METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Harvest estimates of agricultural crops are carried out by the Czech Statistical Office as at 20 June, 15 July, 15 August and 15 September. A basic threshold for a holding to be involved in the survey is 1 ha of utilised agricultural area (UAA) or other additional criteria related to planting of intensive crops. The statistical survey is a sample one; mathematical and statistical methods are used for data grossing up.

Areas with 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 "other cereals". Fodder legumes, mixtures of legumes and mixtures of cereals with legumes belong under item "other legumes".

Per hectare yields involve estimated average harvests of cultivated crops in tonnes related to 1 ha of sowing area (estimated production divided by sowing area). The total harvest is computed from estimated per hectare yield and respective sowing area (surveyed in Areas under Crops Survey as at 31 May). Estimated yield of cereals is given for cleaned grain at standard moisture including fodder tailings; in case of combine harvest it is reported after cleaning and drying of grain.

Other potatoes are considered those intended for consumption and industrial processing; seed potatoes are not included. Production of industrial sugar beet is noted in net weight after cleaning. Rape is reported separately, without 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.

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.