

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Estimates of harvest of agricultural crops are carried out by the Czech Statistical Office as at 20 June, 15 July, and 15 September. A basic threshold for a holding in the survey is 1 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 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 range of expected grain production, while other area with ergotic rye is included in item "medicinal crops". Mixtures of cereals including mixture of oats with barley are included in item "other cereals". Fodder legumes, mixtures of legumes and mixtures of cereals and legumes 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.

Estimated yield is defined as estimated average harvest of particular 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 2015).

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 harvest per one 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.