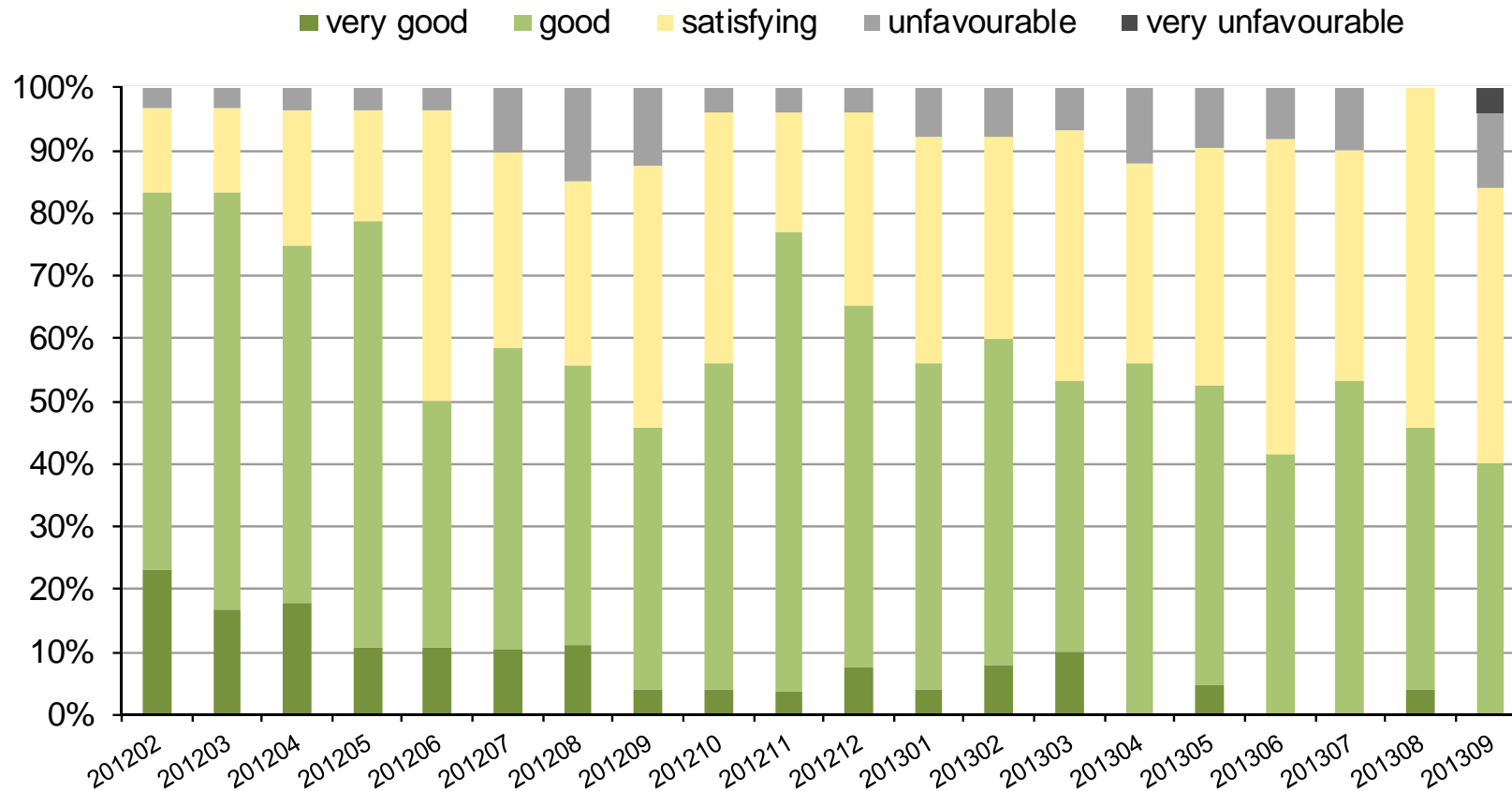
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# Market Perspectives for the German and European Agricultural Machinery Industry

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# Business climate of German manufacturers remains positive

