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Authorised seed inspection system in Hungary
Sunflower-, rape-, soybean- seed production in Hungary

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Legal background

2004/117 EC Council Directive – allow activity of seed certification under official supervision

In Hungary the 2003 LII. Seed law and the 48/2004 FVM decree, and the 50/2004 FVM decree created the opportunity of authorised activities: in field inspection/sampling and seed testing under official supervision of the national authorities

Following the legislative changes NÉBIH introduced guidelines which cover each 3 areas:

Authorised field inspection

Authorised seed sampling

Authorised laboratory seed testing

Result of discussions with seed companies, Hungarian Seed Association, and the Ministry of Agriculture

Data of the first period 2007-2011

There was a first period of authorized seed certification system in operation between 2007-2011

During that period:

Field inspection	ha	Sampling (seed lots/year)
Hybrid maize	16000	
Sunflower	4500	2500-3000

Structure of seed authorities in Hungary



Advantages for the authority

- Reduces official burden

Advantages to the companies:

- Cost efficient
- Time efficient

Disadvantages to the authority:

- Makes more official control work
- Increases administrative work

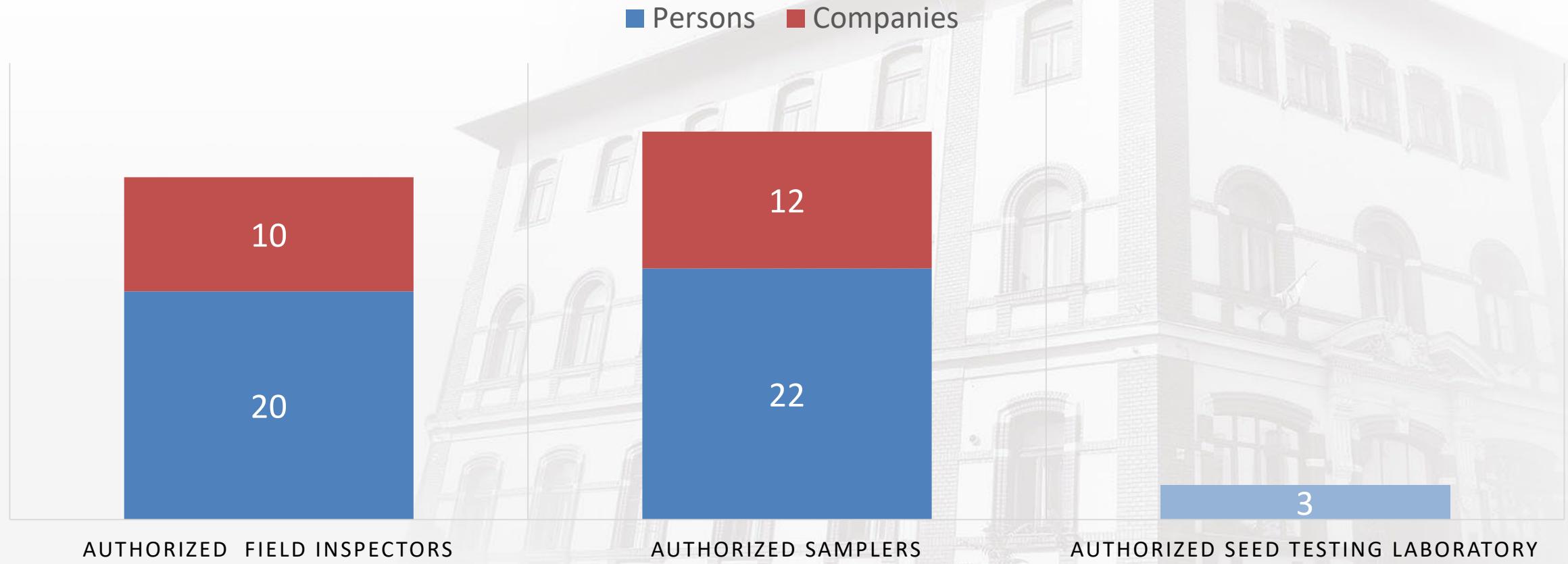
Disadvantages to the companies:

- opportunity of partiality

Licences

- Application with annexes to NÉBIH MGEI
- Exams: 1) oral and written (NÉBIH); 2) Practice training (county offices); 3) Practical exam NÉBIH –on site of companie's multiplication field or seed plant or in the NÉBIH seed testing laboratory
- After licence issued is valid for three years
- It can be extended, renewed, withdrawn, suspended or banned
- Previous official seed inspectors does not need exam to be licenced (if they have 5 years of experience)
- Administration controlled both by NÉBIH MGEI and local county offices

