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2021/22 CROP YEAR WAS THE HOTTEST AND THE THIRD DRIEST SINCE 1931

Early estimates, on October 31, point to decreases in olive yield (-40% compared to the previous year), because of scarce rainfall and high temperatures. In fruit trees, the scenario is similar, with generalized production decreases of 45% for pears, 30% for chestnuts, 20% for apples, 15% for almonds and 5% for kiwi. The 2022 grape harvest should also record decreases (-15%), anticipating the production of well-structured wines, with harmony between alcohol, acidity, sugars and tannins.

Spring crops were also affected by the severe drought conditions present throughout their vegetative cycle, with production decreases of 10% in irrigated grain maize and 15% in rice and tomato for processing.