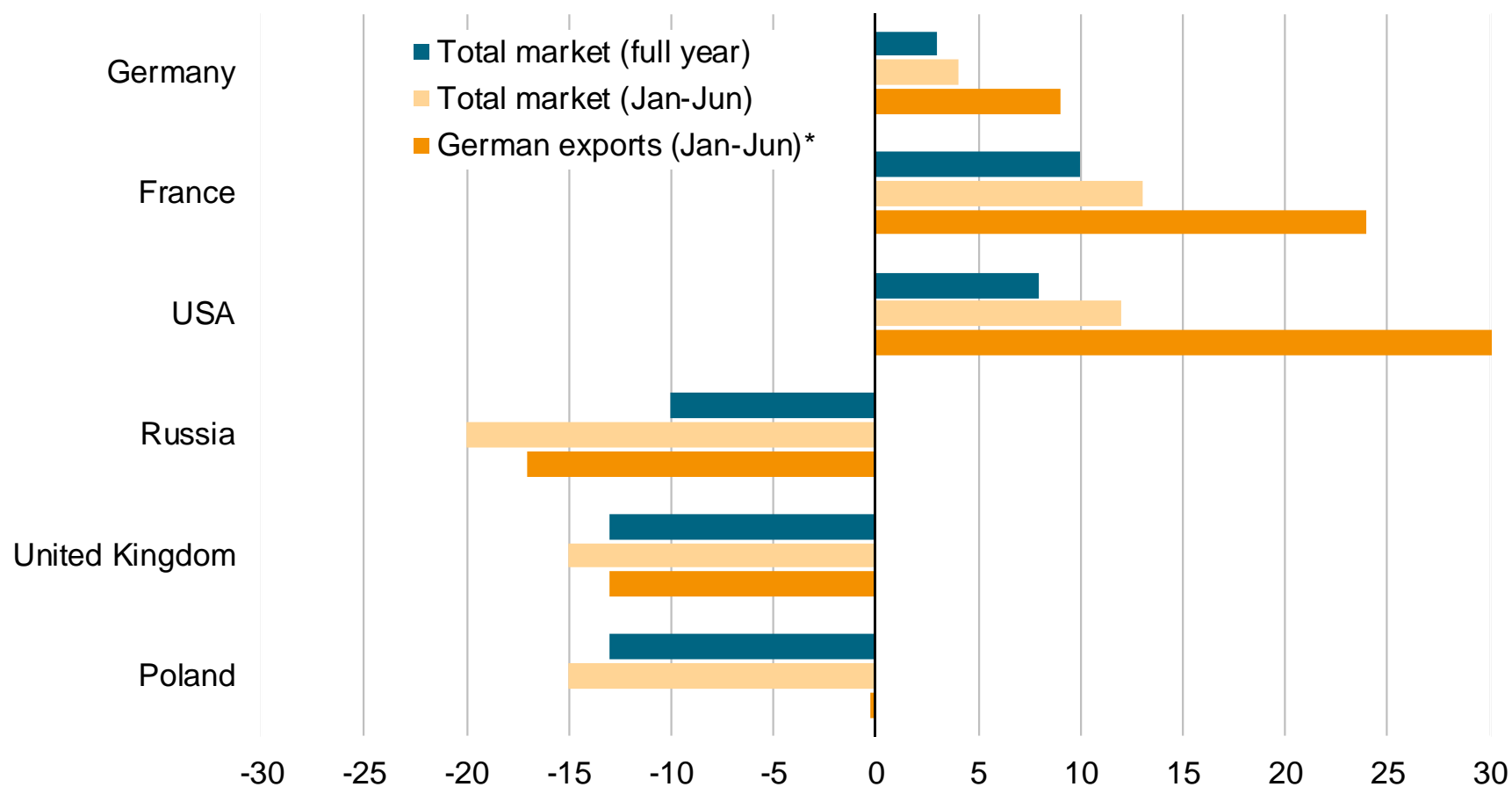
Question: We consider our current business to be ....



Source: CEMA Business Barometer, evaluation of companies based in Germany

# Outstanding performance of German machinery in major markets

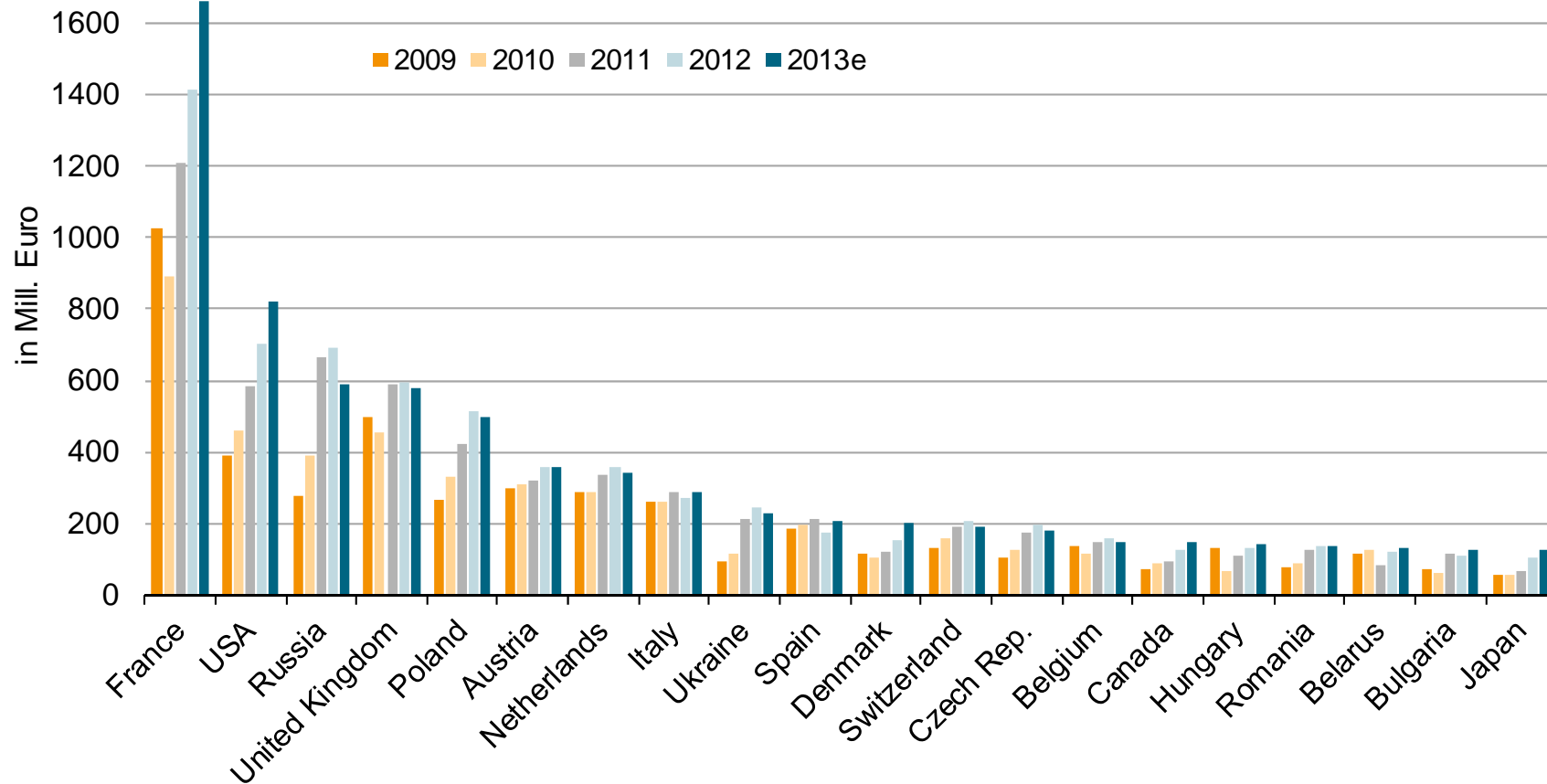
% change 2013 for the main markets of the German agricultural machinery industry



Source: VDMA, own estimations and calculations; \*for Germany: national production for German market

# German Agricultural Machinery Exports Situation for main destination markets

Exports from Germany to ...



