

UFOP Market Information

Oilseeds and Biofuels

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Price trends

Mean price	Week 52	Previous week	Trend
Producer prices in EUR/t			
Rapeseed	355,18	357,52	↘
Wholesale prices in EUR/t			
Rapeseed	375,00	371,00	↗
Rapeseed oil	745,00	751,00	↘
Rapeseed meal	198,00	193,00	↗
Rapeseed cake*	246,55	256,90	↘
Rapeseed future	374,75	374,25	↗
Wholesale prices in ct/l, excl. VAT			
Biodiesel	123,40	123,50	↘
Rs oil fuel	131,50	133,55	↘
Consumer prices in ct/l incl. VAT			
Bio fuel oil	59,00	58,37	↗
Diesel	102,48	103,40	↘
Futures in US-\$/barrel			
WTI, Nymex	33,58	33,00	↗

* = compared with previous month, selling prices by mills, rapeseed cake with at least 10 % fat, rapeseed meal 0 %

Market Headlines

Oilseeds

Rapeseed at Euronext in Paris was primarily determined by falling US soybean prices in December 2015; a weak euro provided support.

The pre-holiday rapeseed market was lethargic. Declining bids could not mobilise supply; demand was slow already.

US soybean prices finished 2015 with a downward trend. Expanded soybean area in Argentina and generally improved growing conditions for soybeans in South America drove prices down.

Oilseed meals and oilcakes

Oilseed meal prices reversed pre-Christmas dip; sales were slow.

Prices of rapeseed cake saw a slight surge at the end of the month.

Vegetable oils

Rapeseed oil prices were under pressure on slack demand; supply was adequate.

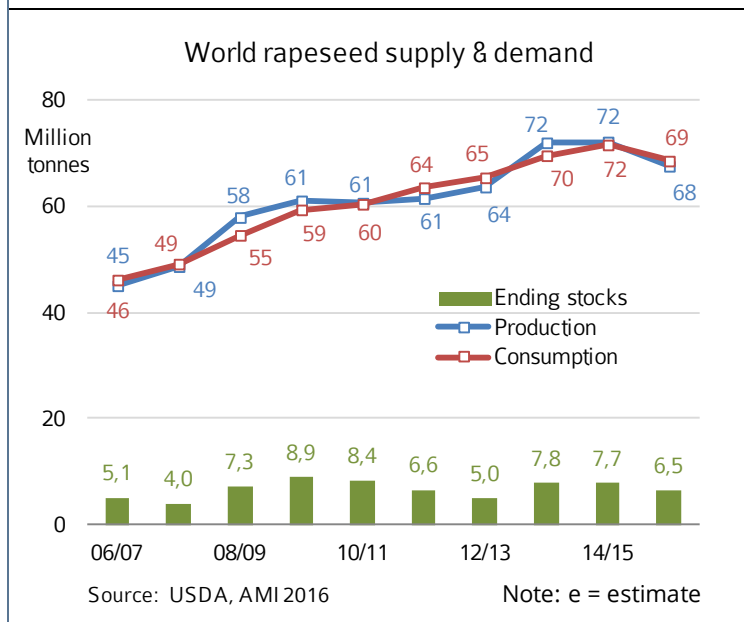
Prices for cold pressed rapeseed oil turned firmer again.

Biofuels

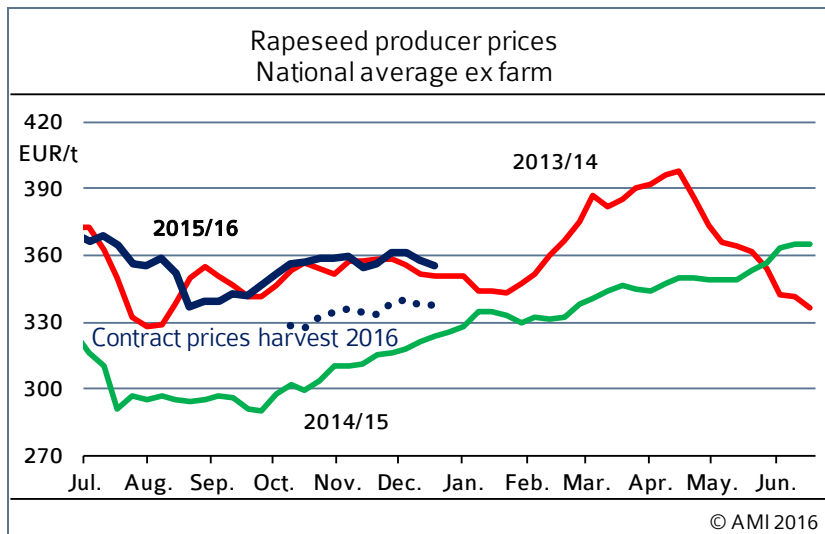
Biodiesel consumption plummeted to an annual low in October 2015.

Price spread between biodiesel and diesel continued to widen.

