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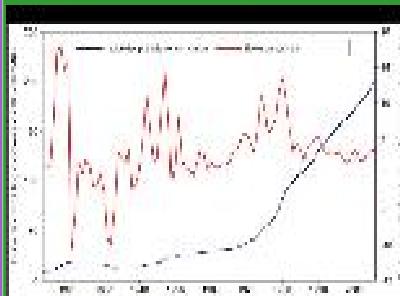


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Introduction:

This is a quarterly bulletin issued by the Ministry of National Planning and Development. Its purpose is to keep citizens and concerned institutions informed about the most recent data on the economy

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SOMALILAND ECONOMY

Livestock is the backbone of Somaliland's economy and provides livelihood to a considerable proportion of the local population. It contributes to more than 60% of the national GDP and export earnings. This sector is an important source of income and diet of much of the nomadic or semi-nomadic pastoralists. Livestock is now regarded as a source of cash income, as well as a traditional unit of social status and pledge of lineage responsibility, and a last resort against famine in the harsh dry season.

Table 1: Yearly Livestock Exports of Somaliland 2009-2014 Q1

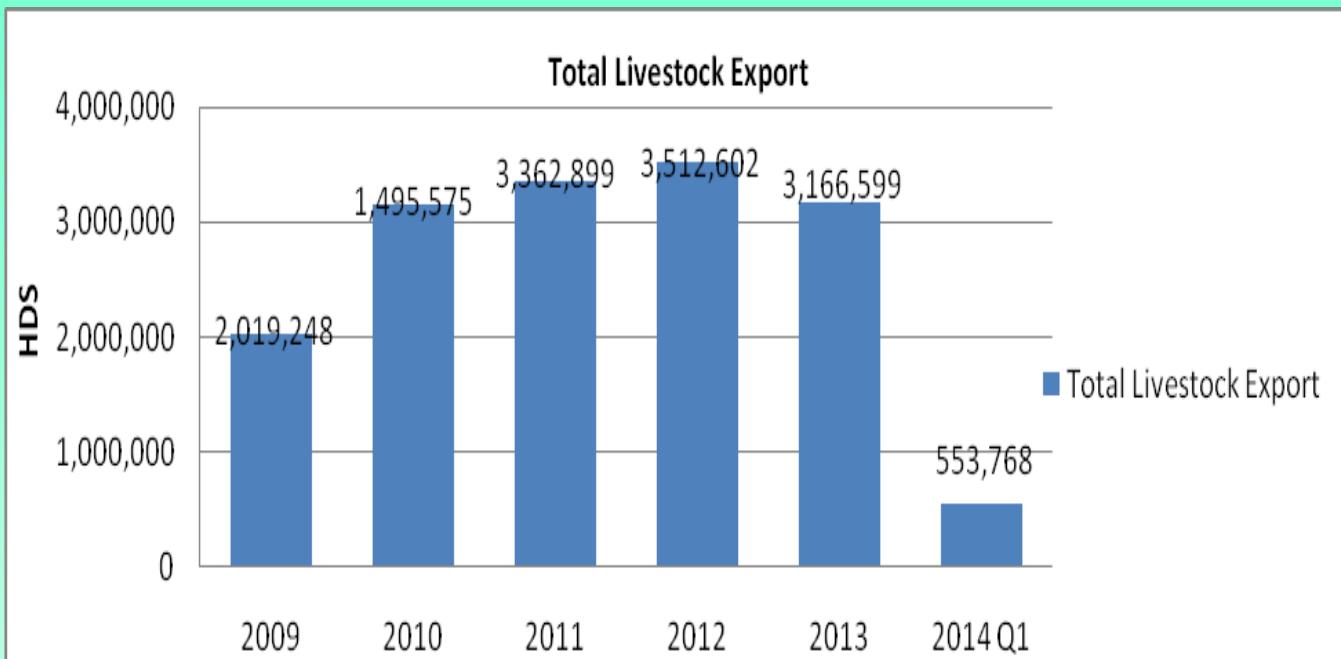
| YEAR | Goat/sheep | Cattle | Camel | Total |
|---------|------------|---------|---------|-----------|
| 2009 | 1,836,970 | 133,670 | 48,608 | 2,019,248 |
| 2010 | 2,827,909 | 207,195 | 124,154 | 3,159,258 |
| 2011 | 3,104,684 | 150,934 | 107,281 | 3,362,899 |
| 2012 | 3,219,584 | 190,354 | 102,664 | 3,512,602 |
| 2013 | 2,888,995 | 201,876 | 75,728 | 3,166,599 |
| 2014 Q1 | 452,428 | 59,025 | 42,315 | 553,768 |

