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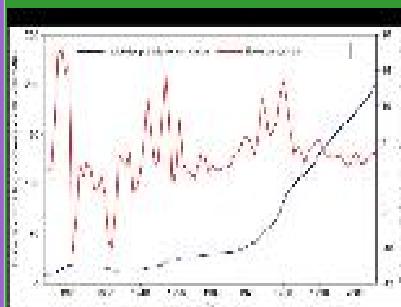
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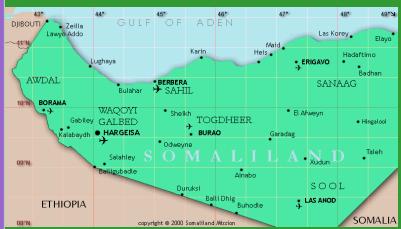
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Introduction:

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Somaliland Export and Import

SOMALILAND ECONOMY

Livestock is the backbone of Somaliland economy and provides subsistence 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 supplement to the 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 seasons.

Table 1: Yearly Livestock Exports of Somaliland 2007-2013Q1

| YEAR | Goat/sheep | Cattle | Camel | Total |
|--------|------------|---------|---------|-----------|
| 2007 | 1,354,246 | 87,476 | 14,149 | 1,455,871 |
| 2008 | 1,380,566 | 84,541 | 30,468 | 1495575 |
| 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 |
| 2013Q1 | 431,696 | 46,319 | 24,900 | 502,915 |

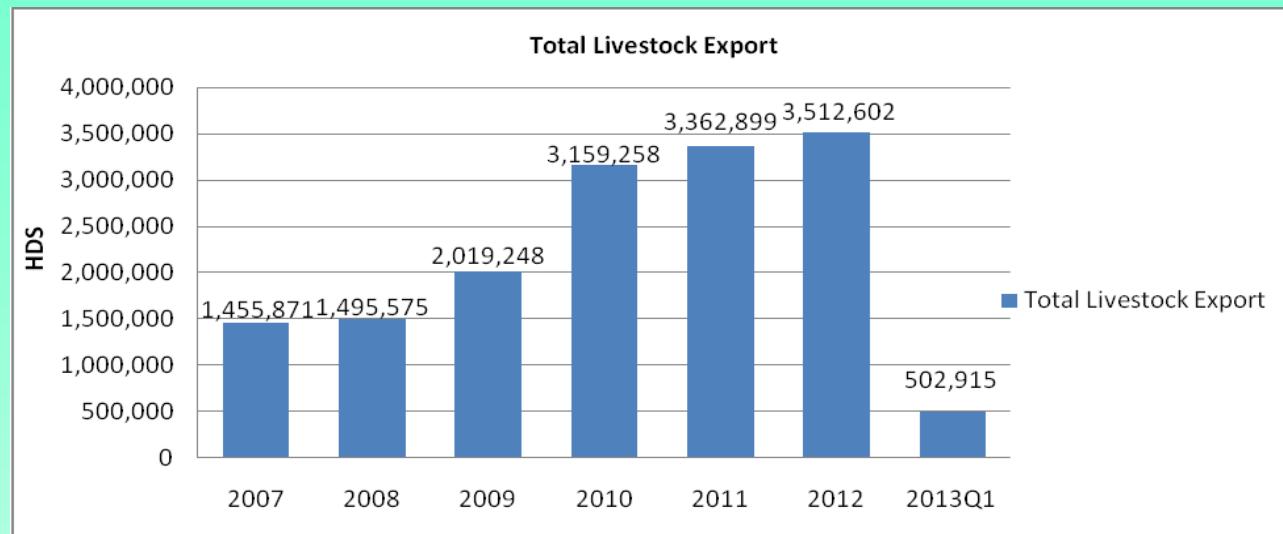
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Somaliland Export and Import

Chart 1: Total Livestock Exports of Somaliland 2007 – 2013Q1



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

Livestock exports increased 12 percent, 2 percent, 35 percent and 56 percent between 2007 and 2010.

