***Commentary***

*The output of the agricultural industry (OAI) at current basic prices in 2020 reached CZK* *149,013.4 million. In 2021, the OAI increased by 12.2% to CZK 167,229.9 million. This increase was influenced by a rise of the crop output by 18.7% and the animal output by 2.1%.*

*The output increased for almost all cereals except rye; it rose by 35.4% for wheat and by 65.2% for grain maize. The values for industrial crops went up by 22.5%, of which for sunflower (+149.3%), soya (+55.2%), sugar beet (+52.5%) and protein crops (+33.7%) the most. The output for vegetables and wine rose too. On the contrary, a decline in production was recorded for potatoes (-16.9%).*

*There has been a significant price increase in crop production. Year-on-year increases were observed in prices of wheat (by 34.8%), maize (38.4%), rye (by 29.6%) and barley (by 23.0%). There was also an increase in the price index for industrial crops, in particular sunflower seed (+39.2%), rape (+35.8%) and sugar beet (+13.8%).* *The price increased for vegetables and most fruit. Price also increased for wine (+13.6%).On the contrary, the price indices went down for potatoes (by 14.1%) and forage plants (by 1.7%).The harvest of cereals went up by 1.3%, y-* *o-y. The harvest of industrial crops increased by 21.4% compared to 2020. The harvest of vegetables was also higher in 2021. On the other hand, there was a slight y- o-y decline in harvests of forage plants, potatoes, most fruit and wine.*

*The value of the animal output went up by 2.1% in 2021, mainly due to higher milk (+6.9%) and eggs production (+10.2%), while cattle and poultry production remained almost unchanged, on the contrary pig production fell (-13.6%). The price of cattle increased slightly (+ 0.1%), but production fell slightly (- 0.1%). The price of pigs fell by 15.2%, while production increased by 2.0%. For poultry, the price index was higher (+1.0%) but production fell (-0.8%). Both price and production increased y- o-y for milk and eggs.*

*The output includes subsidies for hops, potatoes, cattle, sheep and goats, and milk. The total increase in subsidies on products amounted to 14.9% in 2021.*

*When evaluating the OAI at 2000 constant basic prices, it increased in 2021 by 1.8% compared to 2020. The crop output was by 1.7% higher and the animal output went up by 1.6%.*

*The share of the crop output in the OAI in 2020 accounted for 58.6% at basic current prices, compared to 62.0% in 2021. In both years, cereals had the most important share in the crop output (39.5% in 2020 and 44.2% in 2021) together with industrial crops (22.8% in 2020 and 23.6% in 2021).*

*The animal output at basic current prices contributed to the OAI with 35.3% in 2020 and with 32.1% in* *2021. The most important items in the animal output in both years were milk (52.4% in 2020 and 54.8% in 2021), pigs for slaughter (16.7% in 2020 and 14.1% in 2021), and cattle for slaughter (12.8% in 2020 and 12.6% in 2021).*

*The agricultural work supplied to other units, i.e. the agricultural services output, represented 2.7% of* *the total OAI in 2020 and 2.6% in 2021. Non-agricultural inseparable secondary activities contributed to the OAI with 3.4% in 2020 and 3.3% in 2021.*

*The share of the intermediate consumption in the OAI at market prices was 65.6% in 2020 and 64.5% in 2021. The most important items were consumption of feedingstuffs (36.5% in 2020 and 35.4% in* *2021) and energy consumption (14.5% in 2020 and 15.7% in 2021). The intermediate consumption increased by 10.3%, y-o-y.*

*The gross value added at basic prices in 2020 amounted to CZK 51,193.5 million. In 2021, it went up by 15.9% to CZK 59,350.5 million. The net value added at* *basic prices (NVA) is obtained by deducting the fixed capital consumption. In 2020, the NVA reached CZK 30,468.7 million and in 2021 it grew by 19.7% to CZK 36,484.6 million.*

*The factor income in 2020 was CZK 62,096.4 million; in 2021, it rose by 14.9% to CZK 71,359.7 million. The compensation of employees in 2020 amounted to CZK 33,376.0 million; in 2021, it grew by 3.9% to CZK 34,677.6 million.*

*In comparison with the previous year, the gross fixed capital formation in 2021 increased by 4.0% from* *CZK 25,739.2 million to CZK 26,779.8 million.*

*In 2021, the factor income in agriculture per one annual work unit (1 AWU), expressed by* *the* *indicator* *A, rose by 11.9% compared to 2020. The deflator (the implicit price index of the GDP at* *market prices) in 2021 accounted for 103.3. The indicator B, which measures trends in the real net entrepreneurial income per non-salaried AWU, was by 30.5% higher. The net entrepreneurial income, expressed by the indicator C, increased in 2021 by 33.8%.*