

■ Indices of agricultural prices - April 2013

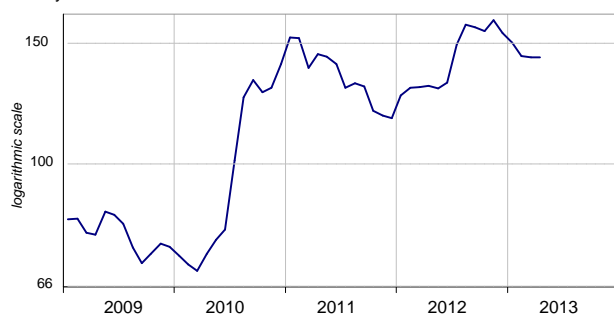
Overall producer prices of agricultural products decreased slightly in April

In April 2013 overall producer prices of agricultural products dipped (-0.3 % compared to March) ; over one year they rose by 8.6 %.

Cereals prices did not change much in April (-0.2 %). Wheat prices remained at a high level. Bad weather aroused fears regarding the next harvests in Europe and in the United States. On the other hand, maize prices decreased noticeably, due to the high quantities still available in Ukraine and bullish forecasts for the next global crop.

Producer price of cereals

Base year : 2010



Source INSEE

Oleaginous prices went down in April (-1.5 %), mainly due to the decrease of sunflower prices, whose supply is abundant.

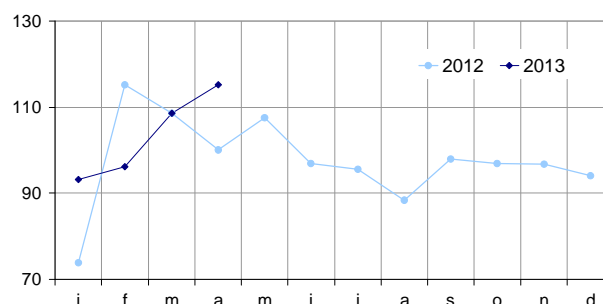
Potatoes prices doubled in April compared to the same month last year (+133.8 %), due to a marked shortfall of supply in North-Western Europe.

Wines were more expensive in April (+0.7 %). Over one year, their prices surged by nearly 12 %. 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 (+4.8 %). The price of apple increased by 43 % due to a considerable slump in production in Europe. Conversely, strawberry was 21% less expensive despite a limited production, which was affected by cool temperatures : the dull weather led the consumers to turn aside from this fruit.

Producer price of fresh vegetables

Base year : 2010

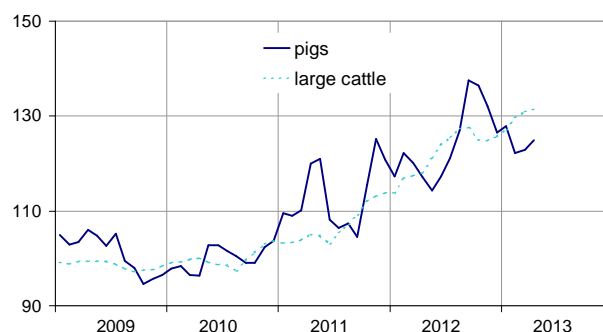


Source : SSP (ministère chargé de l'Agriculture)

The prices of fresh vegetables increased year-over-year (+15.2 %). On the supply side, the lack of luminosity slowed the greenhouse cultivation of tomatoes, and the cool temperatures slowed the growing of cauliflowers ; the onion crop was less abundant than the previous one. On the demand side, the leek consumption benefited from the cool weather; the consumers turned partly away from chicory.

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 (+0.6 %), as a result of a limited number of available animals. Prices of eggs kept on tumbling, having decreased by half over a year due to a strong pick up of the supply, as a consequence of the

recovery of the production capacities.

Indices of producer prices of agricultural products (IPPAP)

	weights	April 2013 raw	base year 2010 Variation as % over		
			a month	3 month	a year
			Seasonally adjusted data	Seasonally adjusted data	raw
Agricultural goods output	1000	122.9	-0.3	-0.3	+8.6
excluding fruits and vegetables	907	123.8	+0.4	-0.6	+8.4
Crop output (excluding fruits and vegetables)	500	131.7	+0.5	-1.0	+13.1
Cereals	190	142.9	-0.2	-5.0	+10.0
of which soft wheat	113	145.9	+0.9	-3.0	+16.1
grain maize	42	133.0	-3.0	-8.3	+2.9
Potatoes	26	207.6	///	///	+133.8
Wines	171	118.0	+0.7	+2.0	+11.8
Protected designation of origine	134	116.4	+0.6	+2.3	+10.9
other wines	36	124.2	+0.9	+1.0	+14.8
Oleaginous	49	127.2	-1.5	-1.2	-3.8
Horticultural products	31	102.1	-5.6	-1.9	+0.9
Other crop products	34	113.8	-1.3	-2.3	+4.9
Fruits and vegetables (1)	93	113.7	///	///	+9.7
Fresh vegetables	51	115.2	///	///	+15.2
Fresh fruits	34	111.6	///	///	+4.8
Animal output	407	114.1	+0.2	0.1	+2.5
Animals	244	125.0	+0.6	+1.1	+9.4
of which large cattle	96	131.0	+0.4	+3.3	+11.3
calves	26	114.1	-0.3	+1.5	+5.6
pigs	54	123.3	+1.7	-2.3	+6.7
sheep	10	115.2	+3.2	+4.8	+5.0
poultry	54	123.7	+0.2	-0.1	+11.7
of which chicken	28	124.9	+0.2	+0.2	+12.9
Milk	148	96.8	0.0	+1.9	-0.5
of which cow milk (2)	138	96.8	0.0	+2.1	-0.7
Eggs	15	107.2	-6.4	-26.0	-47.4

(1) Including vegetables for industry.

(2) The price for April is not yet known and therefore is estimated by carrying forward the seasonally adjusted price from March

Sources: INSEE - SSP (Ministry of Agriculture)

Purchase prices of the means of agricultural production decreased in April.

Prices of intermediate consumptions dipped in April (-0.5 %) due mainly to the move of energy prices. Prices of investment were almost stable (-0.1 %). Prices for animals feed increased by 15 % over one year.

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	April 2013	Base year 2010 Variation as % over		
			a month	3 month	a year
			month	month	month
Total input	1000	116.0	-0.4	-0.4	+4.2
Intermediate consumptions	755	119.3	-0.5	-0.6	+4.8
Energy	102	117.4	-2.9	-3.0	-5.1
Seeds	67	108.3	0.0	+1.2	+4.6
Fertilisers and soil improvers	100	129.9	-0.1	+0.3	+0.3
Plant protection products	83	101.1	+0.6	+1.5	+1.3
Animal feed	211	136.6	-0.7	-1.9	+15.2
Veterinary expenses	50	108.2	+0.3	+0.7	+2.4
Small equipment and tools	16	108.3	+0.4	+0.7	+3.3
Maintenance of materials	73	108.2	+0.1	+0.6	+3.5
Maintenance of buildings	9	106.9	0.0	0.0	+1.1
Other goods and services	52	105.5	+0.1	+0.2	+1.8
Goods and services contributing to investment	245	105.8	-0.1	+0.5	+2.1
Material	193	105.3	-0.1	+0.6	+2.7
Tractors	82	105.5	-0.7	0.0	+2.2
Machinery and plant for cultivation	37	105.2	0.0	+1.8	+4.0
Machinery and plant for harvesting	43	106.2	+0.7	+0.9	+3.3
Utility vehicles	19	102.6	+0.1	+0.1	+0.2
Buildings	52	107.6	0.0	0.0	+0.1

(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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