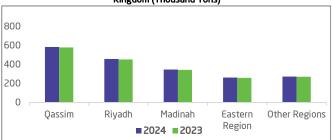


Date Production in Saudi Arabia is 1,923 Thousand Tons in 2024

Agricultural statistics for 2024 showed that the total quantity of date production in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia reached about 1,923 thousand tons representing an increase of 1% compared to 2023, while the number of palm trees exceeded 37.6 million, of which more than 32 million were fruitful trees. Al-Qassim region recorded the highest number of palm trees, totaling 10.8 million, with a production volume of approximately 584 thousand tons. Among the date varieties, Khalas ranked first in both the number of trees and production, with more than 10.9 million palm trees, including 9.6 million fruitful trees, producing around 616 thousand tons (Figure 1).

Figure 1. Quantity of Production Date Across Administrative Region of the Kingdom (Thousand Tons)



Grain Crops

The results showed that the total grain production reached 1,651 thousand tons in 2024. Wheat accounted for 71.9% of the total grain production, with a quantity of 1,187 thousand tons, recording a 9.7% decrease compared to 2023.

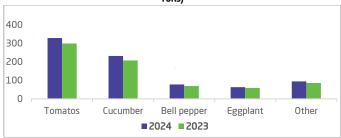
Open-field Vegetables

In 2024, the cultivated area of open-field vegetables reached approximately 89.7 thousand hectares, with a production quantity of about 2,745 thousand tons, showing an increase of 8.4% compared to 2023. Potatoes ranked first in terms of production quantity, reaching 624 thousand tons, followed by watermelon, with a production quantity of about 612 thousand tons.

Greenhouse Vegetables

The quantity of greenhouse vegetable production in 2024 reached 797 thousand tons, recording an increase of 10.6% compared to 2023, while the cultivated area of greenhouse vegetables amounted to 7.8 thousand hectares. The number of greenhouses cultivated with vegetables exceeded 121 thousand. Tomatoes ranked first in terms of production quantity, reaching 329 thousand tons, followed by cucumbers, with a production quantity exceeding 232 thousand tons (Figure 2).

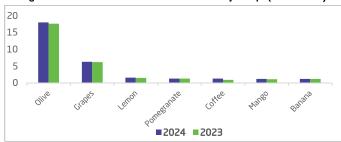
Figure 2. Quantity of Greenhouse Vegetable Production by Crop Type (Thousand Tons)



Perennial Trees

The number of perennial trees in 2024 reached approximately 43 million, of which fruitful trees accounted for 81.9%. The production of perennial trees grew by 2.7% year-on-year to 999 thousand tons. Olive trees ranked first among perennial crops, with about 21.5 million trees and a total production of 351.7 thousand tons, followed by grapes, with 7.3 million trees and a production quantity of 125.5 thousand tons (Figure3).

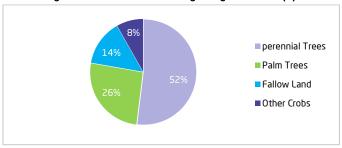
Figure 3. Number of Fruitful Perennial Trees for Major Crops (Million Trees)



Organic Crop Agriculture

Statistics indicated that the total area of organic agriculture in the Kingdom reached 20.7 thousand hectares in 2024. The area of organic agriculture for perennial trees (excluding palm trees) amounted to 12.5 thousand hectares, Accounting for 58.1% of the total organic area. This was followed by the area of organic agriculture for palm trees, which reached about 6.2 thousand hectares. The total production of organic crops reached 98.3 thousand tons Marking an increase of 3% compared with 2023 (Figure 4).

Figure 4. Relative Distribution of Organic Agriculture area (%)



Kingdom Exports and Imports of Agricultural Crops

The total quantity of agricultural crop imports reached 18,762 thousand tons in 2024 representing an increase of 10.8% compared to 2023, where grains had the largest share at 72.1% of the total quantity of imports. The total quantity of agricultural exports for the year 2024 amounted to 506 thousand tons representing an increase of 13% compared to 2023. Exports of "fruits and edible nuts" represent 72.1% of the total quantity of agricultural crop exports for the year 2024.

Key Indicators of Agricultural Statistics			
Indicators	Unit	2023	2024
Quantity of Grain Production	Thousand Tons	1,750	1,651
Quantity of Open-Field Vegetable Production		2,531	2,745
Quantity of Greenhouse Vegetable Production		721	797
Quantity of Palm Tree Production		1,903	1,923
Quantity of Perennial Tree Production		973	999
Area Cultivated with Grains	Thousand Hectares	331	304
Area Cultivated with Open-Field Vegetables		88.7	89.7
Area Cultivated with Greenhouse Vegetables		7	7.8
Number of Palm Trees	Million Trees	37	37.6
Number of Perennial Trees (Excluding Palm Trees)		41.5	43

Source : Tables

Methodology and Quality

The Agricultural Statistics Publication provides data on the cultivated areas and production quantities of various agricultural crops in the Kingdom, as well as the area and production of organic farming of agricultural crops. It also presents data on the value of loans financed by the Agricultural Development Fund, the total quantity and value of imports and exports of agricultural crops, and the bank credit granted. The publication is based on data from the Agricultural Survey 2024 conducted by the General Authority for Statistics at the level of the administrative regions of Saudi Arabia, in addition to administrative records from the Ministry of Environment, Water and Agriculture, the Agricultural Development Fund, and the Saudi Central Bank.

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