

# ANNUAL REPORT ON PRODUCTION OF FISH FOR CONSUMPTION AND JUVENILES

## LEGAL BASIS

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This Survey is conducted on the basis of Regulation on implementation of particular statistical surveys for the corresponding year and in accordance with Law on Official Statistics („Official Gazette of RS“, No 104/09).

## METHOTODOLOGICAL BASIS

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### Objective and scope of the survey

The main objective of the survey is collecting data and monitoring the trends of main indicators referring to production of consumable fish and juveniles. Moreover, collected are the data on the number of employees on fishing holdings, vessels and equipment, area of fish ponds and production of fish for consumption and juveniles in carp and trout ponds, including the production costs, as well as average prices at first sale. The collected data provide an insight into the changes that have occurred in this area, which enables the adoption of measures for its improvement.

### Reporting units

Annual survey on production of fish for consumption and juveniles encompasses all legal entities, their parts, unincorporated enterprises, local government authorities and other institutions, as well as family fishing holdings, dealing with production of fish for consumption and juveniles, according to territorial principle.

### Survey coverage

The coverage is complete for the territory of the Republic of Serbia.

### Method and time for data collection

Data are collected annually, by the reporting method. The reporting units are obliged to deliver the filled in questionnaires by 1 March of the current for the previous year.

### Obligation to protect individual data

The results of the survey are published as aggregates for the level of the Republic of Serbia. Individual data are protected according to the Law.

### List and definitions of main items – indicators

*Employees on fishing holdings* – number of persons employed in direct (primary) production, according to duration of realized working hours.

*Motor boats* - boats equipped with engines, exclusively or mainly used in the process of fish farming, regardless of the engine size and power.

*Fish pond* presents the constructed closed water space designed for fish farming and production, equipped with particular technical devices that let water in and out of the fish pond.

*Area of the exploited fish pond* (used for fish production) during the reporting year presents the total used productive water area. It is almost always smaller than total productive area or sometimes equal, since, during a year, not all fish production facilities are used.

*Juveniles placed out into fish ponds* presents the quantity of juveniles placed out in the appropriate facilities of the fish ponds so as to produce fish for consumption.

Under the *production* of fish for consumption and juveniles, the quantity of fish for consumption distributed to the market (sold) during the reporting year (realized fish production - first sale) is taken into account, as well as produced juveniles for sale.

### Level of data representativeness

The data are representative for the territory of the Republic of Serbia, without data for AP Kosovo and Metohija.

## **Harmonization with international recommendations and standards**

The methodology relative to this survey is harmonized with Regulation (EC) No 762/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2008 on the submission by Member States of statistics on aquaculture and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 788/96. OJ L 218, 13.8.2008, p. 1-13).

## **DESCRIPTION OF THE SURVEY MANAGEMENT**

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### **Bodies in charge of the survey management**

The Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia (SORS) is the responsible producer of the presented data. Besides printing the questionnaire PO-62, SORS also performs further processing and analysis of data and publishes the processing results.

The regional offices and the Department of Statistics of Agriculture and Forestry of SORS, as well as the City Administration of the City of Belgrade - Secretariat for the Administration – Sector of Statistics are involved in the preparation and implementation of this survey. They work on updating the address book and controlling the coverage of the reporting units in the territory they cover, submit 2 copies of the questionnaire to the reporting units and perform controlled data entry.

### **Obligation to provide data**

Reporting units are obliged to deliver the data to the SORS, in accordance with the Law on Official Statistics.

### **Timetable of the main phases of the survey**

The deadline within which reporting units are due to send data to the SORS regional offices and the City Administration of the City of Belgrade - Secretariat for the Administration – Sector of Statistics is 1 March of the current year, for the previous year. Controlled data entry is done by 1 April. The deadline for publishing the results is 3 May.

## **SURVEY TOOLS**

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### **Questionnaire**

#### **Instructions for filling the questionnaire**

Instructions for filling the questionnaire are attached to the Questionnaire, below the tables.

#### **List of nomenclatures and classifications used in the survey**

The Survey is conducted in compliance with the Nomenclature of Products and Services in Agriculture, Hunting, Forestry and Fishing, as well as with the existing CA.

#### **List of publications in which the survey results and the relevant methodology can be found**

Data are published in the Statistical Yearbook of the Republic of Serbia and on SORS website.

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