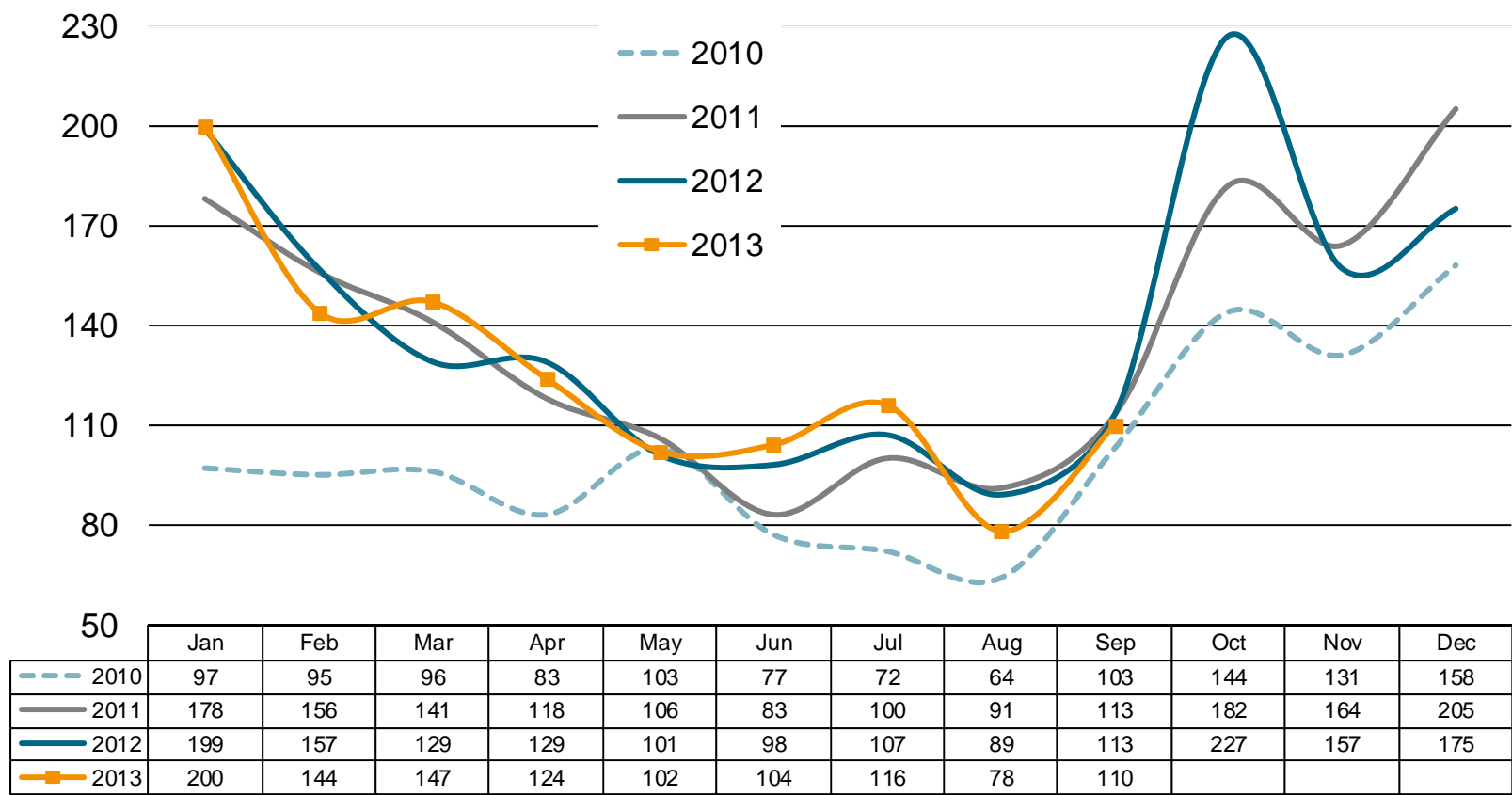
Source: Federal German Statistics Agency, VDMA



# Order backlog slightly below the level of the previous year

New Orders of the German ag. machinery industry  
nominal, index 2010=100, without seasonal adjustment

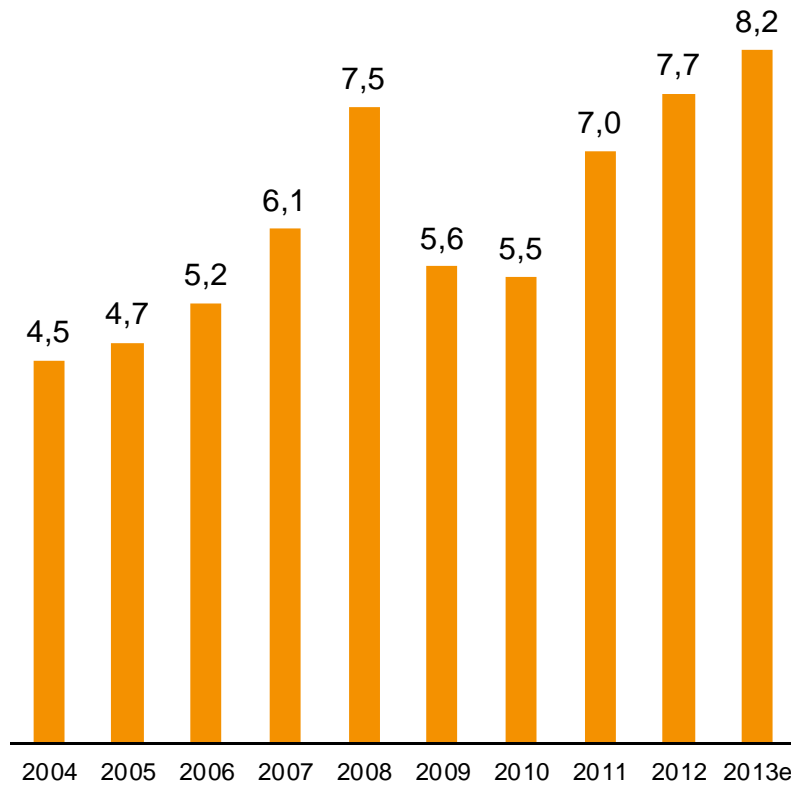
Current comparison to previous year:  
**Jul - Sep 13: -2%; Sep 13: -3%**