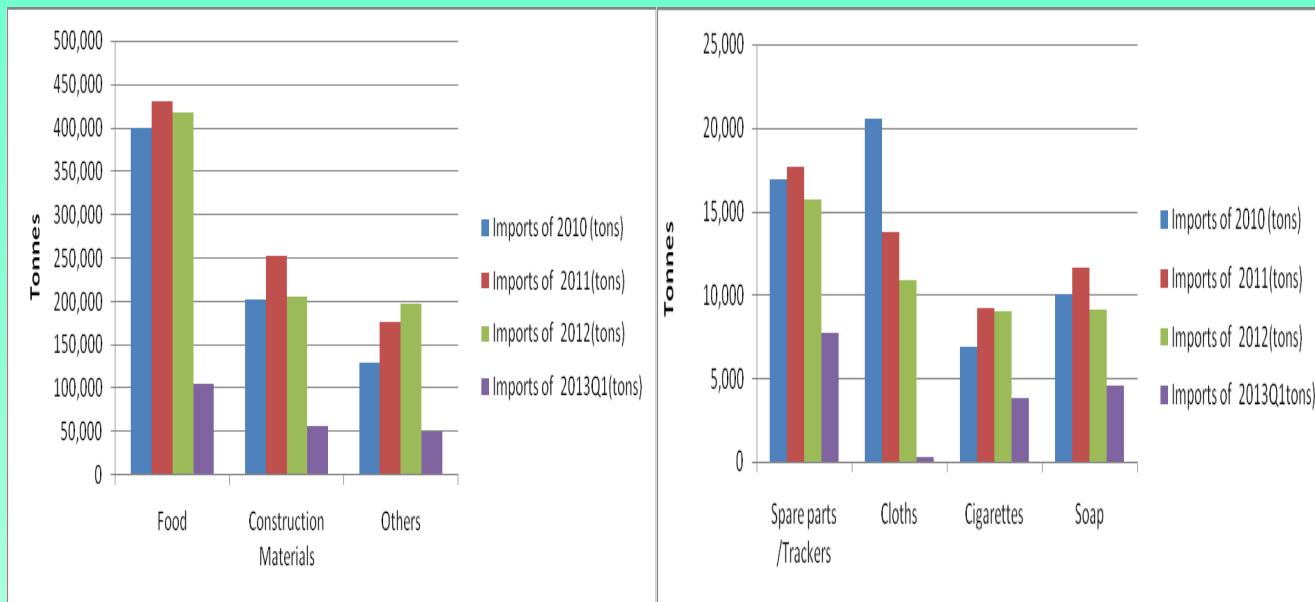
The substantial rise in livestock exports in 2012 shows the increasing demand existing in Middle East countries, especially Saudi Arabia which is the largest market of Somaliland livestock. On average, 85.8 percent of total exports are sheep/goats, 9.2 percent are cattle and only 5 percent are camels on the first quarter of 2013.

Table 2 Comparing Imports of 2010 -2013 Q1 (tons) of selected indicators

| Item | Imports of 2010 (tons) | Imports of 2011 (tons) | Imports of 2012 (tons) | Imports of 2013Q1 (tons) |
|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Food | 399,966 | 430,577 | 417,978 | 105,579 |
| Spare parts /Trackers | 16,942 | 17,646 | 15,722 | 7,713 |
| Construction Materials | 202,722 | 252,179 | 205,728 | 55,887 |
| Cloths | 20,514 | 13,792 | 10,861 | 288 |
| Cigarettes | 6,872 | 9,225 | 9,011 | 3,812 |
| Soap | 9,993 | 11,592 | 9,148 | 4,520 |
| Others | 128,988 | 176,598 | 197,715 | 49,579 |

Sources: Berbera Port Authority Somaliland

Chart 3. Import of 2010-2011 & 2013Q1



Consumer Price Indices of Hargeisa

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 in order to calculate CPI on a monthly basis by the statistics department staff at the end of each week from Hargeisa markets.

