METHODOLOGICAL EXPLANATIONS

Monthly report on the sold agricultural products from own production by agricultural enterprises and collective farms
FORM PO-TRG/33

LEGISLATION

Legal basis for conduction any survey in the area of agriculture and fishery statistics is Law on Official Statistics and Official Statistical System of Montenegro (Official Gazette of Montenegro 18/12).

METHODOLOGICAL BACKGROUNDS

Objective and scope of statistical survey
The objective of the survey is to provide the data on the sale of agricultural products from the own production performed by agricultural enterprises, by the territory where the sale is curried out, expressed in quantity and value. For this purpose, collected are the following data on agricultural products, i.e. product groups: the quantities of agricultural products sold in the reporting month, the value of agricultural products sold in the reporting month, the average value (by measurement unit) of agricultural products sold in the reporting month.

The obtained results are used for the purposes: the calculations and analysis of trends of producer prices of agricultural products; to present the volume and structure of goods' turnout in agriculture; for analyses of production, turnout and consumption of agricultural products of agricultural holdings.

The data are used by institutions that study economic status of agriculture, market organization and trends of prices of agricultural products.

Reporting units

Reporting units for the survey on purchase of agricultural products are:

- enterprises;
- agricultural cooperatives;
- unincorporated enterprises;

The data on the sale of agricultural products from the own production performed by agricultural enterprises and collective farms with resources in state private and collective ownership, are collected by the form PO-TRG/33. The report is submitted also by units engaged in the agricultural production and sale and they are part of non-agricultural enterprises and collectives.

Enterprises, collective farms and units in the composition performing the production and sale at the territory of several municipalities are filling a separate report PO-TRG/33 for each municipality.
Coverage

The survey including all major enterprises, agricultural cooperatives and unincorporated enterprises, as well as business units (purchase stations) that sale of agricultural products from the own production by agricultural enterprises.

Criteria for coverage of legal entities are number of workers (from 2 and more employed workers).

We would like to point out that because of criteria for coverage data received do not present total sale in territory of Montenegro.

The address book of reporting units for the Montenegro (total).

- the statistical business register (register of enterprises and unincorporated enterprises),
- other administrative sources (Chamber of Commerce, Montenegro).

The PO-TRG33 form cover 148 most important products.

Method, timing and data sources

The survey is implemented by the method reporting by mail. In accordance with the available documents, each reporting unit fills the form PO-TRG/33, entering the quantities, value and the average price per measurement unit of the sold agricultural products.

Reporting units that purchase agricultural products on the area of several municipalities are obliged to fill questionnaires for each municipality where the sale was made. The survey is conducted monthly and reporting units are obliged to submit the filled forms before the 3rd day in a month for the previous month.

Data sources are accounting and other documents available with the respective reporting units.
Obligation to protect individual data

Statistical confidentiality is guaranteed. Results obtained through surveys are only used for statistical purposes, and they are published at the aggregated level.

Definitions

Quantities sold are deliveries of agricultural products to other enterprises because of fabrication and/or sale. Deliveries of processed agricultural products are only for those products received by fabrication of raw materials from own production, deliveries to own shops which deal with retail trade of agricultural products, direct retail trade delivery of agricultural products performed by producers of agricultural products outside of shops, deliveries of fattened livestock (it is presented quantity representing increase, i.e. the difference in the weight among purchased and sold livestock heads purchased from enterprises, cooperatives or individual producers with the aim of delivery).
There are no considered as delivered quantity processed products made of raw materials purchased by other enterprises and individual producers.

Sold quantities cover:

- Deliveries of agricultural products to other enterprises for the purpose of manufacturing and sale, as well as deliveries to enterprises and communities for consumption.
- Deliveries of agricultural products to their manufacturing facilities within their agricultural enterprises – collective farms.
- Deliveries of processed agricultural products (dried plums, alcoholic beverages, dairy products) to other enterprises, if this processing is not performed in the production units of industrial enterprises, and if for this processing the reporting unit does not submit the reports IND-1 and IND-21. Deliveries of processed agricultural products are given only for the products received by manufacturing (processing) of own production raw materials.
Processed products made from raw material purchased from other enterprises and individual producers are not considered as delivered quantity.
- Deliveries to own shops where agricultural products are retailed.
- Direct delivery of agricultural products retailed done by producers of agricultural products out of shops.
- Deliveries of fattening and fattened livestock (here is indicated a quantity presenting increase, i.e. given difference between weight of purchased and delivered livestock heads collected from enterprises, collective farms and individual producers for the purposes of delivery).
Quantities are only in the unit of measurement printed on the form (Column 3). Products which are not indicated in the form are given in the item “Other” of the appropriate group.
The value of sold agricultural products is a value of delivered products from own production by selling price the organizations issues and keep record on for deliveries of own products (selling producer prices). The value of sold products includes all costs for the preparation of products for the delivery to the place of loading (sorting, packing, transport to the place of loading, etc.). The value of returning packaging is not included. The value of delivery to own retail shops is calculated by selling producer price or by accounting prices (without margin and tax on turnover). The value is indicated in the euro.

The average value by unit of measurement is received by calculation in this way: the value from the column 5 is divided by the quantity from the column 4. The average value is indicated in the euro with two decimals.

Representative data

The obtained data are representative for territorial of Montenegro.

Harmonization with international recommendations, standards and practice

The definitions of main variables, the methodology of calculations and the contents of questionnaires are partly harmonized with the Handbook for EU Agricultural Price Statistics, 2008.
Authority

The MONSTAT and regional offices are regional offices are envisaged to participate in the preparation and implementation of the subject survey.

The MONSTAT namely, Department of Agriculture, forestry and environment – creates the methodology and the instruments for the survey, defines the guidelines for the survey organization and implementation, prints the forms, guidelines, codes and other survey materials, forwards the forms to reporting units through the regional offices, conducts the checking of coverage, accuracy and completeness of data in the report, carries out the logic and computing control of reports, processes data and publishes the survey results.

The MONSTAT regional offices are obliged to update the address books, forward the questionnaires' forms to reporting units, render support to reporting units in making reports, collect reports, check coverage of reporting units, check data accuracy in reports and conduct data entry.

Responsiveness

The obligation of responding to the survey is stipulated by Article 36, and the penalty provisions for the cases of refusing to respond to the questions or providing incomplete and false data are envisaged by Article 66, the Official statistics law (Official Gazette of Montenegro 18/12).

Timetable

- Reporting units are obliged to submit filled forms (TRG-33) to the respective statistical authority before the 3rd day in a month for the previous month.
- Before the 20th day in month, the regional statistical offices shall submit the logic and computer tested material for the previous month, Department Agriculture, forestry and environment.
- The deadline for producing the first results is 25. in month for the previous month.
SURVEY INSTRUMENTS

Questionnaires and instructions for completing questionnaire

For the survey implementation used is the form - Monthly report on the sold agricultural products from own production by agricultural enterprises and collective farms.

The form and the instructions for completing are available at the MONSTAT website, www.monstat.org

List of publications

- Statistical release: Purchase and sales of agricultural, forestry and fishing products;
- Monthly statistical bulleting;
- Statistical yearbook of the Montenegro.