

## COMMENTARY

At the beginning of the 2<sup>nd</sup> half-year 2025, agricultural organizations showed the following stocks of crop products: 594 thous. tonnes of cereals, 16 thous. tonnes of field peas for grain, 27 thous. tonnes of potatoes, 55 thous. tonnes of sugar beet, 36 thous. tonnes of rape seed, 2 thous. tonnes of poppy, and 2 thous. tonnes of sunflower seed. In total 8 493 thous. tonnes of cereals, total, 103 tonnes of field peas, 713 thous. tonnes of potatoes, 3 947 thous. tonnes of sugar beet, 1 022 thous. tonnes of rape seed, 29 thous. tonnes of poppy, and 59 thous. tonnes of sunflower seed were harvested in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2025. During the 2<sup>nd</sup> half-year, 390 thous. tonnes of cereals, total (of which the largest amount – 231 thous. tonnes – of wheat), 8 thous. tonnes of field peas, 16 thous. tonnes of potatoes, total, 49 thous. tonnes of sugar beet, 57 thous. tonnes of rape seed, 2 thous. tonnes of poppy, and 4 thous. tonnes of sunflower seed were purchased by agricultural organisations.

Sales of crop products in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half-year comprised of 4 968 thous. tonnes of cereals, total (the largest share – 3 130 thous. tonnes – was recorded for wheat). Direct exports of cereals, total, reached 111 thous. tonnes. Further sales included 68 thous. tonnes of field peas, of which 600 tonnes were directly exported. Sales of potatoes, total, were 595 thous. tonnes and their direct exports reached 13 thous. tonnes. Sugar beet sales were 3 443 thous. tonnes, 49 thous. tonnes were directly exported. The amount of rape seed sold during the 2<sup>nd</sup> half-year was 750 thous. tonnes, of which 15 thous. tonnes directly exported. Agricultural organisations sold 19 thous. tonnes of poppy. The amount of sunflower seed sold was 52 thous. tonnes, of which 1 thous. tonnes directly exported.

The consumption of cereals, total, in agricultural organizations during the 2<sup>nd</sup> half-year reached 772 thous. tonnes, with the largest share – 431 thous. tonnes – of wheat. Out of this amount, 570 thous. tonnes were used for feed purposes, 186 thous. tonnes as seeds, and 16 thous. tonnes for other use. The consumption of field peas reached 7 thous. tonnes, mainly for feed purposes. In total 13 thous. tonnes of potatoes, total, were consumed, of which 3 thous. tonnes for food purposes, 8 thous. tonnes for feed purposes, and 2 thous. tonnes for other use. The amount of rape seed consumed was 6 thous. tonnes: 3 thous. tonnes for feed purposes, 1 thous. tonnes as seeds, and 1 thous. tonnes for other purposes. The poppy consumption reached 8 tonnes. Agricultural organizations consumed 90 tonnes of sunflower seed, prevaillingly for feed purposes.

Losses during storage during the 2<sup>nd</sup> half-year 2025 amounted to 6 thous. tonnes of cereals, total, 78 tonnes of field peas, 2 000 tonnes of potatoes, total, 739 tonnes of rape seed, 25 tonnes of poppy, and 146 tonnes of sunflower seed.

Stocks at the end of 2025 were 3 731 thous. tonnes of cereals, total (of which the largest ones – 2 193 thous. tonnes – were those of wheat), 51 thous. tonnes of field peas, 146 thous. tonnes of potatoes, 606 thous tonnes of sugar beet, 358 thous. tonnes of rape seed, 14 thous. tonnes of poppy, and 12 thous. tonnes of sunflower seed.