COMMENTARY

The total production of individual crops is based on the size of areas under crops surveyed in May and on changes of growing conditions during the vegetation period.

*The harvested **area of cereals** (including grain maize and other cereals) decreased by 1.6 thous. ha (i.e. by 0.1%), year-on-year, to 1 306.1 thous. ha. The total harvest of cereals reached 8 501.9 thous. tonnes and went up by 981.1 thous. tonnes (i.e. by 13.0%) in comparison with 2024. The harvest of all types of cereals was above the 2024 level. The harvest of winter wheat was 5 085.6 thous. tonnes, i.e. by 578.0 thous. tonnes (by 12.8 %) more than in the previous year. The harvest of rye was 112.1 thous. tonnes, i.e. by 6.4 thous. tonnes (i.e by 6.1%) more than in the previous year. The harvest of spring barley accounted for 1 139.9 thous. tonnes, i.e. by 110.5 thous. tonnes (by 10.7%) more than in 2024, and that of winter barley reached 711.5 thous tonnes (by 69.4 thous. tonnes or by 10.8% more than in 2024). The harvest of basic cereals was higher than in the previous year. The harvest of wheat amounted to 5 236.2 thous. tonnes (by 610.8 thous. tonnes or by 13.2% more than in 2024). The harvest of barley was 1 851.4 thous. tonnes (by 179.9 thous. tonnes or by 10.8% more than in 2024). The harvest of grain maize accounted for 802.7 thous. tonnes, i.e. by 90.5 thous. tonnes (by 12.7%) more than in 2024.*

*The **per hectare yield of cereals** was 6.51 tonnes; it was by 0.76 t/ha (i.e. by 13.2%) higher compared to the previous year. The yields were 6.72 t/ha for winter wheat (6.03 t/ha in 2024), 4.87 t/ha for spring wheat (3.76 t/ha), 5.51 t/ha for rye (4.35 t/ha), 6.50 t/ha for winter barley (5.05 t/ha), 6.15 t/ha for spring barley (5.42 t/ha), 3.98 t/ha for oats (3.81 t/ha), 8.86 t/ha for grain maize (8.14 t/ha), and 5.17 t/ha for triticale (4.45 t/ha).*

*The production of **pulses and protein crops** increased compared to 2024; in total 111.8 thous. tonnes of pulses were harvested. The harvest of field peas was 102.8 thous. tonnes, i.e. by 14.7 thous. tonnes (by 16.6%) more than in the previous year. The total production of **grain crops** (cereals and pulses) reached 8 613.7 thous. tonnes; it went up by 995.8 thous. tonnes (i.e. by 13.1%) in comparison with 2024.*

*The total harvest of **potatoes** including households' production was 866.2 thous. tonnes; it showed an increase by 82.5 thous. tonnes (by 10.5%) compared to 2024. The yield of potatoes reached 28.82 t/ha and was by 1.54 t/ha higher than in 2024. The harvest of early potatoes reached 35.8 thous. tonnes. The average per hectare yield of other potatoes was 30.13 tonnes; it means by 1.74 t/ha more than in 2024. Their production reached 761.0 thous. tonnes and was by 89.2 tonnes higher than in the previous year. The harvest of **sugar beet** was 3 946.6 thous. tonnes (4 584.7 thous. tonnes in 2024) and its average yield reached 74.05 t/ha; its harvest decreased by 13.9% in comparison with the previous year.*

*In 2025, the total area under **oil seed crops** increased by 1.1 thous. ha (by 0.3%) to 439.6 thous. ha. Their production was 1 198.9 thous. tonnes, i.e. by 101.7 thous. tonnes more than in the previous year. The harvest of rape seed reached 1 021.7 thous. tonnes, while in 2024 it was 946.9 thous. tonnes; i.e. there was a increase by 74.8 thous. tonnes. The rape seed yield was 3.04 t/ha; it went up by 0.28 t/ha. The production of poppy seed rose: in total 29.3 thous. tonnes of poppy seed were harvested from the area of 38.0 thous. ha, with its average yield of 0.77 t/ha (in 2024, there were 27.3 thous. tonnes of poppy seed harvested and its yield was 0.74 t/ha).*

*The production of **fodder crops** on arable land was 4 635.7 thous. tonnes as hay; i.e. by 288.4 thous. tonnes more than in 2024. Out of this amount, 7 987.7 thous. tonnes of green maize were harvested; i.e. by 857.2 thous. tonnes more in comparison with the previous year. The harvest of clover hay reached 315.3 thous. tonnes and lucerne 388,3 thous. tonnes.*

*Production of **vegetables** including households' estimates rose compared to 2024; in total 373.6 thous. tonnes of vegetables were harvested (323.3 thous. tonnes in 2024). The harvest of **fruits** (including households' production) reached 326.1 thous. tonnes and was higher than in the previous year (160.2 thous. tonnes in 2024).*

*In total 95.0 thous. tonnes of grapes were harvested from 15.9 thous. ha of **vineyards in production**, i.e. by 25.7 thous. tonnes more than in 2024; their average yield was 5.98 t/ha (4.32 t/ha in 2024). The **hop** production reached 6 909 tonnes; it increased by 415 tonnes (i.e. by 6.4%) compared to 2024. The per hectare yield of hop, accounting for 1.44 t/ha, went up as well by 0.10 t/ha in comparison with the previous year.*