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# CORN

## estimate for 2012-13 season

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- ▶ **Global corn supplies** for 2012-13 are projected at **855,92 Mio t**, growing in comparison with March forecasts. Corn production is raised 1,5 Mio t for Brazil and 1,4 Mio t for EU-27.
- ▶ **Global corn stocks** are forecasted to increase +7%, due to lower-than-expected feed use for the United States and China.
- ▶ Larger-than-expected corn supplies, lower corn prices, and favorable margins for producing and blending ethanol allow an increase, for the **United States**, in **Ethanol production** (+50 Mio bushels = +1,25 Mio t). Corn **Exports** are projected lower (-3%) reflecting the sluggish pace of sales and shipments and additional competition from Brazil and Ukraine.
- ▶ **EU-27** corn production is estimated to increase with upward revisions to production in Spain, Hungary and Poland.



# CORN – **Global** and **US** outlook: estimate for the 2012-13 Season



	Million tons	From March 13 (projections)
Beginning stocks	131,88	+0,5%
Production	<b>855,92</b>	+0,2%
Total use	862,51	-0,6%
Ending stocks	125,29	+7%



	Billion bushels	Million tons	From March 13 (projections)
Beginning stocks	0,99	25,12	+0%
Production	10,78	273,83	+0%
Total use	10,34	262,57	-1%
Export stocks	0,80	<b>20,32</b>	-3%
Ending stocks	0,76	19,24	+20%
<b>Price projection</b>	<b>6,90 \$/bushel</b>	<b>272 \$/ton</b>	<b>207 €/ton</b> ↓
1 month ago	7,10 \$/bushel	280 \$/ton	215 €/ton

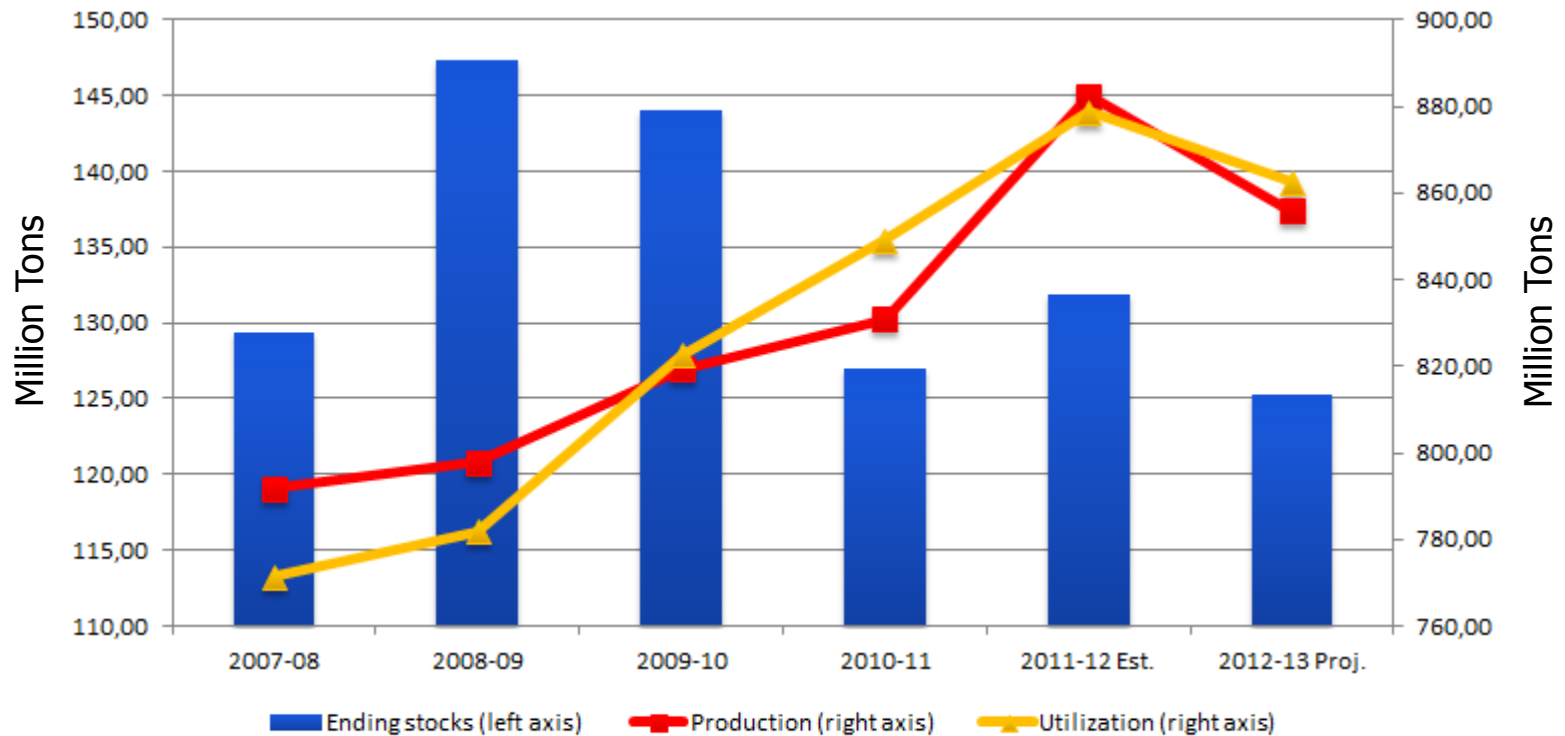
CORN conversion factors  
1 bushel = 0.025 metric ton  
1 metric ton = 39.38 bushel



