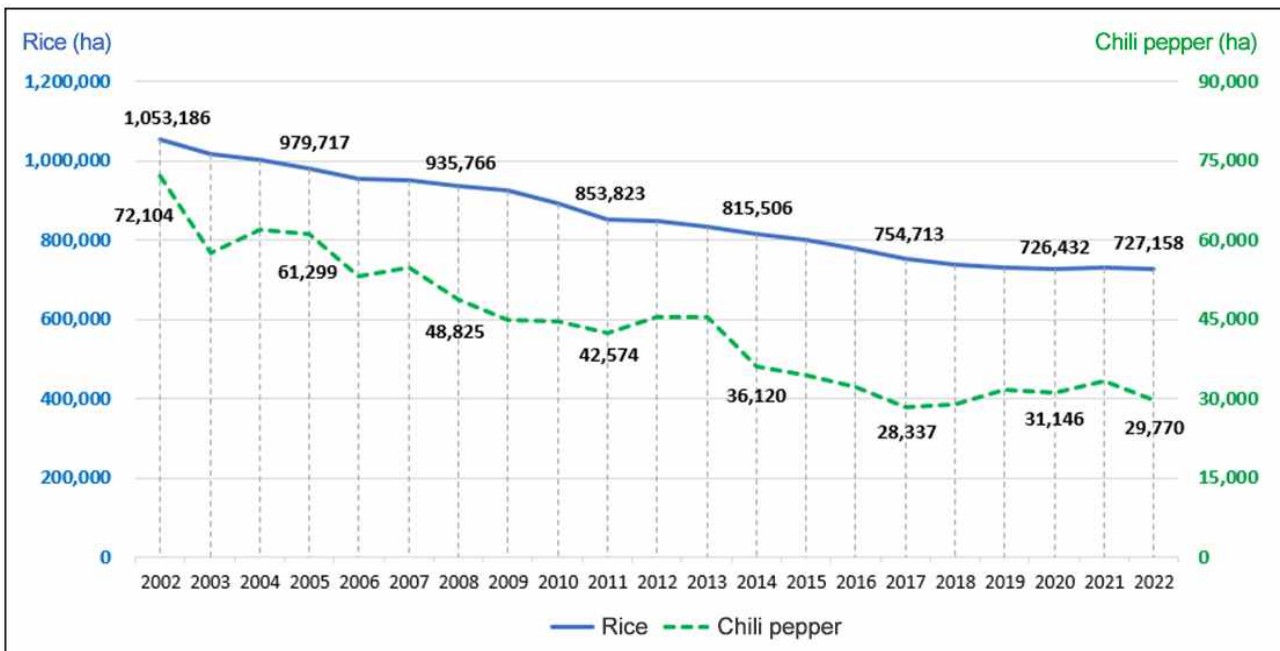




# Cultivated Area of Rice and Chili Pepper in 2022

- The cultivated area of rice totaled 727,158ha in 2022, which decreased by 0.7% from 732,477ha in 2021.
- The cultivated area of rice showed a slight year-on-year decrease owing to the government policy to reduce the cultivated area of rice and the drop in rice prices.
- The cultivated area of chili pepper amounted to 29,770ha in 2022, which fell by 10.8% from 33,373ha in 2021.
- The cultivated area of chili pepper showed a year-on-year decrease owing to the lack of labor force resulting from population ageing and the drop in chili pepper prices.

< Cultivated area of rice and chili pepper by year >



< Cultivated area of rice and chili pepper in 2022 >

(Unit: ha, %)

	2020	2021 (A)	2022 (B)	Change (C=B-A)	Percent change (C/A)
▪ Rice	726,432	732,477	727,158	-5,319	-0.7
▪ Chili pepper	31,146	33,373	29,770	-3,604	-10.8

