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## Producer prices in agriculture and forestry

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## Executive Summary

The basket of goods of agriculture and forestry producer price statistics (PP statistics) currently includes around 216 products from the animal, crop and forestry sectors. Weighted average producer prices for those products are calculated at federal and national level.

Producer prices are those which the producer receives on the first marketing stage (“farm gate”) for their (animal, vegetable, forestry) products. They are further defined as net prices, excluding value added tax and transportation costs. Both monthly and annual average prices are calculated.

The price data are collected in close collaboration with the Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Regions and Water Management (BML), Agrarmarkt Austria (AMA) and the Austrian Chamber of Agriculture (LKÖ).

Slaughterhouses, cattle markets, agricultural producer and marketing organisations, Austrian Chamber of Agriculture in the federal provinces, agricultural and forestry holdings and Agrarmarkt Austria are the most important data sources.

Agricultural and forestry producer price statistics provide the basis for:

- calculating the value of agricultural and forestry products as part of the economic accounts for agriculture (EAA) at national level, the regional economic accounts for agriculture (REAA) and economic accounts for forestry (EAF) at national level;
- compiling revenue indices as part of the agricultural price indices (API);
- analysing time series in the context of agricultural and socioeconomic issues.

Market requirements in the agricultural sector influence both product and price development and thus also PP statistics. As a result, PP statistics are subject to a continuous updating process. This process relates to both the basket of goods (products, target definitions) and methodological principles, and takes place in line with EU guidelines. This process is carried out in consultation with national experts and subsequently documented.

In product-specific working groups, taking into account producers and marketers, all products in the basket as well as their price determining elements are discussed regularly and adapted accordingly to the marked conditions.

Monthly and annual results are published regularly online.

## Producer prices in agriculture and forestry – Main Key Points

<b>Subject matter</b>	Prices received by producers on the first marketing stage for agricultural and forestry products. These producer prices are net prices, excluding value added tax and transportation costs. Both monthly and annual average prices are calculated.
<b>Population</b>	Agricultural and forestry producers
<b>Type of statistics</b>	Secondary statistics (including direct questioning of producer and marketing organisations)
<b>Data sources/Survey techniques</b>	Main data sources: Agrarmarkt Austria, agricultural producer and marketing organisations, Austrian Chamber of Agriculture in the federal provinces, agricultural and forestry holdings
<b>Reference period or due day</b>	Month and year
<b>Periodicity</b>	Monthly and annual
<b>Survey participation (in case of a survey)</b>	Voluntary
<b>Main legal acts</b>	None. However, PP statistics are indirectly governed by Regulation (EC) No 138/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 December 2003 on the economic accounts for agriculture in the Community.
<b>Most detailed regional breakdown</b>	Federal provinces
<b>Availability of results</b>	Monthly results: t + 35 Annual results: t + 75
<b>Other</b>	For some products results are currently not published due to insufficient data availability. This currently affects fresh market and processed vegetables in particular.