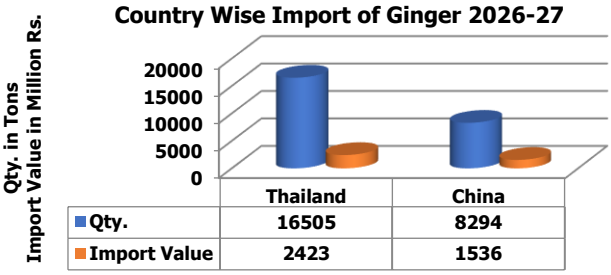
- During the year 2026–27 (July-September 2026), import volumes amounted to 24,935 tons, with an expenditure of Rs. 3,980 million. Thailand and China stood as the main suppliers.



	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27*
Qty.	92084	81237	94761	149084	24935
Import Value	12024	14217	16707	28312	3980

**=Import during July 2026 to September 2026*
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

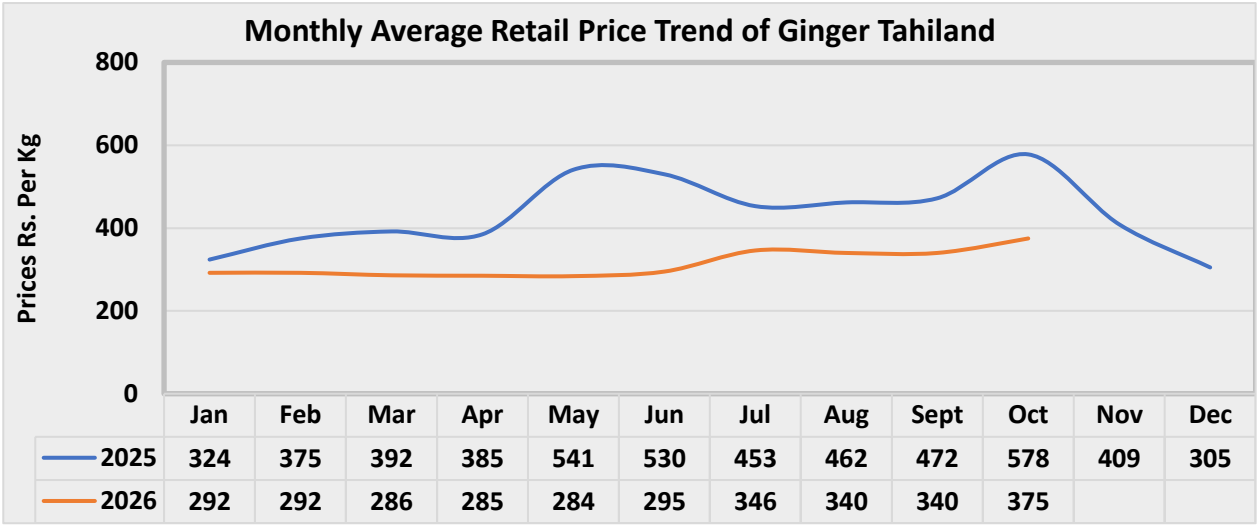
- During year 2026-27 (July-September 2026) ginger import from Thailand and China has been recorded at 24,799 tons, out of which 16,505 tons (67%) was from Thailand and 8,294 tons (33%) was from China.



**=Import during July 2026 to September 2026*
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Market Prices

- Retail prices of Ginger are showing stable trend in local markets due to smooth imports from Thailand and China. The monthly average retail price of Thai ginger Thai is recorded at Rs. 375 per kilogram in October 2026. The trend lines for monthly average retail prices of Thai ginger for the current year and the previous year are presented below:



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2025	324	375	392	385	541	530	453	462	472	578	409	305
2026	292	292	286	285	284	295	346	340	340	375		

SUPPLY MANAGEMENT ADVISORY



Assessment

Due to unavailability of domestic production, ginger is imported from Thailand and China. Currently, off production season in Thailand, but ginger crop of China is on full swing therefore, ginger prices are showing stable trend in local markets and much lower as compared to last year.

Forecast

Supply and price situation of ginger is expected to remain stable subject to smooth import from China.



Advisory

- The EADAs (E&M)/DOs PAMRA and Secretaries Market Committees should encourage the ginger importers for maximum import from China to bridge the supply gap in the local markets.
- The processing of ginger into paste should be actively encouraged to ensure year-round availability and its price stability in local markets.
- The Agriculture Department should expedite research to introduce domestic ginger production, in order to reduce dependence on imports and alleviating the associated burden on the national economy.

6. CHILLIES

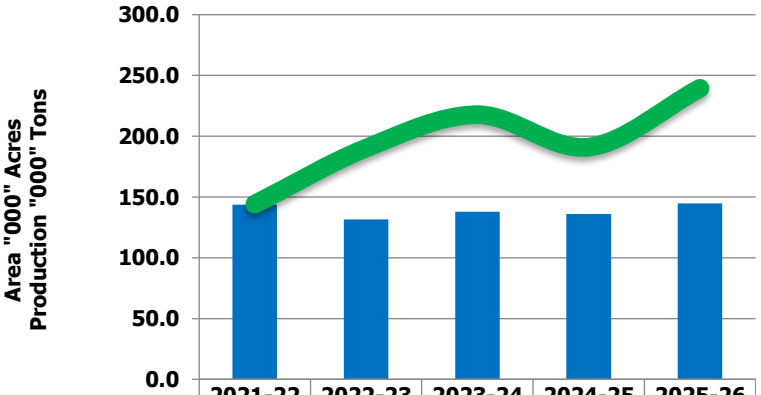


NATIONAL OVERVIEW

Domestic Area & Production

- Over the past three years, the area for chili cultivation in Pakistan has shown fluctuations. Although domestic production rose consistently from year 2021–22 to year 2025–26, a slight decline was recorded in year 2024–25.
- In year 2025–26, the cultivated area of chilies stood at 144,700 acres, showing 6.31% increase than last year cultivated area. Likewise, Domestic chili production totaled 239,400 tons, reflecting a 25.27% increase as compared to the previous year's production.

Area & Production of Chili in Pakistan

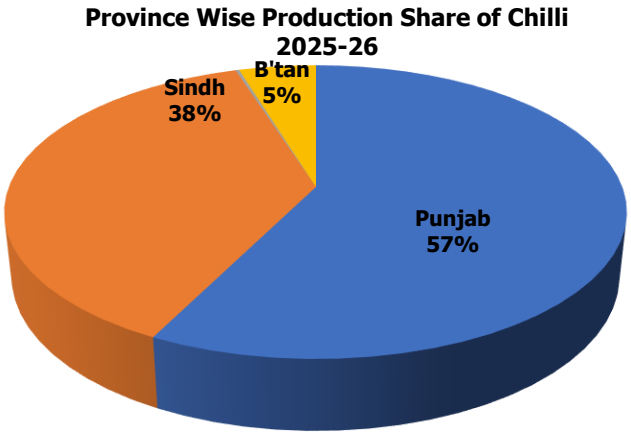


	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Area	143.7	131.4	137.9	136.1	144.7
Production	144.2	190.2	217.7	191.1	239.4

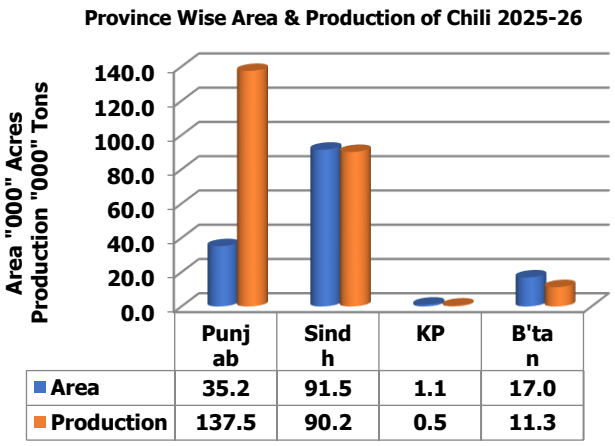
Source: Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Province wise Area & Production

- Punjab holds a leading role in national chili production, accounting for 57% of the country's total production. Sindh follows closely with a 38% share, while Balochistan makes up the remaining 5%. Chili production in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, by contrast, is almost negligible.



- In 2025–26, Punjab stood as the top chili-producing province, with 137,500 tons harvested from 35,200 acres. Sindh came in second, producing 90,200 tons across 91,500 acres.
- Meanwhile, chili production in Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa remained very low, recorded at 11,300 tons and 500 tons, respectively.

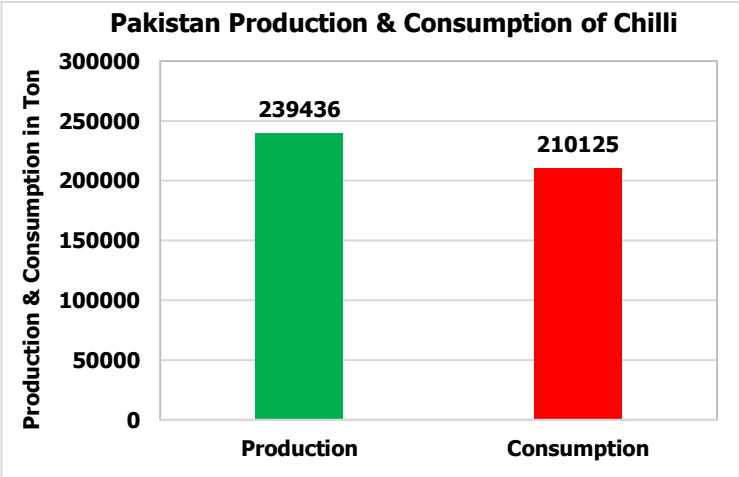


	Punjab	Sindh	KP	B'tan
Area	35.2	91.5	1.1	17.0
Production	137.5	90.2	0.5	11.3

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Domestic Production & Consumption:

- During year 2025-26, domestic chili production amounted to 239,436 tons, which remained higher than the consumption requirement of 210,125 tons, resulting in a surplus of 29,311 tons.

