



Greece

Olive oil production forecast 2020/21;
Area developments; State aid to the olive sector

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The Greek olive sector

The cultivation of olives for the production of olive products is one of the main sectors of Greek agriculture, estimated by :

- the extent of the spread and the large area occupied by the cultivation,
- from the significant contribution to the employment
- from the positive contribution to the trade balance of the agricultural products of the country,
- from a number of other secondary activities and services.

The Greek olive oil sector

What does Greece mean for world olive oil production

- 132 million producing olive trees
- Yearly average production: 350 thousand metric tons (16% of world production)
- Greece is the largest producer of Extra Virgin Olive Oil worldwide
80% of its production is Extra Virgin olive oil
- Its value amounts to 1.4 billion Euros (subsidies from EU included)



The Greek olive sector

The olive groves for the **production of olive oil** occupy the **largest part** of the olive cultivation (on average 8.25 million acres in the period 2011-2015).

Olive cultivation for the **production of table olives** occupies a smaller area (average 1.1 million acres in the period 2011-2015)

Main Areas of Production:

- . Peloponese : 35%
- . Crete : 30%
- . Mitilini : 5%
- . Ionian Islands : 5%

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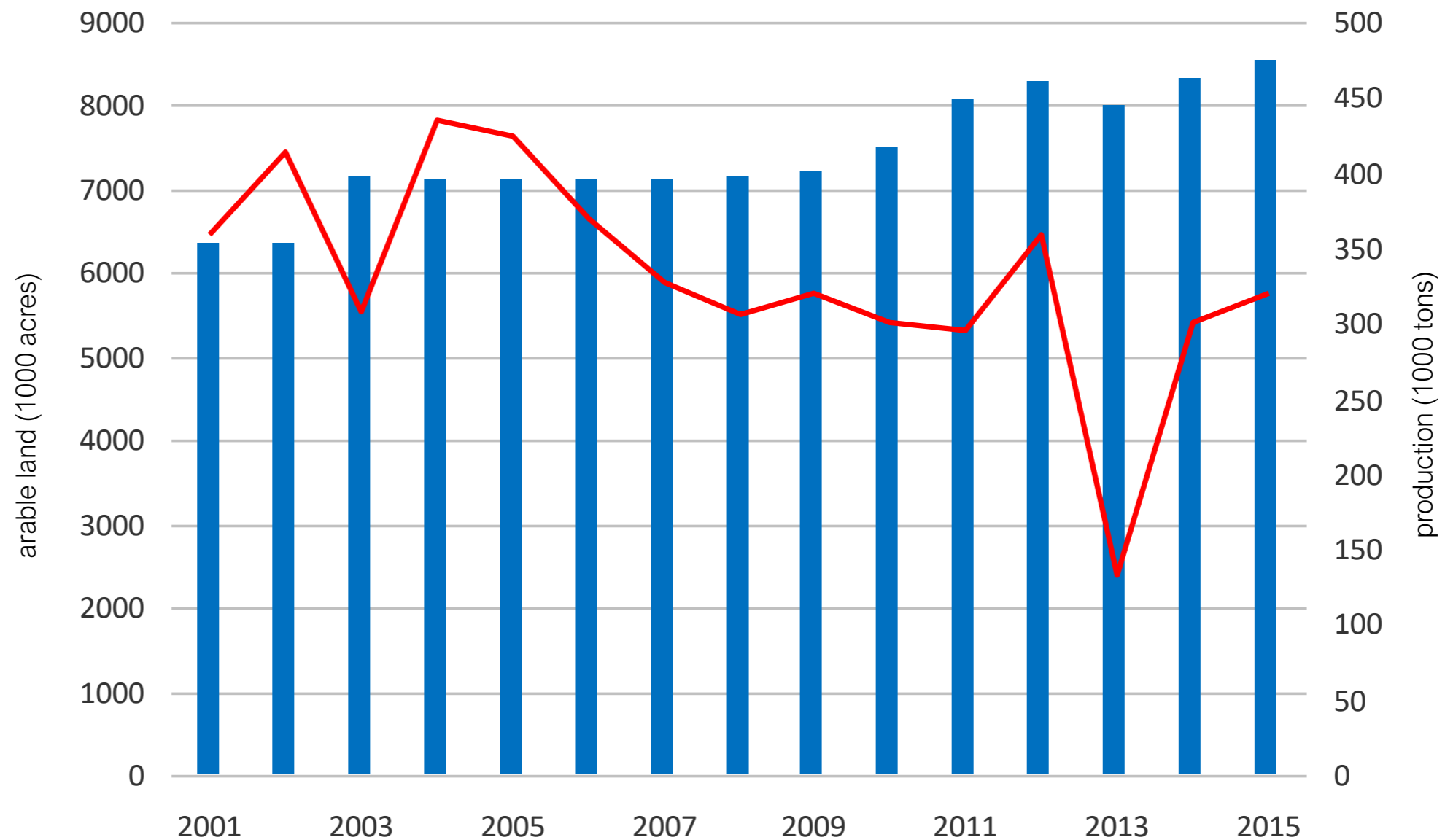
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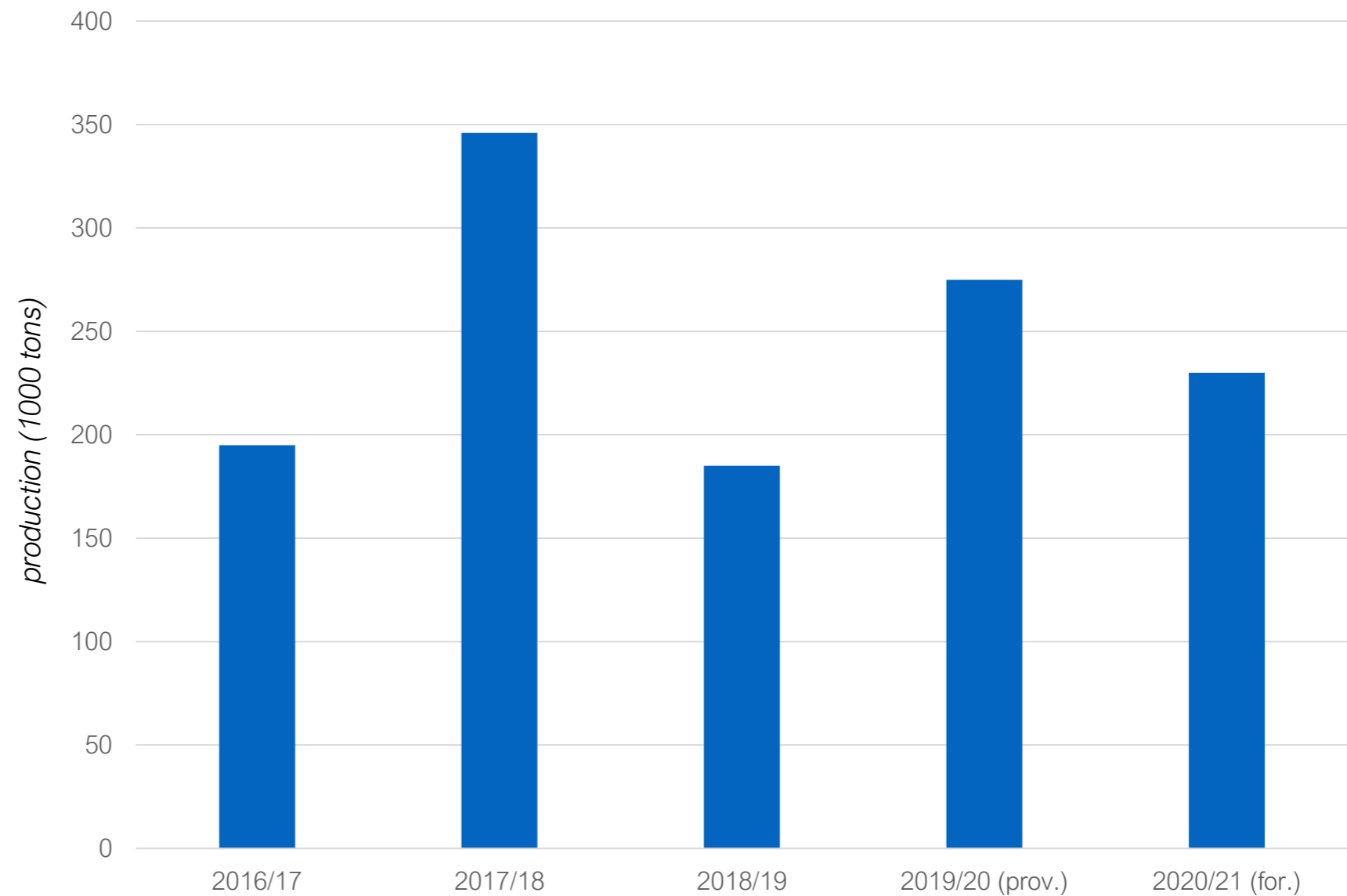
Evolution of olive groves and domestic olive oil production



Sources: Processing of Eurostat data, Crop Statistics (variable: apro_acs_a, update 14.6.2017) in terms of area and International Olive Council (IOC) data in terms of production.

