

Crude Rises but Coal, Gas and World Sugar Falls, Palm Oil Up

In March 2012 the non-energy price index increased moderately while energy rallied by 3.7%. Food rose by 2.9%, beverages fell by 4.8%, raw materials down by 1.7%, metals remained unchanged and fertilizers picked up by 1.7%.

Up ↑

Crude oil
Coffee robusta
Palm oil, Palm Kernel oil; Soybean oil, Soybean meal and Soybeans
Barley, Maize, Sorghum; Thai rice; Wheat US HRW
Bananas US, Oranges; Fishmeal and Chicken meat
Malaysia Sawnwood and Woodpulp; Rubber TSR20; Urea
Copper, Iron ore

Down ↓

Coal; Coffee and Tea
Copra, Coconut oil, Beef; Logs, Plywood
Cotton, Rubber; DAP, Potassium chloride, TSP
Gold and Silver; Aluminium, Lead, Nickel, Tin and Zinc

Steady ↔

World sugar; Natural gas; Coca, Sheep meat, Shrimp; Rock phosphate
CR and HR Coil Sheet, Steel rebar and Steel wire rod



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

Energy

Coal, Australia \$/mt	115.90	115.15	105.08	↓	128.99	120	120.61	114.15	112.04	98.97	120.94	112.04
Crude oil, average \$/bbl	107.07	112.69	117.79	↑	99.75	110.05	103.07	103.16	112.52	79.04	104.01	112.52
Crude oil, Brent \$/bbl	111.16	119.70	124.93	↑	104.9	117.1	112.47	109.29	118.6	79.64	110.94	118.6
Crude oil, Dubai \$/bbl	109.78	116.15	122.28	↑	100.4	110.56	107.01	106.16	116.07	78.06	106.03	116.07
Crude oil, West Texas Int. \$/bbl	100.29	102.21	106.15	↑	93.95	102.5	89.73	94.03	102.88	79.43	95.05	102.88
Natural gas Index 2005=100	107.8	104.5	107.7	↑	98.5	107.1	112.5	111.3	106.7	91.1	107.3	106.7
Natural gas, Europe \$/mmbtu	11.45	11.12	11.97	↑	9.45	10.31	10.88	11.42	11.51	8.29	10.52	11.51
Natural gas, US \$/mmbtu	2.68	2.52	2.16	↓	4.18	4.37	4.12	3.32	2.45	4.39	4	2.45
Natural gas LNG, Japan \$/mmbtu	16.71	16.50	16.50	↔	11.99	13.71	16.35	16.58	16.57	10.85	14.66	16.57

Beverages

Cocoa €/kg	230.8	235.6	235.9	↔	334.3	307.4	303.5	246.8	234.1	313.3	298	234.1
Coffee, arabica €/kg	523.0	494.2	443.7	↓	620	636.5	597.7	536.2	486.9	432	597.6	486.9
Coffee, robusta €/kg	213.2	224.7	228.3	↑	241.5	262.6	243.1	215.9	222.1	173.6	240.8	222.1
Tea, auctions (3) avg. €/kg	265.7	256.7	242.1	↓	288.7	299.7	300.3	279.5	254.8	288.5	292.1	254.8
Tea, Colombo auctions €/kg	305.8	297.0	275.4	↓	356.3	319.7	313	316.7	292.7	329	326.4	292.7
Tea, Kolkata auctions €/kg	228.0	209.4	177.6	↓	229.2	313	312.8	256.4	205	280.5	277.9	205
Tea, Mombasa auctions €/kg	263.2	263.8	273.3	↑	280.6	266.3	275.3	265.4	266.7	256	271.9	266.7