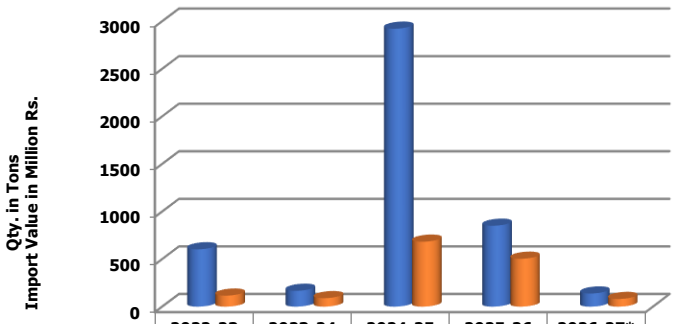


Import Insights

- During the year 2026-27 (July-September 2026), 138 tons of red chili has been imported, whereas 850 tons of red chili were imported last year.

- China remains Pakistan's primary source of red chili imports. In 2026–27 (July-September 2026), imports from China totaled 138 tons, costing Rs. 80.4 million.

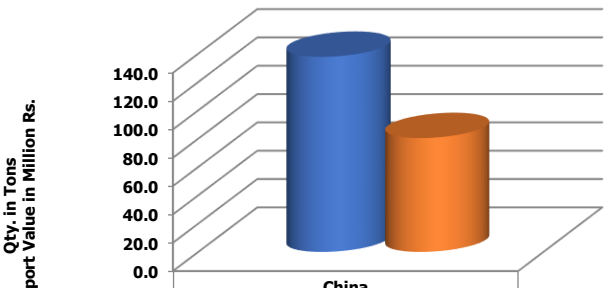
Import of Red Chillies



	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27*
Qty.	602	166	2922	850	138
Import Value	116	89	682	503	80

**=Import during July 2026 to September 2026*
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Country Wise Import of Red Chillies 2026-27



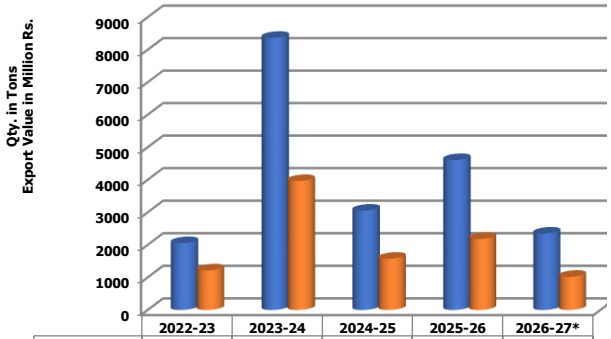
	China
Qty.	137.8
Import Value	80.4

**=Import during July 2026 to September 2026*
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Export Insights

- Pakistan's red chili exports have consistently exceeded imports in both quantity and value. During the year 2026-27 (July-September 2026), 2,346 tons of red chili has been exported, whereas export was recorded at 4,605 tons during last year.
- The main destinations for Pakistan's red chili exports are China, the United Arab Emirates, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Saudi Arabia, and Iraq.

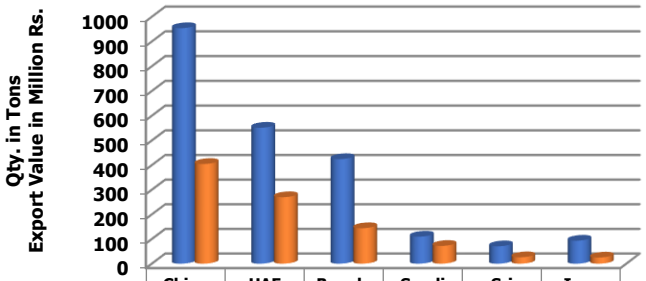
Export of Red Chillies



	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27*
Qty.	2053	8367	3051	4605	2346
Export Value	1215	3960	1574	2182	1019

**=Export during July 2026 to September 2026*
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Country Wise Export of Red Chilli 2026-27



	China	UAE	Bangla desh	Saudi Arabia	Sri Lanka	Iraq
Qty.	954	552	425	110	70	93
Export Value	405	270	144	72	26	25

**=Export during July 2026 to September 2026*
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

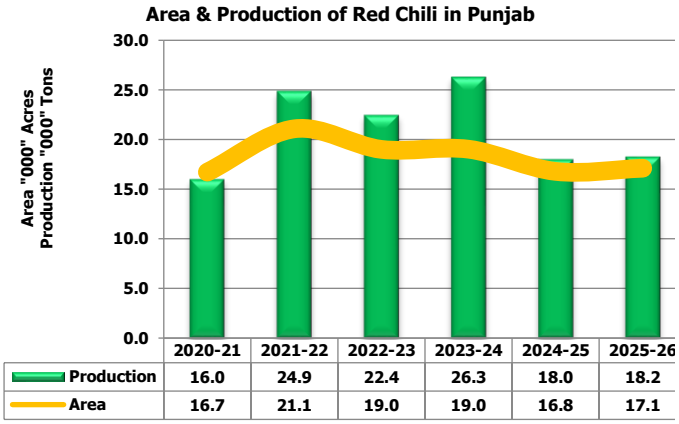
PROVINCIAL OVERVIEW

Area & Production

- Over the past five years, chili cultivation and production in Punjab have experienced fluctuations. In year 2025–26, the area dedicated to chili farming is recorded at 17,100 acres, showing 1.78% increase from the previous year. Likewise, red chili production in the province recorded at 18,200 tons, marking 1.11% increase than last year.

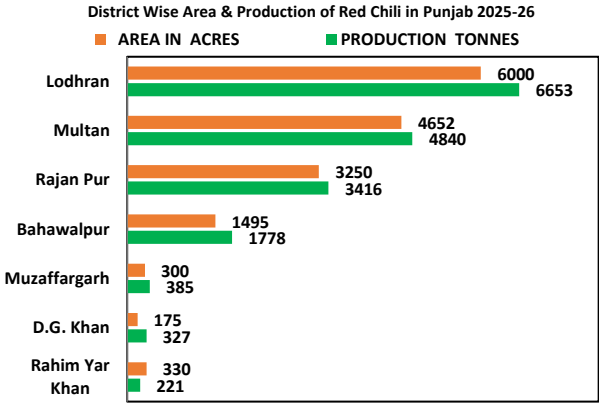
- The primary chili-producing districts within Punjab are Lodhran, Multan, Rajanpur, Bahawalpur, Muzaffargarh, DG Khan, and Rahim Yar Khan.

- Lodhran emerged as the top red chili-producing district, with 6,653 tons harvested from 6,000 acres. Multan ranked second, producing 4,840 tons, while Rajanpur came in third with 3,416 tons.



	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Production	16.0	24.9	22.4	26.3	18.0	18.2
Area	16.7	21.1	19.0	19.0	16.8	17.1

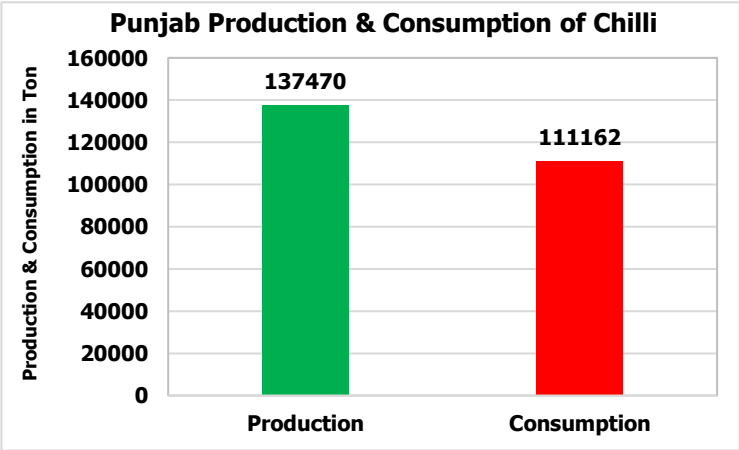
Source: Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan & Crop Reporting Service Punjab



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Provincial Production & Consumption:

- Provincial red and green chili production during year 2025-26 was recorded at 137,470 tons, well above the consumption requirement of 1,11,162 tons and resulting in a surplus of 26,308 tons.



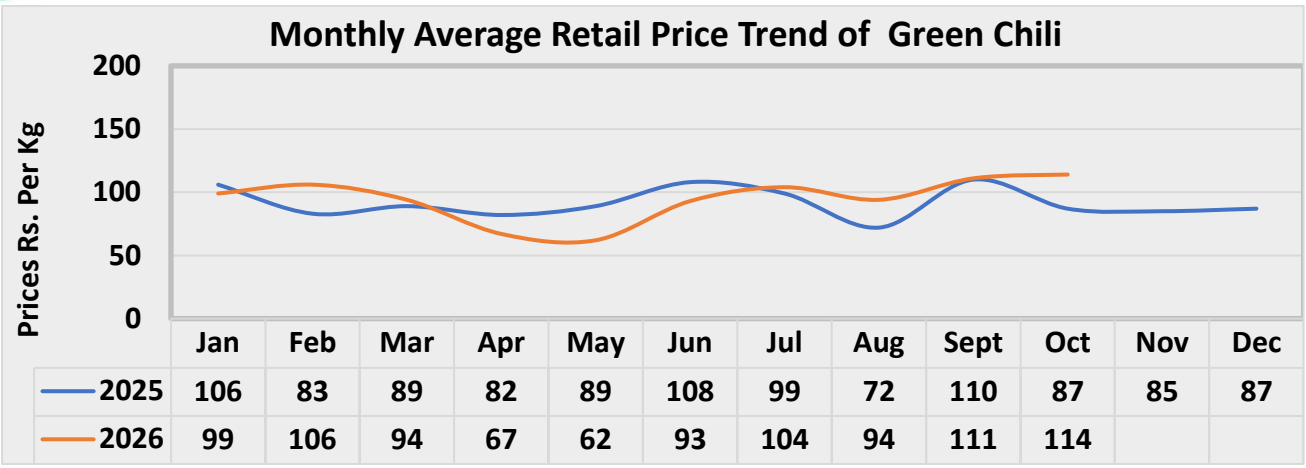
Supply Cycle

- The major chili-producing districts in each province, along with their respective production seasons, are outlined below:

Province	Top Production Districts	Availability of Chilies Crop in Markets
Punjab	Lodhran, Multan, Rajan Pur, Bahawalpur, Muzaffargarh, D.G. Khan & Rahim Yar Khan etc.	Apr to August (Main crop) Oct-Nov (Minor crop)
Sindh	Badin, Umarkot, Thatta, Tharparkar, Jamshoro, Sanghar & Matiari etc.	Dec-Feb (Main crop) March-April (Minor crop)
Balochistan	Barkhan, Loralai, Khuzdar, Musa Khail, Killa Saifullah, Lasbela & Kalat etc.	July-September

Market Prices

- Local production season of minor crop of chilli is ongoing in Punjab, thus prices of green chilies are showing decreasing trend in local markets. In October, the average retail price of green chilies in Punjab stood at Rs. 114 per kilogram. The graphical trend of monthly average retail prices of green chilies in Punjab is presented below:



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2025	106	83	89	82	89	108	99	72	110	87	85	87
2026	99	106	94	67	62	93	104	94	111	114		

SUPPLY MANAGEMENT ADVISORY



Assessment

The production season of chili in Balochistan has ended. However, supply from local minor crop of chili is available and therefore its price is showing declining trend in local markets.