Chart of the week



Market prices



Wholesale prices

In EUR/t on 23.12.2015, (collected at mills and trade)

	Rapeseed 2015 franko	Rapeseed fob	Rapeseed oil fob	Palmoil cif
Spot	375	198	745	520
Previous week	371	193	751	503

Source: AMI

Contract prices for rapeseed cake & cold-pressed rapeseed oil

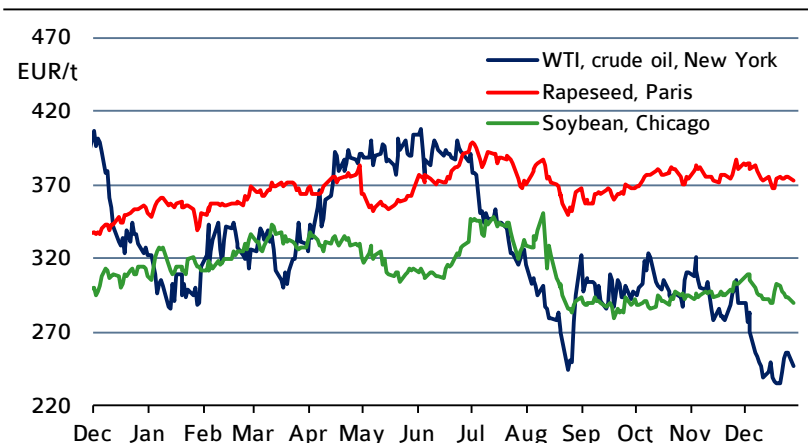
Ex works in EUR/t (reported by mills/traders on 15.12.2015)

Monthly production	Rapeseed cake		cold-pressed rapeseed oil in Cent/l		
	Price range	Previous month	Feed oil	DIN 51605	Fuel
< 100 t	240-265	245-270	81,78	82,33	131,50
> 100 t	240-250	240-260	pm: 81,53	82,08	133,55

Note: pm = previous month; crude rapeseed oil excl. tax

Source: AMI

International futures



Rapeseed

Trading on the cash market was slow also in December 2015. Weak forward prices put bids under downward pressure at the end of the month while processors' premiums remained stable. Consequently, supply was virtually non-existent. Also, many market participants left early for the Christmas holidays. Some oil mills had an unusual break in processing over the holidays because of unsatisfactory margins.

Rapeseed oil

Rapeseed oil prices were on a downward trend. However, since they had spiked at the beginning of December, they were approximately at the previous month's level at the end of the year. Demand and supply were generally low. As buyers are already stocked up well for the coming weeks, trading is likely to continue to be slow in January 2016.

Rapeseed cake

Wholesale prices for press-cake for January 2016 delivery were raised slightly in North-East Germany towards the end of the month. Nevertheless, prices in December were considerably lower than the previous month. Sluggish demand for nearby material not only sent prices falling but also led to large discounts compared to further forward positions. In other words, whereas January material cost EUR 236.50 per tonne November 2015, it was down to EUR 218 per tonne in December.

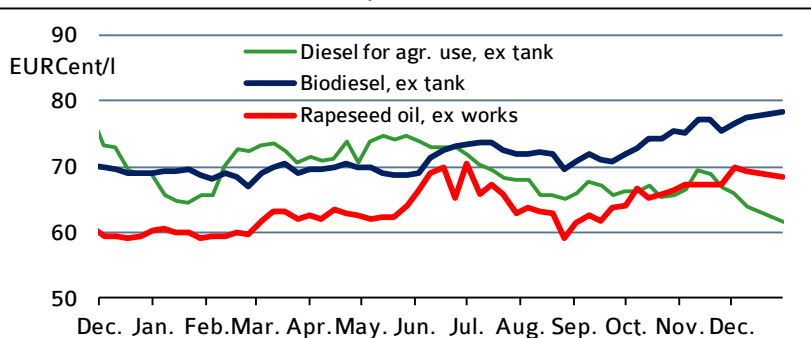
Cold pressed rapeseed oil

December 2015 price reports for cold pressed rapeseed oil on average showed an insignificant increase from the previous month. Only few suppliers were able to adjust their prices upward. Consequently, price spreads remained unchanged from November. Decentralised oil mills charged 82.05 euro cents per litre for cold pressed rapeseed oil in December. This was 0.25 euro cents per litre more than the previous month. Although the few remaining decentralised oil mill petrol stations lowered their asking prices to 131.50 euro cents per litre in December, their prices were at the very top end of the price range. At the petrol stations, diesel cost 105.27 euro cents per litre.

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Biodiesel/ mineral Diesel

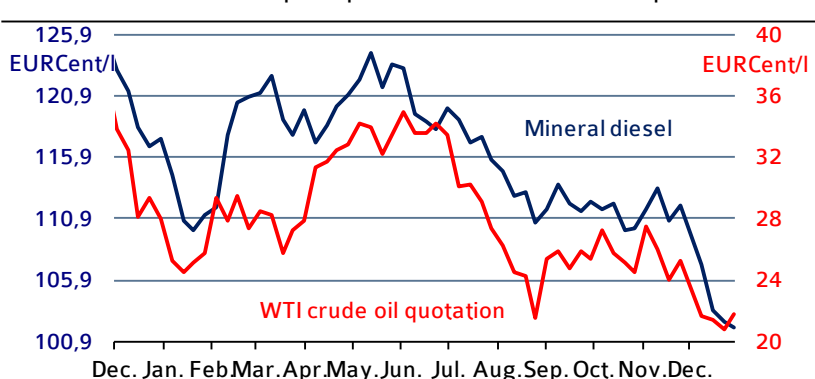
Wholesale prices excl. VAT



Note: Rapeseed oil and Biofuel for agricultural use are energy tax exempt. Diesel for agricultural use is taxed at 25.26 cent per litre. All prices exclude freight charges.