# CORN - **Global** outlook: production, utilization and stocks

## World – Corn Production, Utilization and Stocks

Processed by CLAL on WASDE data





# SOYBEANS

## estimate for 2012-13 season

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- ▶ **Global soybean production** for 2012-13 is projected at **269,63 Mio t**, higher than last month forecasts.
- ▶ South American soybean production accounts for most of the charge: in **Paraguay** projected yields resulting from favorable rainfall and mild temperatures are the highest in the past 10 years; **Uruguay** production is also raised on higher area and yield.
- ▶ Estimates confirm the record production for **Brazil** (83,50 Mio t), which will overtake the United States (82,06 Mio t), as main soybean producer.
- ▶ Soybean imports are reduced 2 Mio t for **China**, reflecting lower-than-expected imports for the first half of the marketing year (October 2012 – March 2013).
- ▶ Higher soybean imports are projected for several countries including Egypt, EU-27, Mexico and Vietnam.



# SOYBEANS – **Global** and **US** outlook: estimate for the 2012-13 Season



	<b>Million tons</b>	<b>From March 13 (projections)</b>
Beginning stocks	55,13	<b>-0,2%</b>
Production	<b>269,63</b>	<b>+0,6%</b>
Total use	259,75	<b>-0,4%</b>
Ending stocks	62,63	<b>+4%</b>



	<b>Billion bushels</b>	<b>Million tons</b>	<b>From March 13 (projections)</b>
Beginning stocks	0,17	4,61	<b>+0%</b>
Production	3,02	<b>82,06</b>	<b>+0%</b>
Total use	1,73	47,08	<b>-0,3%</b>
Export stocks	1,35	36,74	<b>+0,4%</b>
Ending stocks	0,12	3,39	<b>-0,3%</b>
<b>Price projection</b>	<b>14,30 \$/bushel</b>	<b>525 \$/ton</b>	<b>400 €/ton ↓</b>
<b>1 month ago</b>	<b>14,30\$/bushel</b>	<b>525 \$/ton</b>	<b>404 €/ton</b>