Forecast

Supply of green chilies is expected to remain stable due to ongoing local production season of minor crop. Moreover, production season of chili in Sindh will start during December 2026, which will improve supply and price situation further.



Advisory



- The EADAs (E&M)/DOs PAMRA and Secretaries Market Committees should encourage local commission agents to enter into future contracts with their counterparts in Sindh to ensure continuous supply of green chilies. Moreover, auction process should also be supervised regularly to ensure a transparent price fixation mechanism.
- The Agriculture Department should intensify research and development efforts to develop and promote high-yielding, climate-resilient, and off-season chili varieties, with the objective of enhancing self-sufficiency and reducing inter-provincial dependence.

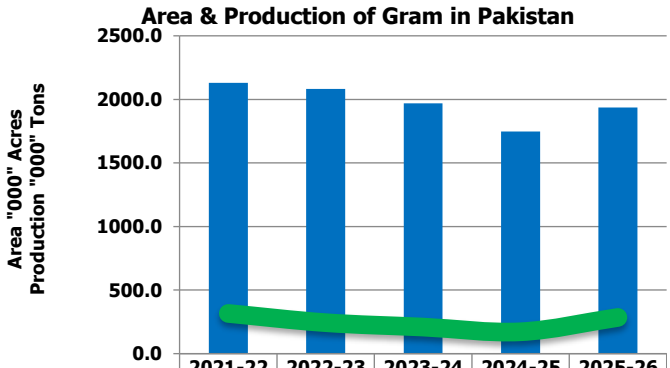
7. GRAM (Chickpea)



NATIONAL OVERVIEW

Domestic Area & Production:

- The area of land devoted to gram cultivation nationwide has shown decline during the last four years, leading to a corresponding decline in domestic production that falls well below the country's consumption requirements.
- However, during 2025-26, cultivated area of gram is recorded at 1,936,300 acres, representing an 10.8% increase in acreage compared to the previous year.
- Consequently, domestic gram production increased to 284,756 tons, reflecting 65.68% increase from the production of the prior year.



	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Area	2129.3	2082.4	1969.7	1747.2	1936.3
Production	316.2	243.6	209.0	171.9	284.8

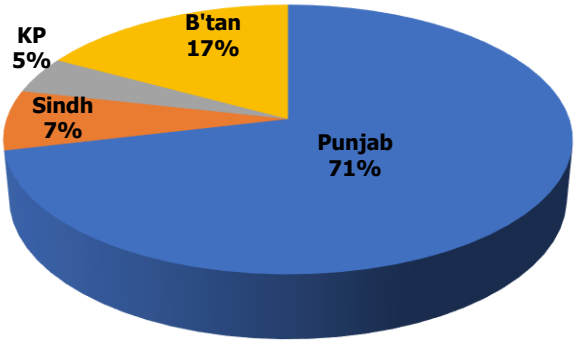
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Province wise Area & Production:

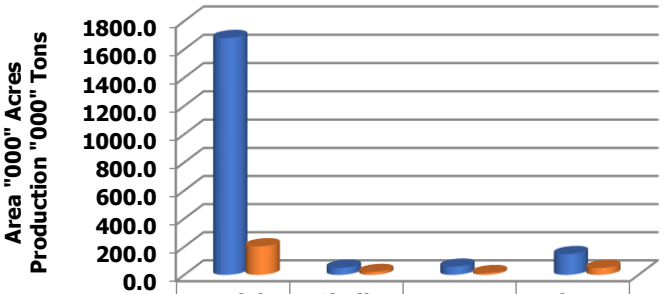
- Punjab remains the country's top gram-producing region, accounting for 71% of total production. Balochistan follows with a 17% share, while Sindh and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa contribute 7% and 5%, respectively.

- In year 2025–26, Punjab produced 203,000 tons of gram on 1,680,100 acres. Over the same period, production in Balochistan, Sindh, and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa stood at 48,600 tons, 20,500 tons, and 12,600 tons, respectively.

Province Wise Production Share of Gram 2025-26



Province Wise Area & Production of Gram 2025-26

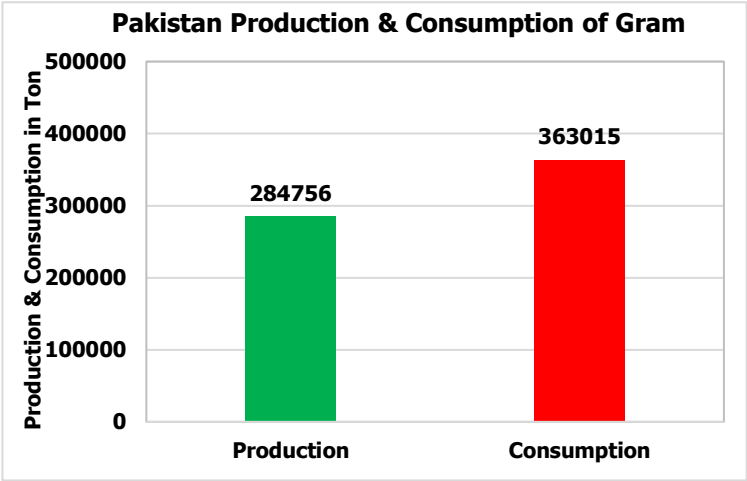


	Punjab	Sindh	KP	B'tan
Area	1680.1	50.2	58.3	147.6
Production	203.0	20.5	12.6	48.6

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Domestic Production and Consumption:

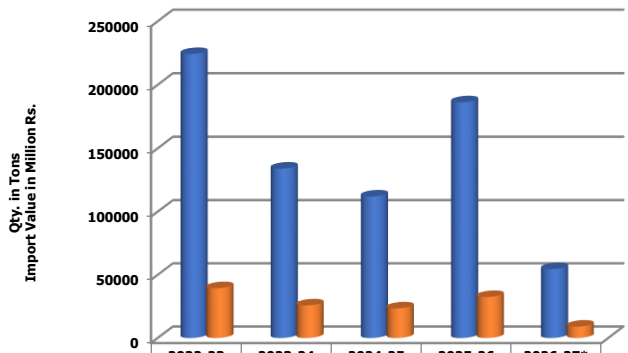
- Pakistan's insufficient domestic gram production necessitates regular imports to meet national consumption requirements. In year 2025-26, domestic production amounted to 284,756 tons, falling well short of the estimated consumption requirement of 363,015 tons, resulting in a significant supply deficit of 78,259 tons.



Import Insights:

- During the year 2026-27 (July-September 2026), 54,574 tons has been imported, whereas 1,86,242 tons of gram was imported during last year.
- The main sources of Pakistan's gram imports are Australia, Russia, Canada, the USA, , Myanmar, Tanzania, and Argentina.

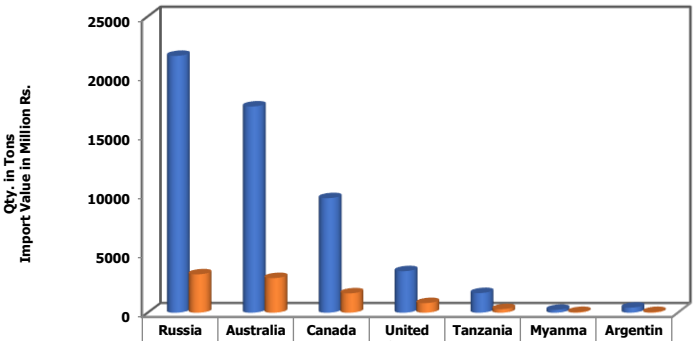
Import of Gram



	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27*
Qty.	224257	134087	112047	186242	54574
Import Value	39456	25823	23458	32471	9012

*=Import during July 2026 to September 2026
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Country Wise Import of Gram 2026-27

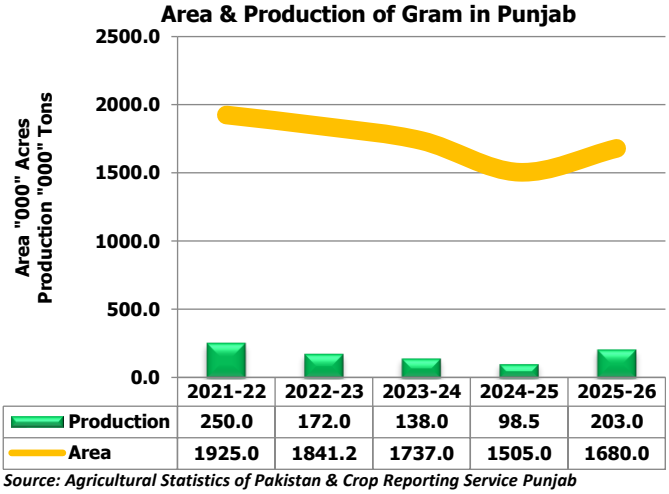


	Russia	Australia	Canada	United States	Tanzania	Myanmar	Argentina
Qty.	21675	17404	9666	3503	1657	240	428
Import Value	3235	2923	1632	811	298	58	56

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Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Area & Production:

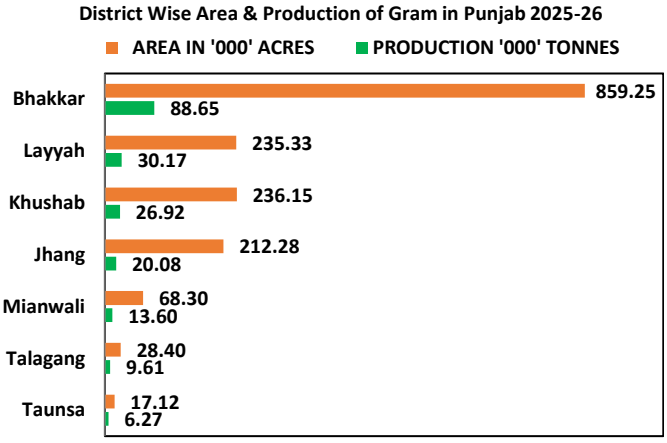
- Over the past four years, gram cultivation and production in Punjab have shown a consistent declining trend.
- However, during year 2025–26, the sown area of gram stood at 16,80,000 acres, a 11.6% increase from the previous year. Likewise, gram production in the province increased to 2,03,000 tons, reflecting a 106% increase compared to the prior year's production.



