

World Prices of Food and Sugar Fall, Metals Rose in Dec 2012

In December 2012, energy and non-energy prices rose by 0.4% and 1.1%, respectively. Food prices are down by 1.3%, beverages declined by 2.1%, raw materials increased by 2.2%, metals rose sharply by 5.2% and fertilizers eased by 0.2%.

Up ↑

Coal; Natural gas LNG
Tea; Soybean meal, Soybean oil and Soybeans
Bananas; Fishmeal; Meat; Shrimp
Logs, Plywood, Sawnwood and Woodpulp;
Cotton and Rubber; Urea
Aluminum, Copper, Iron ore, Lead, Nickel, Tin and Zinc
Platinum

Down ↓

Natural gas; Cocoa and Coffee
Coconut oil, Copra, Groundnuts, Groundnut oil, Palm oil, Palm kernel oil
Barley, Maize, Rice and Wheat; Oranges; World Sugar
DAP and TSP
Gold and Silver

Steady ↔

Crude; Thai rice 25%; Rock Phosphate, Potassium Chloride



	Monthly averages			Quarterly averages				Annual averages			
	2012			2011	2012			2010	2011	2012	
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Dec	Jan-Dec	Jan-Dec

Energy

Coal, Australia \$/mt	81.85	85.89	92.88	↑ 114.91	113.65	95.54	89.40	86.87	98.97	121.45	96.36
Coal, Colombia \$/mt	77.46	78.85	81.10	↑ 101.18	91.77	82.22	82.68	79.14	77.97	111.50	83.95
Coal, South Africa \$/mt	82.80	85.74	88.84	↑ 106.85	105.00	93.47	87.42	85.79	91.62	116.30	92.92
Crude oil, average \$/bbl	103.41	101.17	101.19	↔ 103.16	112.52	102.83	102.77	101.93	79.04	104.01	105.01
Crude oil, Brent \$/bbl	111.97	109.71	109.68	↔ 109.29	118.60	108.86	109.95	110.45	79.64	110.94	111.97
Crude oil, Dubai \$/bbl	108.73	107.13	105.69	↓ 106.16	116.07	106.18	106.18	107.19	78.06	106.03	108.90
Crude oil, West Texas Int. \$/bbl	89.52	86.68	88.22	↑ 94.03	102.88	93.44	92.17	88.14	79.43	95.05	94.16
Natural gas Index 2005=100	110.7	113.6	113.6	↔ 111.3	106.4	106.3	108.0	112.6	91.1	107.3	108.3
Natural gas, Europe \$/mmbtu	11.58	11.83	11.79	↓ 11.42	11.51	11.52	11.13	11.73	8.29	10.52	11.47
Natural gas, US \$/mmbtu	3.32	3.54	3.34	↓ 3.32	2.46	2.28	2.88	3.40	4.39	4.00	2.75
Natural gas LNG \$/mmbtu	15.30	15.28	16.49	↑ 16.58	16.36	17.06	17.56	15.69	10.85	14.66	16.67

Beverages

Cocoa ¢/kg	246.4	247.8	241.0	↓ 246.8	234.1	228.2	249.4	245.1	313.3	298.0	239.2
Coffee, arabica ¢/kg	382.1	352.5	336.7	↓ 536.2	486.9	400.4	400.0	357.1	432.0	597.6	411.1
Coffee, robusta ¢/kg	230.3	215.3	212.9	↓ 215.9	222.1	231.0	234.1	219.5	173.6	240.8	226.7
Tea, auctions (3) avg. ¢/kg	300.9	301.7	308.3	↑ 279.5	254.9	292.2	308.4	303.6	288.5	292.1	289.8
Tea, Colombo auctions ¢/kg	315.9	311.6	331.0	↑ 316.7	292.7	304.7	308.1	319.5	329.0	326.4	306.3
Tea, Kolkata auctions ¢/kg	298.9	289.2	286.2	↓ 256.4	205.3	289.9	313.4	291.4	280.5	277.9	275.0
Tea, Mombasa auctions ¢/kg	288.0	304.3	307.7	↑ 265.4	266.7	282.0	303.5	300.0	256.0	271.9	288.1

