

# Agricultural Statistics 2024

**Tirana, June 23, 2025:** In 2024, agricultural production in the country recorded significant developments in several crops:

- Cereals reached 649,919 tons, with the highest production level in Fier prefecture with 149,252 tons, followed by Elbasan and Korça.
- Vegetables registered a production of 1,424,404 tons, recording a 2.9 % increase, compared to the previous year. Fier, Tiranë, and Berat prefectures had the highest production.
- The production of potatoes showed an increase of 1.3 %, reaching 277,824 tons, with highest production in Korçë prefecture.
- Beans and medicinal plants increased by 4.6 % and 7.7 %, respectively, while industrial plants decreased by 7.9 %.

## Greenhouse Production

- Greenhouse production represent 22.7 % of total vegetable production, with an annual growth rate of 4.0 %.
- Fier and Berat prefectures contribute to this production respectively with 49.1 % and 30.2 %.

## Vegetable Structure

- Fresh vegetables represent 66.1 % of total production, with tomatoes, cucumbers, and peppers being the most represented of this category.
- Dry onions represent 83.9 % of the production within the dry vegetables group, while in the melon group, watermelon represents 80.2 % of this group production.

## Fruit Trees

- Fruit tree production reached 295,532 tons, showing a 3.1 % increase, with Korçë prefecture as the main contributor.
- Apples represent the largest share of pome fruit category, while plums dominate among stone fruits.
- Olive production reached 146,726 tons, recording a 24.6 % increase, compared to the previous year.
- Vlorë prefecture is the main contributor to citrus production, with 62.6 % of the total national production of 59,162 tons.

For more information, please visit the statistical database on INSTAT webpage: [Agricultural Statistics 2024](#)

# Methodology

Agriculture statistics 2024 are produced in base of administrative data, collected from Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development. Legal bases for these data is Law Nr. 17/2018 of Official Statistical National Program 2022–2026 and Law Nr. 30/2022 of Official Statistics 2022-2026, applying classifications and definitions according to relevant EU regulations- European Regulation (EC) Nr. 543/2009 of Agriculture Crop Statistics.

Information is collected in field by experts of extension services in all country. These experts collect data directly from farmers. Harvested production means production including on-holding losses and wastage, quantities consumed directly on the farm and marketed quantities.

Crop statistics are represented by annual data as: cultivated area, production area for permanent crops, production and yield.

## Definition

### Harvest year

Harvest year' means the calendar year in which the harvest begins.

## Classification

Classification of field crops is done by group of cultures (cereals, vegetables, industrial plants, fodder, oilseeds, potatoes, beans) in the open field and greenhouses, main and secondary area of crops.

Classification of fruit trees done by: fruit trees, olives, citrus, pergola and grapes in total number of trees, trees in production, production and yields.

### Area under cultivation

Area under cultivation means the area that corresponds to the total sown area, for production of the specific agricultural product, in a calendar year. In area under cultivation included main and secondary area of crops. Total area of vegetables is represented by fresh vegetables, dry vegetables and melons area. This area excludes ruined area (e.g. due to natural disasters).

### Greenhouse

Crops under glass or high (accessible) cover refers to crops which are covered by accessible greenhouses or fixed or mobile high cover (glass or rigid or flexible plastic) for the whole period of growth or for the predominant part of it.

### Permanent crops

Permanent crops are represented by pome fruits (apples, pears, quinces), stone fruits (plums, cherries, peaches, apricots), subtropical fruits (figs, persimmons, pomegranates), nuts (walnuts, chestnuts, almonds and hazelnuts), and others.

### Production area of permanent crops

Production area of permanent crops is potential productive area. It excludes all non-producing areas, such as new plantations that have not yet started to produce, extensive production or abandoned.