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Prices at the pump incl. tax & crude oil quotes



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Wholesale prices

A massive decline in prices for mineral oil sent wholesale prices for diesel plummeting to the lowest level in almost five and a half years. December 2015 prices for biodiesel rose slightly from the previous month, to 78 euro cents per litre net. Consequently, the price spread between biodiesel and agricultural diesel rose by 8 euro cents per litre, to 15 euro cents per litre.

Prices at the pump

December petrol pump prices for mineral diesel declined considerably. One litre sometimes cost less than 100 cents. At 105 euro cents per litre, the average price was around 7 euro cents per litre below the previous month's level.

Fuel consumption

German biodiesel consumption saw another substantial drop in October 2015, hitting the previous annual low at 159,000 tonnes. By contrast, the use of mineral diesel rose from both the previous month and the same month a year earlier, according to information published by BAFA. Over the year, cumulative consumption of diesel amounted to just under 30.7 million tonnes, up 3 per cent year-on-year. By contrast, the use of biodiesel for blending dropped 6 per cent, to 1.8 million tonnes. At 99,000 tonnes, October 2015 use of bioethanol was virtually unchanged from the previous month and the same month the previous year.

Domestic consumption in 2015

in 1.000 t	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	Mai	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	2015	2014
Biodiesel for blending	161,7	165,2	188,9	190,0	205,0	190,7	190,2	185,4	165,1	159,4	1.808,8	1.918,4
Pure biodiesel b)	0,1	0,1	1,7	0,3	0,2	0,2	0,4	0,3	2,4	-0,1	5,5	4,0
Biodiesel total	161,9	165,3	190,5	190,3	205,2	190,9	190,7	185,7	167,5	159,3	1.814,3	1.922,5
Pure plant oil (PPO) b)	0,0	0,0	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1	1,1	0,0	1,7	5,3
Biodiesel & PPO	161,9	165,3	190,6	190,4	205,2	190,9	190,7	185,8	168,6	159,3	1.816,1	1.927,7
Diesel	2.823,6	2.756,8	3.221,5	3.003,8	2.948,7	3.168,8	3.449,7	3.171,6	3.209,4	3.331,4	30.717,1	29.799,7
Biodiesel share in blending	5,7 %	6,0 %	5,9 %	6,3 %	7,0 %	6,0 %	5,5 %	5,8 %	5,1 %	4,8 %	5,9 %	6,4 %
Biodiesel + diesel + PPO	2.823,7	2.756,9	3.223,3	3.004,2	2.949,0	3.169,1	3.450,2	3.172,0	3.212,8	3.331,3	30.724,4	29.809,0
Share biodiesel & PPO	5,7 %	6,0 %	5,9 %	6,3 %	7,0 %	6,0 %	5,5 %	5,9 %	5,2 %	4,8 %	5,9 %	6,5 %
Bioethanol ETBE a)	9,7	9,2	7,4	8,9	11,0	10,1	9,8	8,6	8,5	10,4	95,2	117,2
Bioethanol for blending	66,3	53,0	78,6	89,3	96,7	89,9	96,6	100,0	90,5	88,4	877,1	884,6
Bioethanol E 85	0,1	0,4	0,7	0,7	0,7	0,7	0,7	0,6	0,4	0,4	5,9	8,9
Bioethanol total	76,1	62,6	86,6	98,8	108,2	100,7	107,0	109,2	99,4	99,2	977,2	1.009,3
Gasoline	1.464,1	1.310,4	1.580,4	1.525,3	1.575,7	1.552,5	1.655,7	1.617,8	1.522,5	1.623,1	15.269,7	15.529,1
Gasoline + bioethanol c)	1.464,2	1.310,7	1.581,0	1.525,9	1.576,3	1.553,1	1.656,3	1.618,3	1.522,9	1.623,4	15.274,6	15.536,5
Share bioethanol c)	5,2 %	4,8 %	5,5 %	6,5 %	6,9 %	6,5 %	6,5 %	6,7 %	6,5 %	6,1 %	6,4 %	6,5 %

Note: a) Volume percent of bioethanol in ETBE = 47 %; b) source: Statistisches Bundesamt, 'Taxation of energy products', chapter II: energy products (excluding heating fuels); taxation without amounts according to § 46 and § 47 EnergieStG; c) The proportion of gasoline fuels contained in bioethanol fuels have been offset; cumulated figures include (unpublished) revised monthly BAFA data

Source: Bundesamt für Wirtschaft und Ausfuhrkontrolle, AMI