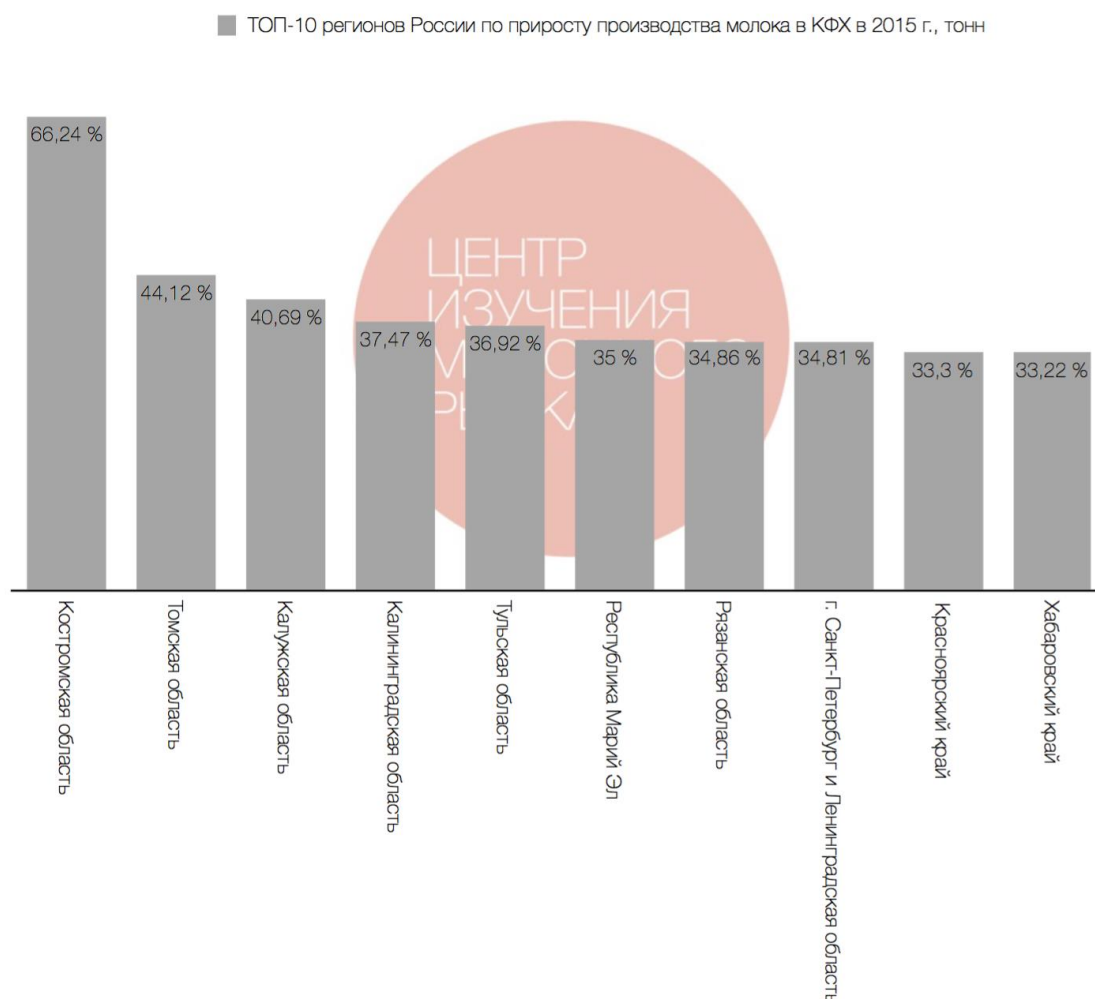


Top-10 Russian regions by milk production in peasant farms growth rate in 2015

Center for the Study of Dairy Market (CSDM) has prepared a rating of Russian regions by growth of milk production in peasant (private) farms and individual entrepreneurs (*hereafter peasant farms*) in 2015. Kostroma Region ranked 1st among Russian regions by milk production in peasant farms growth rate in 2015. Its peasant farms increased milk production in 2015 by **66.24%** to 3.9 thousand tons. There are 35 peasant farms involved in milk production in the region with average cows population amounting 65 heads. Share of peasant farms in total region's commercial milk production reaches only 4.69% what is less compared to the average level in Russia (5.4%).

The list of top-ten regions where the growth exceeded 30% also included Tomsk, Kaluga, Kaliningrad, Tula, Ryazan Regions, as well as Moscow Region (Moscow and Moscow Region), Leningrad Region (Saint Petersburg and Leningrad Region), Mari El Republic, Krasnoyarsk and Khabarovsk Territories.