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Domestic olive oil production

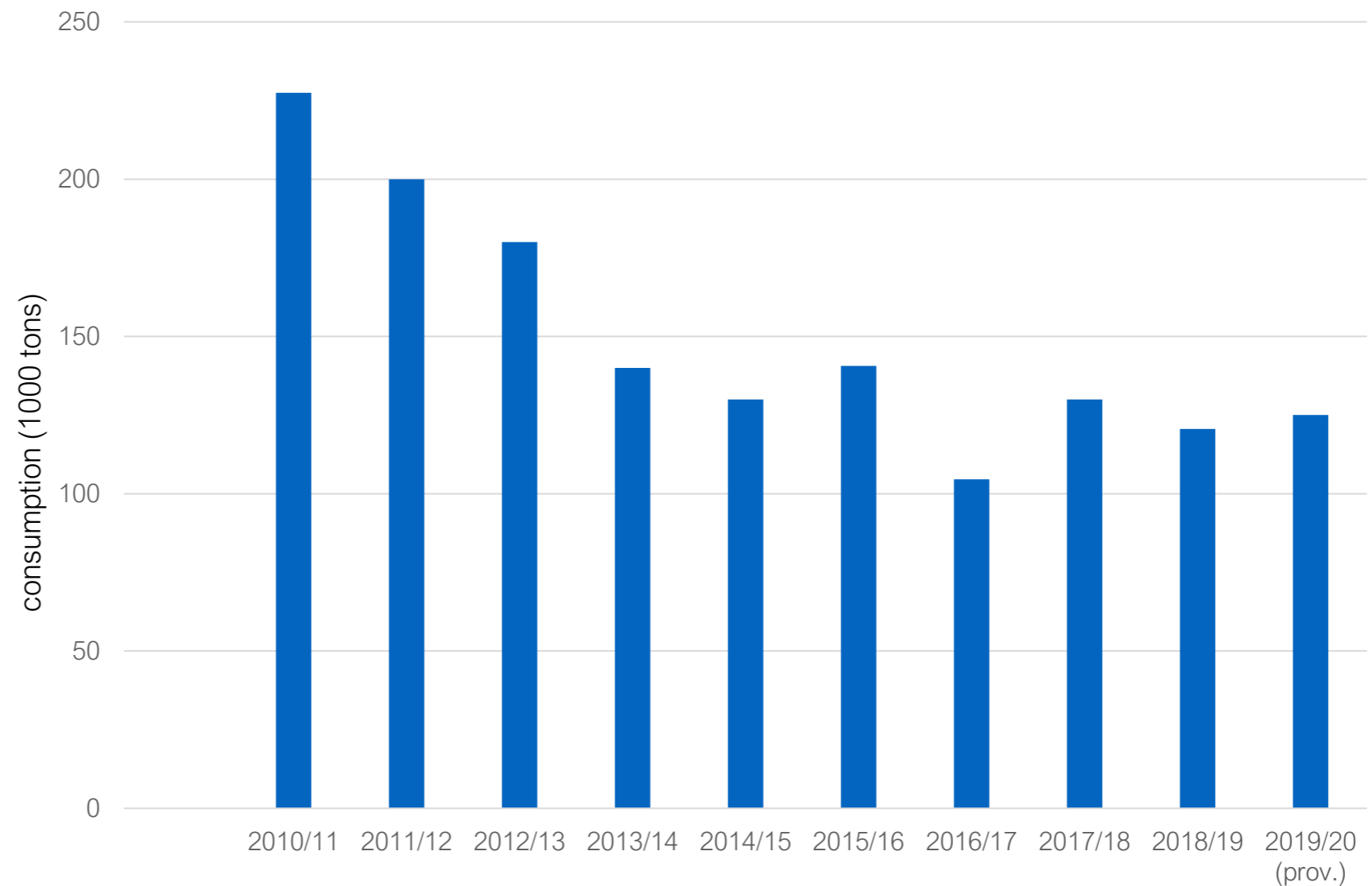


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Domestic olive oil consumption