Sources: Berbera Port Authority Somaliland

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Somaliland Export and Import

Chart1: Total Livestock Exports of Somaliland 2009 – 2014 Q1



This Chart shows that the overall trend of livestock export has been upward for the last Six years including first Quarter of 2014 reflecting the livestock trade improvement in Somaliland.

Livestock exports increased between 2008 and 2012 by 141%. The substantial in livestock exports declined in 2013 at 10 percent compared 2012.

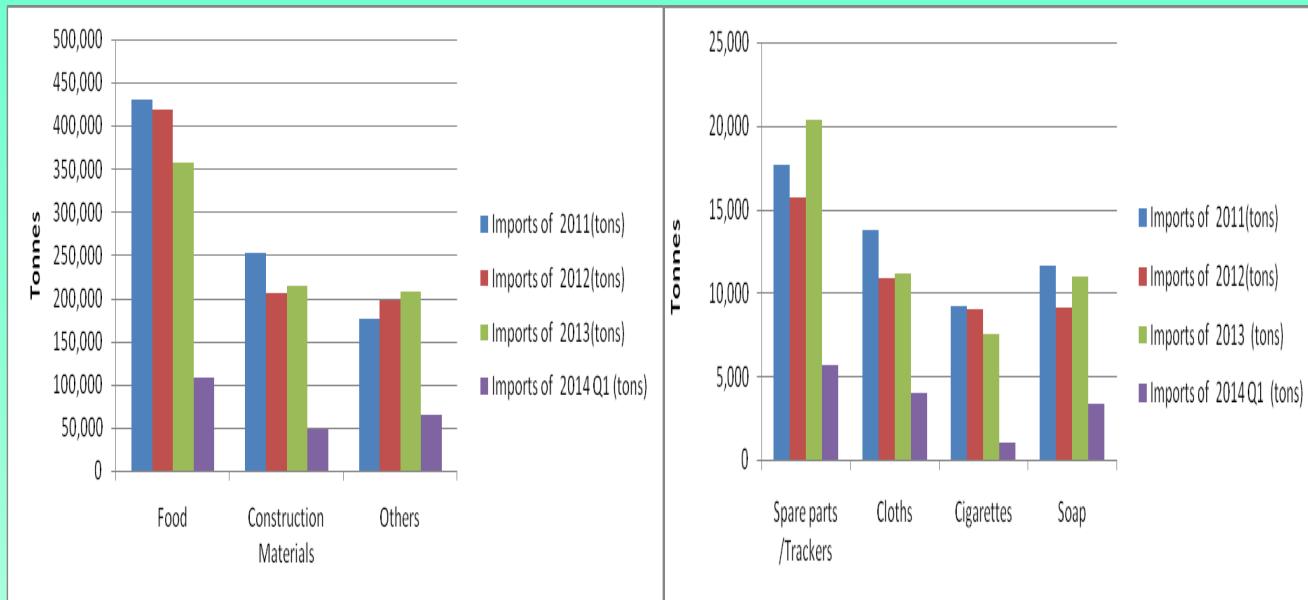
And shows the demand exist in the Middle East countries, especially Saudi Arabia which is the largest market for Somaliland livestock. On average, 90.8 percent of total exports are sheep/goats, 6.0 percent are cattle and only 3.2 percent are camels on 2009 up to first quarter of 2014.

