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**Field crop harvest 2020: record yields for grain maize and potatoes**

**Vienna**, 2020-12-21 – In 2020, 5.67 million tonnes of cereals (incl. grain maize) were harvested in Austria, according to final results by Statistics Austria. This means an increase by 5% to 2019 and by 10% compared to the ten-year average. The long period of dryness in spring was largely compensated by the following rainy period which started in May. Many field crops benefited from it.

For grain maize, the yield reached the highest value in the last ten years. Dry pulses and oilseeds achieved a production of 432 000 tonnes, which was 4% less than in 2019.

The area of root crops – sugar beets in particular – was reduced again. Nevertheless, this product group is expected to reach a surplus of 11% compared to the previous year (-21% compared to the ten-year average) with prospectively 3.01 million tonnes due to high yields, especially for potatoes.

For more detailed information please refer to the [German version](#).