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Slovenian Farm Consolidation

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Report Highlights:

Slovenia's farm sector is going through a period of consolidation. The consolidations are the result of agricultural reforms aimed at EU accession. This is impacting some crops that are planted on 5 percent less land than compared to 2000.

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Slovenian agricultural reform is resulting in a trend of farm consolidation with the number of farms dropping from 86,400 in 2000 to 77,100 in 2003. During this period, about 10,500 small farms (less than 10 ha) disappeared and 1,135 larger farms (more than 10 ha) were formed. Utilized agricultural area decreased slightly from 486,174 ha in 2000 to 481,034 ha in 2003.

At this time, the average Slovenian farm under cultivation is 6.2 ha with 6.1 head of cattle. In 2000, the average farm was 5.6 ha with an average of 5.5 head of cattle. The move to consolidation has resulted in a 5 percent decrease in arable land from a total of 170,849 ha in 2000 to 162,105 ha in 2003. This has impacted many crops such as grains that were planted on 5 percent less land than in 2000.