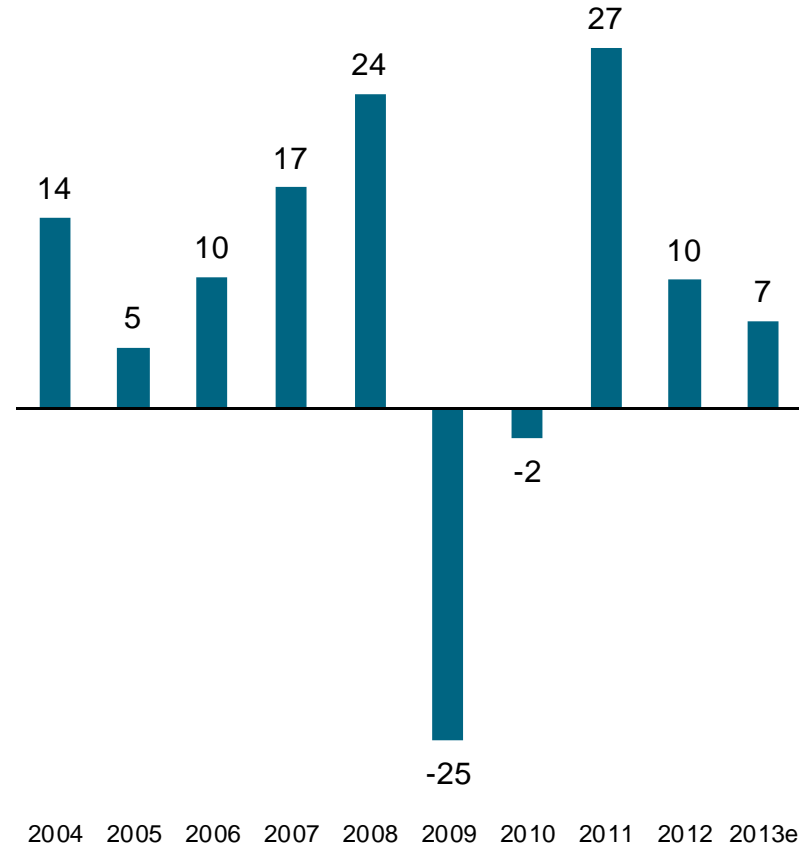
Source: VDMA, figures related to manufacturers in Germany

# Forecast for German agricultural machinery industry 2013: +7% to new all-time-high

Turnover in Bn. Euro



Nominal %-change



Source: VDMA Agricultural Machinery Association, Production in Germany



# Marketing challenges for farmers in 2013 due to price drop for arable crops ...

Average future price for quality wheat - € per ton (mix of various stock exchanges)



Source: finanzen.net, VDMA Agricultural Machinery Association, last value for Oct 2013

