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FIRST ESTIMATE OF SOME IMPORTANT EARLY CROPS, 2023

The Croatian Bureau of Statistics publishes data on early production estimate of the most important crops in 2023.

Decreased production of rapeseed

It is estimated that the production of rapeseed decreased by 24.1% in 2023 compared to the last year's achieved production.

According to an early estimate, the production of barley decreased by 20.8%, of wheat by 13.5%, and of oats by 2.1% compared to the production achieved last year.

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	Harvested area, '000 ha	Expected production		Indices of total expected production, 2022 = 100 ¹⁾
		t/ha	Total, '000 t	
Wheat - total ²⁾	164	5,0	820	86,5
Barley ³⁾	63	4,0	252	79,2
Oats	15	3,1	47	97,9
Rapeseed	15	2,9	44	75,9

1) Final data.

2) Soft and hard wheat (winter, spring and seed).

3) Winter barley and spring barley.

NOTES ON METHODOLOGY

The Croatian Bureau of Statistics conducted surveys on crop statistics on the basis of the Official Statistics Act (NN, No. 25/20), the Regulation (EC) No. 543/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 June 2009 concerning crop statistics and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 837/90 and (EEC) No 959/93, and Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/1557 of 13 July 2015 amending Regulation (EC) No. 543/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of concerning crop statistics.

Sources and methods of data collection

The data on the first estimate of the production of some important crops in 2023 refer to the non-harvested field crops and are presented as the actual yield that will be used after the harvest is completed, providing that the grain has a strictly defined wetness value, even after the deduction of all losses.

The above-mentioned data are actually the first information issued by the Croatian Bureau of Statistics on the production of early crops. Production estimates are published for wheat, barley, oats and rapeseed.

The Croatian Bureau of Statistics estimated the data on areas sown with important crops on the basis of the following:

- results of the Annual survey on crop and animal production (PO-71 form)
- results of the Survey on the structure of agricultural holdings, 2023 (PO-22/STR form)
- available administrative sources of the Ministry of Agriculture, databases and registers of the Paying Agency for Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and other relevant sources.

Coverage and comparability

Reporting units are business entities and parts thereof defined in section A Agriculture, forestry and fishing according to the NKD 2007, as well as other business entities and parts thereof engaged in agricultural production but classified in other activities. The coverage is selective. Data are collected in two ways: by using the reporting method on the appropriate form or via a web-based application.

Reporting units are also private family farms engaged in agricultural production, for which data are collected by interviewers.

Abbreviations

EC	European Community
EU	European Union
ha	hectare
NKD 2007	National Classification of Activities, 2007 version
NN	Narodne novine, official gazette of the Republic of Croatia
t	tonne
'000	thousand

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