	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Production	250.0	172.0	138.0	98.5	203.0
Area	1925.0	1841.2	1737.0	1505.0	1680.0

Source: Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan & Crop Reporting Service Punjab

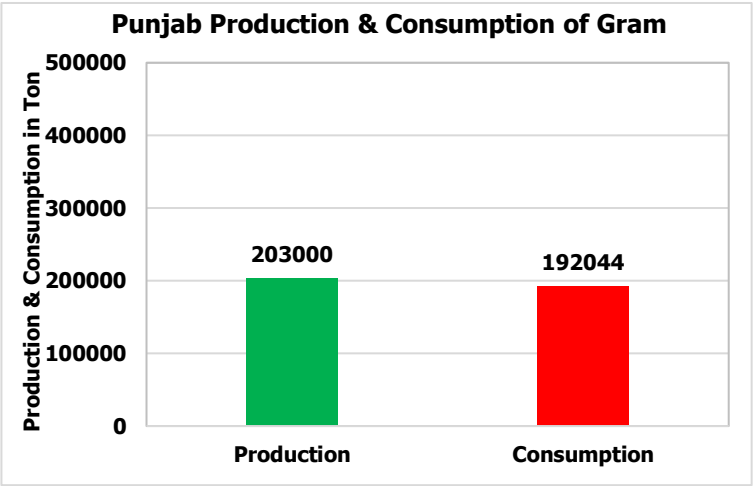
- The leading gram-producing districts in Punjab include Bhakkar, Layyah, Khushab, Jhang, Mianwali, Talagang, and Taunsa.



Source: Crop Reporting Service Punjab

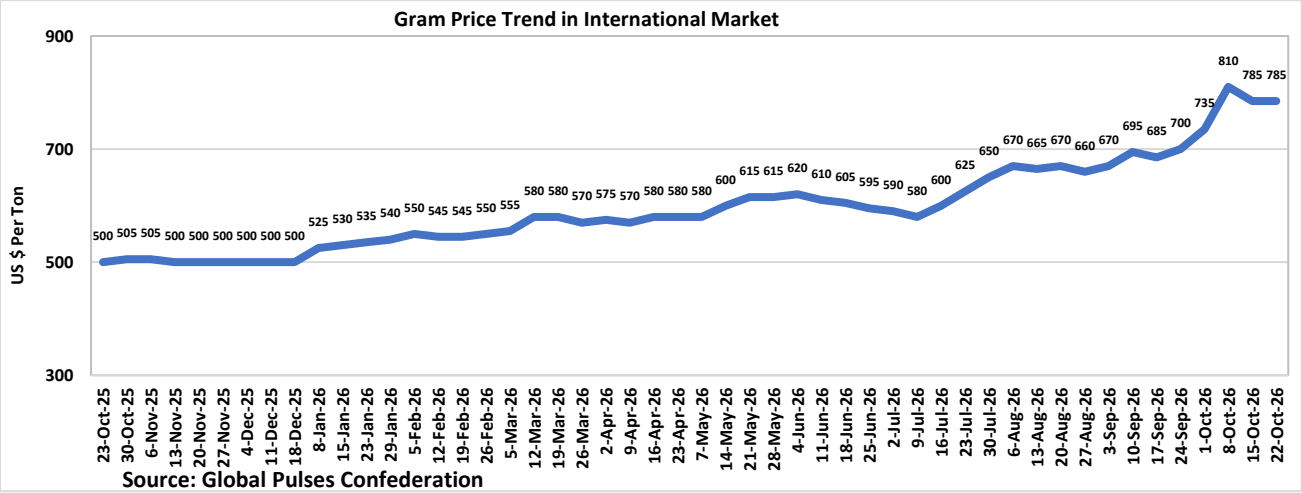
Provincial Production & Consumption:

- The provincial production of gram is recorded at 2,03,000 tons duirng year 2025-26, showing a surplus of 10,956 tons as compared to provincial consumption requriment i.e. 192,044 tons.



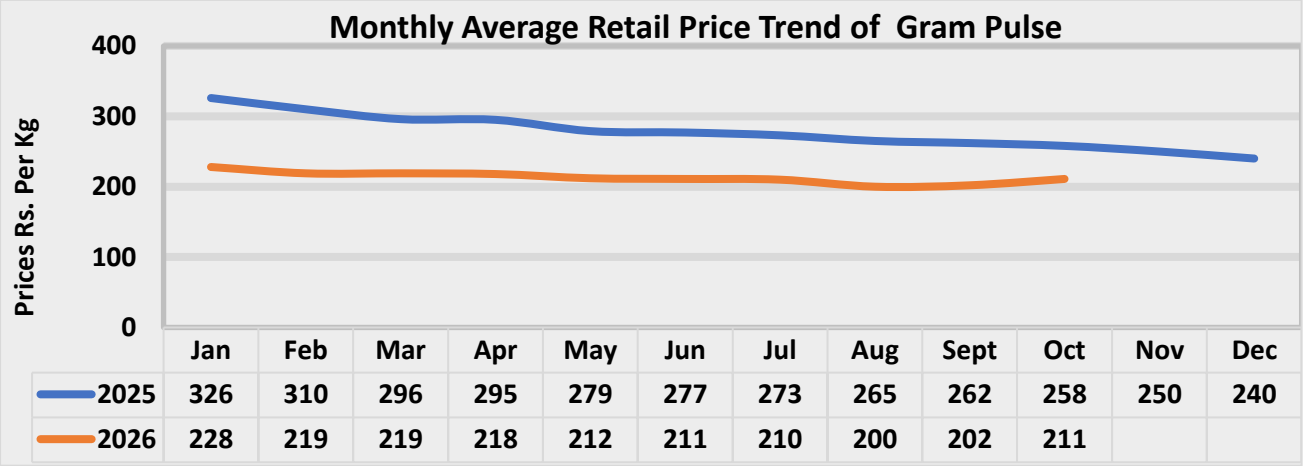
International Market Trends

- International prices of gram are showing increasing trend and current international price of gram is USD 785/ton. The weekly price trends reported by the Global Pulse Confederation, is outlined below:



Local Market Price:

- In Punjab, the average monthly retail price of gram pulse recorded in October 2026 is Rs. 211, which is significantly lower than the price observed during the same period last year.



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2025	326	310	296	295	279	277	273	265	262	258	250	240
2026	228	219	219	218	212	211	210	200	202	211		

SUPPLY MANAGEMENT ADVISORY



Assessment

Gram is imported from other countries i.e. Australia, Tanzania, and Russia to fulfill 34% of gram's domestic requirement. This year Australia's gram production decreased 51%-52%, dropping from 2.2 million tons to 1.08 million tons and as a result international prices of gram are showing bullish trend.

Forecast

Due to lower production of Gram in Australia, which is the biggest exporter of desi chickpea, global prices are expected to remain on higher side. This surge in international prices may also drive local prices upwards.



Advisory

- Due to ongoing production season in Australia, importers of pulses should arrange maximum import of desi chickpea from Australia as well as Tanzania.
- EADAs (E&M)/DOs PAMRA and District Administrations should encourage the importers to arrange maximum supplies of gram from Australia during current month on priority to fulfill the consumption requirement for the month of Ramazan.
- The EADAs (E&M)/DOs PAMRA and Secretaries of the Market Committees should regularly maintain stock position report to monitor market availability and prevent artificial shortages.

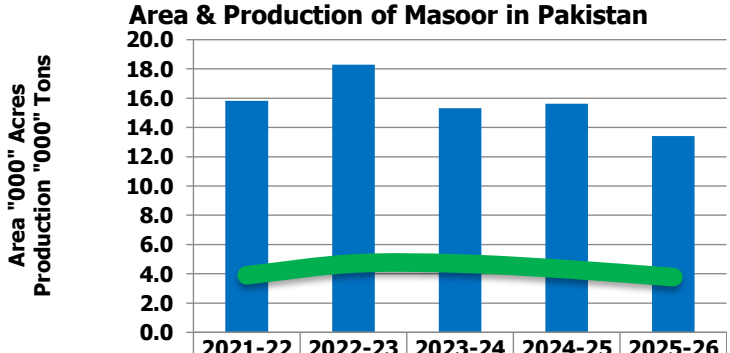
8. LENTIL (MASOOR)



NATIONAL OVERVIEW

Domestic Area & Production:

- Pakistan produces only a very limited quantity of masoor (lentil), making it heavily dependent on imports to meet domestic demand. Graphical data shows that both production and cultivated area have remained at very low levels and have been unstable over the past five years.
- In year 2025–26, the area under masoor cultivation reduced to 13,400 acres, showing a 14.10% decrease from the previous year. During the same period, masoor production fell to 3,772 tons, an 11.62% decline compared to the prior year.

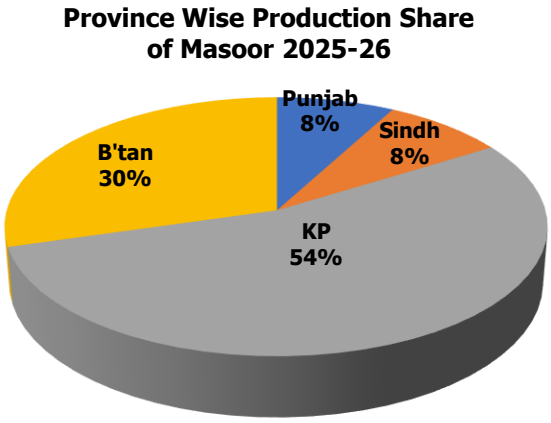


	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Area	15.8	18.3	15.3	15.6	13.4
Production	3.9	4.7	4.7	4.3	3.8

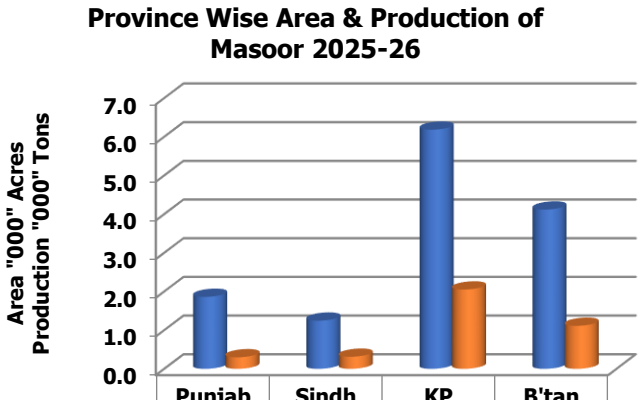
Source: Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Province wise Area & Production:

- Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) leads the country in masoor production, accounting for 54% of the total domestic production. Balochistan follows with a 30% share, while Punjab contributes 8%, and Sindh makes up the remaining 8%.



