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FIRST ESTIMATE OF SOME IMPORTANT LATE CROPS, 2023

The data on the production estimate of the most important late crops in 2023 were collected, with the situation as at 1 September.

Increased production of maize

It is estimated that the production of maize in 2023 increased by 21.7% compared to the last year's production. According to an early estimate, the production of sunflowers increased by 15.7%, soya beans by 12.3%, and sugar beets by 4.9% as compared to the production realised last year.

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	Expected production				Indices of total expected production 2022 = 100
	2022 ¹⁾		2023		
	t/ha	Total, '000 t	t/ha	Total, '000 t	
Maize – total ²⁾	6,1	1 642	7,4	1 998	121,7
Sugar beet	64,4	572	75,0	600	104,9
Sunflowers	3,0	153	3,1	177	115,7
Soya beans	2,1	195	3,0	219	112,3

1) Final data.

2) Maize – mercantile and seed.

NOTES ON METHODOLOGY

The Croatian Bureau of Statistics conducted surveys on crop statistics on the basis of the Annual Implementation Plan of Statistical Activities of the Republic of Croatia (NN, No. 35/23), Regulation (EC) No. 543/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 June 2009 concerning crop statistics, 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 concerning crop statistics.

Sources and methods of data collection

The data on the first estimate of the production of some important late crops in 2023 are provided with the situation as at 1 September referring to the non-harvested field crops, and are presented as an actual production that will be used after the harvest is completed, provided 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 late crops. Production estimates are published for maize, sugar beets, sunflowers and soya beans.

The Croatian Bureau of Statistics assessed the data on early production estimates of important late crops on the basis of the following:

- results of the Survey on the structure of agricultural holdings, 2023 (PO-22/STR form)
- available administrative sources of the Ministry of Agriculture, database 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 data are collected in two ways: by using the reporting method on an 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

EU	European Union
EC	European Community
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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