Fats and Oils

Coconut oil \$/mt	1,451	1,411	1,338	↓	2,073	1,996	1,474	1,377	1,400	1,124	1,730	1,400
Copra \$/mt	965	945	888	↓	1,379	1,342	991	917	933	750	1,157	933
Groundnut oil \$/mt	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.		1,723	1,830	2,142	n.a.	n.a.	1,404	1,985	n.a.
Palm oil \$/mt	1,061	1,106	1,152	↑	1,251	1,147	1,079	1,025	1,106	901	1,125	1,106
Palmkernel oil \$/mt	1,366	1,362	1,370	↑	2,131	1,874	1,338	1,250	1,366	1,184	1,648	1,366
Soybean meal \$/mt	367	387	420	↑	437	400	399	357	391	378	398	391
Soybean oil \$/mt	1,218	1,255	1,287	↑	1,349	1,311	1,324	1,214	1,253	1,005	1,299	1,253
Soybeans \$/mt	498	512	543	↑	565	557	553	488	518	450	541	518

Grains

Barley \$/mt	210.6	213.4	222.8	↑	198.1	209.5	210.4	210.9	215.6	158.4	207.2	215.6
Maize \$/mt	272.8	279.5	280.7	↑	282.8	312.6	302.1	269.3	277.7	185.9	291.7	277.7
Rice, Thailand, 5% \$/mt	542.0	537.5	548.0	↑	511.2	493.1	567.7	600.1	542.5	488.9	543	542.5
Rice, Thailand, 25% \$/mt	534.0	n.a.	n.a.		465.4	456.8	532	570	n.a.	441.5	506	n.a.
Rice, Thai, A.1 \$/mt	516.3	518.3	526.8	↑	411.3	419.2	476.2	527.6	520.4	383.7	458.6	520.4
Rice, Vietnam 5% \$/mt	451.4	430.4	428.7	↓	478.8	479.7	544.8	551.2	436.9	429.2	513.6	436.9
Sorghum \$/mt	265.7	269.2	274.0	↑	255.2	270.5	287.5	261.8	269.6	165.4	268.7	269.6