- In year 2025–26, masoor production in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) totaled 2,100 tons, harvested from 6,200 acres. Balochistan ranked second with 1,100 tons, followed by Punjab at 300 tons and Sindh at 300 tons

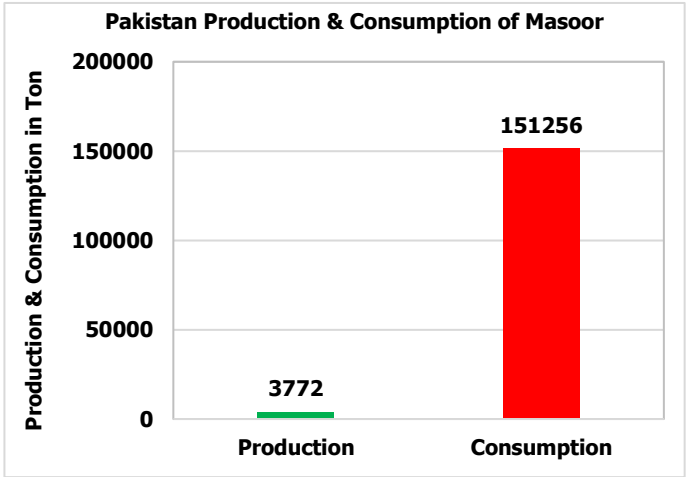


	Punjab	Sindh	KP	B'tan
Area	1.9	1.2	6.2	4.1
Production	0.3	0.3	2.1	1.1

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Domestic Production & Consumption

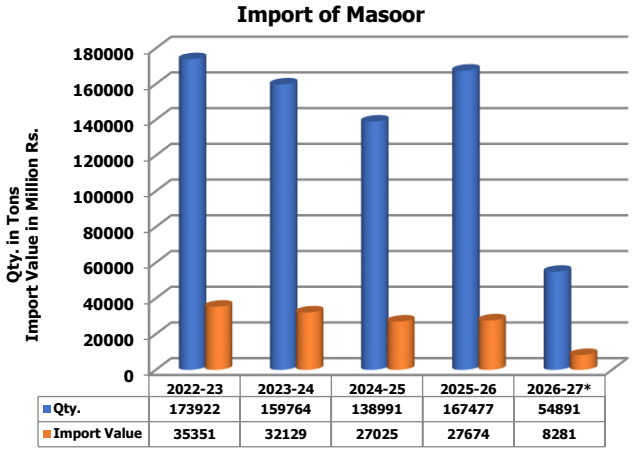
- In year 2025–26, there is a significant gap between domestic masoor production and consumption requirement. Domestic production stood at just 3,772 tons, while national consumption requirements reached 151,256 tons, creating a large deficit of 147,484 tons.



Import Insights

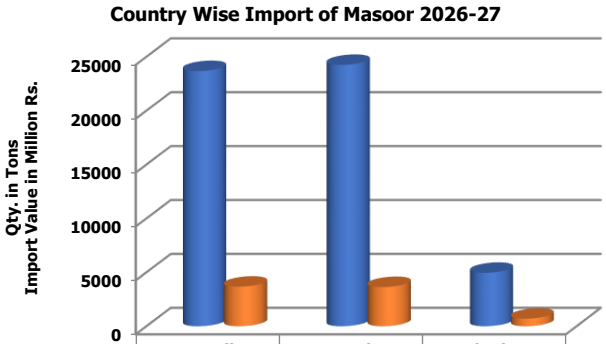
- To fill the gap between domestic supply and consumption needs, Pakistan imported 1,67,477 tons of masoor in 2025–26 at a cost of Rs. 27,674 million. While during the year 2026-27 (July-September 2026), 54,891 tons has been imported.

- Masoor imports come mainly from Canada, Ukraine, and Australia. Australila and Canada account for the largest share of import volumes, while contributions from Ukraine remain relatively small.
- During 2026–27 (July-September 2026), imports from Australia totaled 23,678 tons at a cost of Rs. 3,673 million.



	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27*
Qty.	173922	159764	138991	167477	54891
Import Value	35351	32129	27025	27674	8281

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Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)



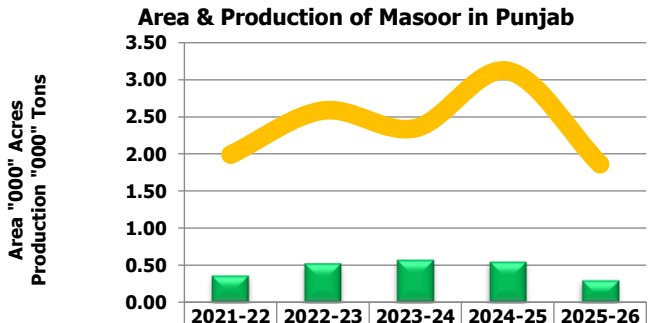
	Australia	Canada	Ukraine
Qty.	23678	24250	4958
Import Value	3673	3638	703

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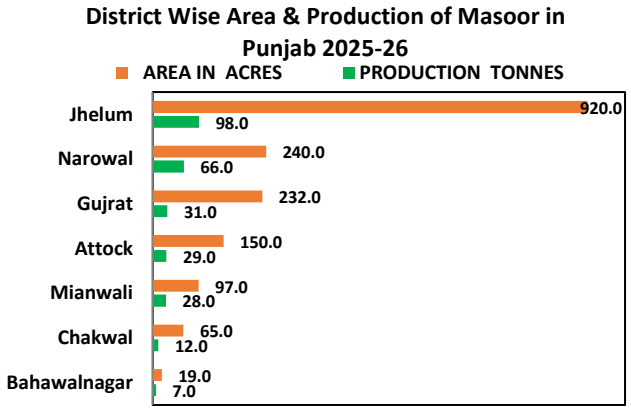
Area & Production:

- Although both the area under cultivation and production of masoor in Punjab have gradually increased over the past 4 years, production remains modest and continues to fall far short of provincial consumption requirements.
- In year 2025–26, masoor production in Punjab fell to 298 tons, a 45.45% decrease from the previous year, while the cultivated area recorded at 1,900 acres, reflecting a 38.7% decrease over the prior year.
- Masoor cultivation in Punjab is primarily concentrated in Jhelum, Narowal, Gujrat, Attock, Mianwali, Chakwal and Bahawalnagar.



	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Production	0.36	0.52	0.57	0.55	0.30
Area	2.0	2.6	2.3	3.1	1.9

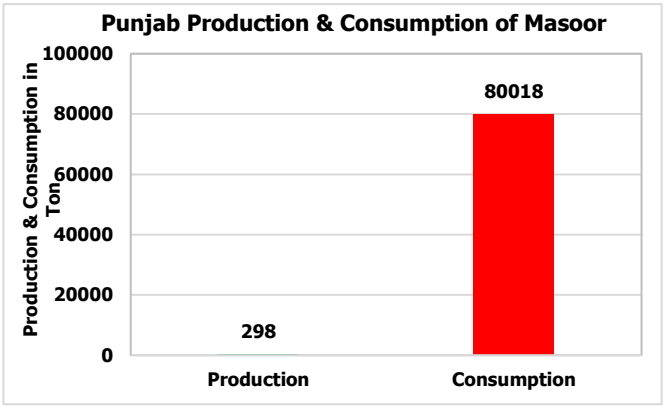
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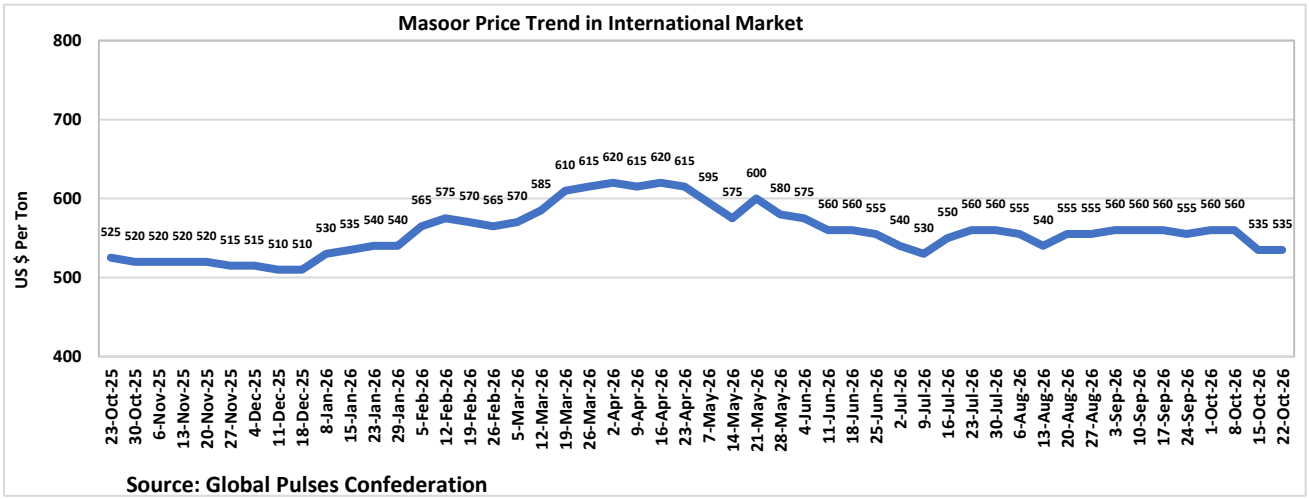
Provincial Production & Consumption:

- During year 2025-26, provincial production of masoor recorded at 298 tons, falling well short of provincial consumption requriment i.e. 80,018 tons and resulted in defict of 79,720 tons.



