

■ Indices of agricultural prices - May 2013

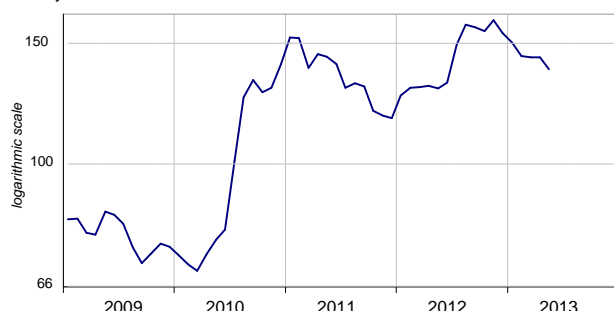
Overall producer prices of agricultural products were stable in May

In May 2013, overall producer prices of agricultural products stagnated ; over one year they decreased by 9.0%.

Cereal prices went down slightly in May (-0.5 %), while staying at a high level. The forecasts of maize and wheat crops, based on the extent of sowed areas, went up compared to last year, but those expectations have not yet materialised due to bad weather conditions in the main areas of cereals growing in the Northern hemisphere.

Producer price of cereals

Base year : 2010



Source INSEE

Oleaginous prices stagnated in May

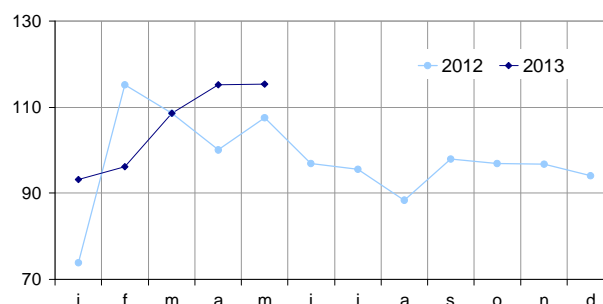
Potatoes prices doubled in May compared to the same month last year (+122.1 %), due to a marked shortfall of supply in North-Western Europe.

Wine prices did not change in May compared to April (+0.1 %) but surged over one year, by more than 10 %. The prices for some PDO wines were sustained by the export demand. The less significant crop last autumn led to a rise in prices for other wines.

Fresh fruits prices rose year-over-year (+17.4 %). The price of apple increased due to a considerable slump in production in Europe. Cold and wet weather during May hindered the productions of strawberries and cherries. Finally, prices of these two fruits increased despite a little inclined consumption, due to the dull weather.

Producer price of fresh vegetables

Base year : 2010

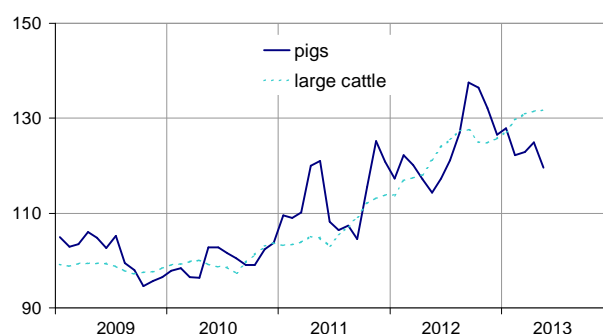


Source : SSP (ministère chargé de l'Agriculture)

The prices of fresh vegetables increased year-over-year (+7.3 %). On the supply side, the lack of luminosity slowed the greenhouse cultivation of cucumbers and courgettes ; cool temperatures also delayed the growing of cauliflowers and asparagus. The last crop of onions was less abundant than the previous one. Quantities were higher for chicories whose price went up. On the demand side, the leek consumption benefited from the cool weather and, conversely, the tomatoes one was affected.

Producer prices of pigs and large cattle

Base year : 2010 ; seasonally adjusted



Source : INSEE

On a seasonally adjusted basis, price of animals increased a little in April (-1.2 %), due to a sluggish domestic consumption and the foreign competition that

limited the export demand (for pigs). Egg prices have been tumbling for five months, as a consequence of the recovery of the production capacities.

Indices of producer prices of agricultural products (IPPAP)

