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Expected production of wheat, raspberries and sour cherries and areas sown with maize, sugar beet, sunflower and soya in the Republic of Serbia, 2018

- Preliminary results -

Data on expected production of wheat, raspberries and sour cherries, and areas sown with maize, sunflower and soya are presented as of 23rd May 2018.

According to the estimations of crops, the production of wheat is expected to be 3069 thous. tons in the Republic of Serbia, which is a growth of 34.9% relative to the production output in 2017.

When compared to 2017, the production of raspberries and sour cherries is expected to increase by 15.7% and 37.5%, respectively.

When compared to the previous year, estimations show that in spring sowing 2018 there was a decrease of maize by 9.5% and soya by 2.6%. An increase of 5.9% and 9.0% was noted in sugar beet and sunflower, respectively.

When compared to ten-year average (2008 - 2017), the production of wheat increased by 22.8%. There was a decrease of sown maize by 10.5% and sugar beet by 3.6%, but an increase of 17.7% and 31.1% was noted in soya and sunflower, respectively.

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).

				Republic	of Serbia			
	total	Srbija – sever			Srbija - jug			
		all	Beogradski region	Region Vojvodine	all	Region Šumadije i Zapadne Srbije	Region Južne i Istočne Srbije	Region Kosovo i Metohija
			W	heat				
Sowing area, ha	648083	363570	32063	331507	284513	131411	153102	
Yield per ha, kg	4736	5417	4018	5552	3638	3814	3487	
Production, t	3069321	1969293	128829	1840464	1100028	551161	548867	
Index, 2017=100	134.9	136.3	141.9	136.0	132.4	131.2	133.5	
			Rasp	berries				
Sowing area, ha	22424	1846	708	1138	20578	18529	2049	
Yield per ha, kg	5664	6938	7115	6828	5550	5730	3924	
Production, t	127010	12808	5037	7770	114202	106162	8040	
Index, 2017=100	115.7	112.1	103.5	118.5	116.2	116.3	114.2	
			Sour o	cherries				
Number of fertile trees	18172	2821	1038	1783	15351	3509	11842	
Yield per tree, kg	6935	7389	7773	7165	6852	7292	6721	
Production, t	126023	20844	8068	12776	105178	25588	79590	
Index, 2017=100	137.5	115.1	111.8	117.2	143.0	149.8	141.0	

1. Expected production of wheat, raspberries and sour cherries

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			M	aize				
Sown area, ha	906753	553388	33769	519619	353365	190947	162418	
Index, 2017=100	90.5	90.9	83.8	91.4	89.7	89.3	90.2	
			Suga	ar beet				
Sown area, ha	57042	56704	2172	54532	338	184	154	
Index, 2017=100	105.9	105.8	108.3	105.7	124.7	124.3	125.2	
			Sun	flower				
Sown area, ha	239148	219415	2418	216997	19733	3438	16295	
Index, 2017=100	109.0	109.3	115.9	109.2	106.6	107.7	106.4	
			S	oya				
Sown area, ha	196472	186704	5273	181431	9768	9231	537	
Index, 2017=100	97.4	97.9	94.7	98.0	89.5	89.6	86.8	

Methodological notes:

Data presented in this statistical release are obtained on the basis of the "Survey of areas and crops at the end of the spring sowing", estimations of agricultural expert counseling stations and other administrative sources on the expected production of wheat, raspberries and sour cherries, and areas sown with major crops at the end of spring sowing.

Sown areas are areas that are tilled and sown with crops, while harvesting areas are areas from which production is expected.

Yield per hectare is estimated on the basis of the plant structure, age, density, etc. taking into account agricultural practices and the weather.

When estimating, one supposes that production conditions will be normal until the next harvesting period.

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