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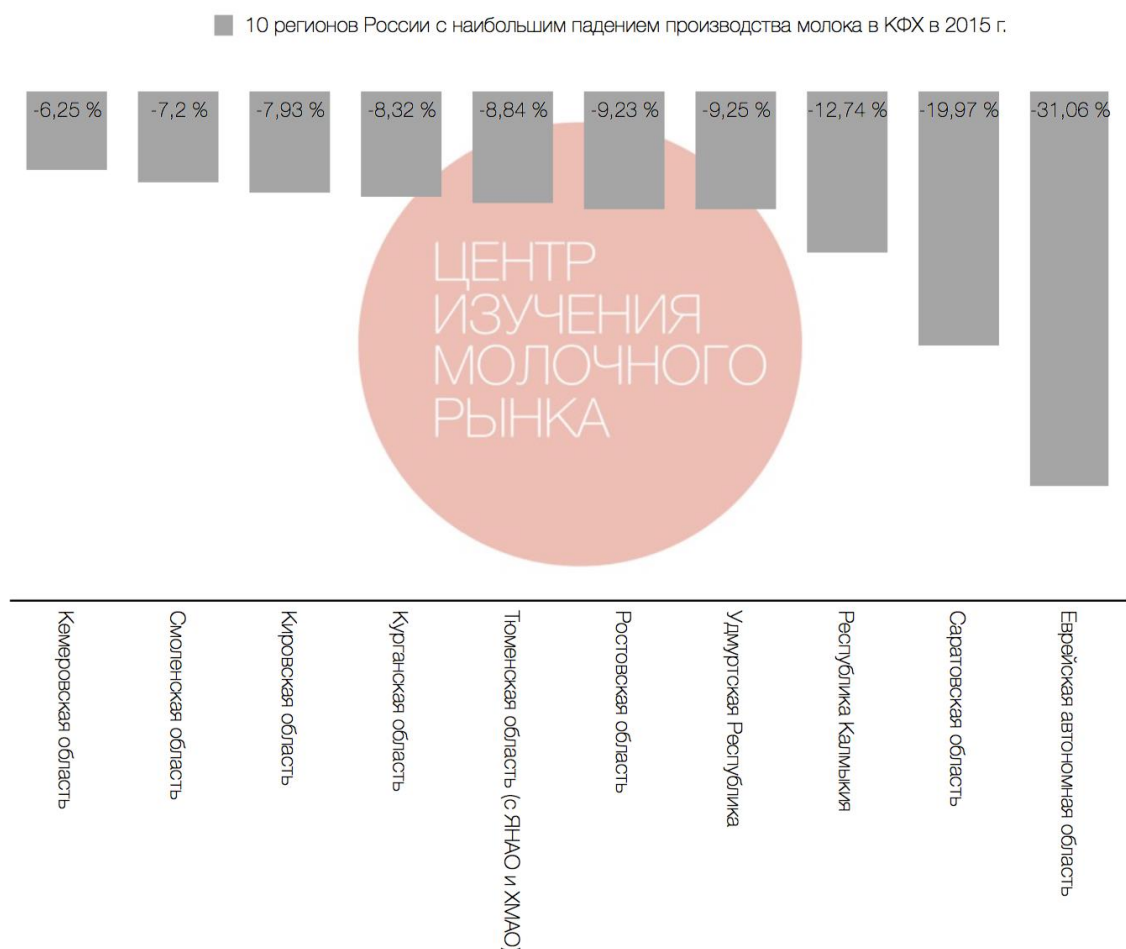


According to **CSDM Director Michael Mishchenko**, «the segment of peasant farms is showing the most dynamic milk production growth during the last 10 years. In recent years the segment was influenced by such factors as Russian food embargo, grant support of local farm sector which leads to legalization of peasant farms involved in milk production, as well as decrease of consumer trust to industrially produced food. Before 2015 the majority of peasant

farms were involved in meat production, today this segment is turning to milk production and processing». According to Mr. Mishchenko, development of peasant farms segment influences region's farm sector sustainability and may serve as an indicator of agricultural market "health" and status of Russian Federation rural development.

Peasant farms of 19 Russian regions decreased milk production in 2015. The greatest decrease showed Jewish Autonomous Region. In 2015 its peasant farms produced 1.6 thousand tons of milk what is 31.06% less compared to 2014. In 2014 32 peasant farms involved in milk production operated in the region with average heard size amounting 31 cows. Share of peasant farms in total volume of region's commercial milk production totaled 69.57% in 2015.

Top-10 Russian regions by milk production in peasant farms drop rate in 2015, %



Overall rating of Russian regions by milk production in peasant farms growth in 2015, %

■ Прирост производства молока в КФХ в 2015 г.