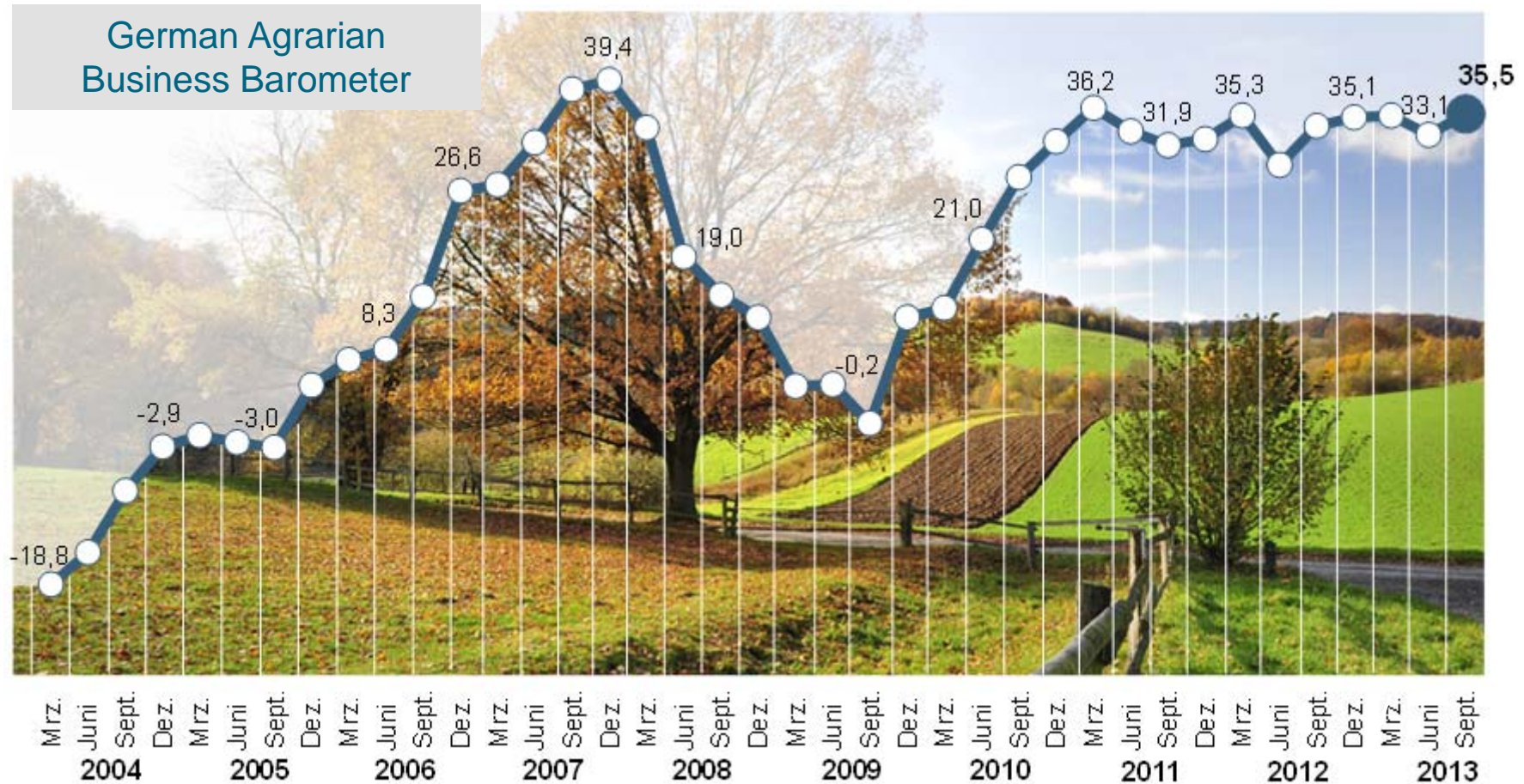


## ... but overall farming conditions remain favourable

- **Good quantities harvested in Europe**
  - EU +10% to 298 mn tons
  - Above average results in Germany and France
  - Compensation of poor 2012 results in Central / South East Europe
- **Lower commodity prices**
  - Sharp drop for all arable crops (wheat, barley, rapeseed) with recent recovery
  - Long-term comparison: average prices
  - Positive milk and meat prices
- **Comparably lower input cost**
  - Still above long-term average, but slight drop compared to 2012 (feed, fertiliser, energy)
- **No major change in European agricultural policy (CAP)**
  - Budget for 2014-2020: 370 bn € → reduction by 12% (after inflation)
  - Major tools (direct payments) remain unchanged
  - Some regional and sectoral impact on markets can be expected



# The mood amongst farmers is currently at a very high level



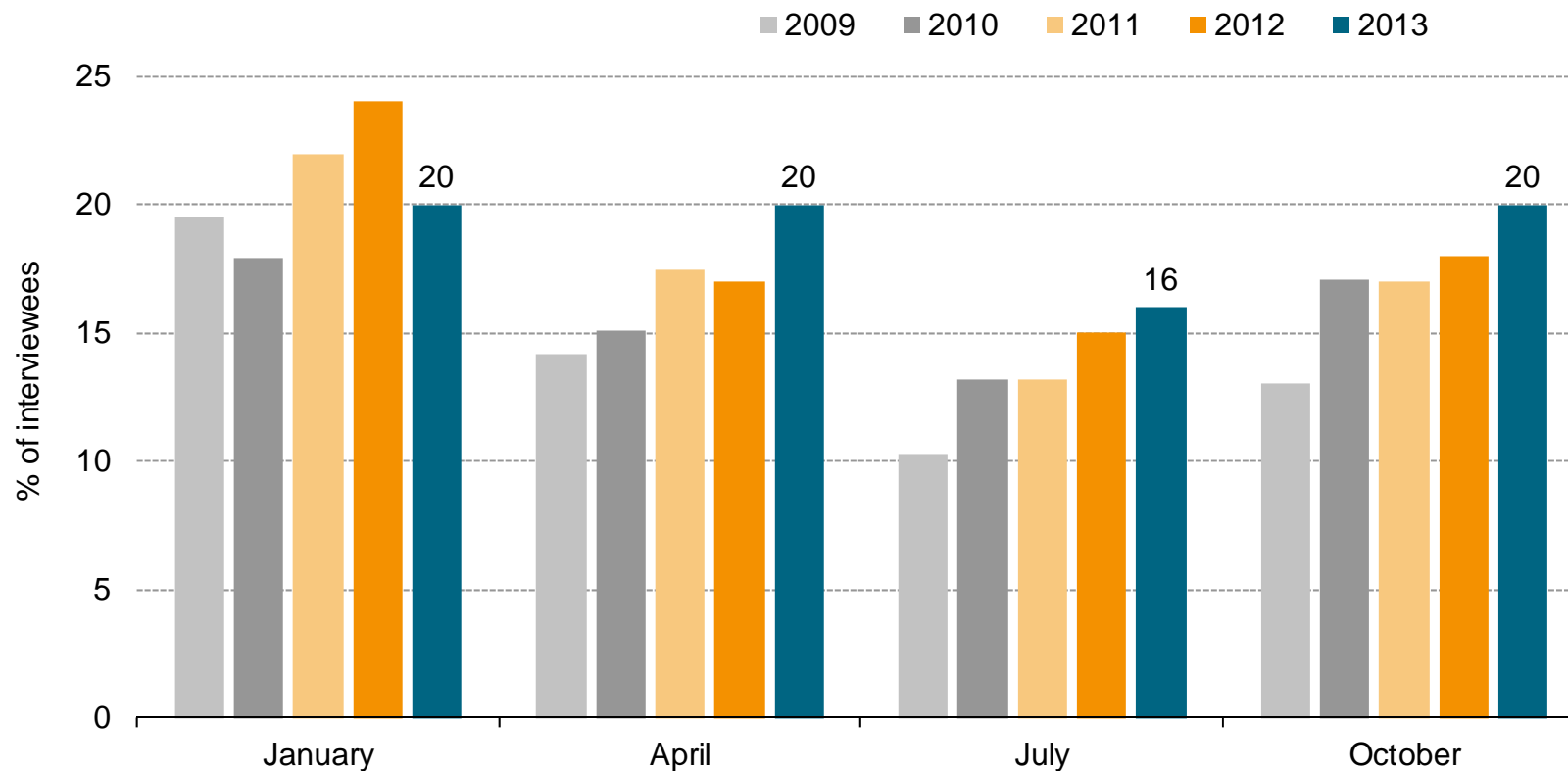
Index: zero = mean 2000 – 2006

Sources: Produkt+Markt, VDMA



# Investment planning of German farmers over the previous year's level

Share of agricultural holdings in Germany with investment plans for agricultural machinery (for half year ahead)