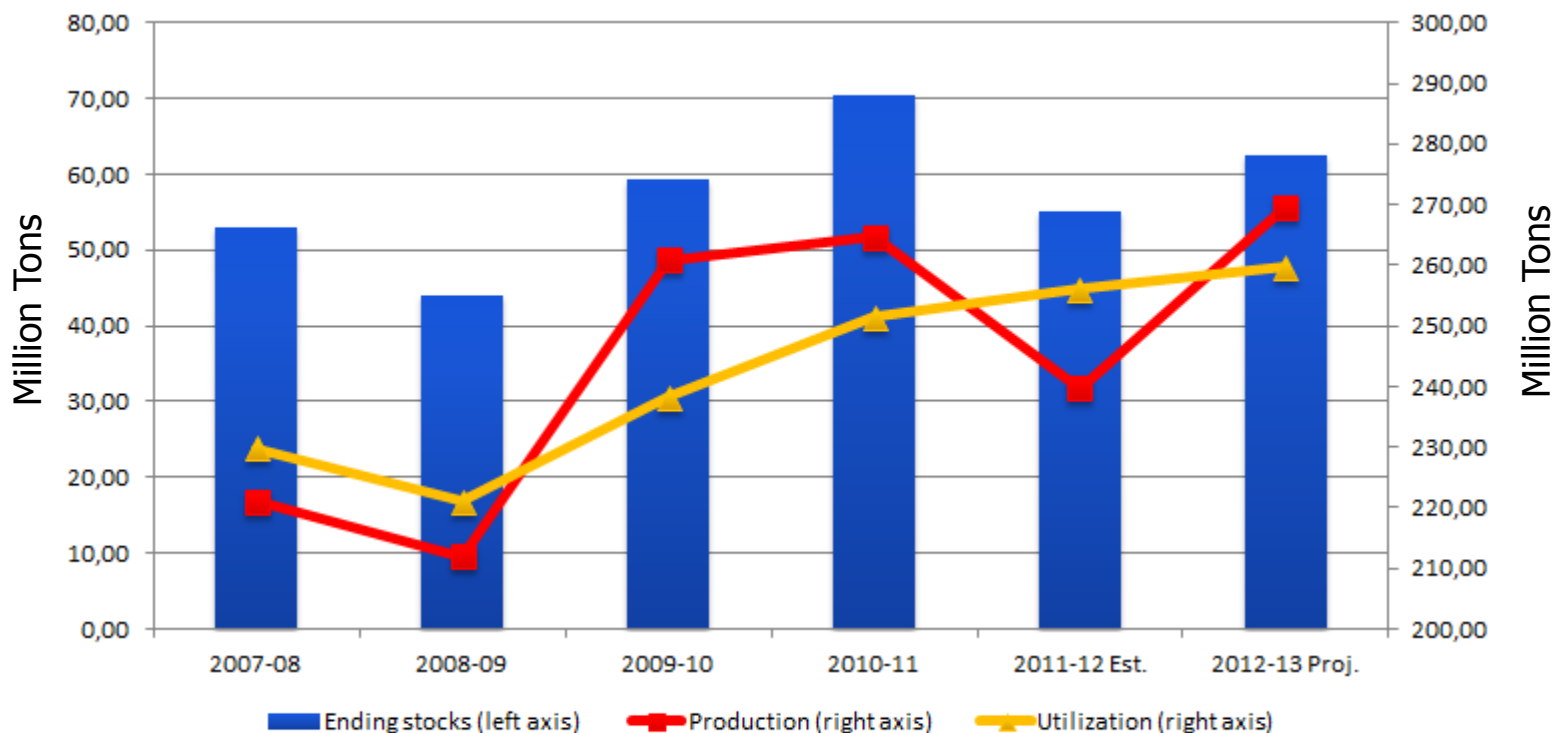
**SOYBEANS conversion factors**  
 1 bushel = 0.027 metric ton  
 1 metric ton = 36.74 bushel



# SOYBEANS - **Global** outlook: production, utilization and stocks

## World – Soybeans Production, Utilization and Stocks

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# Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME)

## Corn prices

- ▶ Corn price trend as listed by the [CME of Chicago](#):



After the fall recorded in late March and subsequent bounce, prices continue to decline at a slow but steady pace, in line with the trend started in August 2012.



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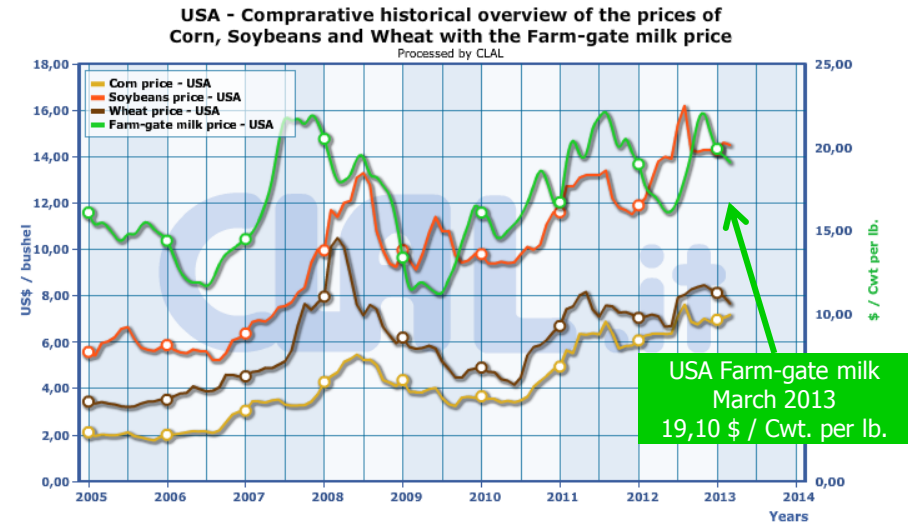
## Soybeans prices

