

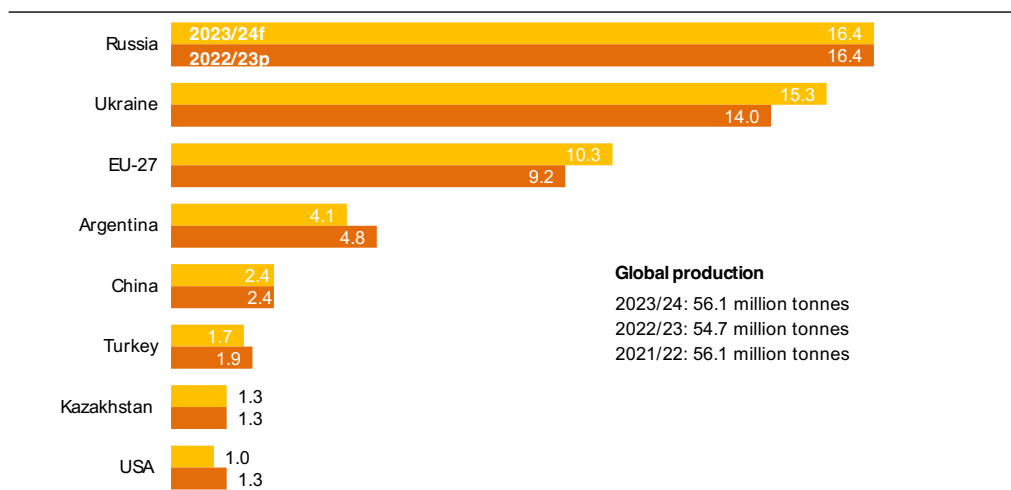
More sunflower seed from Ukraine

Berlin, 11 October 2023 – According to recent information published by the International Grains Council (IGC), global production of sunflower seed will probably amount to 56.1 million tonnes in 2023/24. In other words, the IGC lowered its previous month's forecast by 300,000 tonnes. The previous year's output is seen to be exceeded by only 2.6 per cent.

The downward adjustment is mainly due to a prospective smaller crop in the EU-27. The sunflower seed harvest in the Union, the world's third most important supplier, is expected to reach around 10.3 million tonnes, which is 100,000 tonnes less than projected in August. Nevertheless, the previous year's figure will presumably be exceeded by 12.4 per cent.

The harvest area in Ukraine is seen to have been expanded significantly for 2023. Due to favourable growing conditions, yields are expected to increase on 2022. The IGC projects production to reach 15.3 million tonnes. This translates to an 8.9 per cent rise on the past year. Especially the sunflower acreage in the currently "uncontrolled areas" account for a significant share in the overall output. In Russia, where harvesting commenced at the end of September 2023, output of sunflower seed is expected to remain at the previous year's level of 16.4 million tonnes. In other words, the previous month's forecast remained unchanged.

Global production of sunflower seeds
in million tonnes



Source: IGC

Note: f = forecast, p = preliminary

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