Methodological notes

The Orchard Survey is conducted every five years in all European Union member countries that reach given threshold levels. The aim of the survey is to obtain at long-term scale comparable data concerning spectrum of varieties, age structure and planting intensity of main species of fruit trees. The data obtained serve as a source for defining the production potential of orchards in particular member countries and in the whole EU.

The first orchard survey in the Czech Republic was conducted in 2007. Since 2012, it is based on Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 December 2011 concerning European statistics on permanent crops and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 357/79 and Directive 2001/109/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (hereafter Regulation on permanent crops). The Orchard Survey is published in the Programme of Statistical Surveys for the year 2017. All statistical surveys are defined by Act No. 89/1995 Coll., on the State Statistical Service, as amended.

The Orchard Survey 2017 covered all fruit producers registered in the Farm Register with at least 0.20 ha of fruit orchards as at 1 May 2017 whose production was entirely or mainly intended for the market.

In the same way as in the previous survey, two data sources were used: (i) the Orchard Register maintained by the Central Institute for Supervising and Testing in Agriculture and (ii) a standard statistical survey organized by the Czech Statistical Office.

Survey parameters for apple trees, pear trees, peach trees and apricot trees were set down in accordance with Regulation on permanent crops. Apple and pear trees were broken down by varieties, peach and apricot trees were divided into groups by their harvest date – earliness (see below). Number of trees and planted area broken down by tree age and by density of plantation was surveyed in particular groups. Moreover, number of trees or bushes and plantation area of other species frequently planted in the Czech Republic (cherry trees, sour cherry trees, plum trees, walnuts, hazelnuts, chestnuts, almonds, currants, gooseberries, blackberries, raspberries, blueberries) were surveyed. Plum trees include trees of Prunus domestica and Prunus institia (common plums, bullaces, damsons, mirabelle plums etc.).

The classification of the responding units according to their regions was based on regions where prevailing part of their area was located.

Government Regulation No. 307/2014 Coll., on the details of registration of land use based on user relations, introduced a significant change of the definition of the orchard. This change led to reclassification of some of the orchards as other types of crops. This fact significantly affected the comparability with the results of the previous investigations.

Definition of a permanent crop - orchard: an orchard means a utilised agricultural area planted with a permanent crop, evenly and continuously planted with fruit trees with a minimum density of 100 viable individuals per hectare of a parcel or with fruit bushes with a minimum density of 800 viable individuals per hectare of a parcel. Rootstocks or propagation stands cannot be considered fruit trees. This utilised agricultural area shall include associated handling space, which shall not exceed 12 meters at the beginning and at the end of the rows and a width of one interrow, at a maximum width of 8 meters, along the rows on both sides of the orchard and which does not form a part of the path. The maximum allowed width of the interrow is 12 meters for fruit trees and 5 meters for bushes.

The publication consists of two parts. The first one includes data for the Czech Republic; the second part presents data broken down by region.

Groups of apple varieties

group of varieties		varieties					
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Boskoo	Belle de Boskoop	Boskoop Red					
Braebur		Boskoop Neu					
Diaebui	Braeburn	Joburn	Mariri Red	Royal Braeburn			
	Braeburn Helene	Lochbuie Red	Redfield	noya Blacban			
	Hidala (Hilwell)	Mahana Red	Rosabel				
Cox Ora			Recuber				
	Cox's Orange Pippin						
Elstar							
	Bel-El (Red Elswout)	Elstar	Elstar Elshof (Red Elstar)				
Fuji	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,						
	Fuji						
Gala							
	Annaglo	Gala Schniga	Obrogala (Delbard Gala)	Tenroy (Royal Gala)			
	Baigent (Brookfield)	Galaxy	Regal Prince (Gala Must)				
	Gala	Mitchgla (Mondial Gala)	Regala				
Golden	Delicious						
	Delvit	Early Gold (Snygold)	Golden Delicious Reinders	Goldspur			
	Dione	Golden Delicious	Golden Delicious Smoothee	Lysgold (Lysgolden, Goldenir)			
Granny	<u>Smith</u>						
	Granny Smith						
Idared							
	Idared	Idaredest	Najdared (Neidared)	Red Idared			
Jonagol	d/Jonagored						
	Crowngold	Jonabel	Jonagored Supra	Red Jonaprince			
	Daligo	Jonabres	Jonaprince	(Red Prince, Wilton's)			
	Daliguy (Jonasty)	Jonagold	Jonaveld (First Red)	Romagold (Surkijn)			
	Dalijean (Jonamel)	Jonagold 2000 (Excel)	King Jonagold	Rubinstar			
	Decosta	Jonagold Boerekamp	New Jonagold (Fukushima)	Schneica (Jonica)			
	Jomar (Marnica)	(Early Queen)	Novajo (Vuelemanns)	Wilmuta			
	Jomured (Van de Poel)	Jonagored	Primo				
Pinova							
	Pinova						
Red Del	icious						
	Camspur (Redchief)	Red Delicious	Royal Red	Starkrimson Delicious			
	Erovan (Early Red One)	Red King	Sandidge (Super Chief)	Starkspur			
	Evasni (Scarlet Spur)	Red Spur	Shotwell Delicious	Topred			
	Flatrar (Starkspur Ultra Red)	Red Spur Delicious	Stark Delicious	Trumdor (Oregon Spur Delicious			
	Fortuna Delicious	Red Winter	Starking	Valtod (Red Cap)			
	Hapke Delicious	Red York	Starking Delicious	Well Spur			
	Otago	Richared	Starkrimson				
Shampi							
	Shampion	Shampion Red	Shampion Reno	Shampion Reno 2			
	Shampion Arno						

Groups of pear varieties

group of	varieties				
varieties	Vanotico				
Conference					
	Conference				
Decana					
	Doyenné du Comice				
Kaiser					
	Beurré Bosc (Kaiser Alexander)				
William					
	Williams Bon Chrétien	Williams Red			
Others					
	not mentioned elsewhere				

Groups of peach trees by earliness

		harvested
	early	until 15 July
Yellow flesh	medium	between 16 July and 15 August
	late	after 15 August
	early	until 15 July
White flesh	medium	between 16 July and 15 August
	late	after 15 August
	early	until 15 July
Nectarines	medium	between 16 July and 15 August
	late	after 15 August
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Groups of apricot trees by earliness

		harvested
	early	until 30 June
Apricot trees	medium	between 1 July and 31 July
	late	after 1 August

SYMBOLS USED IN THE TABLES

- no cases registereddata unavailable or unreliablei. d. individual data