



OFFICIAL LAUNCHING OF THE
2023/2024
COCOA SEASON

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Press Brief

NATIONAL COCOA AND COFFEE BOARD

The National Cocoa and Coffee Board (NCCB) was created by Decree No. 91/271 of 12 June 1991, and amended and supplemented by Decree No. 97/141 of 25 August 1997.

It is a public entity with financial autonomy.

Vision

Contribute effectively and efficiently in the fight against poverty in rural areas by investing efforts, energy, and capacity building of all stakeholders and promoting the sustainability of the Cocoa and Coffee sectors.

Mission

Regulate and supervise cocoa and coffee related activities from farm-gate to export.

Attributions

- ✓ Control and guarantee the quality of cocoa and coffee ;
- ✓ Monitor export statistics along with the cocoa and coffee trading seasons;
- ✓ Defend and promote the image of Cameroon origin ;
- ✓ Streamline and valorize the trading of produce and their derivatives;
- ✓ Disseminate information and guarantee the smooth functioning of all activities in the sector;
- ✓ Monitor international cocoa and coffee agreements as well as representing Cameroon in international cocoa and coffee organizations.



BALANCE-SHEET OF THE 2022/2023 COCOA SEASON

As in previous years, the 2022/2023 cocoa season in Cameroon ran from from 1 August 2022 to 15 July 2023.

The Balance-sheet of the season can be summarized as follows:

- ✓ **Domestic Traded Volume** concluded at **262 112 133Kg** down from 295 163 506 kg observed last season. In relative terms, it dropped by **-11,19%**.
- ✓ **Local Processing** stood at **89 204 772 kg** up from 86 850 663 kg, registered last season.
- ✓ **Highest farm-gate price** was **1480 FCFA/Kg**.
- ✓ **Lowest farm-gate price** was **750FCFA/Kg**.

Rundown of Domestic Traded Volume (Last 5 years)



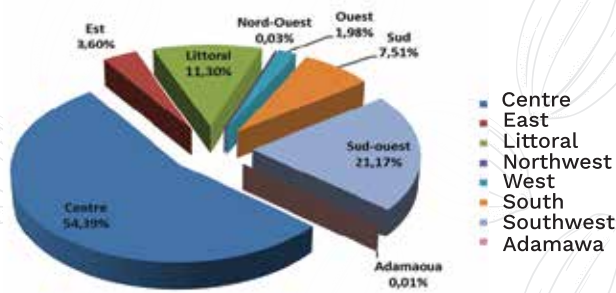
I- ACTORS

- ✓ **302** REGISTERED IDENTIFIED AND ACCREDITED .
- ✓ **36** ACTIVE EXPORTERS; CONSISTED OF **09** NEW EXPORTERS .
- ✓ **06** INDUSTRIAL PROCESSING UNITS
- ✓ **34** SMALL-SCALE PROCESSING UNITS
- ✓ **20** FREIGHT FORWARDERS
- ✓ **24** IMPORTERS OF CAMEROON ORIGIN
- ✓ **11** BANKS
- ✓ **08** QUALITY COMPLIANCE BODIES
- ✓ **07** MARITIME CARRIERS

II- INTERNAL TRADE

Purchases

- ✓ **281 978 Tonnes** was bought by Exporters, Processing Units and Independent buyers. Compared to last season, this dropped by **-15%** in relative terms ;
- ✓ Cocoa was bought in **08 Regions** of Cameroon.
- ✓ **The Centre region finished first (54,39%)** trailed by the **Southwest (21,17 %)** and then the **Littoral Region(11,30 %)**. The Southwest Region recorded a significant drop in volumes to the tune of **(-40%)** representing **39 809 824 kg** ; the same for the **Littoral Region (-11,16%), West Region (-52,98%)** and **Northwest Region (-90,17%)** ;



Regional breakdown of Cocoa Production

III- EXTERNAL TRADE

i- Quality

- ✓ **178 474 tonnes** of cocoa was submitted for quality compliance prior to export,
- ✓ **47 200 KG** of cocoa were classified as **Grade 1**,
- ✓ **43%** of beans was exported as **Good Fermented**.
- ✓ **CHOCOCAM** and **AFRICA PROCESSING COMPANY** processed only Grade I Cocoa , whereas **FERRERO** processed entirely Grade II.

ii-Exports

- ✓ **550 Contracts** registered compared to 638 last season, dropping by (13,79%).
- ✓ **Approved Contracts : 186 754 409 kg;**
- ✓ Purchased volume fell from 228 920 543 kg last season to **186 754 409 kg** in the just ended 2022/2023 season.
- ✓ The volume **grade 1 contracts** improved from 480 744 Kg last season to **1 133 160 kg** this season, increasing by **(+57,57%)**.
- ✓ **Three Operators** exported a total of **70,29%** of total cocoa exports. They are: **TELCAR (35,82%), OFICAM (23,03)** and **SBET (11,4%)** ;
- ✓ **Destinations of Cameroon Cocoa : 14 Countries /18 Landing Ports** across **Europe, Asia and America** ;
- ✓ **Generated Monetary Mass (in FOB Value) : 264 878 226 659 FCFA** , down by **21 005 659 185 FCFA**.

iii- Local Processing

- ✓ **89 204 772 Kg** of cocoa processed locally. This comprises;
- ✓ **78 366 501 Kg** by Industrial Units and,
- ✓ **68 681 kg** by Small-scale Units,
- ✓ **Thirty-Four (34)** Small-scale Units identified last season registered **457 755 kg** and processed **68 681 kg** into (caramel, cocoa butter and cocoa-cake).

iv - Prices

- ✓ **Farm-gate Prices** : Highest **1290 FCFA/Kg**, Lowest **750 FCFA/Kg**.
- ✓ Average FOB prices for delivery contract series ranged from **1303 FCFA/Kg** to **1349 FCFA/Kg** ;
- ✓ The farmer's share of the FOB prices ranged averagely between **58,28%** and **94,79%**.