

**FOOD PRICING MONITORING
COMMITTEE**

FINAL REPORT

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Foreword

This document contains the full report of the work of the Food Pricing Monitoring Committee since its appointment on 20 January 2003. The activities of the Committee have resulted in a well documented overview of many aspects related to the agri-food industry in South Africa and should be widely disseminated in order to create a greater understanding of the agri-food industry and also increased awareness of the various relevant aspects of this industry.

The Committee tasked many researchers and fieldworkers to assist in its investigations and monitoring activities. We thank them for a job well executed.

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In closing the members of the Committee would also like to remember Ms Nonia Rampomane one of our colleagues who died in August 2003.

The Committee is confident that the implementation of the recommendations made in this report will make an important contribution to ensuring food security for all households while maintaining a competitive and prosperous agricultural and food industry.



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