

COMMENTARY

As at 15 October the Czech Statistical Office processed estimates of yields and harvest of permanent grassland, flax for seed and corrected estimates of maize for grain, other potatoes, industrial sugar beet.

Estimates harvest of cereals (basic cereals and maize for grain but without other cereals) is awaited at the level of 8 223 thous. tonnes with average yield 5.63 t/ha. Matching final harvest 2010 it means increasing of yield by 0.90 t/ha and harvest would be higher by 1 357 thous. tonnes (+ 19.8 %). Estimated harvest of maize for grain at the level of 890 thous. tonnes is up by 198 thous. tonnes (+ 28.6 %) in comparison with last year's harvest.

The harvest of potatoes in agricultural sector is estimated at the level of 827 thous. tonnes (+ 24.3 % matching 2010) with average yield 31.27 t/ha. The harvest of other potatoes would be 700 thous. tonnes with the yield 33.09 t/ha.

Industrial sugar beet would reach the amount of 3 642 thous. tonnes and in comparison with 2010 final results is up by 577 thous. tonnes (+ 18.8 %). Estimated yield 62.45 t/ha is by 8.09 t/ha higher (+ 14,9 %) than in 2010.

For the first time in this year harvest of fodder from permanent grassland is estimated. It would reach the amount of 3 230 thous tonnes of hay with average yield 3.43 t/ha. In 2010 harvest was up by 62 thous. tonnes (+ 2.0 %). Yield of flax seed is estimated at the level of 1,27 t/ha (0,96 t/ha in 2010).