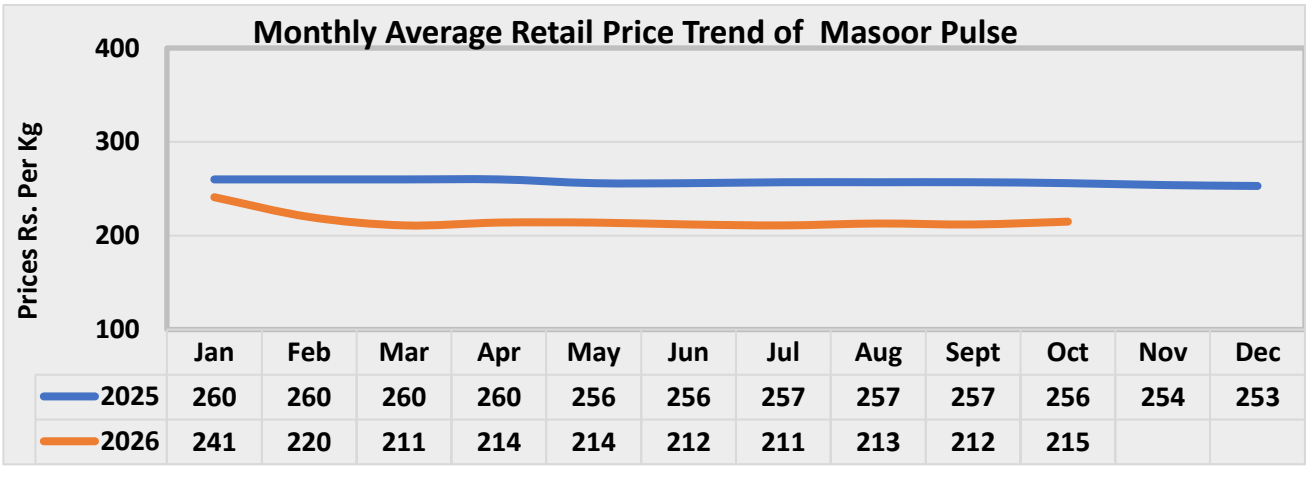
International Market Trend:

International prices of masoor are now showing almost stable trend and current international prices of maoor are USD 535/ton. The weekly trend in global masoor prices, as reported by the Global Pulse Confederation, is illustrated below:



Local Market Price:

- Masoor imports have been smooth, resulting in a stable supply and price situation in domestic markets. In Punjab, the average monthly retail price of masoor recorded during October was Rs.215 per kilogram



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2025	260	260	260	260	256	256	257	257	257	256	254	253
2026	241	220	211	214	214	212	211	213	212	215		

SUPPLY MANAGEMENT ADVISORY



Assessment

This year production of Masoor in Australia is recorded at 2.25 million tons, which is almost 5% higher as compared to last year's production of 2.15 million tons. The international price of lentil is on very lower side and we should take maximum benefit from this opportunity.

Forecast

Due to lower international prices and bulk available supply in international market, the price of lentil is expected to remain on lower side in local markets.



Advisory



- The ample supply of lentil crop from Australia and Canada has declined international prices. Consequently, the District Administration should take this trend into account during upcoming District Price Control Committee (DPCC) meetings.
- Stock-position reports should be regularly reviewed and updated to ensure sufficient market availability and avert potential supply disruptions.
- Price Control Magistrates should routinely inspect retail outlets to ensure strict compliance with officially notified prices.

9. MASH

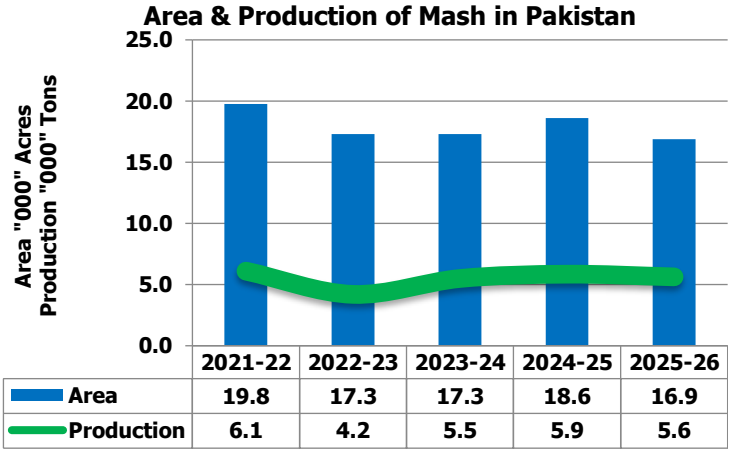




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Domestic Area & Production:

- With domestic production of mash being extremely limited, Pakistan is forced to depend on imports for nearly 94% of its total consumption needs.
- Both cultivated area and production has shown fluctuations over the past four years. However, in year 2025–26, mash cultivation decreased to 16,900 acres, depicting a 9.14% decrease compared to the previous year.
- Similarly, national mash production decreased to 5,631 tons, showing a 5.08% fall than production recorded during the previous year.



	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Area	19.8	17.3	17.3	18.6	16.9
Production	6.1	4.2	5.5	5.9	5.6

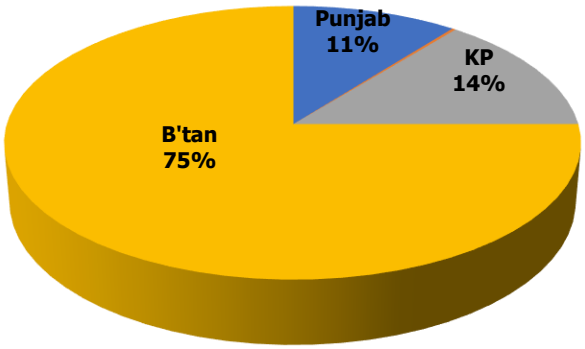
Source: Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Province wise Area & Production:

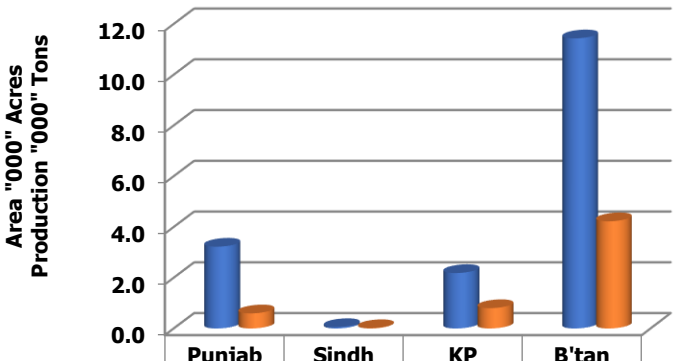
- Balochistan holds the dominant share of national mash production, accounting for 75% of the total production. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa follows with a 14% share, and Punjab ranks third at 11%, while Sindh reports no mash production at all.

- In year 2025–26, mash production in Balochistan reached 4,200 tons, compared to 800 tons in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and 600 tons in Punjab. Sindh recorded no production.

Province Wise Production Share of Mash 2025-26



Province Wise Area & Production of Mash 2025-26



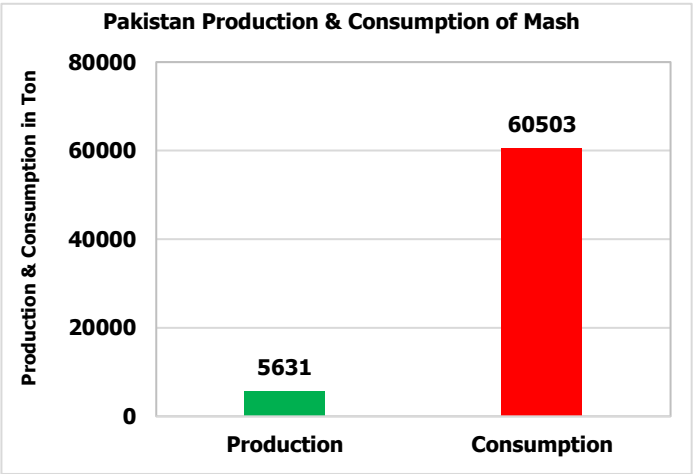
	Punjab	Sindh	KP	B'tan
Area	3.2	0.1	2.2	11.4
Production	0.6	0.0	0.8	4.2

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

Domestic Production & Consumption:

- In 2025–26, domestic mash production amounted to only 5,631 tons, while national consumption requirement stood at 60,503 tons, creating a major supply shortfall of 54,872 tons.

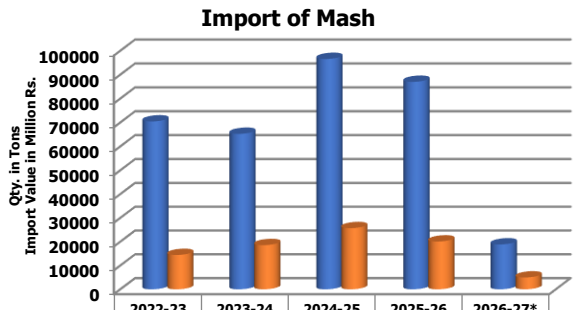
Pakistan Production & Consumption of Mash



Import Insights:

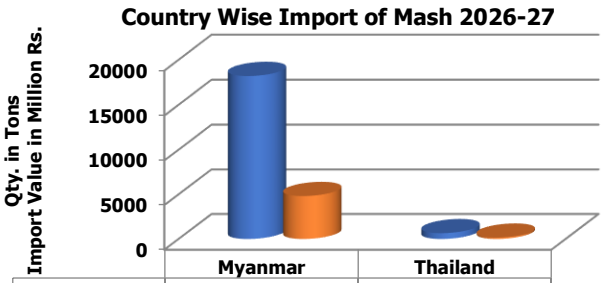
- Due to limited domestic production, Pakistan continues to depend heavily on mash imports to meet national consumption needs. During the year 2026-27 (July-September 2026), 18,851 tons has been imported, whereas 86,994 tons of mash was imported last year.

- Most mash imports come from Myanmar, and Thailand, with Myanmar being the main supplier. In year 2026–27 (July-September 2026), imports from Myanmar totaled 18,201 tons, and 650 tons rom Thailand.