Fats and Oils

Coconut oil \$/mt	898	848	785	↓ 1,377	1,400	1,187	1,013	844	1,124	1,730	1,111
Copra \$/mt	591	577	526	↓ 917	933	793	672	565	750	1,157	741
Groundnuts \$/mt	1,488	1,418	1,367	↓ 2,646	2,800	2,617	1,858	1,424	1,284	2,086	2,175
Groundnut oil \$/mt	2,375	2,303	2,216	↓ 2,245	n.a.	n.a.	2,476	2,298	1,404	1,988	n.a.
Palm oil \$/mt	839	813	776	↓ 1,025	1,107	1,088	993	809	901	1,125	999
Palmkernel oil \$/mt	862	815	762	↓ 1,250	1,366	1,242	1,020	813	1,184	1,648	1,110
Soybean meal \$/mt	601	579	580	↑ 357	392	488	630	587	378	398	524
Soybean oil \$/mt	1,175	1,135	1,163	↑ 1,214	1,253	1,236	1,258	1,158	1,005	1,299	1,226
Soybeans \$/mt	617	589	607	↑ 488	518	572	672	604	450	541	591

Grains

Barley \$/mt	252.9	252.1	242.9	↓ 210.9	215.6	237.8	258.4	249.3	158.4	207.2	240.3
Maize \$/mt	321.2	321.6	308.6	↓ 269.3	277.7	270.2	328.6	317.2	185.9	291.7	298.4
Rice, Thailand, 5% \$/mt	558.3	559.3	557.0	↓ 600.1	542.5	582.8	568.3	558.2	488.9	543.0	562.9
Rice, Thailand, 25% \$/mt	532.5	530	530	↔ 570.0	534.0	n.a.	547.9	531	441.5	506.0	n.a.
Rice, Thai, A.1 \$/mt	520.3	523.0	522.7	↓ 527.6	520.4	545.4	513.3	522.0	383.7	458.6	525.3
Rice, Vietnam 5% \$/mt	453.7	448.3	414.3	↓ 551.2	436.9	428.7	433.6	438.8	429.2	513.6	434.5



