

AGRARIAN PRODUCTION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Prior Results and Goals up to 1990

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There are two long-term goals which rank highly on the Czechoslovak agricultural and nutritional agenda: national self-sufficiency and increase in production. The previous variations and reverses in agrarian production were connected with the wave of centralization of operations, reorganization and other structural changes in agriculture. This analysis of the general and specific data on the results of the 1981-1985 Five-Year Plan allows for the first time a thorough evaluation of development since 1980. It provides the basis for a judgment of the middle range output (especially up to 1990) as well as for a prognosis of further development. One can discern the probable production and supply situation as well as the outlook on agricultural foreign trade. The most important bases for the study was the *Osteuropa-Spezialbibliothek* in Giessen which is unsurpassed, not only in the Federal Republic of Germany, but throughout Western Europe, so far as its holdings of scholarly agricultural books and periodicals are concerned.