

COMMENTARY

Following results of Sowing areas survey as at 31 May 2011 the first estimate of yields and harvest of basic cereals (except maize for grain and other cereals), early potatoes, rape, strawberries and early fruit species was performed.

The first estimate supposes that the harvest of basic cereals reaches the amount of 6 547 thous. tonnes of grain. Matching the year 2010 finals it is by 374 thous. tonnes more (+ 6,1 %). Estimated average yield of basic cereals 4,85 t/ha is by 0,28 t/ha up to last year final number 4,57 t/ha.

Harvest of the key cereal winter wheat is estimated in amount of 4 218 thous. tonnes, it is by 225 thous. (+ 5,6 %) higher than the harvest in 2010. Estimated yield 5,24 t/ha is up by 0,16 t/ha matching results 2010. Estimated production of spring barley is 1 198 thous. tonnes, it is by 109 thous. tonnes (+ 10,0 %) higher than 2010 results. Yield of 4,40 t/ha is by 0,49 t/ha (+ 12,5 %) up to 2010 finals.

Estimated production of early potatoes (potatoes harvested before 30 June) is 36 thous tonnes with the yield of 20,80 t/ha. Production of rape is 1 056 thous. tonnes with the yield 2,83 t/ha, it is an increase by 14 thous. tonnes (+ 1,3 %) matching 2010 harvest.