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Sorghum \$/mt	283.1	289.0	284.0	↓ 261.8	269.6	259.4	273.4	285.4	165.4	268.7	271.9
Wheat, Canada \$/mt	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	405.2	378.1	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	312.4	439.6	n.a.
Wheat, US, HRW \$/mt	358.2	360.8	348.0	↓ 279.7	278.8	269.0	349.5	355.7	223.6	316.3	313.2
Wheat, US, SRW \$/mt	340.2	346.5	325.2	↓ 250.5	258.9	251.8	333.4	337.3	229.7	285.9	295.4
Other Food											
Bananas, Europe \$/mt	1,117	1,068	1,123	↑ 968	1,143	1,171	982	1,103	1,002	1,125	1,100
Bananas, US \$/mt	956	934	944	↑ 951	1,052	979	960	945	868	968	984
Fishmeal \$/mt	1,635	1,812	1,880	↑ 1,336	1,300	1,481	1,677	1,776	1,688	1,537	1,558
Meat, beef ¢/kg	401.0	424.7	431.6	↑ 407.2	424.7	413.0	400.1	419.1	335.1	404.2	414.2
Meat, chicken ¢/kg	211.3	213.0	215.3	↑ 197.0	201.6	207.1	209.7	213.2	189.2	192.6	207.9
Meat, sheep ¢/kg	586.6	582.7	589.3	↑ 660.2	644.5	618.3	587.5	586.2	531.4	663.1	609.1
Oranges \$/mt	981	847	758	↓ 824	771	844	995	862	1,033	891	868
Shrimp ¢/kg	981	1,025	1,066	↑ 1,085	1,055	977	970	1,024	1,004	1,193	1,006
Sugar, EU ¢/kg	42.35	41.93	42.87	↑ 44.01	42.85	41.93	40.9	42.38	44.18	45.46	42.01
Sugar, US ¢/kg	52.54	49.65	49.2	↓ 82.09	75.66	66.63	61.5	50.46	79.25	83.92	63.56
Sugar, world ¢/kg	44.78	42.64	42.57	↓ 53.29	52.75	47.05	46.85	43.33	46.93	57.32	47.49
Timber											
Logs, Cameroon \$/cum	450.7	449.3	459.4	↑ 483.0	463.6	452.6	436.2	453.2	428.6	484.8	451.4
Logs, Malaysia \$/cum	350.2	353.0	354.8	↑ 409.0	373.3	361.0	355.1	352.7	278.2	390.5	360.5
Plywood ¢/sheets	610.2	611.5	612.9	↑ 617.5	612.8	609.9	607.1	611.5	569.1	607.5	610.3
Sawnwood, Cameroon \$/cum	766.5	761.3	770.0	↑ 774.6	755.5	760.7	755.2	765.9	812.7	825.8	759.3
Sawnwood, Malaysia \$/cum	873.4	870.0	879.9	↑ 911.8	882.9	883.8	864.3	874.4	848.3	939.4	876.3
Woodpulp \$/mt	726.0	746.8	771.9	↑ 834.6	781.1	786.8	735.2	748.3	866.8	899.6	762.8
Other Raw Materials											
Cotton ¢/kg	180.7	178.3	183.8	↑ 228.4	221.5	198.9	185.6	180.9	228.3	332.9	196.7
Rubber, RSS3 ¢/kg	320.4	297.4	311.0	↑ 360.6	385.3	359.1	297.0	309.6	365.4	482.3	337.7
Rubber, TSR20 ¢/kg	295.4	280.0	289.6	↑ 358.7	368.8	330.1	275.0	288.3	338.1	451.9	315.6
Fertilizers											
DAP \$/mt	573.0	524.8	499.0	↓ 605.7	516.6	545.2	565.0	532.3	500.7	618.9	539.8
Phosphate rock \$/mt	185.0	185.0	185.0	↔ 201.3	195.8	179.4	183.3	185.0	123.0	184.9	185.9
Potassium chloride \$/mt	440.2	425.0	425.0	↔ 473.0	479.8	461.3	464.8	430.1	331.9	435.3	459.0
TSP \$/mt	474.0	447.5	435.0	↓ 564.2	440.4	470.4	485.0	452.2	381.9	538.3	462.0
Urea \$/mt	396.0	374.2	378.8	↑ 437.3	387.3	470.0	381.3	383.0	288.6	421.0	405.4
Metals and Minerals											
Aluminum \$/mt	1,974	1,949	2,087	↑ 2,094	2,179	1,982	1,929	2,003	2,173	2,401	2,023
Copper \$/mt	8,062	7,711	7,966	↑ 7,514	8,318	7,889	7,729	7,913	7,535	8,828	7,962
Iron ore \$/dmt	114.0	120.4	128.5	↑ 140.8	141.8	139.6	111.6	120.9	145.9	167.8	128.5
Lead ¢/kg	214.2	218.2	228.0	↑ 199.2	209.1	197.9	198.7	220.1	214.8	240.1	206.5
Nickel \$/mt	17,169	16,335	17,449	↑ 18,393	19,636	17,186	16,384	16,984	21,809	22,910	17,548
Tin ¢/kg	2,123	2,071	2,288	↑ 2,085	2,291	2,063	1,936	2,161	2,041	2,605	2,113
Zinc ¢/kg	190.4	191.2	204.0	↑ 190.4	202.5	193.2	189.2	195.2	216.1	219.4	195.0
Precious Metals											
Gold \$/toz	1,747	1,722	1,685	↓ 1,682	1,692	1,612	1,656	1,718	1,225	1,569	1,670
Platinum \$/toz	1,636	1,576	1,582	↑ 1,529	1,604	1,500	1,501	1,598	1,610	1,719	1,551
Silver ¢/toz	3,319	3,277	3,187	↓ 3,179	3,258	2,941	2,995	3,261	2,015	3,522	3,114

\$ = US dollar; ¢ = US cent; bbl = barrel; cum = cubic meter; dmtu = Dry Metric Ton Unit; kg = kilogram; mmbtu = million British thermal units; mt = metric ton; toz = troy oz; n.a. = not available; n.q. = no quotation