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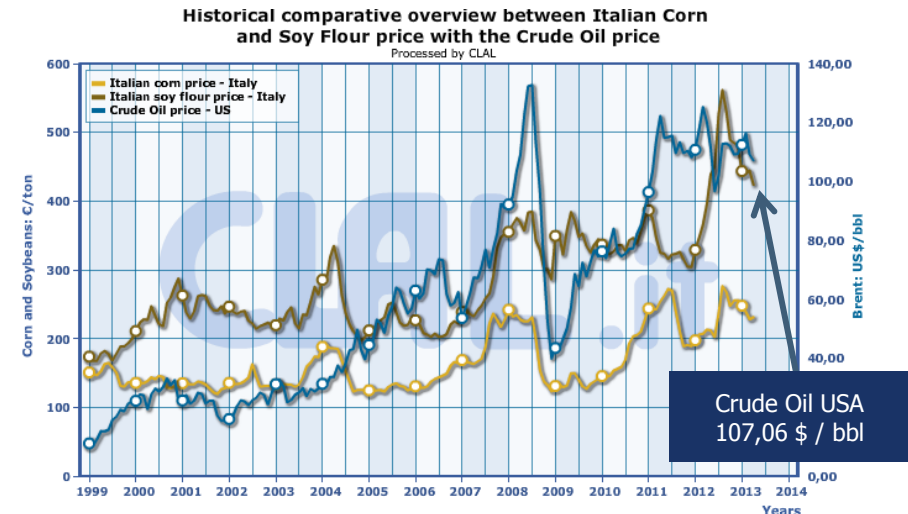


# Agricultural and Energy Inputs Correlations

- ▶ US – Price comparison: Corn, Soybeans, Wheat and Farm-gate milk price



- ▶ Price comparison: Corn (Italy), Soy flour (Italy) and Crude Oil (US)



# Focus on **Italy**

## Corn and Soy prices

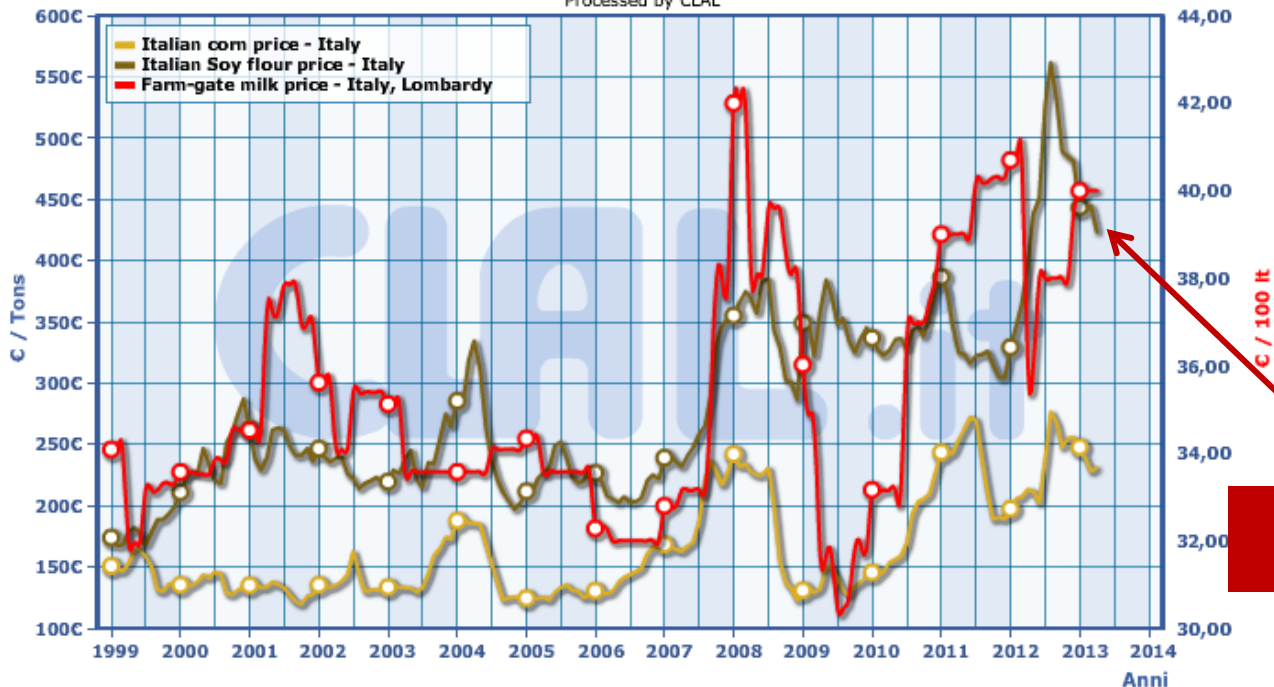
▶ National Corn and Soy prices as listed by the Milan Chamber of Commerce, in comparison with the Farm-gate milk price:

- ▶ Italian Corn: 231 ÷ 232 €/ton (+6 € from last month)
- ▶ Italian Soy flour: 453 ÷ 454 €/ton (-35 € from last month)



Historical comparative overview between Italian Corn and Soy Flour price with the Farm-gate Milk price

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Farm-gate milk  
ITALY (Lombardy)  
April: 40 € / 100 lt