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Annual Agricultural Statistical Survey

The Hellenic Statistical Authority in cooperation with the central and regional offices of the Ministry of Rural Development and Food, the local authorities, the local government bodies and the Rural Guard (municipal, communal secretary - statistical reporters- rural guards), as well as with the experienced inhabitants of the rural settlements has been conducting since 1961 the Annual Statistical Survey on Agriculture and Livestock.

Purpose of the survey

The purpose of the survey is to collect statistical data on the cultivated areas under several crops and on the production of agricultural and livestock products, as well a the agricultural machinery used. The data are necessary for drawing the agricultural policy of the country but also for covering other national and international needs and obligations.

Legal Framework

The legal frame for the conduct of the annual statistical agricultural survey is the Royal Decree No 111/15-2-1962 and the Joint Ministerial Decisions No 8710/Г2-1246/5-8-2010 and 2198/Г2-248/24-2-2012 signed by the Minister of National Economy and the Deputy Minister of Interior, Public Administrations and Decentralization, as well as the relevant joint ministerial decision issued every year pertaining to the Approval, open tender and assignment of the conduct of the Annual Agricultural Statistical Survey and approval of the competent bodies for the survey conduct and their remuneration.

Reference Period

The survey refers to the years 2009 and 2010.

For the annual agricultural survey, the agricultural capital refers to the production of the flowering of the same year. The reference day for animal capital and agricultural machinery is the 31st December of the same year. The production of olive oil refers to the flowering of the previous year.

Methodology and Coverage

The statistical unit of this survey is the land area within the administrative boundaries of each communal/municipal department of the country according to "Kapodistrias Plan". The survey covers, on a census basis, all the above-mentioned administrative departments except the area of Agion Oros, for which no data are collected.

Publication of data

The survey results are available on a yearly basis since 1961.

References

More information on the results of the survey is available on the ELSTAT website www.statistics.gr, under the link "Statistical themes" > Agriculture> Cultivated areas.