	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27*
Qty.	70437	65245	96565	86994	18851
Import Value	14420	18559	25701	20079	4963

**=Import during July 2026 to September 2026*
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)



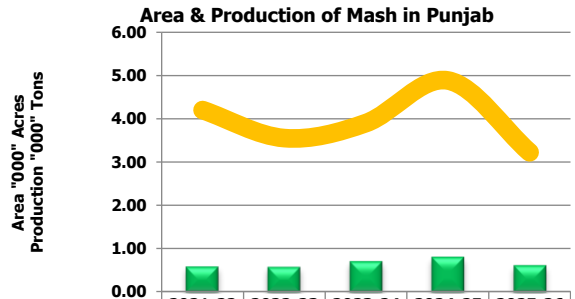
	Myanmar	Thailand
Qty.	18201	650
Import Value	4811	152

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Area & Production:

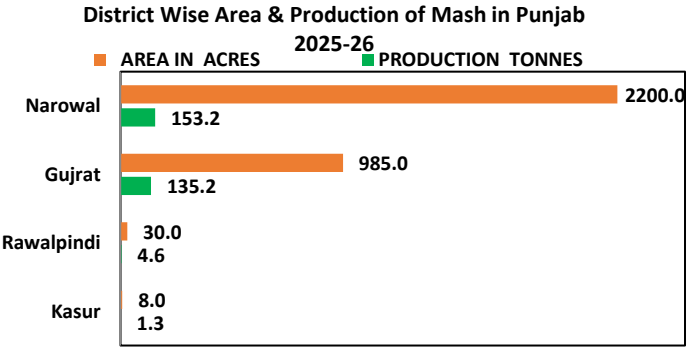
- During period year 2022-23 to year 2024-25, cultivated area and production of mash in Punjab have shown consistent increasing trend.
- However, during year 2025-26 both cultivated area and production of mash in punjab have declined.
- In year 2025–26, provincial mash production declined to 594 tons, showing a 24.3% decrease from the previous year, similarly the cultivated area reduced to 3,200 acres, reflecting a 34.6% decline over last year.



	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Production	0.57	0.56	0.68	0.78	0.59
Area	4.2	3.6	3.9	4.9	3.2

Source: Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan & Crop Reporting Service Punjab

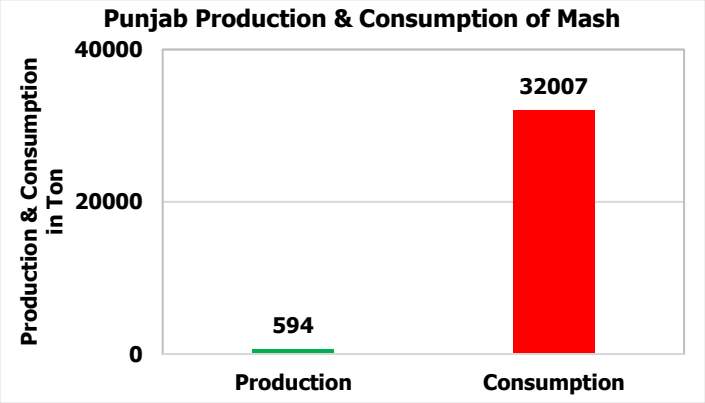
- Mash cultivation in Punjab is primarily cantered in Narowal, Gujrat, Rawalpindi & Kasur, with Narowal emerging as the top-producing district, producing 153.2 tons from 2200 acres.



Source: Crop Reporting Service Punjab

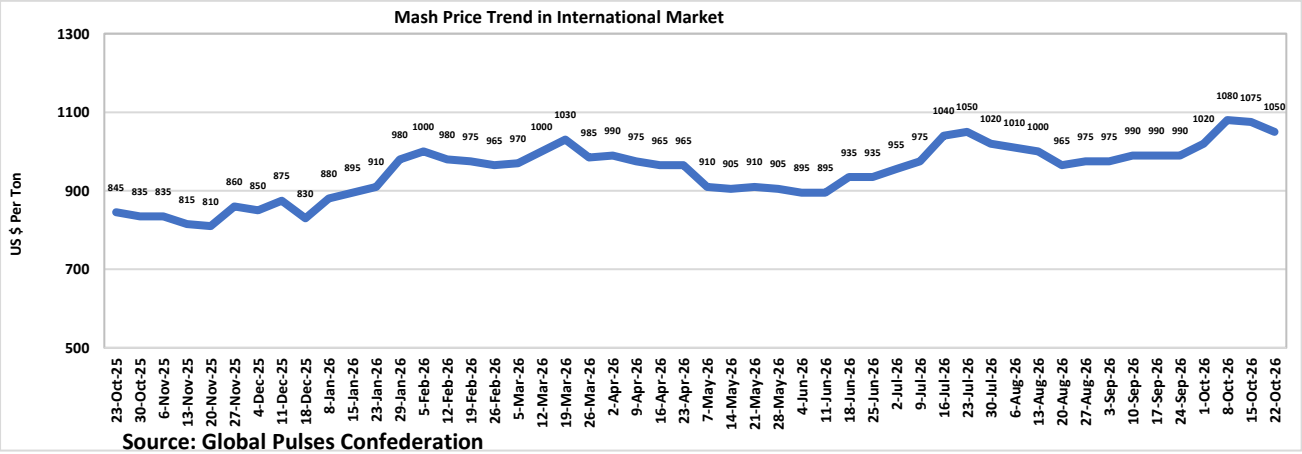
Provincial Production and Consumption:

- In year 2025-26, production of mash in Punjab was registered at only 594 tons, against a provincial requirement of 32,007 tons, leaving a massive supply deficit of 31,413 tons.



International Market Trend:

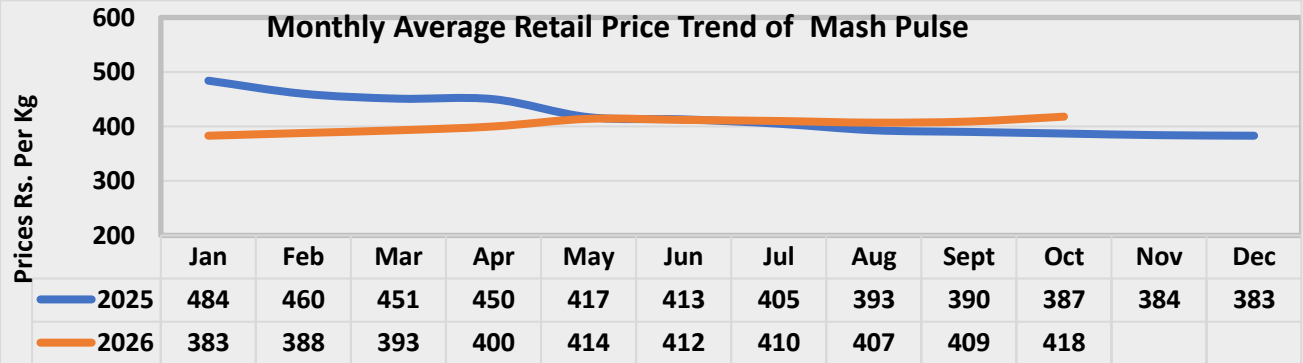
International prices of mash have slightly declined after showing an increasing trend. Current international price of mash is recorded at USD 1,050/ton.



Source: Global Pulses Confederation

Local Market Price:

Local prices of mash are showing slightly increasing trend. Monthly average retail price of mash in Punjab is recorded at Rs.418/kg during month of October-2026.



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2025	484	460	451	450	417	413	405	393	390	387	384	383
2026	383	388	393	400	414	412	410	407	409	418		



Assessment

Due to less domestic production, almost 96% consumption is met through import. The primary sources of import of Mash are Myanmar and Afghanistan. However, due to the suspension of trade activities at the Pak-Afghan border and the off-production season in Myanmar, international prices are experiencing an upward trend.

Forecast

Due to surge in international prices of mash, its supply is expected to remain under stress with high prices in local markets.



Advisory



- Stock position should be regularly monitored for timely interventions regarding smooth supply and stability in prices.
- Price Control Magistrates (PCMs) should take strict action against retailers engaged in over-charging to reduce the gap between officially notified and prevailing open-market prices.

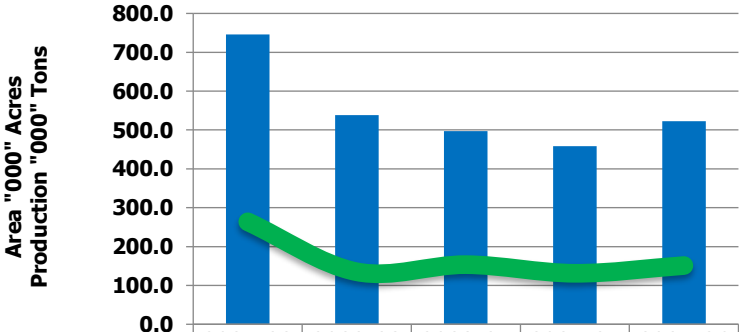
10. MOONG



Domestic Area & Production

- During year 2021-22 to year 2024-25, domestic cultivated area of moong has shown a continuous downward trend and production of moong also experienced instability during this period.
- However, during year 2025–26, the estimated area under moong cultivation in the country stood at 5,22,500 acres, sowing 14% increase as compared to the previous year.
- Similarly, estimated domestic moong production amounted to 1,51,100 tons in year 2025–26, reflecting a 15.16% increase from the previous year.

Area & Production of Moong in Pakistan



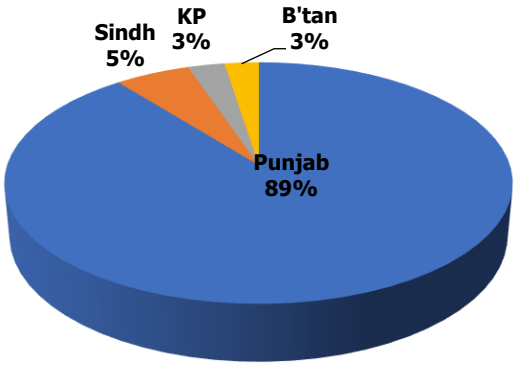
	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Area	745.8	538.5	496.9	458.2	522.5
Production	263.7	135.0	153.4	131.2	151.1

Source: Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

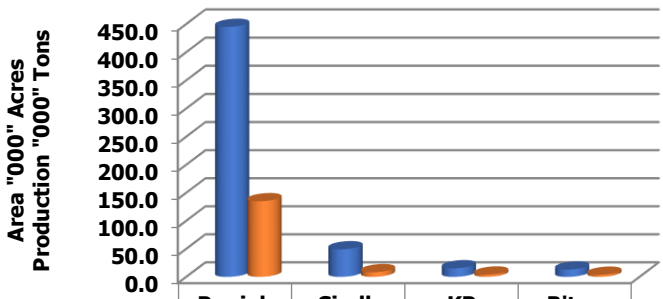
Province wise Area & Production:

- In year 2025–26, Punjab held the dominant share of domestic moong production, accounting for 89% of the national total. Sindh followed with a 5% share, while Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa each contributed 3%.
- In 2025–26, Punjab was the leading moong-producing province, with 134,900 tons grown on 444,900 acres.
- Sindh followed with 8,300 tons, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa produced 4,100 tons, and Balochistan recorded the lowest production at 3,800 tons.