# 1. Cultivated area of rice

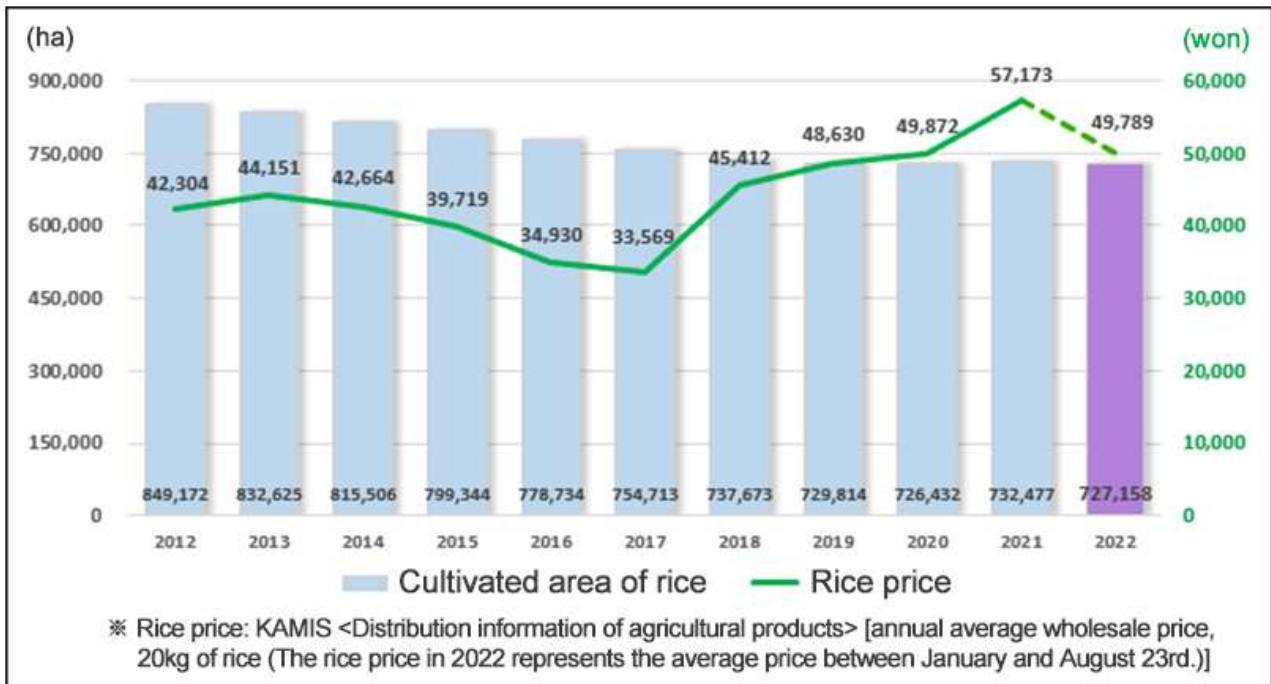
The cultivated area of rice totaled 727,158ha in 2022, which decreased by 5,319ha (-0.7%) from 732,477ha in 2021.

○ The cultivated area of rice recorded a year-on-year decrease owing to the government policy to reduce the cultivated area of rice (e.g. government support to crop other crops) and the drop in rice prices.

\* Rice price (Distribution information of agricultural products, annual average wholesale price, 20kg of rice)

· 48,630 won in 2019 → 49,872 won in 2020 → 57,173 won in 2021 → 49,789 won in 2022

< Cultivated area and price of rice by year >



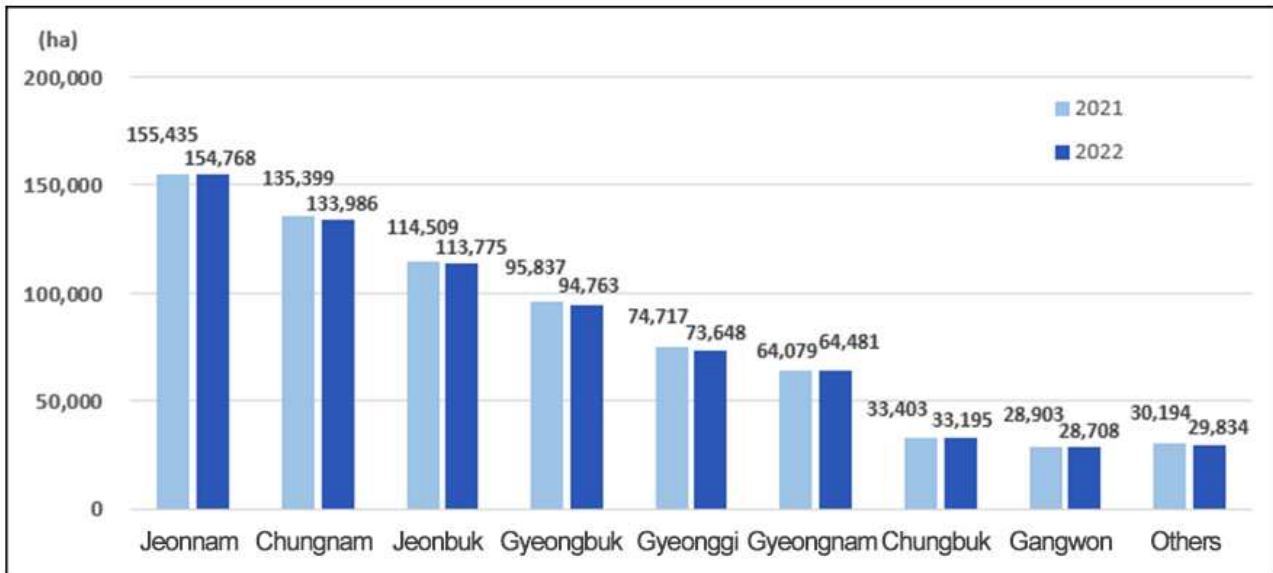
< Cultivated area of rice in 2022 >

(Unit: ha, %)

	2020	2021 (A)	2022 (B)	Change (C=B-A)	Percent change (C/A)
<b>Rice</b>	726,432	732,477	727,158	-5,319	-0.7
Paddy rice	726,180	732,070	726,745	-5,325	-0.7
Upland rice	253	407	413	6	1.5

○ As for cultivated area of rice by province, Jeonnam recorded the highest figure of 154,768ha, which was followed by Chungnam (133,986ha), Jeonbuk (113,775ha), Gyeongbuk (94,763ha) and Gyeonggi (73,648ha).

