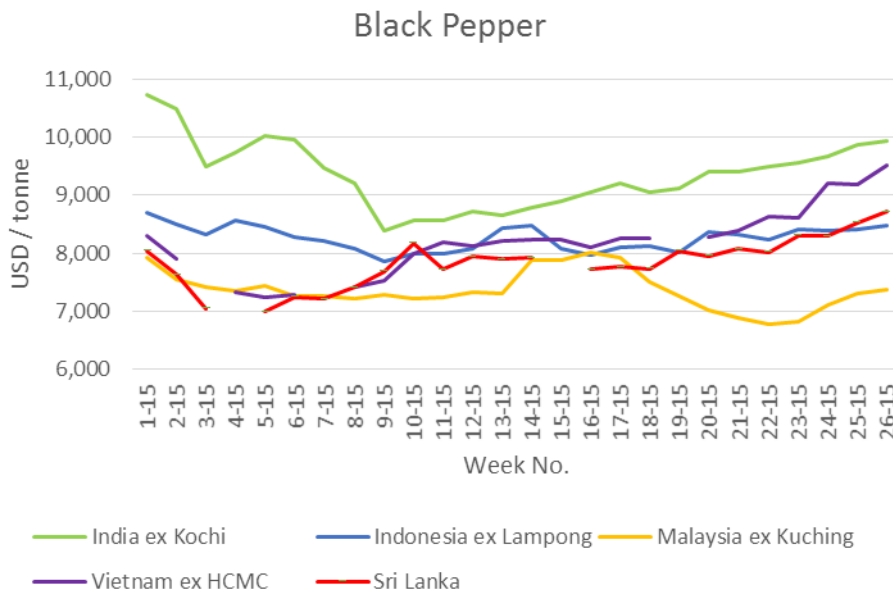


## Market Dynamics

**Pepper** – Prices rises were recorded at the major origins as the exportable surplus in India and Vietnam declined. Next crop from Indonesia should be available in the next four to six weeks with the main harvesting starting at the end of July. Good yields are expected here, but plant populations in one or two areas have reportedly declined, which will moderate the outturn..

The shortage of origin sales has left a tight stock situation in the major markets and the market is firm with prices reaching historic highs of USD 11,000/tonne for black pepper and USD 15,000/tonne for white.

The International Pepper Community (IPC) have reported producer prices as follows: (Indicative prices as received by growers. Based on information received from regional reporters)



Source: IPC Weekly Prices Bulletin data

**Cloves** – Prices have eased since May. Indonesia not yet buying. And still the North American and European buyers are holding back if they can.

**Chillies** – Malawi production suffered under excessive rainfall in the early months of 2015. Significant losses are reported and shipment defaults are mentioned. A second harvest, late quarter 3, is expected but it will be small. Pricing in these circumstances is imaginary – if product were available, would offers at USD 6,000/tonne find buyers?

**Coriander** – The Indian market is reported as extremely firm. Prices around USD 2,500/tonne while buyers are waiting out for the new crop East European offers. Shipment should begin in the next few weeks. Bulgarian indicated at USD 1,100/tonne and Romanian slightly higher at USD1,200/tonne.

**Ginger** – Scant availability from Nigeria, and no new crop expected until mid-quarter 4. Nigerian ginger priced at USD 3,500/tonne

**Pimento** – Stocks are reportedly low and the market is tight until the new crop becomes available in a few weeks' time.