Present



Authorised field inspection

Approved area (ha)		Rejected area (ha)	
2020	2021	2020	2021
12679	12458	187	752

Authorised labeling

2021	2022*
6885	2531

Authorised seed testing

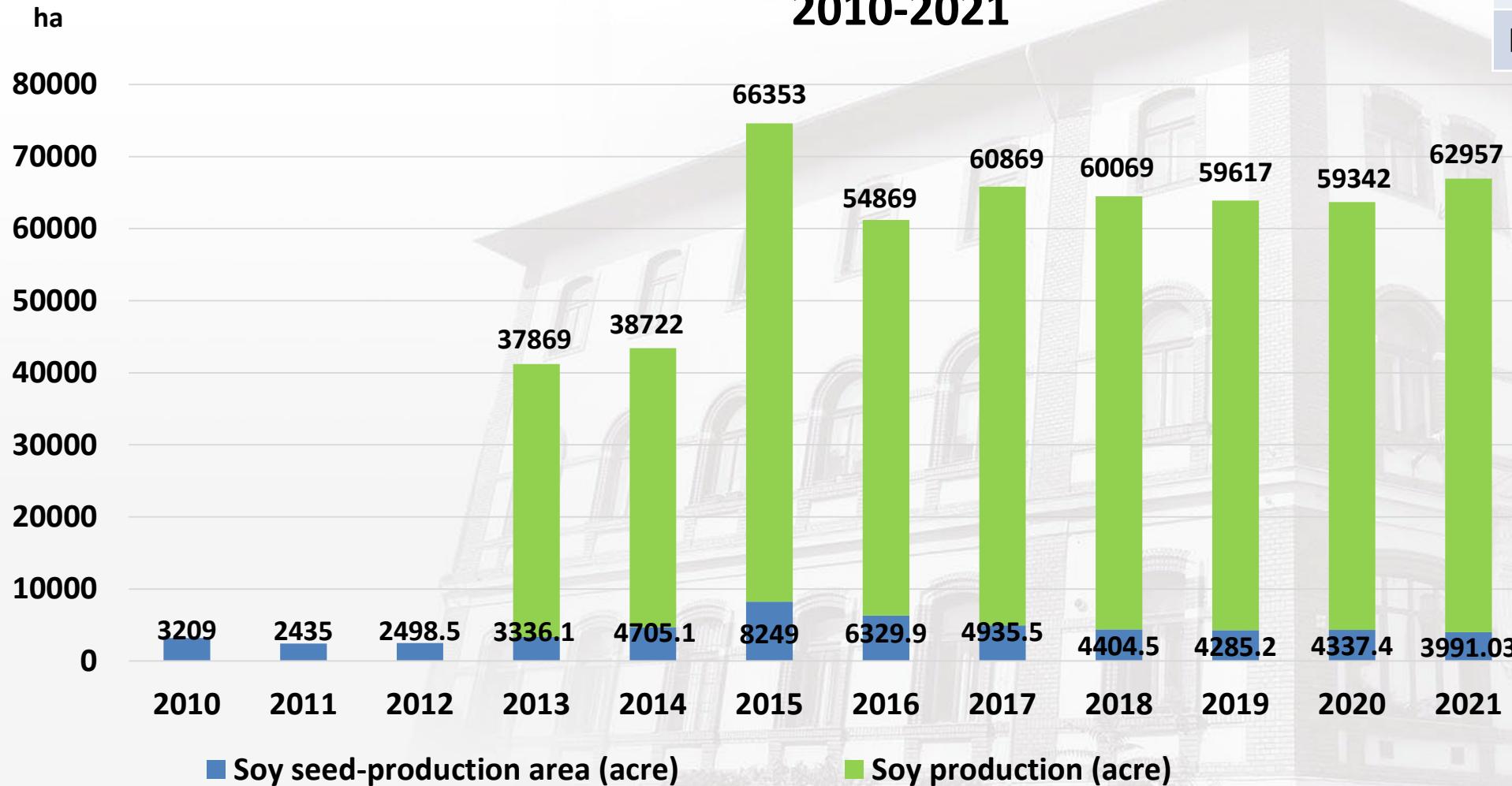
2020	2021
1047	2531

Soy-bean

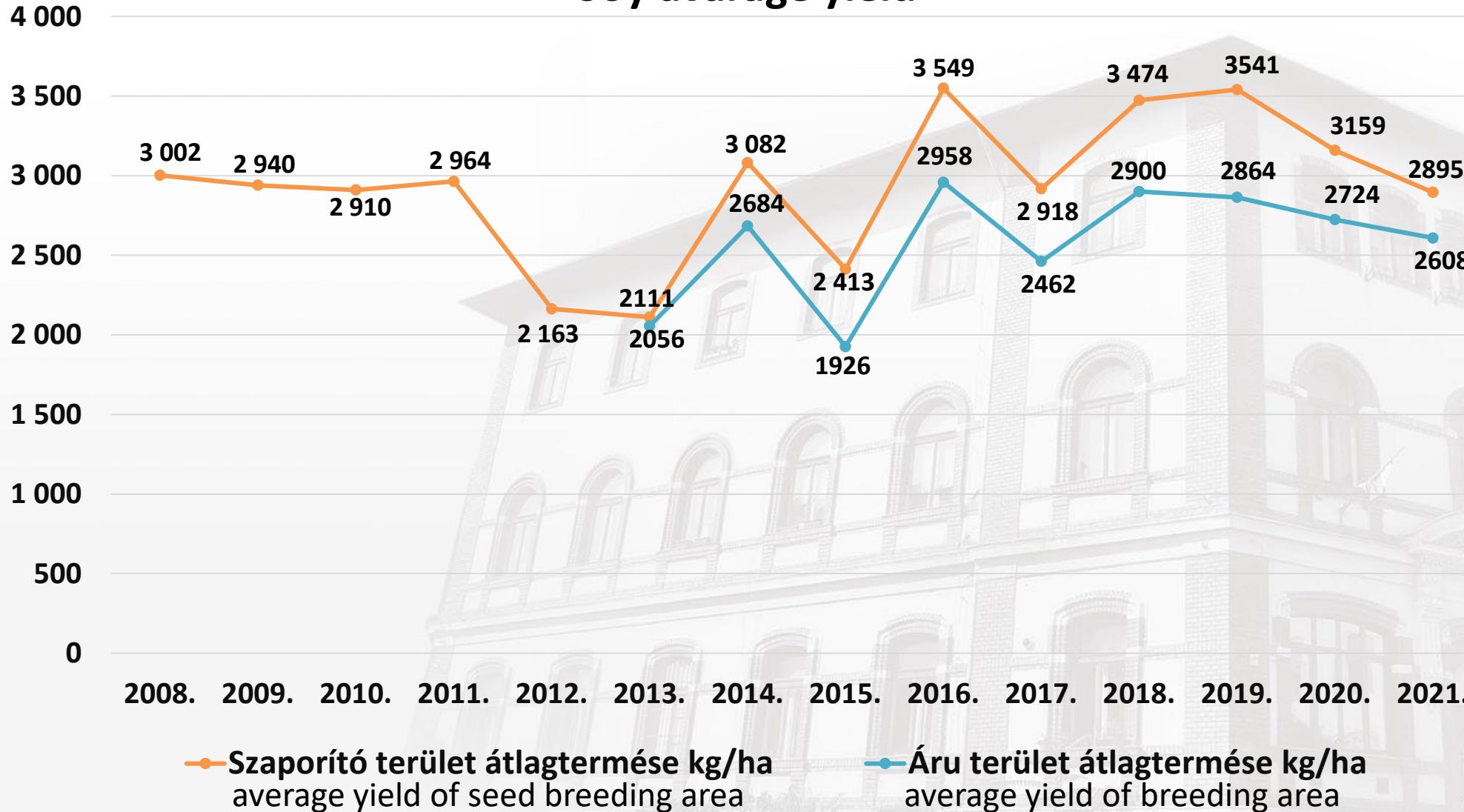


PB	0,21%
B	3,43%
I.st G	21,92%
II.nd G	74,27%

Declared/approved area of soy 2010-2021



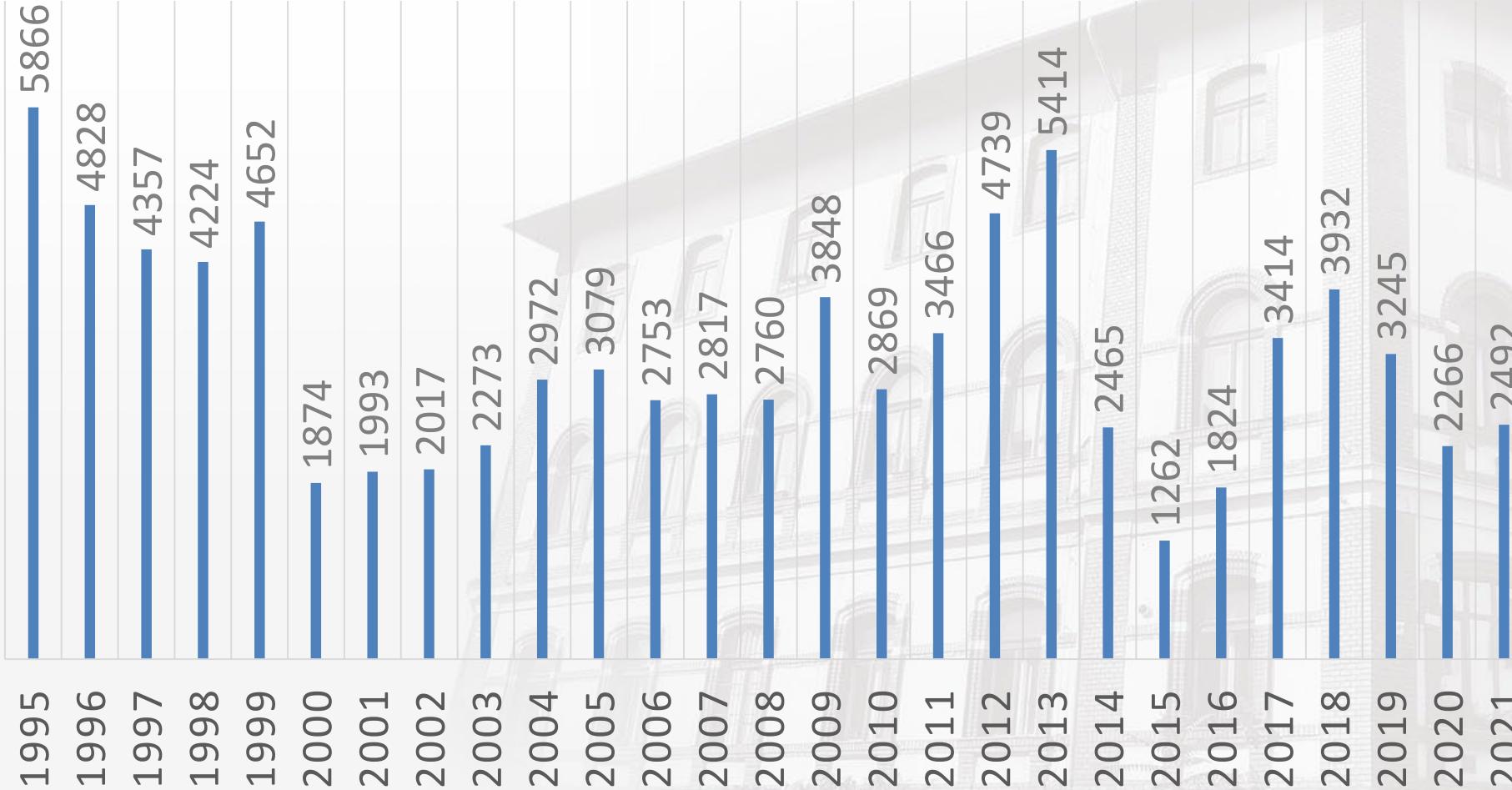
Soy avarage yield



Sunflower



INSPECTED AREA (HA)



	Labeling		
Year	All	Domestic (National/EU white, blue)	Export (OECD, other)