< Cultivated area of rice by province >



< Cultivated area of rice by province in 2022 >

(Unit: ha, %)

	2020	2021 (A)	2022 (B)	Change (C=B-A)	Percent change (C/A)
<b>The nation</b>	<b>726,432</b>	<b>732,477</b>	<b>727,158</b>	<b>-5,319</b>	<b>-0.7</b>
Jeonnam	156,230	155,435	154,768	-667	-0.4
Chungnam	131,284	135,399	133,986	-1,413	-1.0
Jeonbuk	110,880	114,509	113,775	-733	-0.6
Gyeongbuk	97,257	95,837	94,763	-1,074	-1.1
Gyeonggi	75,128	74,717	73,648	-1,070	-1.4
Gyeongnam	65,028	64,079	64,481	402	0.6
Chungbuk	32,745	33,403	33,195	-208	-0.6
Gangwon	28,405	28,903	28,708	-195	-0.7
Others*	29,475	30,194	29,834	-361	-1.2

\* Others: Seoul, Busan, Daegu, Incheon, Gwangju, Daejeon, Ulsan, Sejong, Jeju

## 2. Cultivated area of chili pepper

**The cultivated area of chili pepper amounted to 29,770ha in 2022, which declined by 3,604ha (-10.8%) from 33,373ha in 2021.**

○ The cultivated area of chili pepper showed a year-on-year decrease owing to the lack in labor force in rural areas and the drop in chili pepper prices from the third quarter of 2021 to mid May in 2022.

\* Chili pepper price (Korea Agro-Fisheries & Food Trade Corporation, annual average wholesale price, fire dried chili pepper, 1kg of chili pepper of high quality)

· 17,588 won in 2019 → 18,932 won in 2020 → 23,247 won in 2021 → 18,341 won in 2022

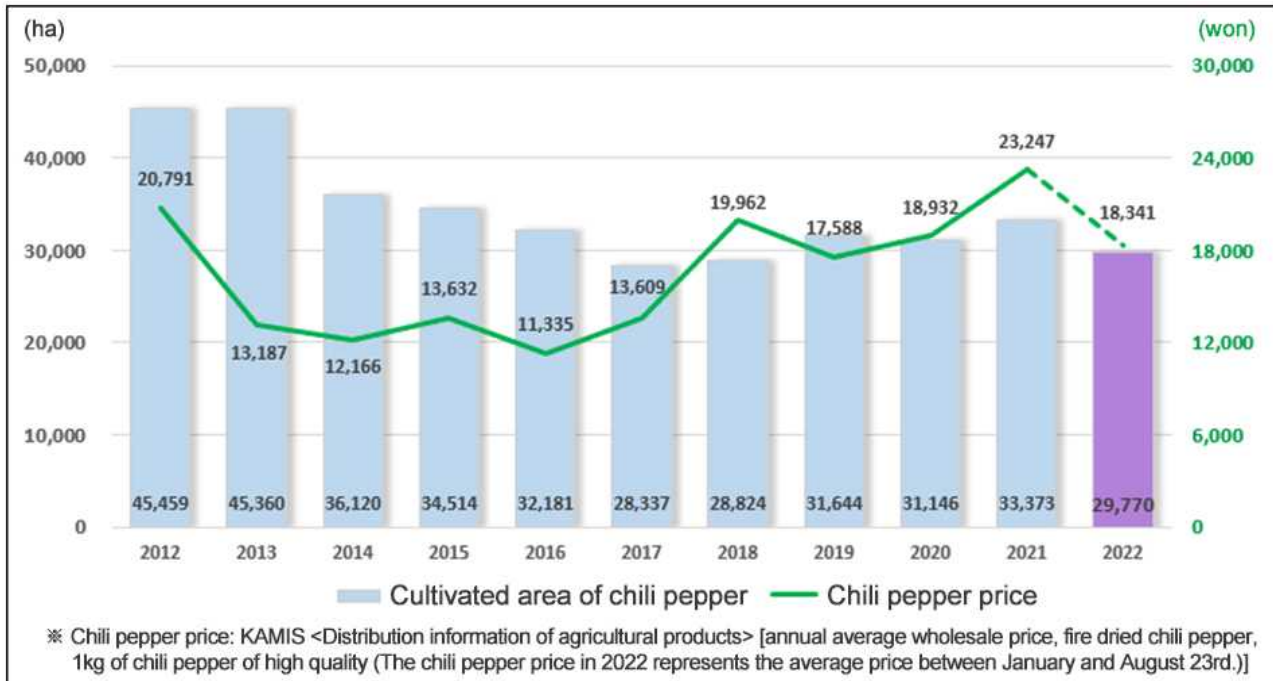
· Pepper planting period: Late April ~ Mid May