Table 2. Comparing Imports of selected indicators between 2011-2014 Q1 (Selected Indicators)

| Item | Imports of 2011 (Tons) | Imports of 2012 (Tons) | Imports of 2013 (Tons) | Imports of 2014 Q1 (tons) |
|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Food | 430,577 | 417,978 | 357,091 | 108,339 |
| Spare parts /Trackers | 17,646 | 15,722 | 20,309 | 5,715 |
| Construction Materials | 252,179 | 205,728 | 213,625 | 48,392 |
| Cloths | 13,792 | 10,861 | 11,144 | 4,016 |
| Cigarettes | 9,225 | 9,011 | 7,528 | 4,016 |
| Soap | 11,592 | 9,148 | 10,925 | 3,343 |
| Others | 176,598 | 197,715 | 207,494 | 65,494 |

Sources: Berbera Port Authority Somaliland

Chart 3. Import of 2011-2014 Q1 (Tones)



CONSUMER PRICE INDICES OF HARGEISA, BERBERA, ERIGAVO AND BORAMA.

The market price of various items including livestock, food, clothes, housing and household equipments, furniture, construction materials, transportation, health care, entertainment, khat, cigarette, personal care, gold, utilities and exchange rate are collected by the statistics department staff at the end of each week from markets of Major Cities in order to calculate CPI on a monthly basis.

During the weekly market survey enumerators interview three randomly selected vendors in the market, asking the price of each element covered in the survey. Then, the average price of the three sellers are recorded as the price of that given item on that day, next the average over the four weeks is calculated. The annual figure is the average of the monthly averages.

Relative indices, which measure changes in an item's average price between the current and base year are computed finally.

Consumer Price Indices Based on 2007 =100

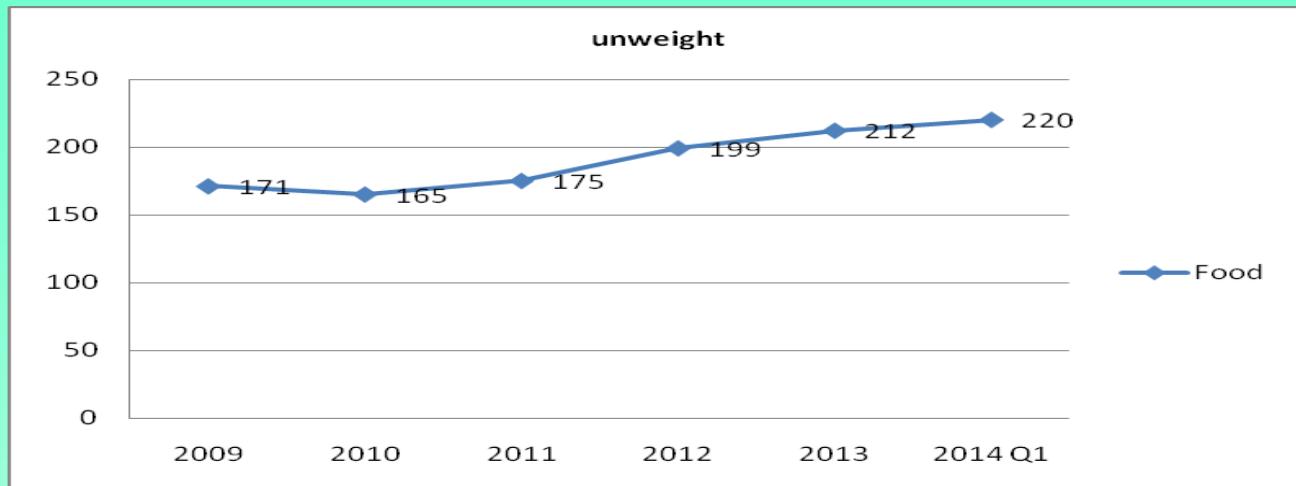
Table 3: un weight consumer price Indices