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

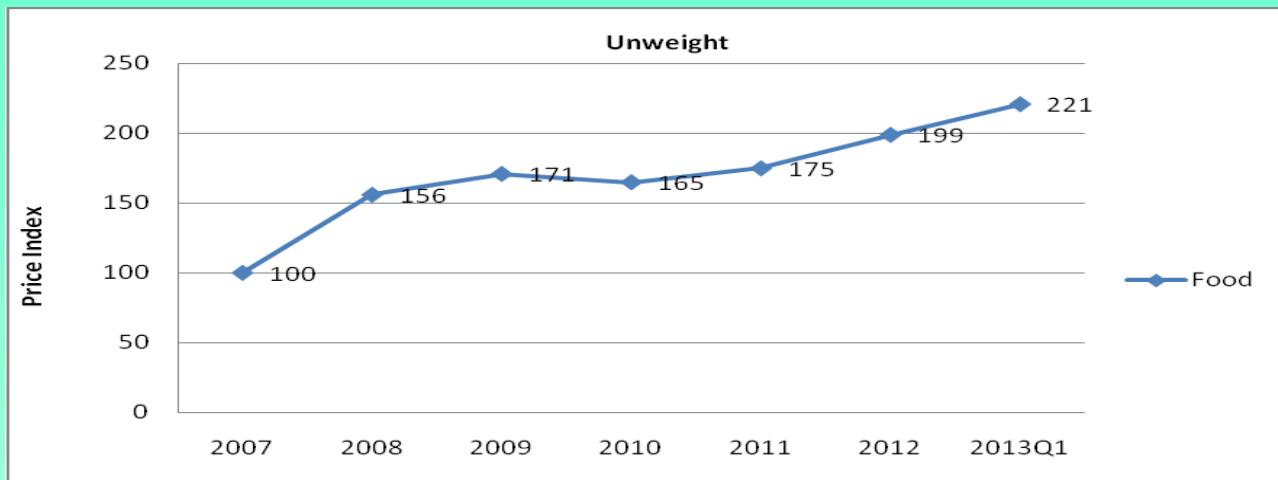
Table 3: un weight consumer price Indices

| Indicators | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 Q1 |
|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|---------|
| (Food) | 100 | 156 | 171 | 165 | 175 | 199 | 221 |
| (Fruits and Vegetables) | 100 | 142 | 174 | 171 | 129 | 136 | 155 |
| (Beverages and Tobacco) | 100 | 103 | 106 | 109 | 124 | 119 | 146 |
| (House rent) | 100 | 102 | 136 | 129 | 109 | 150 | 150 |
| (Energy / Fuel and Water) | 100 | 183 | 186 | 190 | 198 | 203 | 217 |

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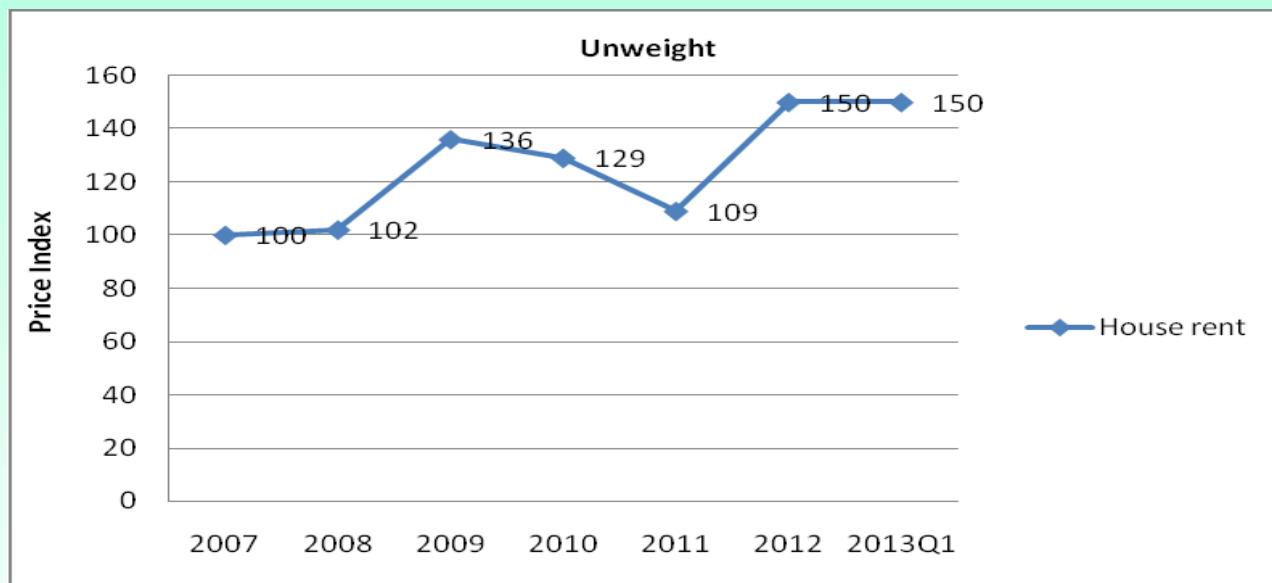
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Chart 3A: Food consumer price Indices (un-weighted)



