COMMENTARY

As at 15 August 2025, the Czech Statistical Office processed yield and harvest estimates for grain maize, sweet lupins for grain, broad and field beans for grain, potatoes, sugar beet, green maize, and lucerne; and improved production estimates for basic cereals (wheat, rye, barley, oats, and triticale), field peas for grain, and rape seed. Production estimations for particular crops are based on areas under particular crops and the course of weather during the vegetation period as well as during the harvest period.

According to these improved estimates, the harvest of basic cereals is awaited to reach 7 573 thous. tonnes with an average yield of 6.25 t/ha. It increased by 593 thous. tonnes (by 8.5%) compared to the July estimation and by 774 thous. tonnes (by 11.4%) in comparison with the final harvest figures for 2024.

The first harvest estimations in 2025 were carried out for grain maize, sweet lupins for grain, broad and field beans for grain, other potatoes, seed potatoes, sugar beet, green maize, and lucerne. The harvest of grain maize is expected to be 664 thous. tonnes with its supposed yield accounting for 8.13 t/ha; it means a decrease by 48 thous. tonnes (by 6.8%) compared to 2024. The harvest of sweet lupins for grain should be 3 thous. tonnes, which is by 149 tonnes (by 6.3%) more than in 2024. Its yield is expected to be 1.82 t/ha (1.52 t/ha in 2024). The harvest estimate for broad and field beans for grain is 5 thous. tonnes, i.e. by 159 tonnes (by 3.5%) more than in 2024; its expected yield is 2.00 t/ha.

The harvest of potatoes (including the July estimation of early potatoes) should reach 859 thous. tonnes at an assumed average yield of 28.56 t/ha (27.28 t/ha in 2024); i.e. by 75 thous. tonnes (by 9.6%) more compared to the 2024 final harvest. The harvest of sugar beet is expected to reach 3 648 thous. tonnes, i.e. by 937 thous. tonnes (-20.4%) less than in 2024. Its supposed yield of 68.45 t/ha decreased by 1.11 t/ha (by 1.6%) in comparison with 2024. The harvest of green maize should increase to 8 195 thous. tonnes; i.e. by 1 064 thous. tonnes (by 14.9%) more than in the previous year. Its supposed yield accounting for 34.84 t/ha is also higher by 2.97 t/ha (by 9.3%).

Rape seed production is estimated to be 1 024 thous. tonnes, i.e. by 8.1% more compared to 2024 results. Its yield is supposed to reach 3.05 t/ha.