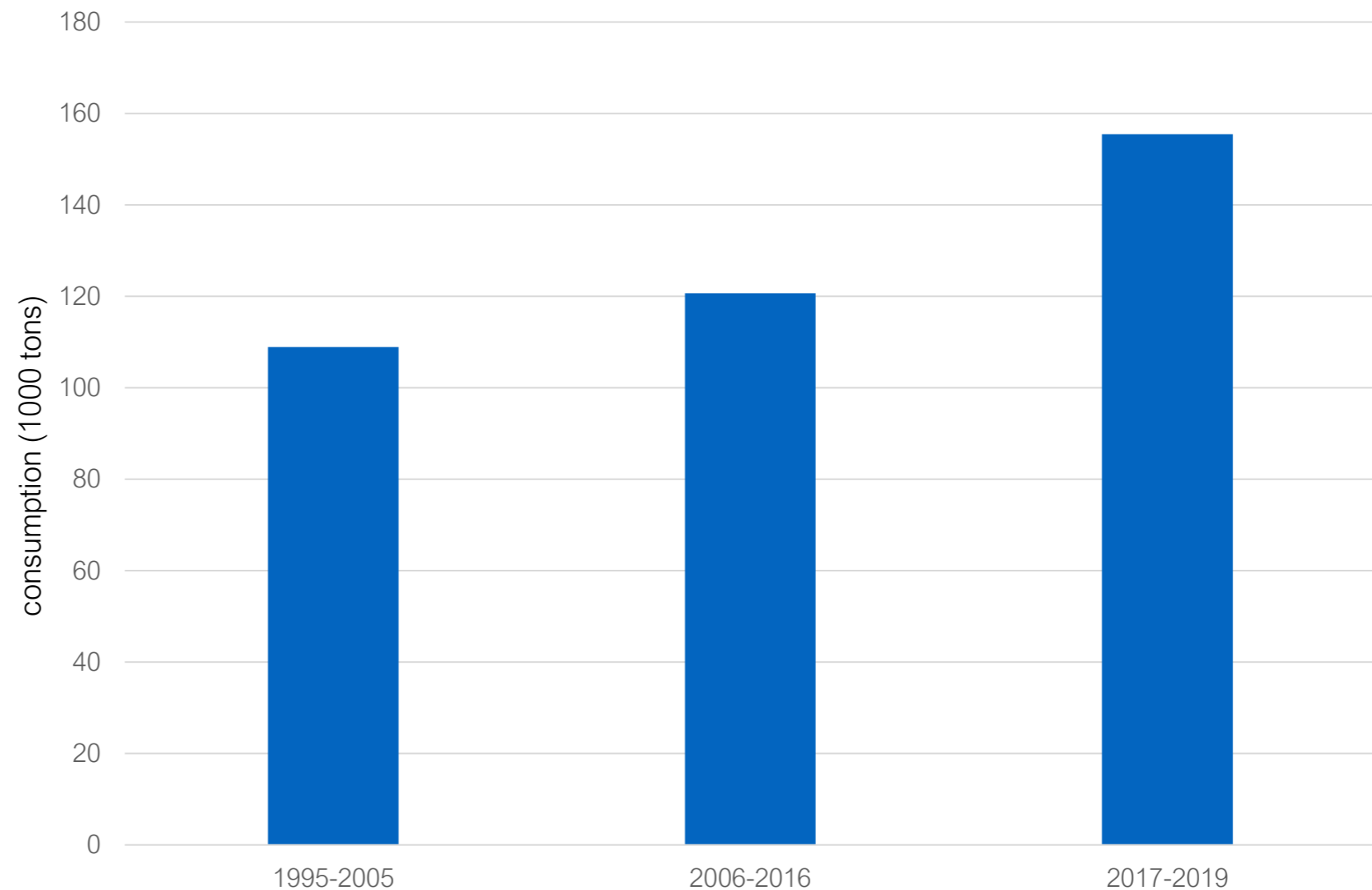
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Olive oil exports

HS Commodity codes 1509-1510



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State aid to the olive sector

The Ministry of Agriculture, announced that is going to give an **extraordinary state aid support in the framework of RDP Measure** for farmers in areas particularly affected by the effects of the pandemic.

The aim of the Measure is to ensure the **continuation of the business activity** of the farmers of the olive sector who are affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.



State aid to the olive sector

In particular, the new measure (M21) will concern about 145 thousand mainly farmers, who were registered as such in the national **Register of Farmers & Agricultural Holdings**

The total co-financed aid to be granted to the beneficiaries amounts to **EUR 126.3 million** and relates to a lump sum in accordance with the following headings



State aid to the olive sector

Eligible area	Aid per beneficiary
0 ha < eligible land ≤ 1 ha	300
1 ha < eligible land ≤ 1,5 ha	600
1,5 ha < eligible land ≤ 3 ha	1.100
3 ha < eligible land ≤ 5 ha	1.600
5 ha < eligible land ≤ 7 ha	2.000
7 ha < eligible land ≤ 10 ha	2.500
10 ha < eligible land ≤ 15 ha	3.000
15 ha < eligible land ≤ 20 ha	3.500
eligible land >20 ha	4.000

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