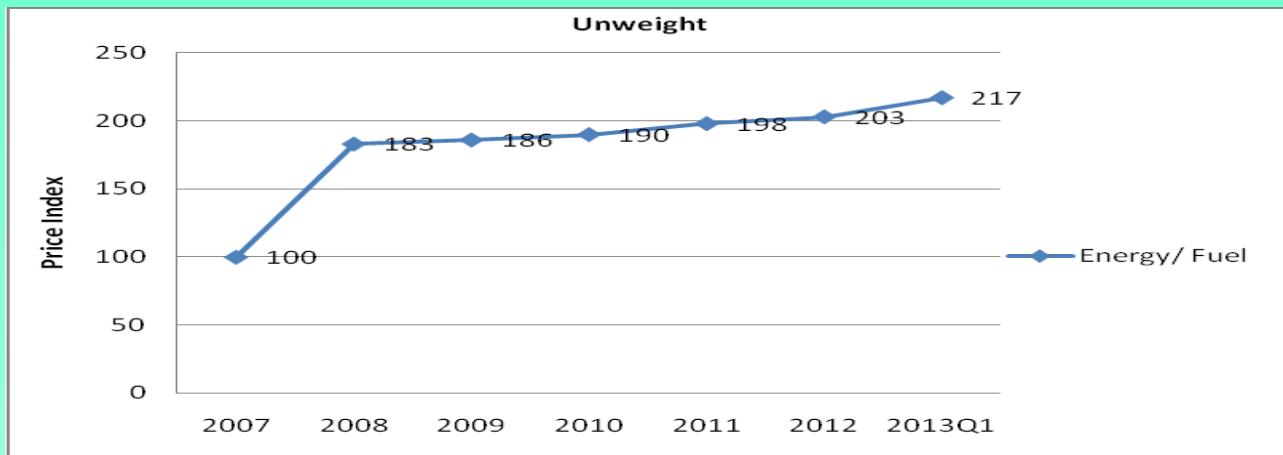
There is general increase in price index. Food price index rose dramatically and inflation remained high throughout the country for the last six years. There has been food price hikes on international markets, the supply of locally produced cereals was limited as well from 2008 to 2009. These were followed by a relatively slight fall in price in 2010 and rises in 2011 slightly rise on 2012 and the first quarter of 2013 the prices of food respectively.

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



House rent shows similar trend as that of food, between 2007 and 2008 rent rose only marginally but the next year 2009 rose dramatically reaching the peak and decreased noticeably by 2010 and declined on 2011 and rose noticeably reached the peak on 2012 and first quarter 2013 respectively .

