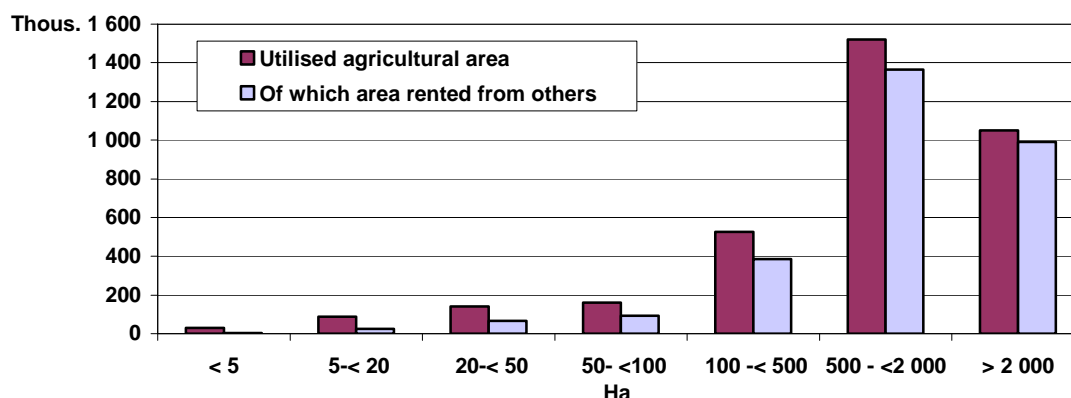


7. Owned and rented holdings

Only approximately 17% of the agricultural land in the Czech Republic is farmed by its legitimate owners. In the case of the largest holdings, i.e. those farming more than 2 thousand hectares, the share of rented land is higher. Only small holdings farming less than 20 ha, for which the ownership of the land is a prerequisite for farming, do not report a higher share of rented land. Some experts view the fragmented nature of the ownership of the land fund negatively.

Graph 11 – Area utilised by agricultural holdings in 2007: by size groups of utilised area



Holdings of natural persons

Out of the overall number of 36,455 holdings of natural persons, 60.4% farm exclusively on their own land and they farm 203,004.3 hectares of their own land. In total, holdings of natural persons farm 1,034,567.7 hectares of agricultural land, of which 59.2% of the land is rented. Holdings of natural persons rent a total of 62,200.8 hectares of agricultural land to other holdings.

Tab. 14 - Hired agricultural land in holdings of natural persons: by size group

| Size group by UAA (ha) | Natural persons | | | Of w hich private farmers + agricultural entrepreneurs | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-----------|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------------------|
| | Number of RU | UAA (ha) | Of w hich land hired | Number of RU | UAA (ha) | Of w hich land hired |
| Total: | 36 455 | 1 034 568 | 612 674 | 26 353 | 982 716 | 588 557 |
| 0,00 | 711 | - | - | 438 | - | - |
| 0,01 - 2,99 | 15 647 | 17 464 | 1 967 | 8 000 | 10 102 | 1 193 |
| 3,00 - 9,99 | 7 535 | 42 338 | 9 437 | 5 944 | 34 526 | 7 844 |
| 10,00 - 19,99 | 3 924 | 54 906 | 16 732 | 3 621 | 50 871 | 15 527 |
| 20,00 - 29,99 | 2 069 | 50 022 | 19 835 | 1 993 | 48 201 | 19 246 |
| 30,00 - 49,99 | 2 202 | 84 572 | 42 494 | 2 130 | 81 752 | 40 892 |
| 50,00 - 99,99 | 2 156 | 150 202 | 86 491 | 2 091 | 145 923 | 84 557 |
| 100,00 - 499,99 | 1 916 | 377 624 | 256 617 | 1 851 | 365 451 | 249 362 |
| 500,00 - 1999,99 | 289 | 239 697 | 162 778 | 279 | 231 458 | 156 923 |
| >= 2000,00 | 7 | 17 742 | 16 322 | 6 | 14 433 | 13 012 |

Holdings of legal persons

Holdings of legal persons are rental type holdings. From the total number of 2,941 holdings, only 9.2% exclusively farm their own land. The other holdings farm a combination of their own land and rented land (48.7%) or exclusively rented land (35.6%). In total, holdings of legal persons farm 2,483,504.8 hectares of agricultural land, of which 93.4% of the land is rented.

Tab. 15 - Agricultural land in holdings of legal persons: by size group

| Size group by UAA (ha) | Legal persons | | Of which | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|
| | | | Limited liability companies | | Joint stock companies | | Cooperatives | |
| | Number of RU | UAA (ha) | Number of RU | UAA (ha) | Number of RU | UAA (ha) | Number of RU | UAA (ha) |
| Total: | 2 941 | 2 483 505 | 1 607 | 779 486 | 651 | 886 151 | 548 | 773 946 |
| 0,00 | 198 | - | 129 | - | 61 | - | 5 | - |
| 0,01 - 2,99 | 117 | 162 | 79 | 107 | 10 | 16 | 3 | 5 |
| 3,00 - 9,99 | 131 | 788 | 96 | 573 | 20 | 131 | 3 | 18 |
| 10,00 - 19,99 | 106 | 1 487 | 77 | 1 069 | 13 | 191 | 3 | 35 |
| 20,00 - 29,99 | 61 | 1 477 | 49 | 1 180 | 5 | 123 | 1 | 20 |
| 30,00 - 49,99 | 127 | 4 883 | 100 | 3 791 | 12 | 494 | 3 | 140 |
| 50,00 - 99,99 | 153 | 10 943 | 121 | 8 671 | 18 | 1 257 | 6 | 400 |
| 100,00 - 499,99 | 524 | 149 613 | 383 | 106 817 | 52 | 14 129 | 58 | 20 241 |
| 500,00 - 1999,99 | 1 175 | 1 281 375 | 522 | 519 125 | 291 | 359 410 | 342 | 385 207 |
| >= 2000,00 | 349 | 1 032 777 | 51 | 138 153 | 169 | 510 400 | 124 | 367 879 |