

## Agricultural price indices

*I quarter 2012: provisional data*

The agricultural price indices provide information on trends in purchase prices of the means of production and producer prices of agricultural products. Since January 2009 indices are calculated with reference to the base year 2005.

In the first quarter of 2012:

- the Input price index rose by 1.5% compared to the previous quarter and by 2.8% in comparison to the same period of the previous year; the monthly indices compared to those of the previous period rose by 1.1% in January, by 0.5% in February and by 0.3% in March;
- the Output price index rose by 0.3% compared to the previous quarter and by 2.0% in comparison to the same period of the previous year; the monthly indices compared to those of the previous period decreased by 0.4% in January rose by 2.1% in February and decreased by 3.5% in March.
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**Agricultural price indices: Input and Output. January-March 2012 (base 2005=100)**

Period		Input total			Output total		
		Indices	Percentage changes		Indices	Percentage changes	
			on the previous period	on the same period of the previous year		on the previous period	on the same period of the previous year
January	2012	132,4	+1,1	+2,9	121,8	-0,4	+1,8
February	2012	133,1	+0,5	+2,8	124,3	2,1	+3,2
March	2012	133,5	+0,3	+2,5	119,9	-3,5	-0,3
I quarter	2012	133,0	+1,5	+2,8	122,8	+0,3	+2,0

**Input price indices by groups of products. January-March 2012 (base 2005=100)**

Groups of products	Percentage changes							
	on the previous period				on the same period of the previous year			
	Jan-12 Dec-11	Feb-12 Jan-12	Mar-12 Feb-12	I Q 2012 IV Q 2011	Jan-12 Jan-11	Feb-12 Feb-11	Mar-12 Mar-11	I Q 2012 I Q 2011
<b>Goods and services currently consumed in agriculture</b>								
Seeds	+2,1	0,0	+0,3	+2,5	+7,2	+6,4	+6,2	+6,5
Energy; lubricants	+3,4	+1,3	+1,6	+6,1	+14,5	+13,5	+12,1	+13,3
Fertilisers, soil improvers	+0,1	+0,3	+0,5	+0,5	+9,8	+9,1	+8,9	+9,3
Plant protection products and pesticides	+1,0	+0,8	+0,4	+1,5	+2,2	+2,5	+2,6	+2,4
Veterinary expenses	+0,5	0,0	0,0	+0,6	+1,9	+2,0	+2,0	+2,0
Animal feeding-stuffs	+0,9	+0,9	+0,3	+0,9	-2,2	-2,4	-2,5	-2,4
Maintenance of materials	+0,2	+0,2	+0,2	+0,6	+3,3	+3,3	+3,5	+3,3
Maintenance of buildings	+0,1	+1,2	+0,1	+1,1	+2,7	+2,7	+2,6	+2,7
Other goods and services	+0,8	+0,9	+0,2	+1,3	+3,0	+3,5	+3,5	+1,8
<b>Goods and services contributing to agricultural investment</b>								
Materials	+0,6	+0,2	+0,1	+0,9	+2,6	+2,7	+2,6	+2,7
Buildings	+1,7	+0,1	0,0	+1,8	+2,6	+2,7	+2,5	+2,7
<b>Input total</b>	<b>+1,1</b>	<b>+0,5</b>	<b>+0,3</b>	<b>+1,5</b>	<b>+2,9</b>	<b>+2,8</b>	<b>+2,5</b>	<b>+2,8</b>

**Output price indices by groups of products.** January-March 2012 (base 2005=100)

Groups of products	Percentage changes							
	on the previous period				on the same period of the previous year			
	Jan-12 Dec-11	Feb-12 Jan-12	Mar-12 Feb-12	I Q 2012 IV Q 2011	Jan-12 Jan-11	Feb-12 Feb-11	Mar-12 Mar-11	I Q 2012 I Q 2011
<b>Crop output</b>	+1,6	+2,7	-5,7	+1,6	-1,6	+0,2	-4,4	-1,5
<b>Crop output (excluding fruit and vegetables)</b>	+1,9	+0,9	-0,2	+2,5	-3,5	-4,8	-4,8	-4,0
Cereals	+2,7	+1,5	-0,6	+2,3	-13,0	-13,6	-13,7	-13,5
Industrial crops	+1,1	+0,8	+0,6	+2,2	+2,3	+3,1	+4,4	+3,2
Forage plants	+1,3	+0,6	+0,2	+1,4	-3,5	-7,5	-7,3	-6,1
Vegetables and horticultural products	+0,7	+5,8	-7,0	-4,4	-8,6	+1,7	+3,8	-1,5
Potatoes	-2,2	-0,4	+1,0	-0,2	-16,4	-22,0	-21,3	-20,0
Fruit	+2,0	+3,1	-14,5	+3,7	+11,4	+9,5	-10,9	+6,9
Wine	+3,8	+0,8	+0,3	+7,5	+23,3	+23,0	+22,1	+22,8
Olive oil	+0,2	+0,5	-1,4	-1,4	+0,4	+0,9	-0,5	+0,3
<b>Animal output</b>	-3,6	+1,1	-0,3	-2,1	+7,6	+8,5	+6,3	+7,5
Animals	-5,6	+1,0	-1,6	-5,7	+6,9	+8,1	+3,8	+6,2
Animal products	-0,3	+1,2	+1,8	+3,5	+8,8	+9,0	+10,0	+9,4
<b>Agricultural goods output (excluding Fruit and vegetables)</b>	-1,2	+1,0	-0,2	-0,2	+2,4	+2,2	+1,1	+2,1
<b>Agricultural goods output</b>	-0,4	+2,1	-3,5	+0,3	+1,8	+3,2	-0,3	+2,0

For more details please refer to the Italian version

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