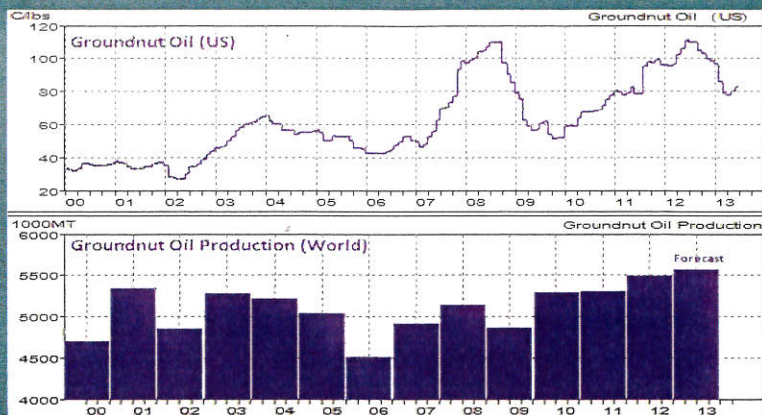
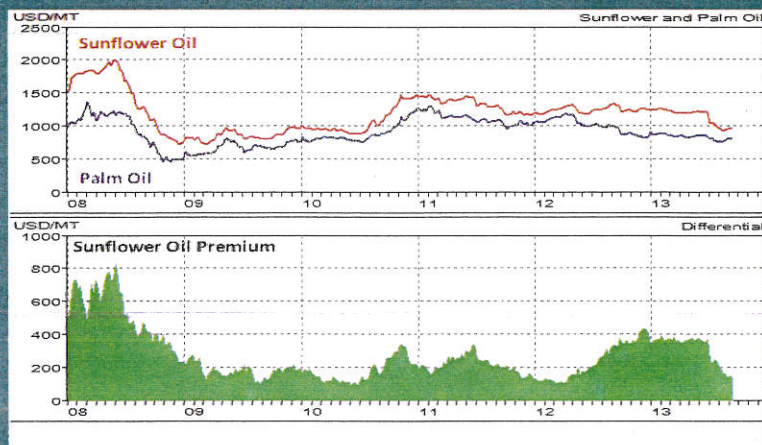


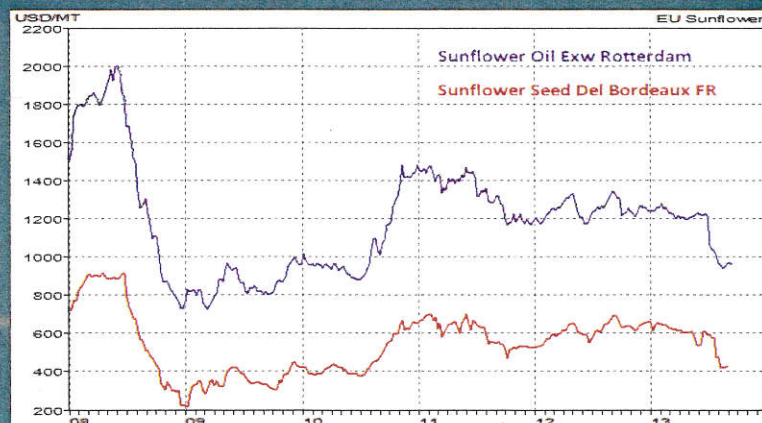
**GROUNDNUT OIL PRICES AND PRODUCTION ('000 TONNES)**



**SUNFLOWER OIL VS PALM OIL PRICES (US\$/TONNE)**



**SUNFLOWERSEED AND OIL PRICES, ROTTERDAM (US\$/TONNE)**



**PRICES OF SELECTED OILS (US\$/TONNE)**

	2011	2012	Jun 13	Jul 13	Aug 13	Sep 13
Soyabean	1,302	1,230	1,036	992	993	1,030
Crude Palm	1,120	1,014	860	794	788	823
Palm Olein	1,124	997	809	750	740	771
Coconut	1,708	1,122	900	864	893	956
Rapeseed	1,361	1,240	1,077	1,010	997	1,005
Sunflower	1,340	1,255	1,226	1,032	956	968
Palm Kernel	1,636	1,119	861	839	864	918
<b>Total oils</b>	<b>1,370</b>	<b>1,140</b>	<b>967</b>	<b>897</b>	<b>890</b>	<b>924</b>
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**Groundnut oil production**

Groundnut oil prices fell sharply in Q1 2013, driven by expectations of good global supply. Current forecasts put global groundnut oil production in 2013/14 at a record 5.6M tonnes, an increase of one percent year-on-year. Groundnut production is expected to rise in Argentina and Senegal, providing weather conditions remain favourable. However, US groundnut production is expected to be down by 43% from last season's record crop to a more normal historical level, which has led to the recent increase in US oil prices.

**Sunflower oil versus palm oil prices**

The premium of sunflower oil over palm oil has been narrowing in recent months, driven by expectations of good global sunflower supply in 2013/14. Palm oil prices have also fallen, due to expectations of good global supply and a need to remain competitive with lower soyabean oil prices. Weak palm oil demand from India has also impacted on prices, due to a weakening of the Indian rupee against the US dollar.

**Sunflowerseed production**

Sunflowerseed production is expected to recover this season, and grow by 11% year-on-year to 40.3M tonnes in 2013/14, similar to the level seen in 2011/12. The Black Sea region will recover after crops were damaged by drought last year, and production in Ukraine, the world's largest sunflower producer, is expected to rise 16% year-on-year.

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