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Total yield of wheat and expected production of maize, sugar beet, sunflower and soya in the Republic of Serbia, 2012

– Preliminary results –

Data on the total yield of wheat and expected production of maize, sugar beet, sunflower and soya are presented as of 31st July 2012.

According to the situation with crops at the time of estimation, the production of wheat is expected to reach 1921 thousand tons in the Republic of Serbia, which is by 7.5% less than the production last year. When compared with the ten-year average (2002/2011), the production of wheat was down by 3.8%.

Final data on the production of early crops and early fruit in 2012 will be available mid-September 2012.

The expected production of late crops as of 31st July 2012, in relation to the previous year, decreased in: maize by 38.2%, sugar beet by 12.3%, sunflower by 24.2% and soya by 35.4%. When compared with the ten-year average, it decreased in maize by 32.4%, sugar beet by 9.7%, sunflower by 12.6%, and soya by 20.3%.

Since 1999, the Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia doesn't dispose of certain data for AP Kosovo and Metohia, so they are not contained in the data coverage for the Republic of Serbia (total).

The territorial distribution complies with the Regulation on the Nomenclature of Statistical Territorial Units ("Official Gazette of the RS", Nos 109/09 and 46/10).

The second estimation of the yield of major late crops, fruit and grapes as of 1st September will be published by the end of September.

Total yield of wheat and expected production of maize, sugar beet, sunflower and soya

	Republic of Serbia	Serbia / North			Serbia - South			
		Total	Belgrade region	Vojvodina Region	Total	Sumadija and Western Serbia region	Southern and Eastern Serbia region	Kosovo and Metohia Region
Wheat								
Area harvested, ha	480771	262529	25203	237326	218242	86434	131808	...
Yield per ha, kg	3996	4422	3923	4475	3483	3798	3276	...
Production, t	1921065	1160961	98867	1062094	760104	328260	431844	...
Index, 2010 = 100	92.5	89.5	84.3	90.0	97.6	104.0	93.3	...
Maize								
Area harvested, ha	1283740	814332	55032	759300	469408	257775	211633	...
Yield per ha, kg	3118	3199	2577	3245	2976	3145	2770	...
Production, t	4002260	2605399	141840	2463559	1396861	810640	586221	...
Index, 2010 = 100	61.8	56.3	63.5	55.9	75.4	73.4	78.5	...
Sugar beet								
Area harvested, ha	64981	64660	3641	61019	321	191	130	...
Yield per ha, kg	38063	38144	41793	37926	21857	21178	22854	...
Production, t	2473384	2466368	152167	2314201	7016	4045	2971	...
Index, 2010 = 100	87.7	87.7	232.3	84.2	81.6	95.3	68.3	...
Sunflower								
Area harvested, ha	167118	152404	1690	150714	14714	2167	12547	...
Yield per ha, kg	1959	1958	1811	1959	1969	1477	2053	...
Production, t	327308	298343	3060	295283	28965	3201	25764	...
Index, 2010 = 100	75.8	73.8	72.7	73.8	104.5	67.2	112.2	...

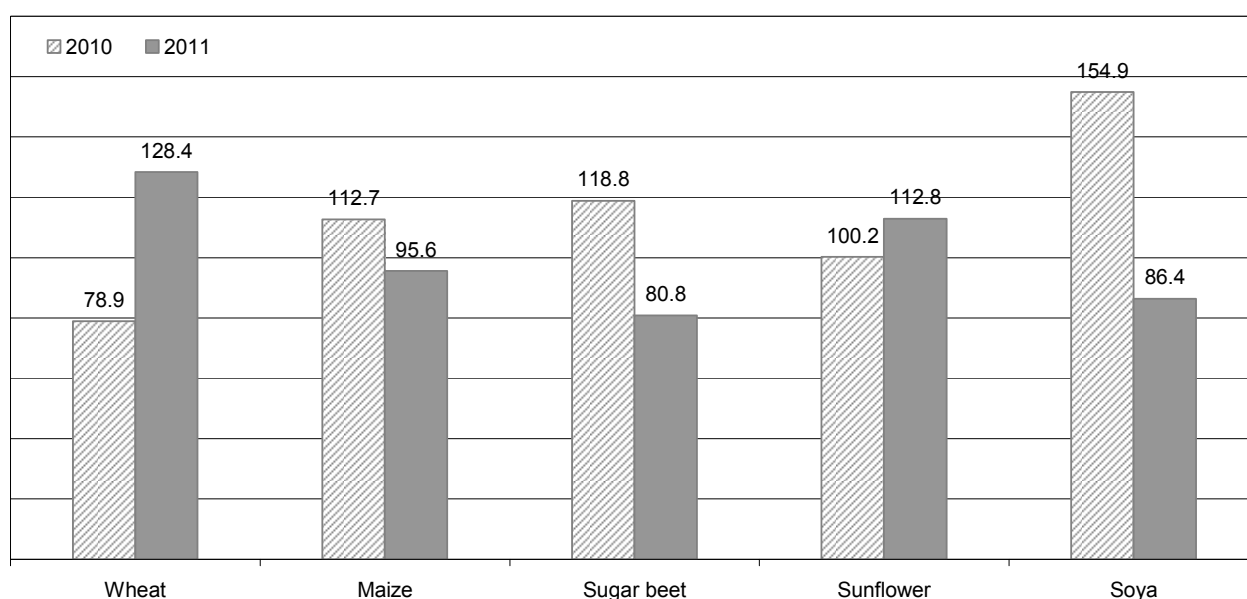
Total yield of wheat and expected production of maize, sugar beet, sunflower and soya (continued)

	Republic of Serbia	Serbia – North			Serbia - South			
		Total	Belgrade region	Vojvodina region	Total	Sumadija and Western Serbia region	Southern and Eastern Serbia region	Kosovo and Metohia region

Soya

Area harvested, ha	163638	154659	3847	150812	8979	8104	875	...
Yield per ha, kg	1739	1744	2151	1734	1652	1647	1698	...
Production, t	284584	269751	8273	261478	14833	13347	1486	...
Index, 2010 = 100	64.6	63.9	74.3	63.6	80.8	80.5	83.0	...

**Indices of the total production of wheat and expected yield of late crops,
previous year = 100**



Methodological note

The data presented in the statistical release have been obtained by means of the Survey on Total Yield of Early Crops and Fruit and Expected Yield of Major Late Crops (PO/32).

Companies and cooperative farms are given to complete a questionnaire by using accounting records, while statistical estimators carry out estimations for family holdings by estimation areas (one or more cadastre municipalities).

Harvested wheat area is the area on which crops have been harvested and certain yield produced. Harvesting area is the area from which the production of major late crops is expected.

Yield per hectare is estimated on the basis of the plant appearance, maturity, density, etc. taking into account agricultural practices and climate.

When estimating, it is supposed that the conditions for production will normal until the next harvesting period.

More details about the abridged Methodology of the Statistics of Plant Production are available on the website of the Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia: www.stat.gov.rs.