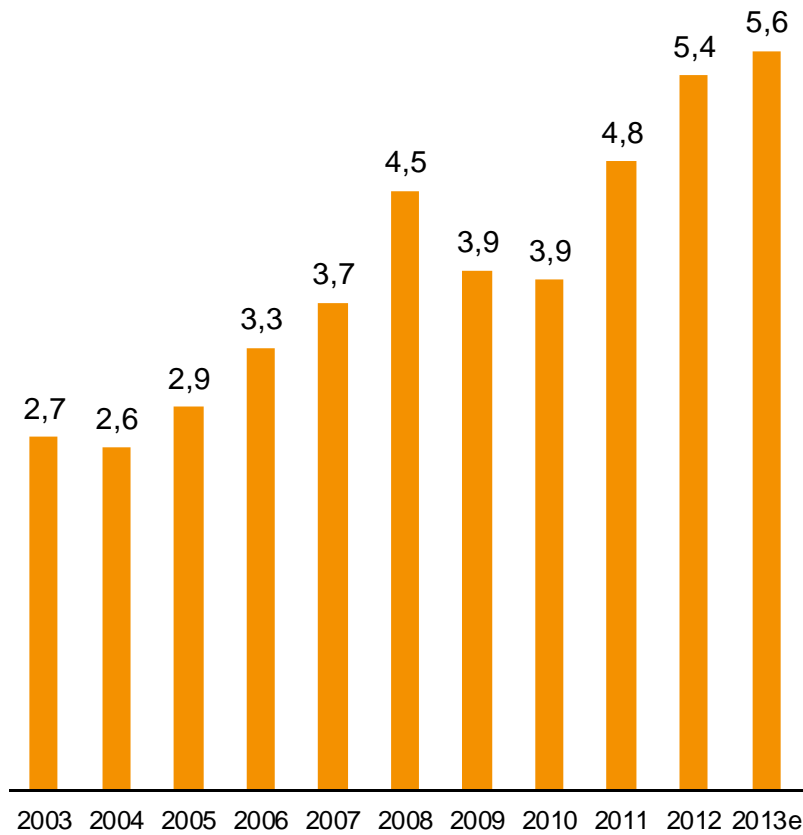


Source: Agrarian Business Barometer, VDMA

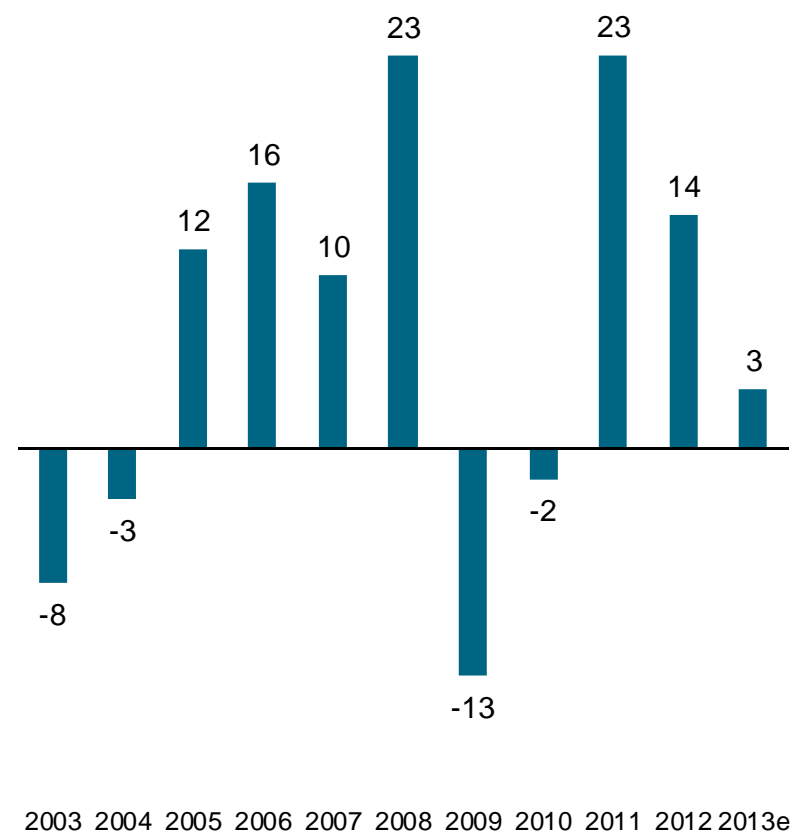


# German Agricultural Machinery Market

Market Volume in Bn. Euros



%-change in nominal terms

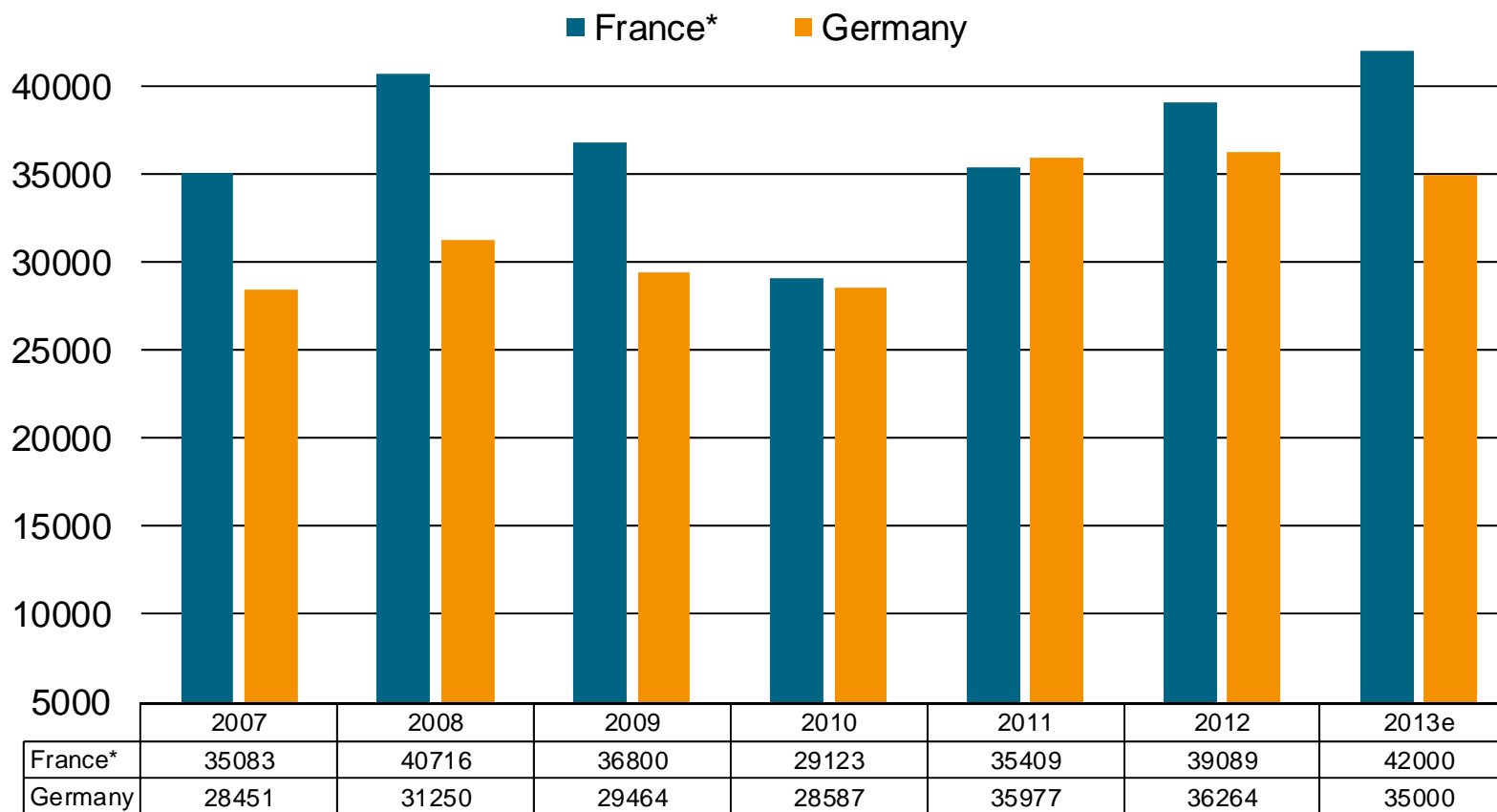


