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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, 2020

**– 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 2020..

According to the estimations of crops, the production of wheat is expected to be 2 668 thous. tons in the Republic of Serbia, which is a growth of 5.3% relative to the production output in 2019.

When compared to 2019, the production of raspberries and sour cherries is expected to increase by 7.4% and 70.9%, respectively.

When compared to the previous year, estimations show that in spring 2020 there was an increase of maize by 3.6%, sunflower by 2.6% and soya by 4.7%. A decrease of 12.0%was noted in sugar beet.

When compared to ten-year average (2010 – 2019), the production of wheat increased by 5.7%, while there was an increase of sown maize by 0.1%, soya by 32.9% and sunflower by 31.1%, but a decrease of 33.9% was noted in sugar beet.

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).

**1. Expected production of wheat, raspberries and sour cherries**

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|  | 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 |
| ***Wheat*** |
| Sowing area, ha |  589549 |  360951 |  27279 |  333672 |  228598 |  111305 |  117293 | ... |
| Yield per ha, kg |  4526 |  4760 |  4268 |  4800 |  4157 |  4338 |  3985 | ... |
| Production, t |  2668306 |  1718052 |  116427 |  1601626 |  950254 |  482841 |  467413 | ... |
| Index, 2019=100 |  105.3 |  104.7 |  103.9 |  104.7 |  106.4 |  106.7 |  106.0 | ... |
| ***Raspberries*** |
| Sowing area, ha |  25418 |  2441 |  826 |  1615 |  22977 |  20083 |  2894 | ... |
| Yield per ha, kg |  5074 |  4149 |  3440 |  4511 |  5172 |  5478 |  3048 | ... |
| Production, t |  128971 |  10127 |  2841 |  7285 |  118844 |  110023 |  8821 | ... |
| Index, 2019=100 |  107.4 |  104.6 |  100.5 |  106.4 |  107.7 |  107.2 |  114.1 | ... |
| ***Sour cherries*** |
| Number of fertile trees |  19601 |  3283 |  1204 |  2079 |  16318 |  3815 |  12503 | ... |
| Yield per tree, kg |  8456 |  5260 |  7758 |  3814 |  9098 |  7045 |  9725 | ... |
| Production, t |  165738 |  17270 |  9341 |  7929 |  148468 |  26877 |  121592 | ... |
| Index, 2019=100 |  170.9 |  100.8 |  142.2 |  75.1 |  186.0 |  162.4 |  192.1 | ... |

**2. Areas sown with maize, sugar beet, sunflower and soya**

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|  | 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 |
| ***Maize*** |
| Sown area, ha |  996527 |  600644 |  39537 |  561107 |  395883 |  214400 |  181483 | ... |
| Index, 2019=100 |  103.6 |  103.1 |  104.5 |  103.0 |  104.4 |  105.4 |  103.3 | ... |
| ***Sugar beet*** |
| Sown area, ha | 37418 | 37215 | 984 | 36231 | 203 | 112 | 91 | ... |
| Index, 2019=100 |  88.0 |  88.1 |  66.4 |  88.9 |  71.7 |  76.2 |  66.9 | ... |
| ***Sunflower*** |
| Sown area, ha |  225204 |  203456 |  2330 |  201126 |  21748 |  3713 |  18035 | ... |
| Index, 2019=100 |  102.6 |  103.8 |  102.6 |  103.8 |  93.0 |  90.5 |  93.5 | ... |
| ***Soya*** |
| Sown area, ha |  240166 |  223683 |  8904 |  214779 |  16483 |  14607 |  1876 | ... |
| Index, 2019=100 |  104.7 |  104.8 |  103.4 |  104.8 |  103.7 |  103.3 |  106.6 | ... |

**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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