< Wholesale price of dried chili pepper >

(Unit: won)

Year	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
2021	25,680	25,680	25,527	25,593	25,593	25,684	25,760	23,269	19,681	18,837	18,676	18,884
2022	18,600	18,461	18,100	18,100	18,100	18,117	18,426	18,996	-	-	-	-

< Cultivated area and price of chili pepper by year >



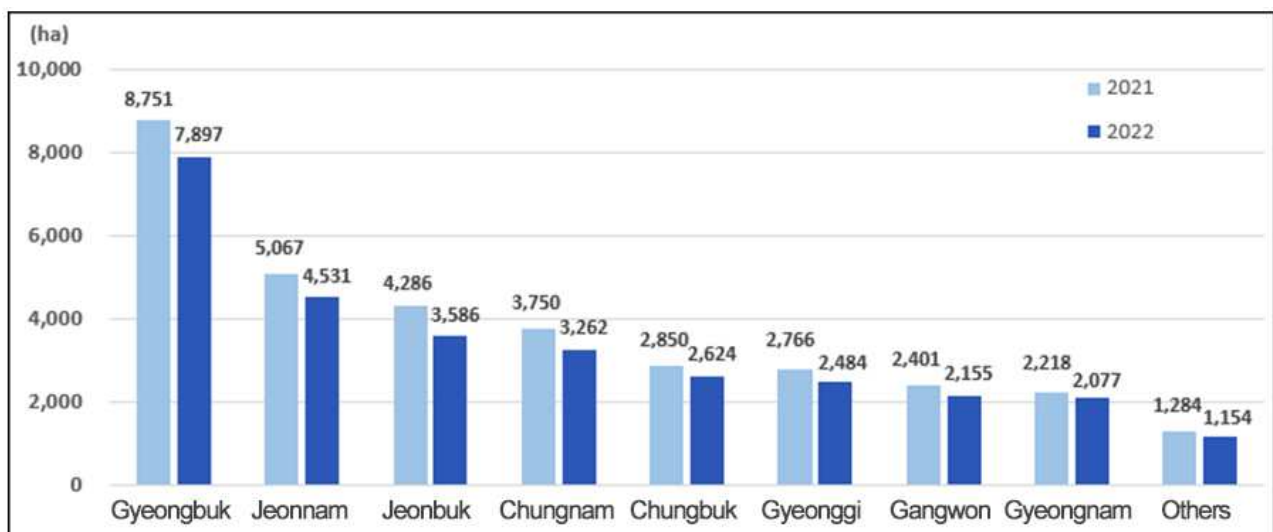
< Cultivated area of chili pepper in 2022 >

(Unit: ha, %)

	2020	2021 (A)	2022 (B)	Change (C=B-A)	Percent change (C/A)
Chili pepper	31,146	33,373	29,770	-3,604	-10.8

- As for cultivated area of chili pepper by province, Gyeongbuk recorded the highest figure of 7,897ha, which was followed by Jeonnam (4,531ha), Jeonbuk (3,586ha), Chungnam (3,262ha) and Chungbuk (2,624ha).

< Cultivated area of chili pepper by province >



< Cultivated area of chili pepper by province in 2022 >

(Unit: ha, %)

	2020	2021 (A)	2022 (B)	Change (C=B-A)	Percent change (C/A)
<b>The nation</b>	<b>31,146</b>	<b>33,373</b>	<b>29,770</b>	<b>-3,604</b>	<b>-10.8</b>
Gyeongbuk	7,906	8,751	7,897	-854	-9.8
Jeonnam	4,682	5,067	4,531	-537	-10.6
Jeonbuk	4,320	4,286	3,586	-700	-16.3
Chungnam	3,318	3,750	3,262	-488	-13.0
Chungbuk	2,792	2,850	2,624	-226	-7.9
Gyeonggi	2,586	2,766	2,484	-282	-10.2
Gangwon	2,251	2,401	2,155	-247	-10.3
Gyeongnam	2,186	2,218	2,077	-141	-6.4
Others*	1,105	1,284	1,154	-131	-10.2

\* Others: Seoul, Busan, Daegu, Incheon, Gwangju, Daejeon, Ulsan, Sejong, Jeju