Source: VDMA Agricultural Machinery Association, forecast status: July 2013



# The high demand for tractors underlines this thesis

Tractor registrations in units



\* excluding telescopic handlers

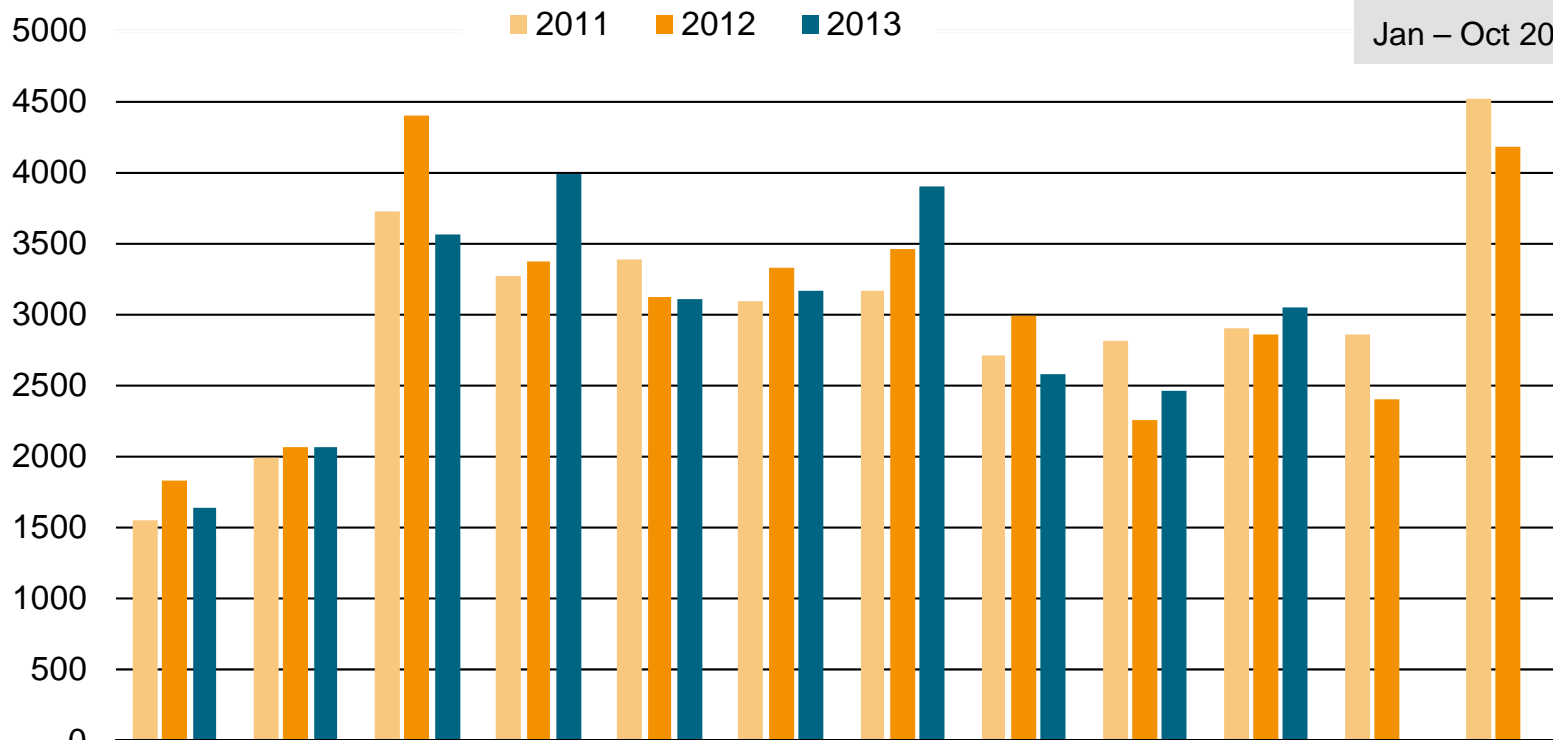
Sources: Federal German Traffic Agency (KBA), VDMA, AXEMA, Forecast 2013: VDMA



