4 Use of administrative data sources

4.1 Single application for subsidies

In 2023, the Czech Statistical Office started to use an administrative data source for data on sown areas of agricultural crops and areas of agricultural crops - the Single Application for Subsidies submitted to the State Agricultural and Intervention Fund, specifically its parts of the Crop Declaration and the Declaration of All Agricultural Land. The basis for the administration of agricultural subsidies is the Land Register (LPIS) within the Integrated Administrative and Control System (IACS). These data are fully compliant with the requirements of Regulation (EU) No 2018/1091 of the European Parliament and of the Council on integrated farm statistics. For agricultural holdings who submitted a Single Application and at the same time had no changes in the area of crops and crops cultivated by 30 September 2023, it was possible to use the administrative data also in the framework of the Integrated Farm Survey, i.e. these holdings did not fill in the section on the sown area of agricultural crops and the first section on the use of agricultural land.

Agricultural holdings	Number	Share (%)
active farmers in the sample	13 540	100,0
farming on agricultural land	13 344	98,6
have submitted a single application	12 174	89,9
have submitted a single application; without changes	11 950	88,3
farming on arable land	9 432	69,7
have submitted a single application	9 109	67,3
have submitted a single application; without changes	9 043	66,8

4.2 Orchard register

The Integrated Farm Survey 2023 also included a survey of apple and apricot orchard area by age and planting density. For this purpose, the Orchard Register of the Central Institute for Supervising and Testing in Agriculture was used. The apple and/or apricot growers registered in this register did not complete four sections of the questionnaire on the area of their orchards.

Out of 13 540 active farmers in the sample, 703 were apple and/or apricot growers. Data for 561 subjects, i.e. 79.8% of growers, were taken from the Orchard Register.