| Indicators | 2008 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 Q1 |
|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|---------|
| (Food) | 156 | 165 | 175 | 199 | 212 | 220 |
| (Fruits and Vegetables) | 142 | 171 | 129 | 136 | 171 | 192 |
| (Beverages and Tobacco) | 103 | 109 | 124 | 113 | 133 | 153 |
| (House rent) | 102 | 129 | 109 | 140 | 138 | 137 |
| (Energy / Fuel and Water) | 183 | 190 | 198 | 203 | 206 | 256 |

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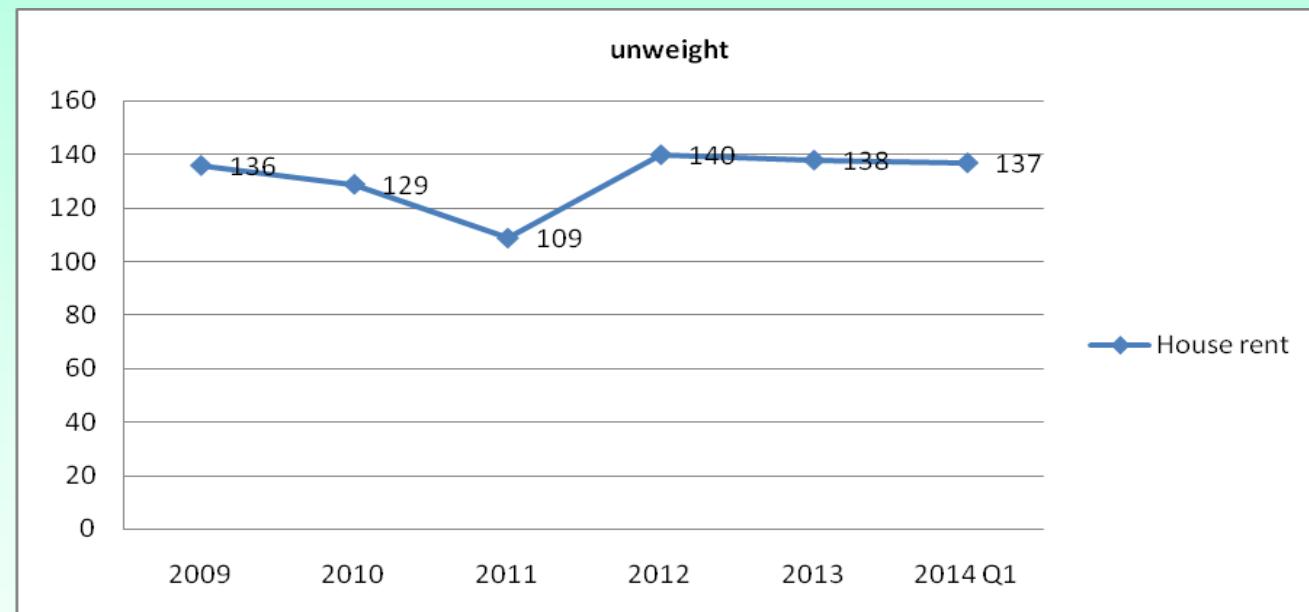
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Chart 3A: Food consumer price Indices (un-weighted)



