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ANNUAL REPORT ON COLLECTION OF MILK AND PRODUCTION OF DAIRY PRODUCTS

LEGAL BASIS

The statistical activity is carried out in accordance with the current annual Work Plan of the Republika Srpska Institute of Statistics, pursuant to the Statistical Programme of Republika Srpska for the period 2022-2025 ("Official Gazette of Republika Srpska", No. 102/21) and the Law on Statistics of Republika Srpska ("Official Gazette of Republika Srpska", No. 85/03).

METHODOLOGICAL BASIS

AIM AND CONTENT

The aim of this statistical activity is to provide annual data on quantities of raw milk (cow's milk, sheep's milk, goat's milk) collected by dairies, as well as data on fat and protein content in the collected milk and data on realized annual production of dairy products.

REPORTING UNITS / OBSERVATION UNITS

Reporting units are dairies registered on the territory of Republika Srpska.

COVERAGE

The survey covers all registered dairies, regardless of their legal status.

METHOD AND PERIOD OF DATA COLLECTION

The data in this survey are collected using the reporting method, on the monthly basis. Reporting units (dairies) have to submit data to the Republika Srpska Institute of Statistics, using the electronic questionnaire until the 20th of the month for the previous month.

PROTECTION OF CONFIDENTIAL DATA

Only aggregate data for the level of Republika Srpska are published. Confidential data are protected pursuant to Articles 25 and 27 of the Law on Statistics of Republika Srpska ("Official Gazette of Republika Srpska", No. 85/03) and in accordance with the Rules of protection of confidential data.

DEFINITIONS OF MAIN FEATURES - INDICATORS

- Raw milk is natural secretion of mammary glands of bred cows, sheep and goats, obtained by one or more milkings, to which nothing was added and nothing was taken away from it.
- Consumable milk is milk that underwent thermal processing (pasteurized or sterilized – UHT milk), comprising whole milk, semi-skimmed milk and skimmed milk, containing no additives (except vitamin and mineral supplements).
- Cream comprises cream for direct consumption, with fat content higher or lower than 29%. Production of semi-finished products used to produce other dairy products is not included, which is the case for other products as well.
- Fermented dairy products comprise yoghurts, liquid yoghurts, soured milk, acidophilus milk and other fermented products.
- Condensed (concentrated) dairy products are products obtained through partial removal of water from whole milk, semi-skimmed and skimmed milk.
- Powdered skimmed milk comprises powdered milk with fat content lower than 1.5%.
- Other powdered dairy products comprise powdered cream, powdered whole milk and powdered semi-skimmed milk.
- Butter comprises melted butter, butter oil and similar products with fat content higher than 82%.
- Kaymak is a product similar to butter, with fat content lower than 80%, which is obtained as the fatty layer or crust separated from heat-treated (cooked) and cooled milk.
- Other yellow fatty products comprise butter with reduced fat content under 80% (whey butter), as well as various dairy spreads with fat content between 10% and 80%.
- Cow's milk cheese comprises all soft, semi-soft and hard types of cheese made from cow's milk only.

COMPLIANCE WITH INTERNATIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS AND STANDARDS

This statistical activity is conducted in accordance with the Commission Decision 1997/80/EC and the Council Directive 96/16/EC on statistical surveys of milk and milk products.

IMPLEMENTATION ORGANISATION

AUTHORITIES IMPLEMENTING THE STATISTICAL SURVEY

Data collection, entry and processing are carried out by the Division for Production Statistics of the Republika Srpska Institute of Statistics. The data are collected using the reporting method, with an electronic questionnaire. Data entry and processing are performed in IST, in line with the predefined criteria of logical and computational controls.

OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE DATA

Reporting units (dairies) must submit data to the Republika Srpska Institute of Statistics pursuant to the Law on Statistics.

IMPLEMENTATION FREQUENCY

Reporting units (dairies) have to submit data to the Republika Srpska Institute of Statistics until the 20th of the month for the reference period (previous month).

INSTRUMENTS

QUESTIONNAIRE

The questionnaire is available at the official website of the Institute, at:
http://www.rzs.rs.ba/front/category/13/187/?left_mi=24&up_mi=12&add=24

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE QUESTIONNAIRE

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LIST OF NOMENCLATURES AND CLASSIFICATIONS APPLIED

List of dairy products and groups of products for which data on production are collected and their definitions comply with the nomenclatures from the *Commission Decision No. 97/80EC, Annex I* and the *PRODCOM* list of industrial products.

PUBLISHING

Final annual results of this statistical activity are published on 15 February of the current year for the previous year, in the statistical release “Collection of milk and production of dairy products”.

Detailed data and time series of data are available in the database at our official website, at:
<http://www3.rzs.rs.ba/rzs/faces/indicators.xhtml>

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