# German Tractor Market

New Registrations of Tractors in Germany (in units, total over all hp segments\*)

Jan – Dec 2011: +26%  
 Jan – Dec 2012: +2%  
 Jan – Oct 2013: +/-0%



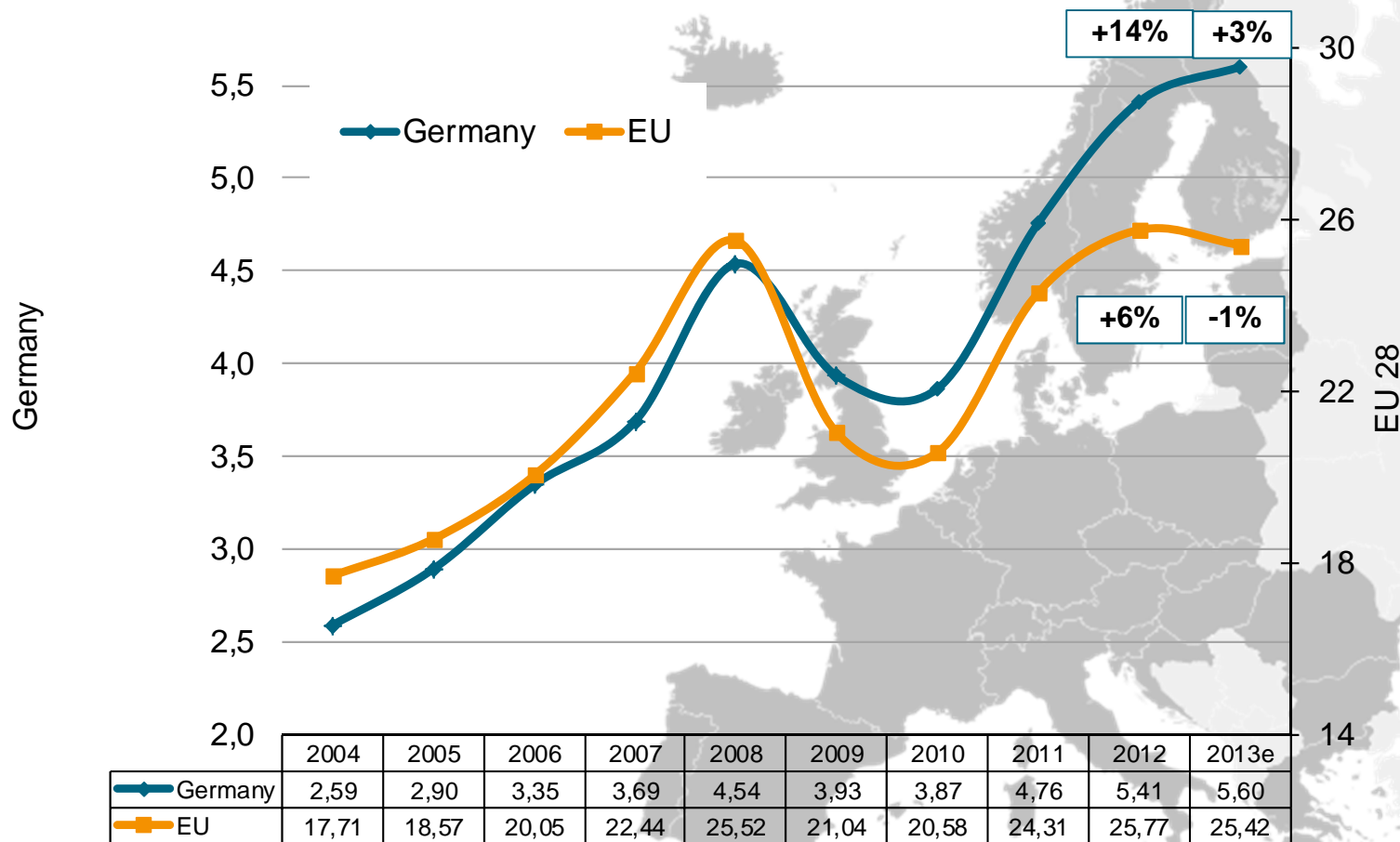
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|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 2011 | 1546 | 1995 | 3725 | 3271 | 3382 | 3095 | 3160 | 2708 | 2813 | 2905 | 2861 | 4516 |
| 2012 | 1827 | 2071 | 4401 | 3366 | 3119 | 3321 | 3457 | 2988 | 2263 | 2856 | 2409 | 4186 |
| 2013 | 1647 | 2069 | 3559 | 3990 | 3115 | 3173 | 3898 | 2587 | 2469 | 3046 |      |      |

Source: KBA \* excluding ATVs and telescopic handlers

**Forecast 2013: ca. 35,500 units**

# Agricultural Machinery Market Development: Comparison for the EU and Germany

Development of the Market Volumes in Bn. Euro



Source: VDMA Agricultural Machinery Association, Eurostat, EU calculation including Croatia starting in 2009