

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Estimates of harvest of agricultural crops are carried out by the Czech Statistical Office as at 20 June, 15 July, 15 August, 15 September and 15 October. Basic threshold for a holding to be involved in the survey is 1 hectare of utilised agricultural area (UAA) or other additional criteria related to growing of intensive crops, livestock breeding, and fish farming. The statistical survey is a sample one, mathematical and statistical methods are used for data grossing up.

Areas under cereals and legumes include only areas harvested for grain. Cereals harvested in milky ripeness or for rotary dryers are included in "cereals harvested green". Ergotic rye is included only in the extent of expected grain production, while other ergotic rye area is included in item "medicinal crops". Mixtures of cereals including oats–barley mixtures are included in item "other cereals". Fodder legumes, legume mixtures and cereal–legume mixtures belong under item "other legumes". Estimated yield of grain includes fodder tailings; in case of combine harvest it is reported after cleaning and drying of grain. Rape is recorded separately, turnip rape is not included.

Yield estimates of cereals include estimated average harvest of cultivated crop in tonnes per hectare of sowing area (estimated production divided by sowing area). The total harvest is calculated from estimated per hectare yield and corresponding sowing area (surveyed in Areas under Crops Survey as at 31 May 2012). Estimated yield of cereals is given for cleaned grain at the standard moisture including fodder tailings; in case of combine harvest it is reported after cleaning and drying of grain.

Early potatoes are considered those harvested before 30 June (excluding seed ones). Rape is recorded separately, not including turnip rape; its yield is reported after cleaning and drying of seed. Yields of early, summer or late varieties of vegetables are estimated as a sum. Yield of fruit is calculated as a harvest per 1 tree (bush), including newly planted or not bearing, over-aged ones.

Data are grossed up for the national level as well as for the NUTS 3 level (regions). Published results are calculated using non-rounded values.