Province Wise Production Share of Moong 2025-26



Province Wise Area & Production of Moong 2025-26

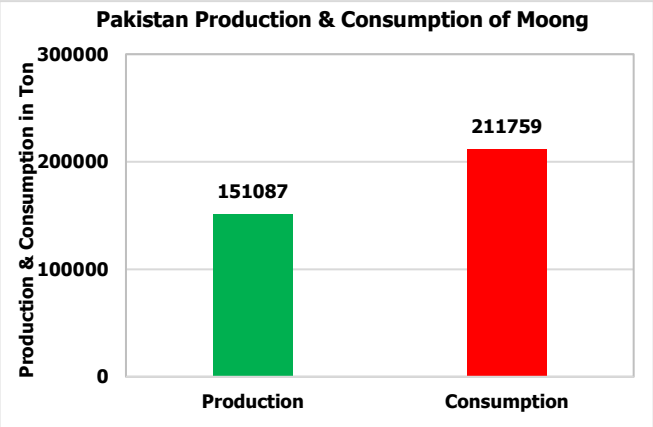


	Punjab	Sindh	KP	B'tan
Area	444.9	49.2	15.3	13.1
Production	134.9	8.3	4.1	3.8

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

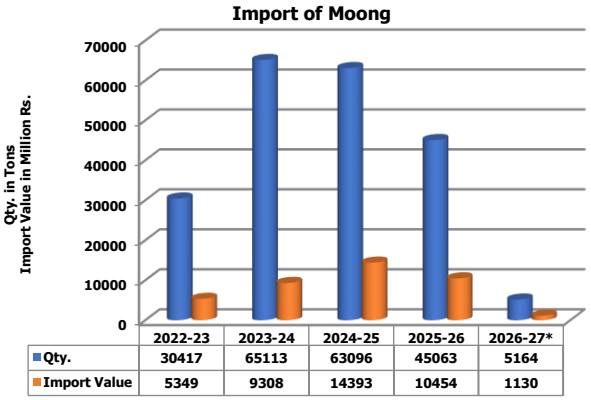
Domestic Production & Consumption:

- During year 2025-26, Pakistan's estimated domestic moong production reached 1,51,087 tons, falling short of the national consumption requirement of 2,11,759 tons and resulting in a supply deficit of 60,672 tons.



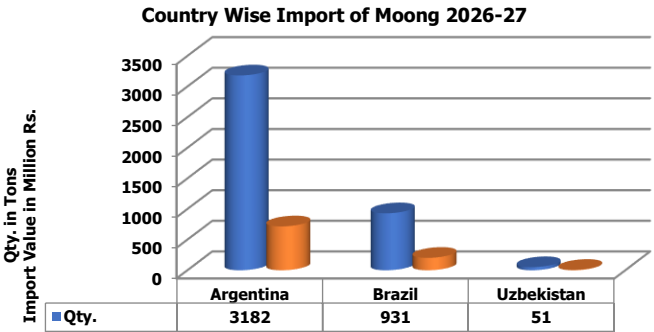
Import Insights:

- As a result of short supply, Pakistan remains dependent on imports to meet its domestic consumption requirements.
- During the year 2026-27 (July-September 2026), 5,164 tons have been imported, whereas 45,063 tons of moong was imported during last year.
- Pakistan primarily sources moong imports from Argentina, Brazil, Tanzania, and Myanmar.



	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27*
Qty.	30417	65113	63096	45063	5164
Import Value	5349	9308	14393	10454	1130

**=Import during July 2026 to September 2026*
Source: Pakistan Single Window & Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)



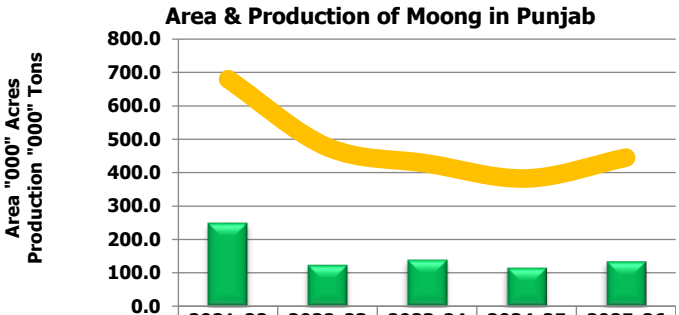
	Argentina	Brazil	Uzbekistan
Qty.	3182	931	51
Import Value	716	202	6

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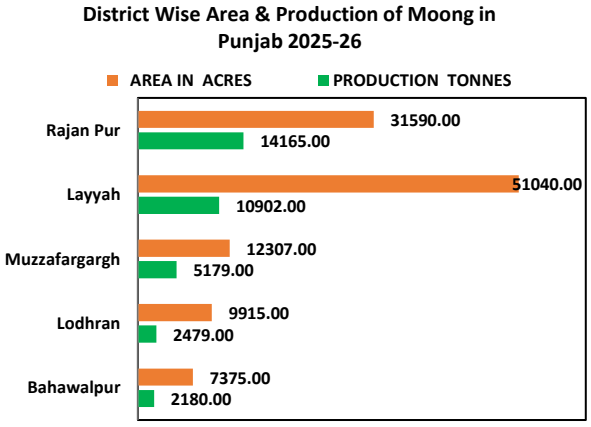
Area & Production:

- During year 2021-22 to year 2024-25, the area under moong cultivation in Punjab has followed a declining trend, and production during this period has also remained unstable.
- During year 2025-26, the moong-cultivated area in Punjab is recorded at 4,44,900 acres, reflecting a 16.3% increase from the previous year, while production stood at 1,34,900 tons, reflecting a 16.7% increase compared to the prior year.
- The main moong-producing districts in Punjab are Rajanpur, Layyah, Muzaffargarh, Lodhran & Bahawalpur.



	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Production	249.8	123.8	139.0	115.6	134.9
Area	680.0	476.4	427.5	382.6	444.9

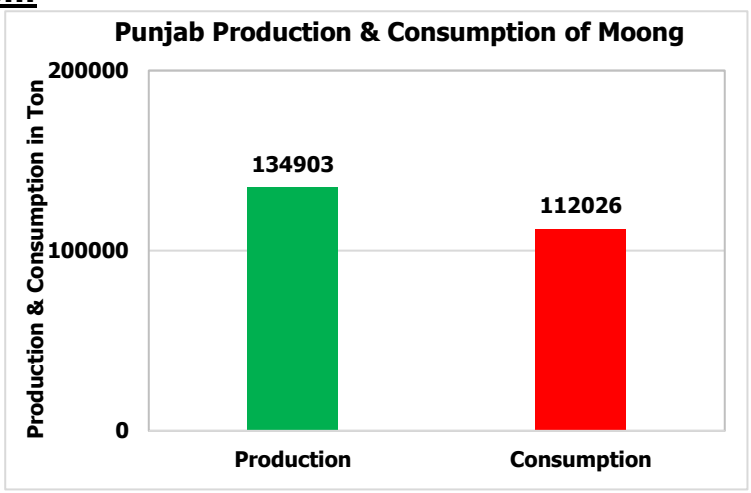
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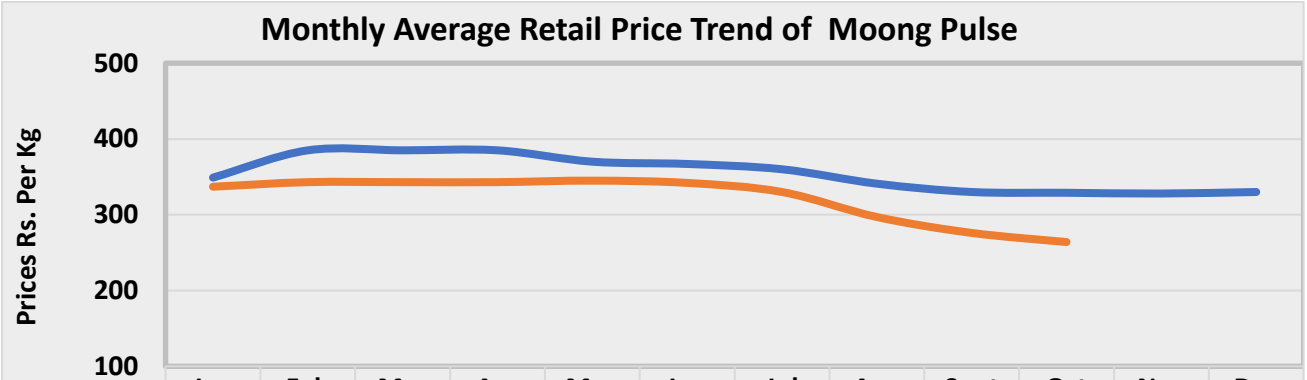
Provincial Production & Consumption:

- During year 2025-26, provincial production of moong is recorded to be 1,34,903 tons, showing surplus of 22,877 tons as compared to provincial consumption requirement i.e. 1,12,026 tons.



Market Prices

- Due to increase in this year's local prodcution, prices of moong are on lower side in local markets. In October 2026, the monthly average retail price of moong in Punjab was recorded at Rs. 264 per kilogram. The trend of monthly average retail prices for moong is presented below:



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2025	349	385	385	385	370	367	360	341	330	329	328	330
2026	337	343	343	343	345	342	330	297	276	264		



Assessment

During year 2025-2026, local production of moong is recorded at 134,900 tons, reflecting a 16.7% increase as compared to last year. The increased production has stabilized the supply and price situation in local markets.

Forecast

As a result of higher local production and stable supply, price of moong is likely to remain on lower side in local markets.



Advisory



- District Administration should consider availability of local crop of moong, while fixing its prices during DPCC meetings.
- Price Control Magistrates should conduct regular inspections to ensure true implementation of notified retail prices in local markets.

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