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

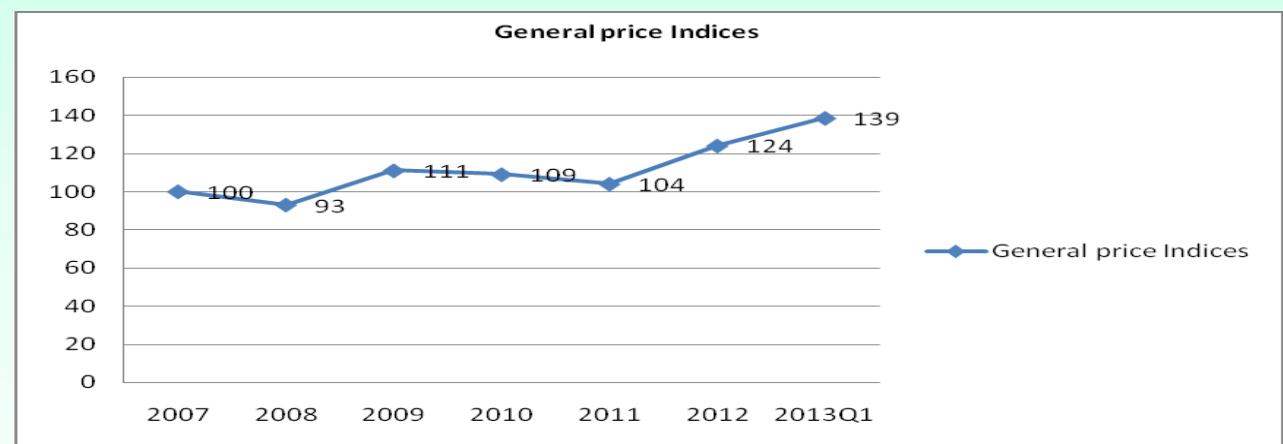


After Fuel price rocketed and reached \$133 per barrel in 2008, there is slight increased between 2008 and 2010. The price rose significantly in 2011 while slightly increased in the 2012. Overall prices increased by 34% from 2008 to first quarter of 2013.

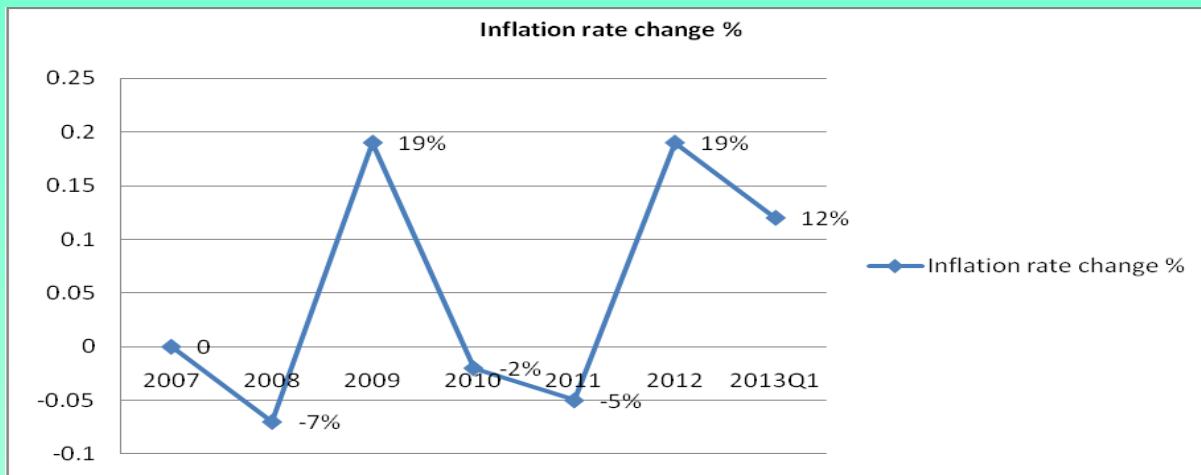
Table 4: General CPI on Quarterly based

| Quarters | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013Q1 |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Quarter1 | 63,194 | 60,378 | 70,990 | 79,365 | 73,819 | 83,963 | 87,602 |
| Quarter2 | 62,316 | 63,315 | 80,448 | 88,003 | 71,078 | 88,062 | |
| Quarter3 | 88,060 | 68,999 | 75,287 | 71,825 | 72,354 | 86,612 | |
| Quarter4 | 65,942 | 67,693 | 83,430 | 67,524 | 67,552 | 88,224 | |
| Average Total Quarters | 69,878 | 65,096 | 77,539 | 76,679 | 72,418 | 86,715 | 87,602 |
| General price Indices | 100 | 93 | 111 | 109 | 104 | 124 | 139 |
| Inflation rate change % | - | -7% | 19% | -2% | -5% | 19% | 12% |

Chart 4A: CPI (General)



As chart 4A: illustrates the general price index declined slowly from 2007 to 2008, after levelling out it goes up in 2009 following slight drop in 2010 and 2011 ,while rose up and reached highest point in 2012 while slightly declined the first quarter of 2013 .

