

PRICE INDICES IN AGRICULTURE, FOURTH QUARTER OF 2014¹

Producer price indices in agriculture

The index of producer prices in agriculture in the fourth quarter of 2014 decreased by 0.8% as comparison with the same quarter of 2013. The crop output index increased by 0.1%, and the animal output index decreased by 5.1%. Compared to the previous year prices of agricultural output decreased by 6.4%. In the crop output they were lower by 6.8%, and in the livestock - by 4.3% (Table 1).

Compared to the corresponding quarter of 2013 a decrease was registered in the prices of soft wheat - by 8.7%, maize - by 8.1%, barley - by 13.4, potatoes - by 25.1%, but increased in the sunflower - by 6.9%. In the livestock decrease was registered in the prices of poultry - by 5.2%, cow's milk - by 6.3%, and eggs - by 3.4%.

Compared to 2013 lower was the price of soft wheat - by 6.7%, maize - by 22.1%, barley - by 15.1%, and potatoes - by 27.0%. In the livestock lower was the price of poultry - by 6.5%, cow's milk - by 3.1%, and eggs - by 3.8%.

			(Per cent)
	2010 = 100	Corresponding quarter of 2013 = 100	2013 = 100
Total	106.6	99.2	93.6
Crop output	104.4	100.1	93.2
Animal output	113.9	94.9	95.7

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

^T 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 Handbook en.pdf



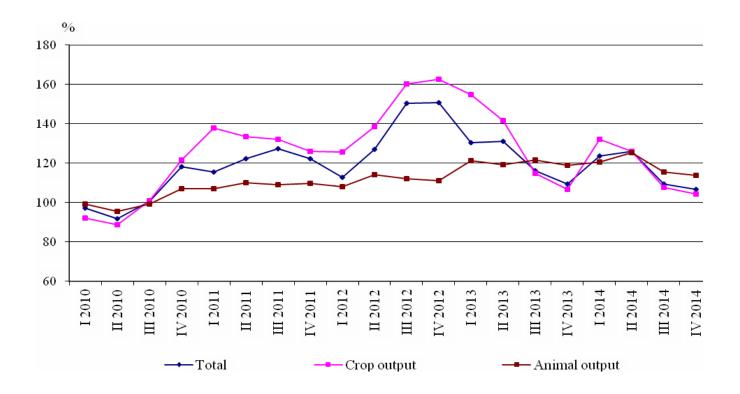


Figure 1. Producer prices indices in agriculture, by quarters

(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 fourth quarter of 2014 was by 4.0% below the level in the same quarter of previous year and by 4.9% compared to 2013.

A decrease was registered compared to the same quarter of 2013 in the prices of: fertilizers - by 9.9%, plant protection products - by 1.8%, and animal feeding stuffs - by 3.8%.

The same trend was observed compared 2013. A decrease was registered in the prices of fertilizers - by 15.2%, plant protection products - by 0.5%, and animal feeding stuffs - by 13.3% (Table 2).

			(Per cent)
	2010 = 100	Corresponding quarter of 2013 = 100	2013 = 100
Total	108.1	96.0	95.1
Seeds and planting stock	103.6	101.3	98.2
Energy, fuels and others	110.2	92.6	96.9
Fertilizers	122.7	90.1	84.8
Plant protection products	99.3	98.2	99.5
Veterinary medical products	103.0	103.0	101.5
Animal feeding stuffs	105.6	96.2	86.7
Maintenance of materials	105.0	99.8	99.8
Maintenance of buildings	106.8	101.4	101.0
Other goods and services	106.0	97.9	98.8

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



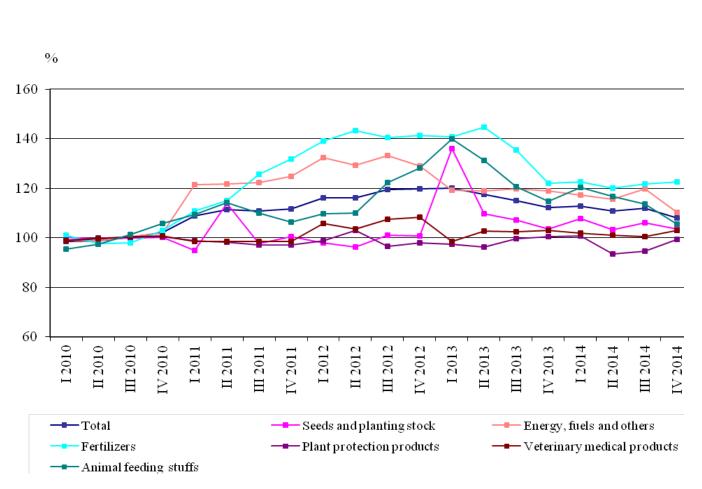


Figure 2. Prices indices of the goods and services currently consumed in agriculture, by quarters (2010 = 100)