

COMMENTARY

As at 15 July the Czech Statistical Office processed estimates of yield and harvest of selected agricultural plants – peas, poppy, fruits and vegetables and specified estimates of production for basic cereals (wheat, rye, barley, oats and triticale), rape, early potatoes, strawberries, cherries and sour cherries.

According to more precise estimates awaited production of basic cereals (with triticale but without maize for grain and other cereals) should be at level of 6 567 thous. t with average yield of 4.87 t/ha. Matching June estimate there is an estimated production of basic cereals by 20 thous. t higher (+ 0.3 %). Matching the year 2010 final results it means by 394 thous. t up (+ 6.4 %).

Wheat production is estimated at the level of 4 463 thous. t (of which: winter wheat 4 227 thous. t), it means in comparison with 2010 harvest is higher by 7.2 %. Barley total harvest is estimated by 5.1 % up reaching amount of 1 665 thous. t (of which: production spring barley should be at the level of 1 205 thous. t, it means by 10.7 % up comparing 2010 results). The yield of winter wheat is estimated in amount of 5.25 t/ha (in previous year it was 5.08 t/ha), rye 4.20 t/ha (3.91 t/ha) and spring barley 4.43 t (3.91 t/ha).

The harvest of early potatoes (harvest before 30 June) should reach 36 thous. t with an estimated average yield 20.50 t/ha. Rape production should be 1 036 thous. t, it means by 6 thous. t lower (- 0.6 %) than in previous year with average yield 2.77 t/ha (in 2010 it was 2.83 t/ha). Poppy production should be 24 thous. t it is even as in the year 2010 and yield is up at the level of 0.76 t/ha (in 2010 it was 0.46 t/ha).