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Wheat, Canada \$/mt	381.6	379.9	372.9	↓	449	474.6	429.8	405.2	378.1	312.4	439.6	378.1
Wheat, US, HRW \$/mt	274.9	277.8	283.9	↑	330.5	339.3	315.6	279.7	278.8	223.6	316.3	278.8
Wheat, US, SRW \$/mt	253.9	263.1	259.8	↓	320.8	301.9	270.5	250.5	258.9	229.7	285.9	258.9
Other Food												
Bananas, EU \$/mt	962	1,245	1,221	↓	1,251	1,250	1,030	968	1,143	1,002	1,125	1,143
Bananas, US \$/mt	945	1,068	1,144	↑	964	1,004	953	951	1,052	868	968	1,052
Fishmeal \$/mt	1,307	1,292	1,299	↑	1,740	1,648	1,426	1,336	1,299	1,688	1,537	1,299
Meat, beef ¢/kg	419.6	427.7	426.6	↓	409.5	406.3	393.8	407.2	424.6	335.1	404.2	424.6
Meat, chicken ¢/kg	199.2	201.0	204.6	↑	188.2	191	194.3	197	201.6	189.2	192.6	201.6
Meat, sheep ¢/kg	642.6	645.6	645.1	↔	637.1	668.5	686.5	660.2	644.5	531.4	663.1	644.5
Oranges \$/mt	731	779	803	↑	824	878	1,038	824	771	1,033	891	771
Shrimp, Mexico ¢/kg	1,069	1,047	1,047	↔	1,246	1,244	1,198	1,085	1,055	1,004	1,193	1,055
Sugar, EU ¢/kg	42.16	43.23	43.15	↔	44.69	47.02	46.13	44.01	42.85	44.18	45.46	42.85
Sugar, US ¢/kg	76.48	74.14	76.35	↑	86.56	80.28	86.72	82.09	75.66	79.25	83.92	75.66
Sugar, world ¢/kg	51.94	53.18	53.13	↔	62.7	52.56	60.72	53.29	52.75	46.93	57.32	52.75
Timber												
Logs, Cameroon \$/cum	458.3	466.6	465.8	↓	451.6	489.6	515.1	483	463.6	428.6	484.8	463.6
Logs, Malaysia \$/cum	387.7	375.0	357.1	↓	326.2	382.1	444.7	409	373.3	278.2	390.5	373.3
Plywood ¢/sheets	615.0	612.3	611.0	↓	588.5	603.2	621	617.5	612.8	569.1	607.5	612.8
Sawnwood, Cameroon \$/cum	750.8	757.3	757.3	↔	833.1	872.2	823.1	774.6	755.1	812.7	825.8	755.1
Sawnwood, Malaysia \$/cum	877.0	885.1	886.5	↑	921.6	959.2	965.2	911.8	882.9	848.3	939.4	882.9
Woodpulp \$/mt	778.6	780.3	785.0	↑	891.5	942	930.5	834.6	781.3	866.8	899.6	781.3
Other Raw Materials												
Cotton A Index ¢/kg	222.9	221.7	219.4	↓	456.9	386.7	259.4	228.4	221.3	228.3	332.9	221.3
Rubber, RSS3 ¢/kg	362.6	400.3	392.9	↓	573.2	530.1	465.3	360.6	385.3	365.4	482.3	385.3
Rubber, TSR20 ¢/kg	350.4	377.9	378.1	↑	525.1	467.3	456.5	358.7	368.8	338.1	451.9	368.8
Fertilizers												
DAP \$/mt	530.0	517.3	502.5	↓	601.7	617.3	650.8	605.7	516.6	500.7	618.9	516.6
Phosphate rock \$/mt	202.5	192.5	192.5	↔	158.3	182.5	197.5	201.3	195.8	123	184.9	195.8
Potassium chloride \$/mt	476.3	483.0	480.0	↓	374.2	422.7	471.3	473	479.8	331.9	435.3	479.8
TSP \$/mt	435.0	445.0	441.3	↓	486.3	544.2	558.3	564.2	440.4	381.9	538.3	440.4
Urea \$/mt	368.4	382.9	410.6	↑	353.4	407.9	485.4	437.3	387.3	288.6	421	387.3
Metals and Minerals												
Aluminum \$/mt	2,144	2,208	2,184	↓	2,501	2,611	2,399	2,094	2,179	2,173	2,401	2,179
Copper \$/mt	8,040	8,441	8,471	↑	9,642	9,173	8,984	7,514	8,318	7,535	8,828	8,318
Gold \$/toz	1,652	1,742	1,674	↓	1,384	1,507	1,700	1,682	1,689	1,225	1,568	1,689
Iron ore, spot, cfr China \$/dmt	140.3	140.4	144.7	↑	178.6	175.8	175.9	140.8	141.8	145.9	167.8	141.8
Lead ¢/kg	209.6	212.1	205.7	↓	260.4	255.1	245.5	199.2	209.1	214.8	240.1	209.1
Nickel \$/mt	19,855	20,394	18,661	↓	26,870	24,355	22,024	18,393	19,636	21,809	22,910	19,636
Silver ¢/toz	3,077	3,417	3,293	↓	3,179	3,857	3,885	3,182	3,262	2,020	3,526	3,262
Steel products index 2005=100	138.7	137.4	137.5	↔	135.4	147.7	146.8	143.8	137.9	124	143.4	137.9
Steel cr coilsheet \$/mt	900	900	900	↔	867	900	900	900	900	816	892	900
Steel hr coilsheet \$/mt	800	800	800	↔	767	800	800	800	800	716	792	800
Steel rebar \$/mt	640	640	640	↔	600	640	640	640	640	563	630	640
Steel wire rod \$/mt	790	790	790	↔	684	782	790	790	790	712	762	790
Tin ¢/kg	2,144	2,429	2,299	↓	2,986	2,885	2,466	2,085	2,291	2,041	2,605	2,291
Zinc ¢/kg	198.2	205.8	203.6	↓	239.3	225.5	222.4	190.4	202.5	216.1	219.4	202.5

\$ = 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