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Iran Agriculture Industry

The agricultural sector

As the second largest country in the Middle East, Iran covers an area of 1.648.000 km². Due to Iran's climate and topography, around 15-12 % of the country's land surface is cultivated and another 25 % of the total land surface is considered rangeland.

GDP from Agriculture in Iran increased from 16000 IRR Billion in the first quarter of 2018 to 103000 IRR Billion in the second quarter of 2018. GDP From Agriculture in Iran averaged 26657.34 IRR Billion from 1988 until 2018, reaching an all-time high of 228000 IRR Billion in the third quarter of 2017 and a record low of 891.56 IRR Billion in the first quarter of 1990.

Since Iran is a country with different climate conditions and temperature fluctuation, there is a great potential for producing different type of vegetation including wheat, barley, rice and maize, dates, figs, pomegranates, melons, grapes, vegetables, cotton, sugar beets, sugarcanes, nuts, olives, spices, raisins, tea, berberis and medicine herbs. Moreover, Iran is the world's largest producer of pistachio, nuts and saffron.

Value of Iran's agricultural imports reached 7.665\$ billion during the first nine months of the 2018, i.e. 18.6 percent more year-on-year.

According to the data released by Iran's Agriculture Ministry, the country imported 14.145 million tons of agricultural products during this period had 9.8 percent increase comparing to the same period in the preceding year.

Iran's agricultural exports amounted to 4\$ billion during the first nine months of the 3.4 ,2018 percent less year-on-year. Agronomic products topped the list of exports with 63.4 percent share in terms of volume, followed by horticultural products (21.6 percent) and livestock (12.3 percent).

Related indicators	Last	Previous	Min	Max	Unit
Barley	3,498.100 2017	3,724.400 2016	724.000 1975	3,724.400 2016	Ton th
Green Tea	135.000 2017	144.200 2016	64.000 1968	309.000 1997	Ton th
Oil Seeds	473.000 2017	331.800 2016	4.000 1968	628.000 2007	Ton th
Paddy Rice	3,294.100 2017	2,921.000 2016	501.000 1980	3,294.100 2017	Ton th
Pistachio	310.000 2017	304.400 2016	9.000 1979	314.000 1998	Ton th
Sugar Beet	7,000.000 2017	5,965.600 2016	1,713.700 2008	7,000.000 2017	Ton th
Sugar Cane	8,000.000 2017	7,479.600 2016	433.000 1968	8,000.000 2017	Ton th
Tobacco	21.000 2017	21.000 2016	8.800 2009	28.000 1985	Ton th