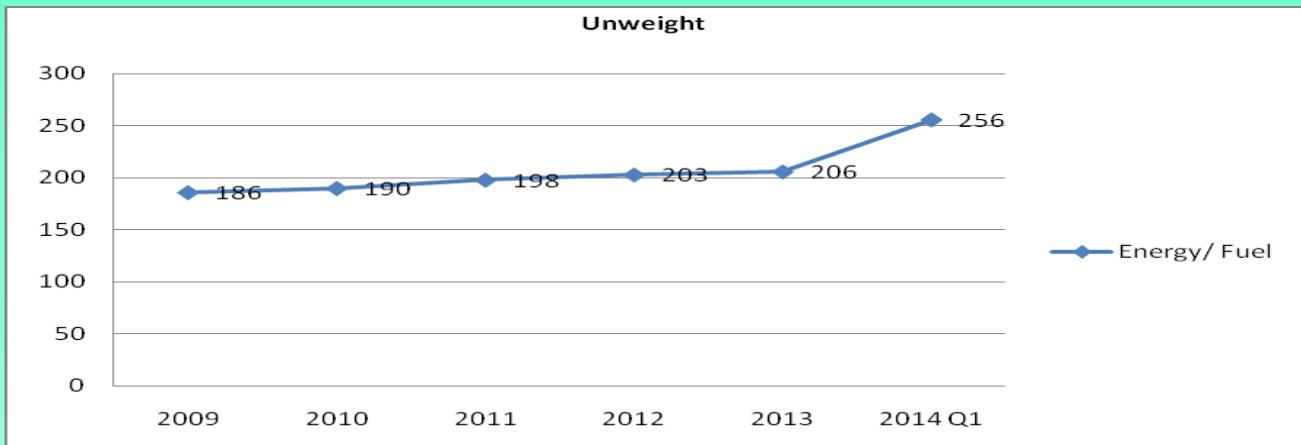
There is general increase in the price index. The food price index rose dramatically and inflation remained high throughout the country particularly in the last two years. There has been food price hikes in international markets, and the supply of locally produced cereals has not increased to attenuate the effect.

Chart 3B: House rent price Indices (un weight)



House rent shows similar trend as that of food 2009, 2010 and 2011 declined and rose noticeably reached the peak on 2012, and declined 2013 and first quarter of 2014 respectively.

Chart 3C: Energy consumer price Indices (un weighted)

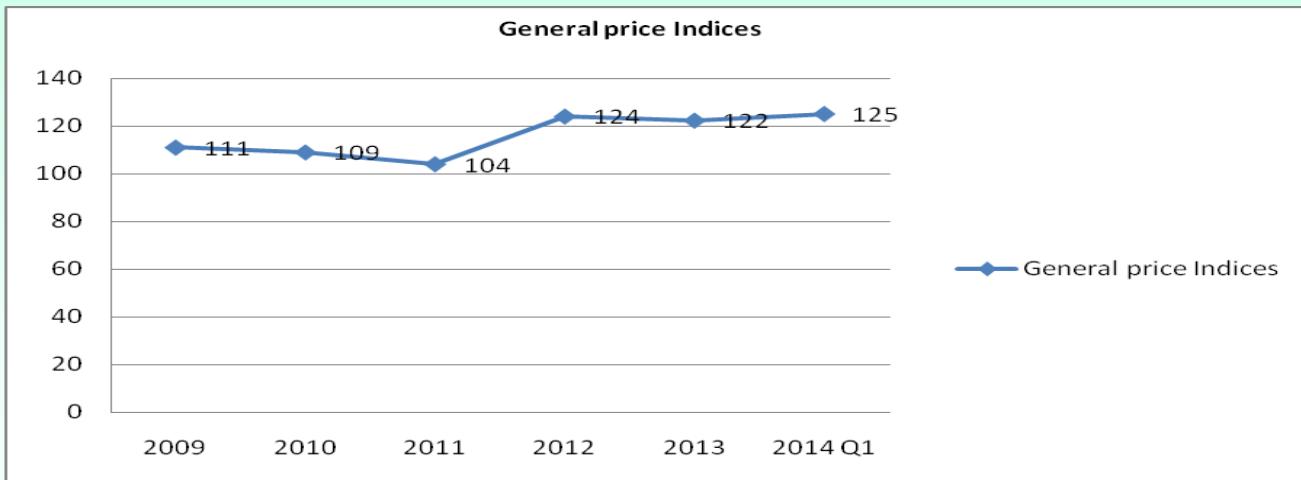


After Fuel price rocketed and reached \$133 per barrel in 2008, there were slight increases between 2009 and 2013. The price rose significantly in first quarter of 2014. Overall, prices increased by 23% from 2008 to 2013.