	weights	May 2013 raw	base year 2010 Variation as % over		
			a month Seasonally adjusted data	3 months	a year
Agricultural goods output	1000	123.5	0.0	+1.0	+9.0
excluding fruits and vegetables	900	124.3	-0.3	+1.0	+8.9
Crop output (excluding fruits and vegetables)	502	132.3	+0.3	+1.2	+13.3
Cereals	190	142.2	-0.5	-1.1	+10.3
of which soft wheat	113	145.3	-0.4	0.0	+15.1
grain maize	42	131.4	-1.2	-4.0	+5.2
Potatoes	26	216.3	///	///	+122.1
Wines	171	118.1	+0.1	+1.7	+10.9
Protected designation of origine	135	116.9	+0.5	+2.3	+10.3
other wines	36	122.5	-1.3	-0.2	+13.1
Oleaginous	49	127.1	0.0	-1.0	-1.5
Horticultural products	31	107.5	+3.2	+0.3	+3.9
Other crop products	34	113.7	-0.1	-2.7	+3.9
Fruits and vegetables (1)	100	116.4	///	///	+10.2
Fresh vegetables	93	115.4	///	///	+7.3
Fresh fruits	41	119.4	///	///	+17.4
Animal output	398	114.2	-1.1	+0.6	+3.1
Animals	234	123.7	-1.2	+0.1	+7.2
of which large cattle calves	96	132.1	+0.2	+1.5	+8.5
pigs	26	110.0	-3.6	-3.4	+2.4
sheep	54	118.5	-4.3	-2.1	+4.6
poultry	10	115.4	+5.2	+11.4	+9.3
of which chicken	44	123.5	-0.1	-0.4	+10.3
Milk	18	125.6	0.0	+0.1	+12.1
of which cow milk (2)	149	101.0	0.0	+5.2	+3.6
Eggs	139	101.4	0.0	+5.7	+3.7
	15	96.4	-10.1	-27.1	-43.6

(1) Including vegetables for industry.

(2) The price for May is not yet known and therefore is estimated by carrying forward the seasonally adjusted price from April
Sources: INSEE - SSP (Ministry of Agriculture)

Purchase prices of the means of agricultural production decreased a little in May.

Prices of intermediate consumptions dipped in April (-0.2 %) while prices of investments were stable. Prices of feed for animals took a drop (-0.4 %) but rose over one year by more than 10%.

Purchase price of the means of agricultural production



Sources : INSEE et SSP (ministère chargé de l'Agriculture)

Indices of purchase prices of the means of agricultural production (IPAMPA)

	weights	May 2013	base year 2010 Variation as % over a month		
			a month	3 months	a year
Total input	1000	115.8	-0.2	-0.8	+3.9
Intermediate consumptions	755	119.0	-0.2	-1.1	+4.5
Energy (1)	102	117.1	-0.5	-5.2	-2.6
Seeds	67	108.5	+0.2	+0.7	+4.9
Fertilisers and soil improvers	100	128.7	-0.8	-0.6	0.0
Plant protection products	83	101.3	+0.2	+1.5	+1.2
Animal feed	211	136.1	-0.4	-1.9	+12.4
Veterinary expenses	50	108.6	+0.4	+0.8	+2.7
Small equipment and tools	16	108.3	+0.1	+0.7	+2.9
Maintenance of materials	73	108.4	+0.2	+0.5	+3.3
Maintenance of buildings	9	107.0	0.0	+0.1	+1.2
Other goods and services	52	105.9	+0.1	+0.6	+2.2
Goods and services contributing to investment	245	105.8	0.0	+0.2	+2.0
Material	193	105.1	0.0	+0.1	+2.4
Tractors	82	105.5	0.0	-0.1	+1.8
Machinery and plant for cultivation	37	104.4	+0.1	-0.1	+4.0
Machinery and plant for harvesting	43	105.8	-0.2	+0.5	+2.8
Utility vehicles	19	102.5	0.0	-0.1	+0.1
Buildings	52	108.3	0.0	+0.6	+0.8

(1) The repayment of the domestic tax on energy products (TICPE) benefiting farmers has been applied in advance for the year 2013

Sources: INSEE - SSP (Ministry of Agriculture)

To know more about French indices of agricultural prices :

The index of producer prices for agricultural products (IPPAP) measures the changes in products prices when they are put on the market for the first time. They are set at 100 in 2010, the coefficients for their weights come from national accounts and are based on the year 2010. The weight-coefficients of fresh fruits and vegetables, early potatoes and cut flowers change every month, which reflects their very seasonal pattern. As a result their variations must be interpreted year-over-year. Seasonally adjustments are restricted to cattle, milk, cut flowers as a whole, and to some other aggregates.

The methodology can be found via the link hereafter :

<http://www.insee.fr/fr/publications-et-services/sommaire.asp?codesage=IMET121&nivgeo=0>, and for fresh vegetables and fruits.

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The index of purchase prices of the means of agricultural production (IPAMPA) reflects the variations of goods and services used in the agricultural process. They are based on the survey conducted by the ministry of agriculture at wholesale dealers of fertilisers, feed for animals, phytosanitary products, seeds, veterinary products and services and small equipment ; IPAMPA are also based on output prices industry (IPP) for energy and equipment goods ; on consumption prices (IPC) for fuel ; and on construction index for buildings (BT and TP) and their maintenance. They are based on the year 2005.

Further data (historical data, simplified methodology) are located on the HTML page of this publishing :

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