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Crop production for the main crops in 2018 (provisional data)

- The cultivated area in 2018, compared to 2017, increased for dried pulses, oilseed crops and potatoes and decreased for sugar beet, vegetables and cereals for grains.
- Compared to the previous year, the crop production increased in 2018 for cereals for grains and oilseed crops and decreased for dried pulses, sugar beet, potatoes and vegetables.

Table 1: Cultivated area and production of main crops

	Cultivated area -thou ha-		Production -thou tonnes-		Differences (±) year 2018 ²⁾ compared to 2017		
	2017	2018 ²⁾	2017	2018 ²⁾	-thou ha-	-thou tonnes-	
Cereals for grains	5192	5174	27139	31187	-18	+4048	
of which:							
-wheat	2053	2109	10035	10130	+56	+95	
-barley and two-row barley	455	424	1907	1876	-31	-31	
-oats	166	163	408	390	-3	-18	
-maize grains	2402	2371	14326	18353	-31	+4027	
Dried pulses	119	134	302	191	+15	-111	
Oilseed crops	1766	1902	4986	5155	+136	+169	
of which:							
-sunflower	998	1098	2913	3080	+100	+167	
-soya	165	167	393	460	+2	+67	
-rape	598	632	1673	1610	+34	-63	
Sugar beet	28	24	1175	937	-4	-238	
Potatoes	167	168	3117	2971	+1	-146	
Vegetables ¹⁾	225	223	3638	3586	-2	-52	

¹⁾ It includes the cultivated area and the production of vegetables grown in fields, greenhouses, solaria and kitchen gardens.

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²⁾ Provisional data.

Year 2018 compared to 2017

Cereals for grains

The area cultivated with cereals for grains decreased by 0.3%, while the production increased by 14.9% compared to the previous year, mainly due to the increase of the yield per hectare (average production per hectare).

In 2018, the area cultivated with maize grains represents 45.8% of the area cultivated with cereals for grains and the area cultivated with wheat 40.8%.

The production of cereals for grains increased especially due to the increase of the maize grains production by 28.1%.

Dried pulses

The production decreased by 36.8% due to the decrease of the yield per hectare, compared to the previous year.

Oilseed crops

The production increased by 3.4% due to the increase of the cultivated area (+7.7%). Increases in production were registered for soya beans (+17.0%) and sunflower (+5.7%).

Sugar beet

The production decreased by 20.3% mainly due to the decrease of the cultivated area (-14.3%), compared to the previous year.

Potatoes

The cultivated area increased by 0.6% and the production decreased by 4.7%, compared to the previous year.

Vegetables

The production decreased by 1.4% mainly due to the decrease of the cultivated area by 0.9%, compared to the previous year.

Table 2: The area of bearing vineyards and of fruit bearing tree plantations, grape production and fruit production

				Differences (±)			
	Area -thou ha-		Production -thou tonnes-		year 2018 compared to 2017		
	2017	2018 ²⁾	2017	2018 ²⁾	-thou ha-	-thou	
						tonnes-	
Bearing vineyards 1)	177	178	1067	1132	+1	+65	
Fruit bearing tree plantations (fruit bearing orchards)	139	138	508	803	-1	+295	

¹⁾ It includes the cultivated area and the production of grapes from vineyards grown in fields and in kitchen gardens.

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Year 2018 compared to 2017

Grapes

In 2018, the production of grapes increased by 6.1% due to the increase of both the cultivated area (+0.6%) and of the yield per hectare (+5.5%), compared to the previous year.

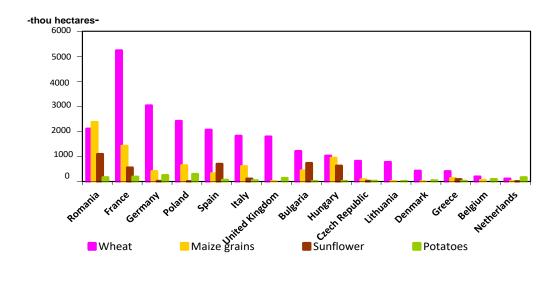
Fruit bearing tree plantations (fruit bearing orchards)

The fruit production in orchards increased by 58.1% due to the increase of the yield per hectare, compared to the previous year.

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Chart: The cultivated areas and the productions of wheat, maize grains, sunflower and potatoes, in Romania and in some Member States of the European Union, in 2018 – provisional data

a) Cultivated area

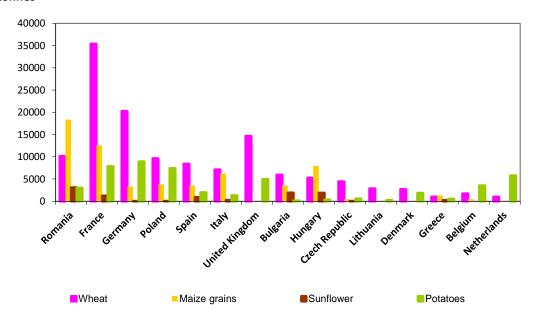


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b) Production

-thou tonnes-



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Romania compared to some Member States of the European Union in 2018

- For maize grains, the first place for both cultivated area and production.
- For sunflower, the first place for both cultivated area and production.
- For wheat, the fourth place for cultivated area after France, Germany and Poland and also for production, after France, Germany and the United Kingdom.
- For potatoes, the fourth place for cultivated area after Poland, Germany and France and the seventh place for production after Germany, France, Poland, Netherlands, United Kingdom and Belgium.

Additional information:

For the correct interpretation of the indicators, kindly see the Methodological Notes attached to the press release on the homepage.

Additional information can be obtained from the statistical publication "Crop production for the main crops, in 2018, date of issue May 31, 2019.

The next press release on Crop production of the main crops, in 2019 will be issued on Tuesday, March 31, 2020.

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