Table 4: General CPI on Quarterly based

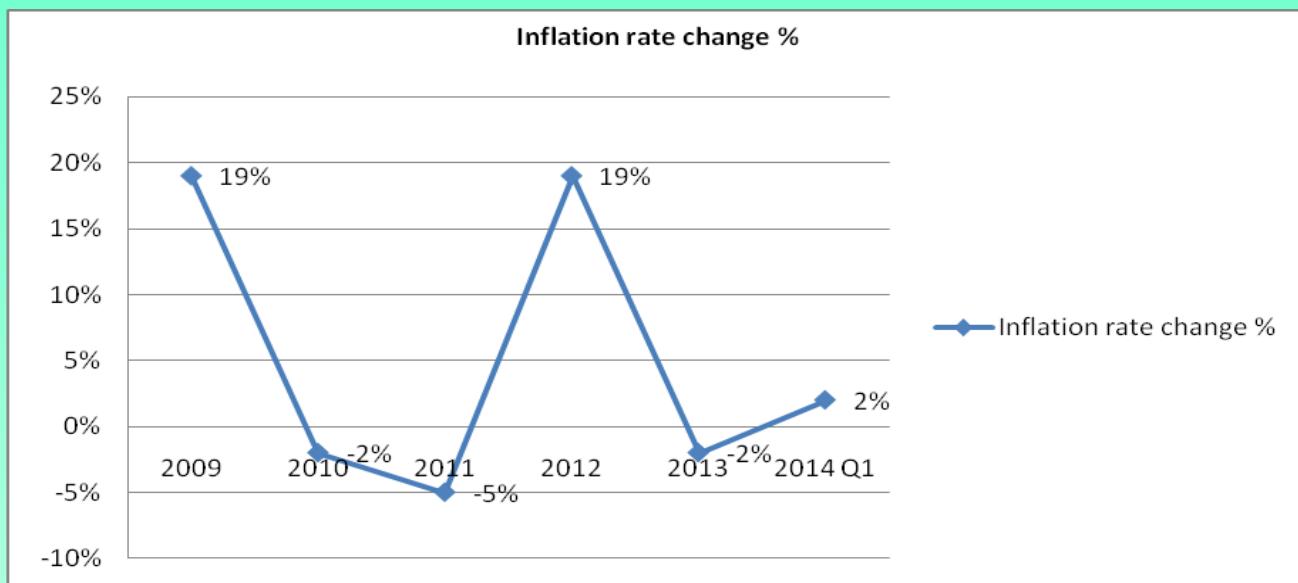
| Quarters | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Quarter1 | 70,990 | 79,365 | 73,819 | 83,963 | 87,602 | 87,487 |
| Quarter2 | 80,448 | 88,003 | 71,078 | 88,062 | 83,416 | |
| Quarter3 | 75,287 | 71,825 | 72,354 | 86,612 | 45,588 | |
| Quarter4 | 83,430 | 67,524 | 67,552 | 88,224 | 85,493 | |
| Average Total Quarters | 77,539 | 76,679 | 72,418 | 86,715 | 85,525 | 87,487 |
| General price Indices | 111 | 109 | 104 | 124 | 122 | 125 |
| Inflation rate change % | 19% | -2% | -5% | 19% | -2% | 2% |

Chart 4A: CPI (General)



As chart 4A indicates, the general price index declined slightly from 2009 to 2011, after levelling out it went up in 2012. This was followed by slight drops in 2013, and then it rose sharply first quarter of 2014.

Chart 4B: Inflation rate (change %)



N/B: Comparing the aggregate prices of 2009 to 2014 Q1 indicated the prices fluctuating.

