# *Summary information on agricultural holdings in 2020*

*The presented outputs of the Integrated Farm Survey show summarized grossed-up data for 28 909 agricultural holdings (24 648* *holdings of natural persons and 4 261 holdings of legal persons), which reached defined threshold values in 2020.*

***Table 1 Agricultural holdings in years 2000****–****2020[[1]](#footnote-1))***



*The number of agricultural holdings decreased by more than one quarter (−26.0%) compared to the 2000 survey. The number of holdings of legal persons increased almost by a half (+47.7%). This growth concerned especially limited liability companies (+112.8%); on the contrary, a significant decline affected the number of cooperatives (−33.7%). The number of holdings of natural persons decreased almost by a third (−31.9%).*

*In total 3 494 thousand hectares of agricultural area were utilised in 2020, i.e. 44.3% of the total area of the Czech Republic, compared to 46.0% in 2000. The total UAA decreased by 130 thousand hectares during the last 20 years. The possession of the agricultural land changes in the course of time: since 2000 holdings of natural persons gained (+10.5%) while holdings of legal persons lost (−8.6%) certain part of the UAA. The most significant loss was recorded for cooperatives (−40.8%). Holdings of natural persons held 29.8% of the UAA in 2020 compared to 26.0% in 2000.*

*There was also a major change in the ownership type: while in 2000 almost all utilised agricultural land was rented (92.0%), in 2020 agricultural holdings owned 27.3% of the UAA. Holdings of natural persons owned one quarter of the UAA in 2000 (27.1%) and nearly one half (44.8%) in 2020; in holdings of legal persons the share of own land rose from 1.3% in 2000 to 19.8% in 2020.*

*The average area utilised by one holding in the Czech Republic in 2020 accounted for 121 ha. The average area of a holding of natural person grew by 16 ha to 42 ha (+62.3%) since 2000. The average area of a holding of legal person dropped by 355 ha to 575 ha (−38.1%) during the same period.*

*The labour force totals decreased by 65 thousand persons (−26.9%) to 177 thousands persons during the period 2000-2020. Expressed in Annual Work Units, the labour force decline was even more significant; there was a decline by 79 thousands to 95 thousands AWU (−45.3%). Labour force loss occurred both in holdings of natural persons (−20 thous. persons) and in the holdings of legal persons (−45 thous. persons). The labour force irregularly employed on the basis of contracts for work or contracts for services increased in 2020; although it declined in holdings of natural persons (−3.5 thous. persons), it grew in holdings of legal persons (+11.5 thous. persons).*

1. *) Results of 2000 survey were recalculated according to threshold levels used in the Integrated Farm Structure Survey 2020.* [↑](#footnote-ref-1)