

PRICE INDICES IN AGRICULTURE, FIRST QUARTER OF 2014¹

Indices of producer prices in agriculture

The index of producer prices in agriculture in the first quarter of 2014 has decreased by 11.8% as comparison with the same quarter of 2013. The crop output index decreased in by 19.2% and the animal output index - by 2.1%. Compared to previous year the prices of agricultural output have increased by 2.7%. In the crop output they were higher by 2.9% and in the livestock - by 2.5% (Table 1).

Compared to the corresponding quarter of 2013 a decrease was registered in the prices of soft wheat - by 17.8%, maize - by 28.8%, barley - by 34.0%, sunflower - by 29.3%, cabbage - by 36.2% and apples - by 20.2%. In the livestock a decrease was registered in the prices of pigs - by 6.1%, chickens - by 5.1% and eggs for consumption - by 21.3%. An increase was registered in the cow's and sheep's milk - by 10.0% and 4.6%.

Compared to 2013 higher was the price of soft wheat - by 9.7% and lower of maize - by 2.7% and barley - by 2.5%. In the livestock lower were the prices of pigs - by 2.9%, chickens - by 9.2% and eggs for consumption - by 3.6%. Higher was the price of cow's milk - by 12.1%.

1. Producer prices indices in agriculture in the first quarter of 2014

(Per cent)

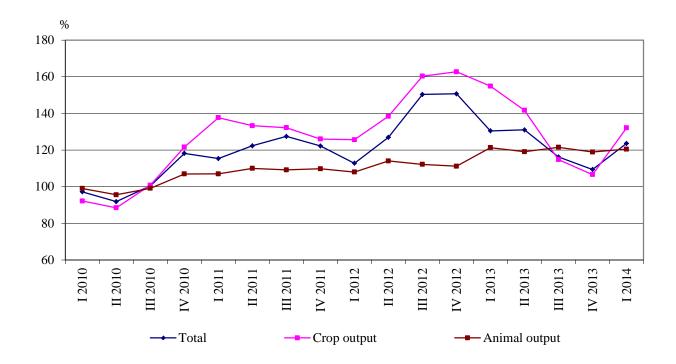
	2010 = 100	Corresponding quarter of 2013 = 100	2013 = 100
Total	123.6	88.2	102.7
Crop output	132.1	80.8	102.9
Animal output	120.5	97.9	102.5

The Agricultural Price Indices were calculated in compliance with requirements of Handbook for EU Agricultural Price Statistics, version 2.0, March 2008. The Handbook was uploaded on the NSI Web site at the following link: http://www.nsi.bg/sites/default/files/files/metadata/Agr_Output_en.pdf.



Figure 1. Producer prices indices in agriculture, by quarters

(2010 = 100)



Indices of prices of goods and services currently consumed in agriculture

The index of prices of goods and services currently consumed in agriculture in the first quarter of 2014 was 3.2% below the level in the same quarter of previous year and by 3.5% compared to 2013.

A decrease was registered compared to the same quarter of 2013 in the prices of: fertilizers - by 14.8% and animal feeding stuffs - by 14.5%. An increase was registered in the prices of seeds and planting stock - by 18.5%, plant protection products - by 2.5% and veterinary medical products - by 3.6%.

The same trend was observed compared 2013. A decrease was registered in the prices of fertilizers - by 13.4% and animal feeding stuffs - by 10.9%. (Table 2).





2. Prices indices of the goods and services currently consumed in agriculture, first quarter of 2014

(Per cent)

		Corresponding	
	2010 = 100	quarter of 2013 = 100	2013 = 100
Total	112.9	96.8	96.5
Seeds and planting stock	107.7	118.5	104.4
Energy, fuels and others	117.3	97.9	98.3
Fertilizers	122.5	85.2	86.6
Plant protection products	100.7	102.5	101.1
Veterinary medical products	102.0	103.6	100.7
Animal feeding stuffs	120.3	85.5	89.1
Maintenance of materials	105.1	100.1	99.9
Maintenance of buildings	105.6	101.1	100.7
Other goods and services	105.9	98.8	98.6





Figure 2. Prices indices of the goods and services currently consumed in agriculture, by quarters (2010=100)