	tonns	tonns	tonns
2015	7 686,32	1 862,97	5 823,35
2016	8 255,07	940,32	7 314,75
2017	8 205,71	1 898,00	6 307,71
2018	8 284,00	2 184,00	6 100,00
2019	8 722,80	1 568,30	6 836,50
2020	8 532,3	1 755,2	6 568,0
2021	8934,0	3075,8	5 858,2

Rapeseed



Rapeseed

	Field inspection					Labeling			
Year	Inspected area	Approved area	Variety	Avarage yield	All yield	All	Domestic(EU white, blue)	Export (OECD, other)	Export
	ha	ha	db	kg/ha	tonna	tonna	tonna	tonna *	% *
2011	2 012	1 928	31	1 644	3 169	4 380,01	885,52	3 494,49	79,78
2012	1 898	1 843	43	1 690	3 114	3 602,61	1 273,70	2 328,91	64,65
2013	1 947	1 887	36	1 424	2 688	2 979,47	494,59	2 484,88	83,40
2014	907	903	24	2 498	2 255	2 479,83	242,19	2 237,64	90,23
2015	463	463	9	1 460	676	2 158,51	1 222,95	935,56	43,34
2016	539	539	15	1 963	1 059	2 695,63	1 452,27	1 243,36	46,13
2017	693	665	15	1 974	1 314	2 928,46	1 714,55	1 213,91	41,45
2018	891	879	26	1 908	1 676	2 919,83	1 672,03	1 247,80	42,74
2019	1 139	1 129	26	1 792	2 633	2 766,83	1 684,19	1 082,64	39,12
2020	1064	1022	23	1593	1629	4008,93	3500,26	508,67	12,68
2021	1113	1090	19	1417	1545	3592,35	3288,79	303,56	8,45