Chart 4B: Inflation rate (change %)

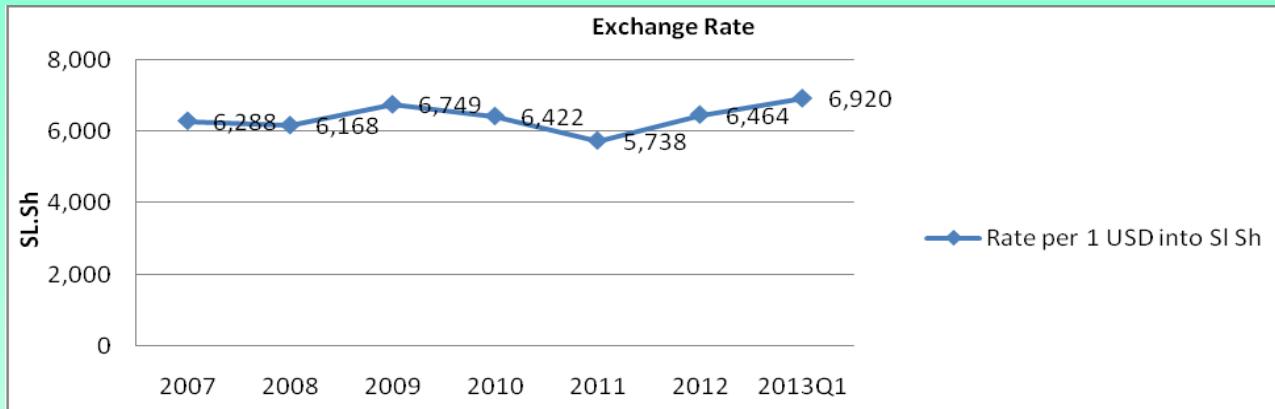
N/B: Comparing the aggregate prices of 2008 to first Quarter of 2013 indicated the prices highly increased.

The above graph shows the annual percentage change in inflation rate indicates the inflation rate declined -7% in 2008 rose 19% in 2009, then declined -2% and -5% in 2010 and 2011 respectively and drastically rose 19% on the 2012 and declined 12% on the first quarter of 2013 .

Table 5A: Aggregate of Exchange Rate 2007-2013 Q1

| Year | Exchange Rate Per Dollar (USD) |
|--------|--------------------------------|
| 2007 | 6,288 |
| 2008 | 6,168 |
| 2009 | 6,749 |
| 2010 | 6,422 |
| 2011 | 5,738 |
| 2012 | 6,464 |
| 2013Q1 | 6,920 |

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



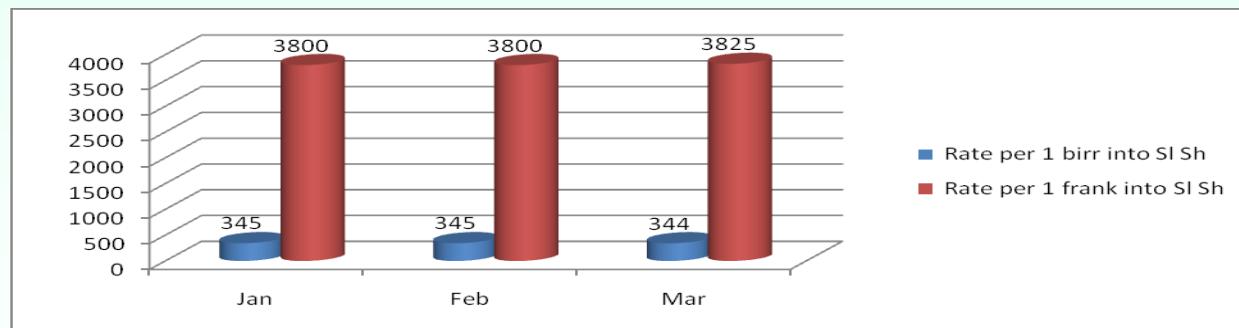
Source: Ministry of Planning

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 is strengthening against the US dollar (although insignificant increase in the purchasing power of Somaliland shilling) and continuing to appreciate in most Somaliland markets. Likely on 2012 and first quarter of 2013 the exchange rate goes up and Somaliland shillings depreciated 7 percent.

Table 5B: Aggregate of Exchange Rate 2013 First 3 months.

| | Jan | Feb | Mar |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Rate per 1 birr into SL Sh | 345 | 345 | 344 |
| Rate per 1 frank into SL Sh | 3,800 | 3,800 | 3,825 |

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



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