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Good harvest of cereals and rape expected

Harvest estimates - July 2022

Based on the second estimate of this year’s harvest as at 15 July, it is expected that the production of basic cereals will be 7 403 thousand tonnes and the production of rape 1 073 thousand tonnes. In the year-on-year (y-o-y) comparison, the production of basic cereals is estimated to be by 178 thousand tonnes higher (+2.5%); the production of rape to be by 48 thousand tonnes higher (+4.7%). Expected poppy harvest of 20 thousand tonnes is by a third lower, year-on-year (−32.9%).

*“Farmers are more optimistic in their harvest estimates than a month ago; favourable weather and fast progress of harvests contributed to that. According to the second estimate, 7.4 million tonnes of basic cereals might be harvested, it is by 431 thousand tonnes more, compared to the five-year average,”* Renata Vodičková, Head of the Agricultural and Forestry Statistics Unit, stated.

The production of **basic cereals** (excluding grain maize) estimated to be 7 403 thousand tonnes is by 178 thousand tonnes higher (+2.5%), compared to the harvest of the previous year; it also exceeds the average of harvests for the last five years (+6.2%).

Production of **winter wheat** will be 4 822 thousand tonnes, by 232 thousand tonnes more compared to the previous year (+5.1%); **spring barley** is estimated to be harvested in the amount of 1 098 thousand tonnes (+0.1%), **winter barley** in the amount of 728 thousand tonnes (+11.8%), **spring wheat** in the amount of 253 thousand tonnes (−31.8%), **triticale** in the amount of 210 thousand tonnes (+8.5%), **oats** in the amount of 166 thousand tonnes (−14.6%), and **rye** in the amount of 125 thousand tonnes (−0.9%).

The **rape** production estimated to be 1 073 thousand tonnes is by 48 thousand tonnes higher, year-on-year (+4.7%). However, compared to the average of harvests for the last five years, the estimated rape production is by 10.3% lower.

This year, **poppy** production will be 20 thousand tonnes, by 32.9% less compared to the previous year and by 13.9% less, compared to the five-year average.

“While in the previous year 30 thousand tonnes of poppy were harvested and the production was the highest for the last twelve years, this year the poppy production will be by a third lower due to a considerable decrease in its sowing areas,” Dagmar Lhotská from the Agricultural and Forestry Statistics Unit specified.

For more detailed information on estimates of crop harvests see the [Supplementary information to the News Release on Harvest estimates – July](https://www.czso.cz/documents/11350/165278729/askl081122_komentar.pdf).

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 Areas under Crops Survey – 2022

 [*Areas under Crops Survey - as at 31 May 2022*](https://www.czso.cz/csu/czso/areas-under-crops-survey-as-at-31-may-2022)

*Update procedure: Harvest Estimates – Operative Report as at 15 August 2022;*

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Annex:

Table 1 Per hectare yield and production estimates (selected crops, in tonnes per hectare and tonnes, indices)

Table 2 Production estimates of selected crops, comparison with a five-year average