## **METHODOLOGICAL NOTES**

The first estimate of harvests of selected crops was carried out by the Czech Statistical Office as at 10 June 2023. The basic threshold for involvement of a holding in the survey is one hectare of utilised agricultural area (UAA) or other additional criteria related to planting of intensive crops. The statistical survey is conducted as a sample survey; mathematical and statistical methods are used for grossing up of the data.

Areas under crops surveyed as at 31 May are defined as spring productive areas which are expected to give a harvest in the respective year; i.e. areas of winter crops sown in autumn of the previous year and retained until the date of Areas under Crops Survey in the spring of the reference year, areas with multiannual crops sown in previous years, and areas of spring crops sown in the respective year.

Areas under crops are those with plants cultivated as main crops in the respective year. Areas with catch crops, areas sown and harvested before the main crop, and areas of crops ploughed under are not surveyed. However, crops sown newly on areas that had been ploughed under in the respective year are included in the survey.

Item Cereals and pulses include only areas harvested for grain. Cereals harvested in milky ripeness or for rotary dryers are included in item Cereals harvested green. Estimated yield of grain includes fodder tailings and is reported after cleaning and drying of grain. Early potatoes are considered those supposed to be harvested before 30 June (excluding seed potatoes). Rape seed includes turnip rape seed.

Yield estimates of cereals include estimated average harvest of cultivated crops in tonnes related to 1 ha of area under crops (estimated production divided by area under crops). The total harvests are calculated using estimated per hectare yields and related areas under crops surveyed in Areas under Crops Survey as at 31 May 2023.

The data are summarized at the national level and at the NUTS 3 level (regions). Published results are calculated from non-rounded values.