

## COMMENTARY

*As at 15 July 2022, the Czech Statistical Office processed estimates of yield and harvest of field peas for grain, poppy, and selected fruit and vegetables; and improved estimates of production of basic cereals (wheat, rye, barley, oats, and triticale), rape, early potatoes, strawberries, cherries, and sour cherries.*

*According to these improved estimates, the production of basic cereals (including triticale but excluding grain maize and other cereals) is awaited to be 7 403 thous. tonnes, with their average yield of 5.70 t/ha. The estimated production of basic cereals increased by 242 thous. tonnes (+3.4%) compared with the June estimate. It increased by 178 thous. tonnes (+2.5%) in comparison with 2021 final results.*

*The wheat production is expected to reach 5 075 thous. tonnes (of which 4 822 thous. tonnes of winter wheat); it went up by 2.3 % in comparison with the 2021 harvest. The total harvest of barley is supposed to increase by 4.4% and to amount to 1 826 thous. tonnes (of which the harvest of spring barley should be 1 098 thous. tonnes; i.e. by 0.1 % higher than in 2021). The yield estimates account for 6.02 t/ha for winter wheat (6.47 t/ha in the previous year), 5.20 t/ha for rye (5.03 t/ha in 2021), and 5.18 t/ha for spring barley (5.09 t/ha in 2021).*

*The harvest of early potatoes (harvested before 30 June) should reach 24 thous. tonnes with its estimated average yield of 23.79 t/ha. The harvest of rape should amount to 1 073 thous. tonnes; i.e. by 48 thous. tonnes more (+4.7%) than in the previous year. Its average yield is expected to be 3.12 t/ha (2.99 t/ha in 2021). The harvest of poppy should be 20 thous. tonnes, i.e. less than in 2021 (30 thous. tonnes); its yield accounting for 0,76 t/ha is by 12,6% higher than in 2021.*