The above graph shows the annual percentage change in inflation rates. It indicates that the inflation rate rose by 19% in 2009, then declined by -2% and -5% in 2010 and 2011 respectively, but drastically rose by 19% in 2012 and declined at -2% on 2013 in the first quarter of 2014 rose 2%.

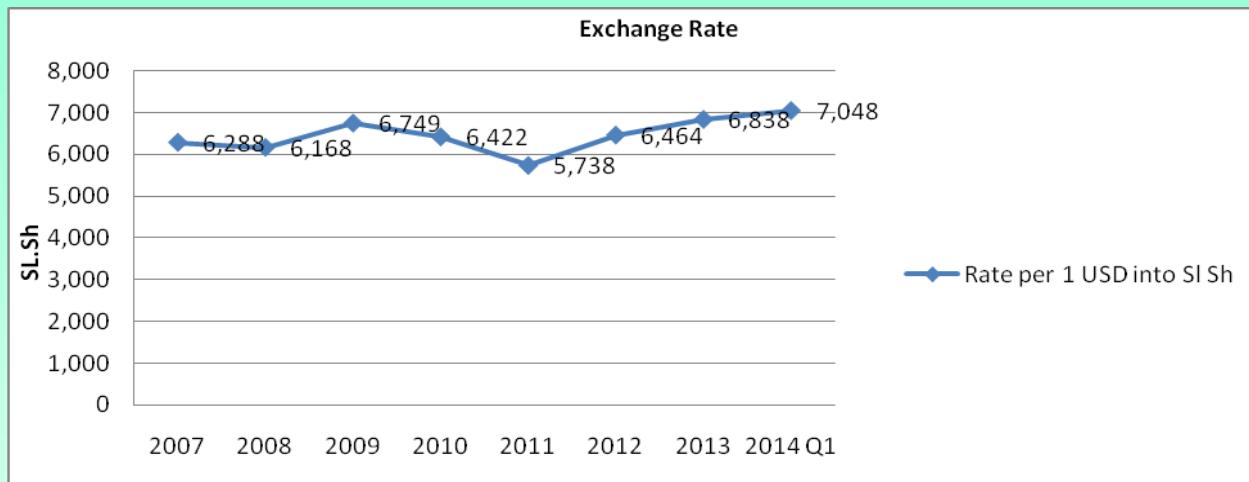
Note:

The above chart indicates the change in the trend of price indicators (see Table 4). increases in aggregate demand are likely to have pushed-up the price level. shortage of Import commodities is also likely to have push-up the price level in Somaliland.

Table 5A: Aggregate of Exchange Rate 2007-2012-3 Quarters

| Year | Exchange Rate Per Dollar (USD) |
|---------|--------------------------------|
| 2007 | 6,288 |
| 2008 | 6,168 |
| 2009 | 6,749 |
| 2010 | 6,422 |
| 2011 | 5,738 |
| 2012 | 6,494 |
| 2013 | 6,838 |
| 2014 Q1 | 7,048 |

Chart 5A: Exchange Rate per Dollar (USD) per year



Source: Ministry of Planning

For the last decade Somaliland exchange rate fluctuated between 6000 and close to 7000 shillings. The year 2011 is first year that the exchange rate fell below 6000 shilling, indicating that the shilling strengthened against the US dollar. In 2012 and first quarter of 2014 the exchange rate went up sharply and the Somaliland shilling depreciated by 12% and 23% respectively.

Table 5B: Exchange Rates against the Ethiopian Birr and the Djibouti Franc in 2013 and the first quarter of 2014.

| | 2013 | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|---------------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| <i>1 birr into Sl.Sh</i> | 343 | 333 | 330 | 329 | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>1 frank into Sl.Sh</i> | 37 | 38 | 38 | 38 | | | | | | | | | |

Chart 5B: Exchange Rate per 1 Birr and 1 Frank into Sl.Sh.

